



# SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE PROBATION

WHITE PINE, LINCOLN, AND EUREKA COUNTIES

# PARENT & FAMILY HANDBOOK



A guide to partnering with  
Juvenile Probation for a stronger future.



TOGETHER TODAY. BETTER TOMORROW.

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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Family Handbook for the Seventh Judicial District Juvenile Probation Department. We are a tri-county district court department serving White Pine, Lincoln and Eureka Counties. The department provides probation supervision, case management strategies, accountability, public safety, and a safe & secure detention center to meet the interests of juvenile, families, and communities we serve. The Seventh Judicial District does not operate a juvenile detention center. The district partners with Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center located in Elko, Nevada, to safely house our youth when detention services are needed.

If you are reading this, your child has been referred to us. We hope this handbook will serve as a guide and answers your questions and concerns.

We understand that when your child is arrested or referred to us, it initiates many different types of feelings. We understand that this may be a difficult time in your life, and our goal is to provide information directly to you to aid you in understanding the juvenile justice system and your rights and responsibilities.

We understand that no one knows your child better than you do. Therefore, we want to work directly with you to provide the most effective, respectful services possible. With your active participation, we can address the needs of your child and family with the least intrusive level of involvement possible.

We acknowledge that having more knowledge and information can help you navigate our system, support your child, and provide feedback and information throughout the process.

We are here for you as part of your team and are committed to your child's success.

**WHITE PINE COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION SERVICES**  
Business Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday  
(775) 293-6587

**LINCOLN COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION SERVICES**  
Business Hours: Call to schedule an appointment  
(775) 962-1186

**EUREKA COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION SERVICES**  
Business Hours: 7:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday  
(775) 237-5450

**Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center Hours: 24-hours a day, 7 days a week**  
(775) 753-4608

# Promoting Resilience and Accountability

Serving the tri-county communities under the direction of the Seventh Judicial District Court, the department provides probation supervision, intensive case management, detention, prevention, treatment, and community-based services to at-risk youth and their families. Through a balanced approach of supervision, education, rehabilitation, incentives, and sanctions, we strive to reduce delinquent behavior while supporting positive youth development, family engagement, personal responsibility, and skill-building. The department is committed to enforcing lawful orders of the Court, protecting victims' rights, preserving public safety, and providing youth with opportunities to learn, grow, and become responsible and productive members of the community.

## *Mission Statement*

The mission of the Seventh Judicial District Court Juvenile Probation Department is to promote community safety, strengthen families, and encourage positive change in the lives of youth through fairness, integrity, accountability, sanctions, supervision, and evidence-based practices.

**We hold these values to a high standard: Integrity, Excellence, Compassion, Creativity, Respect, and Equity.**

## **MY CHILD HAS BEEN ARRESTED OR RECEIVED A REFERRAL/CITATION- NOW WHAT?**

The following are the events that occur immediately following your child's arrest or citation/referral:

- If arrested, law enforcement, with the assistance of a Juvenile Probation Officer, will determine if your child will be detained or released to a parent/guardian.
- A risk assessment is conducted to determine if your child can be released or if your child will be transported to detention.
  - A detention hearing will be scheduled within 72 hours of booking, excluding weekends and holidays. We will notify you as soon as the hearing time and date are confirmed. Unless you choose to hire a private attorney, your child has the right to be represented at this hearing by the Public Defender's Office. At the detention hearing it will be determined if your child will be detained, released, or released on house arrest with or without electronic monitoring, or with special conditions pending further court appearances.
  - Your child will receive an intake call once the booking process is complete. Your child has the right to refuse this call; however, a Detention Officer will notify you of your child's arrest.
  - Your child will also receive the Massachusetts Youth Screening Inventory (MAYSI-2), a brief screening tool designed to identify potential mental health needs of adolescents involved in the juvenile justice system and is required by NRS 62C.035. If your child reports current suicidal thoughts, an emergency mental health evaluation will be completed to ensure the safety of your child.
  - In Nevada, unlike in the adult system, your child cannot be bailed out of detention.
  - We know this is a difficult time for your child and their family. We are committed to providing care and supervision during their time in custody.
- A citation or referral begins the intake process. If your child receives a citation or a police referral is received, a Juvenile Probation Officer will determine if the referral can be handled informally or needs to be referred to the District Attorney's Office for possible prosecution.
- Seventh Judicial District Juvenile Probation is committed to handling your child's case with the least restriction and intrusion. Citations and referrals may be handled informally, through a diversion process called a Consent Decree, or referred for prosecution.
- Once a citation or referral has been set for prosecution you will be notified of your child's upcoming court date. Notification can be via email, in person, or mail.
  - If a formal petition is filed, your child has the right to an attorney through any proceedings. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be appointed by the Court for all delinquent matters. If the juvenile is unsure of how to

