

Statewide Impact of County Juvenile Detention Facility Closures

Report to Legislative Health and Human Services Committee

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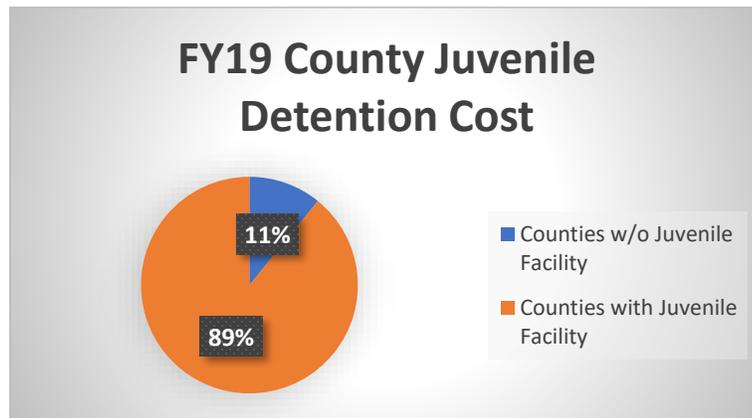
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FY2010 - 4,147 youth detained

FY2019 - 1,459 youth detained

FY2019

Juvenile detention beds		288
Average county juvenile daily population	126	
Average Federal juvenile daily population		16



Total spent by all 33 counties: \$18.5 million

Total spent by 8 counties with facilities: \$16.5 million

Counties with juvenile facilities:

Bernalillo, Curry, Chaves (closing), Doña Ana, Lea, Luna (closing), San Juan, and Santa Fe counties

Recommendations

- Share cost of secure detention among all stakeholders: CYFD, cities and counties.
- Find ways to repurpose existing facilities into alternatives to detention.
- Improve court process & procedures:
 - Reduce unnecessary court appearances.
 - Educate judges, prosecutors and defense counsel.
 - Assign single judge to juvenile justice and neglect proceedings.
 - Use video appearance when appropriate.
- Train & certify transportation officers or create statewide transportation team.
- Create and fund Qualified Residential Treatment Programs eligible for IVE & Medicaid funding.
- Create substance abuse beds and beds for youth with disabilities.
- Increase community resources to address needs of youth.

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