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JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL MEMBER SOUGHT

The Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) is accepting applications from individuals who would like to be considered for membership as at-large community representative members of the JJCC SB 823 subcommittee.

The JJCC is a public body that assists the Chief Probation Officer in developing and executing the Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan. The plan provides a continuum of responses and priorities for the use of grant funds for the prevention, intervention, supervision, treatment, and detention of justice-involved youth. Under SB 823, the JJCC must create a subcommittee to create a local plan and address issues related to the closure of the California Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). The SB 823 sub-committee is required to convene twice per year.

SB 823 ended the use of Department of Juvenile Justice Correctional Centers and returned young people to Secure Youth Treatment Facilities in local juvenile halls. The bill further transferred the responsibility of care, custody, and supervision from the State to local jurisdictions, such as Santa Cruz County Probation.

Any person who is interested in serving as an at-large community representative member of the JJCC subcommittee must complete and submit an application to the Chief Probation Officer by February 1, 2024. The names of the top candidates will then be selected by an ad hoc committee to serve on the subcommittee of the JJCC for a term to end December 31, 2025. For more information and to complete your application, please <u>click here</u>.