- proceed a Public Defender will be appointed by the Court.
- You may have legal questions during your child's probationary period. Juvenile Probation Officers are prohibited from providing any type of legal advice and will advise you to consult with your child's attorney. Your child has the right to be represented at any and all stages of their Court proceedings.
  - If legal assistance is declined, your child will then be asked to enter an admission or denial plea regarding the allegations set forth in the petition.
  - If your child denies the charges an Evidentiary Hearing will be set in a timely manner.
  - If your child admits or is found responsible through an Evidentiary Hearing, the Court will order a mental health screening tool (MAYSI-2) and a validated, reliable risk and need assessment (Youth Level of Services/Case Management Inventory) will be ordered by the Court to determine the level of supervision your child requires.
  - A Juvenile Probation Officer will meet with you and your child to administer the YLS/CMI 2.0. Once the inventory is completed the Juvenile Probation Officer will file recommendations and provide a copy to you, the District Attorney's Office, the Court, and legal counsel, if applicable.
  - Upon completion of the YLS/CMI 2.0 a Disposition Hearing will be held.
- Recommendations may include diversion, informal supervision, a consent decree, deferred prosecution, fines, community service, counseling services, substance abuse and mental health evaluations, formal probation, or a higher level of care.
- Diversion, informal supervision, or a consent decree may include attendance in evidence-informed groups, community service, check-ins with a Juvenile Probation Officer, referral to substance use and mental health services, or alcohol and drug urine screening, if appropriate. The period of Informal Supervision must not exceed 180 days per NRS 62C.210. Once completed, the case will be closed. Guidance for supervision and consent decree can be found in NRS 62C.230 and 62C.240.
- Deferred prosecution occurs when the District Attorney files a petition and makes an agreement with your child's attorney that if your child completes certain requirements then they will not formally prosecute your child. Once completed, the petition is dismissed and the case will be closed.
- Formal probation occurs when the District Attorney files a petition, a court hearing is scheduled, a plea is entered, disposition occurs, and your child is adjudicated on the offense and placed on formal probation.
- We understand that the cost of services and other factors can add unnecessary stress to your family. Therefore, we will work diligently to ensure that fines, fees,

and costs for services do not become a barrier for your child or you.

- You will **not** be asked to reimburse or pay for any services required through formal court requirements.
  - You may be required to reimburse a victim for any financial losses as a result of the adjudicated delinquent act, or your child may be ordered to pay a fine.
- Juvenile records are confidential and cannot be accessed by others. Juvenile records can be sealed under certain circumstances and are automatically sealed at age 18 except for certain crimes.
- Due to confidentiality, police reports cannot be released by the Seventh Judicial District Juvenile Probation Department per NRS 62H.025.

## HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

### **Educate Yourself**

Reading this handbook is the first step. We will strive to be your partners throughout this process, but you should learn as much as possible and ask questions to prepare you to support your child and the rest of your family.

### **Educate Us**

While we will learn a lot about your child throughout this process, you know your child better than we do, and your input will be invaluable. Your input may include some of the following items:

- Treatment history
- Medications
- Strengths & needs
- Their pattern of responding to people
- Culture
- Educational history
- Transition and support services essential for successful reentry
- General history (i.e., learning disabilities, trauma history)
- Capacity to participate in processes and services
- The environment into which the child will transition back after the release
- Current peers
- Leisure activities

We encourage you to educate juvenile justice professionals on how the system impacts your child, family, and the services and treatment your child receives.

### **Participate**

You will have opportunities to participate throughout the process to provide input relevant to your child and family, including your values, culture, and history.

While it may feel awkward or intimidating, you are encouraged to speak up at meetings to provide information and give input on your child's needs. In court, be prepared to participate by providing vital information. Please make sure we always have your current contact information.

Keep all paperwork in a folder (reports, letters, and notices). Ask for copies of anything in writing about your child. Also, keep good notes regarding people you speak with, any meetings or hearings scheduled, and other important dates and appointments.

We must keep an open line of communication. This will ensure we establish a foundation of honesty, respect, and trust among all parties involved. Your child's and family's strengths are essential in helping your child build a promising future. Be open and honest about the challenges that may have contributed to your child's juvenile

justice involvement. In turn, feel free to ask questions to clarify the process as your child moves through juvenile services. Share your concerns, fears, and positive aspects of your child's life, and offer suggestions to aid in successful programming, treatment planning, and return to the community.

**Advocate**

You can help. We ask that you encourage your child to participate in their programming and treatment actively. We find that youth whose parents are actively involved increases the child's success with Juvenile Services.

We welcome and need your input, and we support and believe that it is vital in helping us to provide the best care and support possible for your child in our system.

If at any time you feel your child is being treated unfairly you can make a formal complaint in writing and submit it to the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer.

## **JUVENILE DETENTION**

(Excerpt from Elko County Juvenile Probation Department Family Handbook 2026)

Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center is a secure holding facility for the temporary detention of juvenile offenders. NRS 62B.210 mandates that the facility be "constructed and conducted as nearly like a home as possible." Within this framework, our mission is twofold:

1. Protecting the community by securely housing juveniles who may be or have been involved in activities injurious to the public.
2. Providing for the safe, secure, and healthy detention of juveniles detained within the facility.

The goals of the facility are:

- To provide basic needs including shelter, food, clothing, and medical care;
- To protect juvenile's rights during residence;
- To provide for their educational, physical, emotional, and social needs;
- To administer programs, rules, discipline, and controls in a fair and consistent manner; and,
- To nurture and encourage acceptable behavior.

While your juvenile is detained, your juvenile will participate in the following programs:

- Education
- Recreation
- Medical Services
- Mental Health Services

There is no cost to families while your child is detained.

Medical services are provided to every child who is detained if necessary. Medical personnel visit the detention center Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) that allows for general sick call as well as follow ups for preexisting medical issues.

If at any time you feel your child is being treated unfairly you can make a formal complaint in writing. The Juvenile Detention Director will contact you and try and help resolve the issue.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICES TO PARENTS**

### **Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)**

PREA is a federal law signed on September 4, 2003, and became effective on August 20, 2012. The PREA Standards provide rules to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment within correctional systems. PREA applies to all federal and state prisons, jails, police lockups, private facilities, and community correctional settings that house male and female adults and juveniles.

Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center has zero tolerance towards all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment of your child in our custody.

If you suspect your child has experienced sexual abuse or sexual harassment while in a correctional/detention facility, there are multiple ways to report this:

- Tell any facility staff member
- Call the Director/PREA Coordinator at 775-753-4608
- Report it to local law enforcement (Elko County Sheriff's Department) at 775-738-3421
- Write a letter to the PREA Coordinator at 665 W. Silver Street, Elko, NV 89801

### **Education**

Your child will receive educational services during their stay at the Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center. These services are provided within the facility in a classroom setting. The Elko County School District provides academic services at Leighton Hall.

Education in our juvenile detention center is delivered by the Elko County School District, which operates independently within the facility. Juveniles are entitled to receive education that meets their individualized educational needs, ensuring continuity of learning and alignment with their existing academic plans. This partnership upholds their educational rights and supports strong academic engagement while they are in custody. It is the goal of the detention center to work with your juvenile to provide a safe and secure setting. If your juvenile is detained and you have any questions, please contact your Probation Officer.

**\*\*\* Youth from the Seventh Judicial District will continue to receive educational services from the school district or program they are currently enrolled in. If detained youth misuse the internet or any rules set forth by the person in charge of administering their education these services can be suspended indefinitely. Every effort will be made by juvenile probation, along with the parent's assistance to provide your child educational services \*\*\***

### **Visitation and Communication**

NRS 62B.510 requires detained youth to have regular communication with biological children, parents, guardians, attorneys, and other adults with whom the child has established a familial or mentoring relationship, including clergy, caseworkers, teachers, mentors and other persons, upon approval of the detention facility.

If your child has been detained, you may communicate with him/her in one of three ways

#### Phone Calls:

A juvenile is allowed an initial phone call at the time of booking, and then may have a call every-other day. All phone calls will be placed to a parent or guardian only. While detained, every juvenile has the opportunity to earn special privileges based on behaviors. One of those privileges is daily phone calls.

#### Mailed Letters:

All written correspondence must be sent through the postal service. Address mail to the juvenile at the Elko County Juvenile Detention Center 665 West Silver Street, Elko Nevada 89801. Letters sent from other probationers or other correctional facilities (juvenile or adult) will be rejected. Detained juveniles are allowed to write letters several times a week, and receive mail daily.

#### Visitation:

Detained juveniles are allowed one visit every other day, Monday thru Sunday (including holidays). You must have a photo ID. You must call the facility to make an appointment 24 hours in advance. Visits by anyone other than biological children, parents, guardians, or attorneys must obtain permission from the juvenile's Probation Officer AND the Detention Manager prior to scheduling. Plan to arrive 10-15 minutes prior to your scheduled visit. Visits begin exactly at the scheduled time, late arrivals (even only 1-2 minutes) may be turned away. Please be aware that you may not bring any items into the visit with you including purses, wallets, etc. Lockers are provided if needed. If a child is being sent to a residential mental health or correctional program, a family visit that includes the biological children, parents, guardians and to include siblings on a case-by-case basis (up to 6 people) will be allowed prior to the child leaving with adequate scheduling.

If you want to bring any items for your child (i.e. – book, movie, puzzles, games, etc), you must receive prior approval, and the item must be considered a donation to the facility and will not be returned.

#### Visiting Times:

Monday through Sunday (including holidays) 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday (including holidays) 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

**Medical Services including prescribed medications**

The Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center contracts with nurses and physicians for medical needs of detained youth. If the nursing staff or physician believes further treatment is required, the youth may be transported to off grounds doctors offices or the emergency room if necessary. Parents will be notified if there is a medical concern for their child. If your child has prescribed medication, please inform the staff when you are notified at the time of detainment. Staff will instruct you as to the protocol for dropping off medication.

## Juvenile Justice Bill of Rights

NRS 62B.510- Rights of a child placed in a detention facility. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 62B.520, a child who is placed in the care and custody of a detention facility within this state has the right:

1. To receive information concerning their rights outlined in this title.
2. To be treated with basic human dignity and respect, without intentional infliction of humiliation.
3. Have fair and equal access to services, placement, care, treatment, and benefits.
4. A program of education that meets the requirements of the law and is appropriate for the child's developmental maturity.
5. To receive adequate, healthy, and appropriate food.
6. To receive adequate, appropriate, and accessible necessities, including, without limitation, shelter, clean clothing, and personal hygiene products and facilities.
7. To have access to necessary medical and behavioral health care services, including, without limitation:
  - (a) Dental, vision, and mental health services;
  - (b) Medical and psychological screening, assessment, and testing; and
  - (c) Referral to and receipt of medical, emotional, psychological, or psychiatric evaluation and treatment as soon as practicable after the need for such services has been identified.
8. To be free from:
  - (a) Abuse or neglect, as defined in NRS 432B.020.
  - (b) Corporal punishment, as defined in NRS 388.478, except the reasonable use of force necessary to preserve the order, security or safety of the child, the public, the detention facility staff, or other children who are detained in the detention facility.
  - (c) The administration of psychotropic medication unless the administration is consistent with the policies established pursuant to NRS 62B.530.
  - (d) Discrimination or harassment on the basis of their actual or perceived race, ethnicity, ancestry, national origin, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, mental or physical disability, or exposure to any communicable disease.
  - (e) The deprivation of food, sleep, exercise, education, pillows, blankets, or personal hygiene products as a form of punishment or discipline.
  - (f) Being searched for the purpose of harassment or as a form of punishment or discipline.
  - (g) Being restricted from a daily shower, clean clothing, drinking water, a toilet, or reading materials relating to the education or detention of the child as a form of

punishment or discipline.

9. To have reasonable access and accommodations to participate in religious services of their choice when reasonably available on the premises of the detention facility or to refuse to participate in religious services.
  
10. To communicate with other persons, including, without limitation, the right:
  - (a) To have regular contact through visits, telephone calls, and mail with:
    - (1) Biological children;
    - (2) Parents;
    - (3) Guardians;
    - (4) Attorneys; and
    - (5) Other adults with whom the child has established a familial or mentoring relationship, including, without limitation, clergy, caseworkers, teachers, mentors, and other persons, upon approval of the detention facility.
  - (b) To communicate confidentially with:
    - (1) Any agency which provides child welfare services to the child concerning their care;
    - (2) Attorneys, legal services organizations, and their employees and staff;
    - (3) Ombudspersons and other advocates;
    - (4) Members of the clergy; and
    - (5) Holders of public office and people who work at a state or federal court.

Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, a communication made pursuant to this paragraph is not a privileged communication.
  - (c) To report any alleged violation of their rights pursuant to NRS 62B.525 without being threatened or punished.
  
11. To participate, in person, by telephone, or by videoconference, in all court hearings pertaining to the circumstances which led to the detention of the child. (Added to NRS by 2017, 744).

NRS 62B.520- Reasonable restrictions on exercise of rights by the child. A detention facility may impose reasonable restrictions on the time, place and manner in which a child may exercise their rights set forth in NRS 62B.510 if such restrictions are necessary to preserve the order, security, or safety of the child, the public, the staff of the detention facility or other children who are detained in the detention facility. (Added to NRS by 2017, 746).

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **How long will my child be involved with juvenile services?**

Services are individualized based on the results of the YLS/CMI 2.0. The closure of your child's case depends on their behavior, progress and how quickly they complete their court or informal requirements. Once court requirements are met or goals are accomplished, the case may be dismissed or closed.

### **Will you contact me if something happens to my child while in detention?**

Seventh Judicial District Juvenile Probation will have open communication with families. We and/or Elko Juvenile Services intend to immediately contact parents or guardians in case of an emergency in detention. An emergency may include a serious medical condition requiring hospitalization or emergency room treatment, attempted escape, or an incident requiring a criminal investigation. You will be contacted by one or both departments. It is required for you to have a current phone number to ensure we can contact you when needed.

### **How do I get in touch with my child in an emergency while in detention?**

In an emergency, call the facility at 775-753-4608

### **Can I bring my child anything during visits while in detention?**

Unfortunately, providing food and gifts is not allowed while your child is in custody.

### **What happens if my child has mental health or substance abuse issues?**

Many children with emotional, behavioral, mental health, and/or substance abuse issues become involved in the juvenile justice system. Information sharing with community-based agencies will be crucial in providing the needed services to your child.

If your child has a mental health or substance abuse disorder, you should:

- Make all those involved aware of your child's mental health and substance abuse history and if your child is taking medication for mental health or substance abuse reasons.
- Provide prior psychiatric, psychological, neurological, behavioral, social, and/or educational evaluations to the Juvenile Probation Officer.
- Work with juvenile justice professionals to help develop case plans for your child or present your plan to them for review.

### **Who do I talk to about getting general updates?**

We welcome open communication if you have questions about how your child is doing or what needs to be worked on, Juvenile Probation Officers or the Chief Juvenile Probation Officer can serve as a resource for information and services in the community. They can link you to services in your community that can provide you with assistance and support.

**What do I do if I move?**

If you move or change phone numbers, contact the appropriate juvenile probation office as soon as you know the new address and phone number.

**What if I am moving out of state?**

Nevada participates in the Interstate Compact for Juveniles, a cooperative supervision between states. This allows families who need to move their child while on probation to have a continuum of care by offering similar services in the other state. Please notify your child's Juvenile Probation Officer if you plan to move out of Nevada.

**What if our family has an emergency after hours or over the weekend?**

Contact local law enforcement. They will contact a probation officer for you. If it is a medical or criminal emergency, please call 911.

**Is information about my child confidential?**

Yes, your child's information is kept confidential under Nevada Revised Statutes section 62H.025. There are certain entities with which Juvenile Probation may share your child's juvenile justice information. Learn more about how your child's information is protected as well as the entities with whom our department may legally share your child's juvenile justice information

**What happens to my child's juvenile record?**

Procedures for sealing records of child who is less than 21 years of age.

**Please see NRS 62H.130**

Automatic sealing of records when child reaches 18 years of age.

**Please see NRS 62H.140**

Limitations on sealing records related to certain delinquent acts.

**Please see NRS 62H.150**

Procedure for expunging records to child who is 18 years of age or older.

**Please see NRS 62H.180**

## **RESOURCES & OTHER SERVICES**

**Nevada 2-1-1** is a free service that provides information about health and human service programs throughout the state. Professionals are available any time, day or night, to assist you with locating the services you need within your zip code area.

- Dial 2-1-1 from anywhere in Nevada (or call 1-866-535-5654 from anywhere)
- Text your 5-digit zip code to 898-211 to "chat" with a specialist via text
- Search online at [www.nevada211.org](http://www.nevada211.org) to access the 2-1-1 database directly

Nevada 2-1-1 has information about the following:

- Housing and shelter
- Resources for infants, children, and young adults
- Health Insurance
- Victims of Crime
- Food, utility, and transportation assistance
- Crisis hotlines
- Mental health, addiction, and disability resources

### **Mental Health Services**

Juvenile Probation Officers have a list of private counselors in the community that you can request.

Rural Mental Health, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, provides outpatient behavioral health services for adults and children.

For children statewide, age 17 and under, you may call the Children's Mobile Crisis Response Team. This service provides crisis intervention and support to Nevada families dealing with a behavioral or mental health crisis. They provide telephone triage, mobile crisis response, as necessary, crisis stabilization, and aftercare. For more information, visit the following website: <http://knowcrisis.com>. To access services in rural Nevada, please call 775-688-1670.

### **Suicide Prevention**

#### **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

1-800-273-8255 or 9-8-8

<https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/>

If your child is struggling with thoughts of suicide, help is available. The Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals.

#### **Crisis Call Center**

1-800-273-8255

24 hours a day, 365 days a year

Or Text CARE to 83986

Trevor Project

1-866-488-7386

The Trevor Project is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) young people under 25.

Spanish National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1-888-628-9454

**Domestic Violence**

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-7233

**General Assistance**

Nevada Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

*Northern Nevada-775-684-0800*

*Southern Nevada-702-486-1646*

Apply for energy, medical, food, and childcare assistance.

Provides food and emergency shelter.

Lifeline NV

1-844-330-1867

[eligibility@nvlifeline.org](mailto:eligibility@nvlifeline.org)

Provides discounts on telephone or broadband services for low-income households.

**LGBTQI Advocates**

Our Center

1745 South Wells Ave., Reno, Nevada 89502

775-624-3720 [www.ourcentereno.org](http://www.ourcentereno.org)

Northern Nevada HOPES

580 West 5th Street Reno, Nevada 89503

775- 786-4673 [www.nnhopes.org](http://www.nnhopes.org)

Crisis Text Line

Text HOME to 741741 from anywhere in the US to talk with a trained Crisis Counselor. Crisis Text Line is free, with 24/7 support for those in crisis.

Crisis Call Line-Reno

775-784-8090

Text "ANSWER" to 839863

Northern Nevada Crisis Call Line is a 24/7 number where skilled counselors can assist you.

**Sexual Assault Survivor Advocates**

National Child Abuse Hotline

800-4-A-CHILD (422-4453), anytime, 24/7.

National Sexual Assault Hotline

800-656-HOPE (4673) or chat online at [online.rainn.org](http://online.rainn.org).

**Victims of Crime Services**

State of Nevada Victims of Crime Office

702-486-2740

Check eligibility, complete an application, and find other victim assistance resources.

<http://voc.nv.gov/>

**Substance Use Treatment**

Vitality Unlimited

A private-not-for-profit community-based, outpatient mental health and addiction services agency. Mental Health Therapy and Addiction Treatment services are provided to children, adolescents, adults, and families.

3740 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801

215 Bluffs Avenue, Suites 100-200, Elko, Nevada 89801

775-738-8004

775-777-8477

Bristlecone Family Resources: Adult Services

704 Mill Street Reno, NV 89502

775-954-1400 <https://www.bristleconereno.com/>

Quest Counseling: Youth Services

3500 Lakeside Court, Suite 101, Reno, NV 89509

775-786-6880 <https://questreno.com/>

Community Counseling Services

714 E. Sahara Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89104

702-369-8700 <https://www.cccofsn.org/>

A full list of certified providers can be found here:

<http://dpbh.nv.gov/Programs/ClinicalSAPTA/dta/Providers/SAPTAProviders/>

## **7<sup>th</sup> JUDICIAL JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

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Ely, NV 89301

Steve Zimmerman  
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10S Main Street  
Eureka, NV 89316

Chase Dirks  
775-962-1186  
[cdirks@whitepinecounty.nv.gov](mailto:cdirks@whitepinecounty.nv.gov)  
181 Main Street  
Pioche, NV 89043  
P.O. Box 147  
Pioche, NV 89043

### **Northeastern Nevada Juvenile Detention Center**

665 W. Silver Street  
Elko, NV 89801  
775-753-4608  
[juveniledetention@elkocounty.nv.net](mailto:juveniledetention@elkocounty.nv.net)

## **CONCLUSION**

When your child becomes involved with the Juvenile Justice System, we understand it can be an incredibly stressful, confusing, and hectic time for you as a parent. We will work in collaboration with you and your child to assist your child in being successful at home, school, and in the community.

We hope you ask questions, participate whenever you can, and feel confident advocating for your child. We look forward to partnering with you and using our shared time and resources most effectively for you and your family.

*"The greatest gift you can give a child is confidence in their ability to overcome challenges"*  
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## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Adjudication:** A hearing at which the juvenile court judge or other judicial officer determines that a juvenile is responsible for the offense that has been filed.

**Admission:** A plea in which your child accepts responsibility for the act which brought them to Court.

**Arraignment:** An act of bringing someone before the court to hear and answer formal charges.

**Arrest:** Using legal authority to deprive a person of his/her freedom of movement.

**Case Plan:** A comprehensive plan for each youth that is initially developed by the probation officer in consultation with the youth, the youth's family/guardian(s) and all other individuals deemed appropriate in the youth's life. This plan identifies the goals and objectives for each youth based on their identified needs.

**Case Management:** A service provided by JPO staff that provides structure to a youth's case, including case planning, treatment and program monitoring, re-entry planning, referrals to community-based resources and case file documentation.

**Commitment:** A youth who has been adjudicated by a juvenile court (found responsible for an offense) and ordered and placed into a correctional facility for treatment and rehabilitation.

**Consent Decree:** An Order of a Judge based upon an agreement instead of continuing the case through a formal court hearing.

**Delinquent:** A child who the Court finds has committed an act that would be a crime if committed by an adult.

**Delinquent Act:** An offense committed by a juvenile that would be classified as a crime if committed by an adult.

**Denial:** A plea in which your child does not accept responsibility for the act which brought them to Court.

**Detention Facility:** A county locked facility where children await their next court hearing or placement.

**Disposition:** The final settlement of a matter; sentencing of a case.

**District Attorney:** An attorney for the government with the specific district.

**District Court:** The Court of general jurisdiction in a specific district, which oversees gross misdemeanor and felony offenses.

**Diversion Agreement:** An agreement with a Juvenile Probation Officer to handle a youth's case outside of a formal court hearing; also known as an informal hearing.

**Evidentiary Hearing:** The determination of an individual's innocence or guilt by due process of law.

**Facility:** A center that houses youth ordered for treatment and rehabilitation or mental health care.

**Handbook:** A manual of instruction or guidance.

**Juvenile:** A person who is alleged to have committed or who has been adjudicated as having committed a delinquent act prior to turning 18 years old.

**No Contest (nolo contendere):** A plea in which your child accepts responsibility as though a guilty plea had been entered but does not admit guilt.

**Petition:** The formal legal document that initiates proceedings against a minor. It is the equivalent of a criminal complaint or indictment in adult court and serves to bring the child and their parents/guardians into court, giving them notice of the alleged wrongdoing.

**Public Defender:** An attorney appointed to represent an individual at the public's expense.

**Recidivism:** A tendency to relapse into a previous condition or mode of behavior, especially a relapse into criminal behavior.

**Residential Treatment:** A program that provides extensive behavioral, psychiatric or alcohol treatment while the individual is attending school and living in residence at the program.

**Risk Assessment:** An assessment used to assess a youth's likelihood (risk) of future re-offending.

**Sanction:** A penalty for a wrong or disobedience.

**Status Offense:** Any conduct that would not be considered illegal if committed by an adult. Status offenses are curfew, incorrigible, runaway, and truant.

**Welfare Check:** When a law enforcement officer responds to a request to check on the safety and well being of a person.