

## Partnerships in the 20th Judicial District and Beyond

The **Justice System Volunteer Program (JSVP)** provides long-term volunteers for CJS and the District Attorney's Office. Each year more than 100 volunteers donate their time and talents in victim witness advocacy, case management, staff assistance, youth mentoring, jail education and more. JSVP is also responsible for managing volunteers and donations in the event of a county emergency or disaster.

**138**

Volunteers within the JSVP dedicated **14,295 hours** to criminal justice programs

**\$371,241**

Estimated value of volunteer time donated to the JSVP (this number was derived from the Independent Sector which calculates the estimated value for Colorado volunteer time at \$25.97 per hour)

## 10 Years of Youth Mentoring Program

**70,000**

days of connecting youth and mentors

**191**

representative years of mentoring



The **Mentoring Program** served a record 53 youth. Volunteers provide one-on-one mentoring and guidance for a minimum of one year, by building positive ongoing relationships, serving as role models, encouraging community connections, and offering support.

## Offender Management Work

This work is a result of the 2016 Justice System Partners Report in which 27 recommendations were made to help reduce jail overcrowding. In 2017, CJS implemented several recommendations including:

- The administration of the Domestic Violence Screening Instrument to assist bond commissioners in recommending pretrial supervision support.
- Implementation of a decision making matrix to determine pretrial supervision levels.
- The Pretrial Pretreatment Program to engage pretrial defendants in treatment for substance use disorders.
- Implementation, planning and training of staff for group-based cognitive behavioral interventions to be used in the jail and in the community.

## Looking Ahead for 2018

CJS will continue to spearhead the implementation of the Offender Management Work which will include:

- Implementing assessment and case management for medium and high risk offenders in the Boulder County Jail.
- Development of an integrated database accessible to all elements of the County's criminal justice system to aid planning, operations, and program evaluation.
- Building fidelity measures into all evidence-based programs to ensure they are being delivered as prescribed.

## CJS Administrative Services

The **Operational Services Team** managed an estimated **20,000** client contacts (in person or by phone) referred by the courts for pretrial supervision and community service. Staff, the majority of whom are bilingual, also manage ordering office supplies, finance and facility matters.

CJS is committed to core values of courage, compassion, and connection in developing our workforce to provide effective community services.

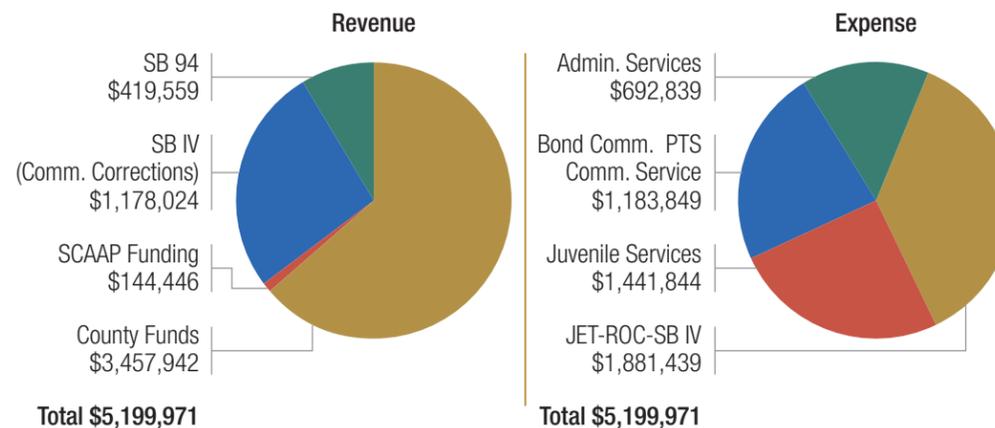


The mission of Boulder County Community Justice Services (CJS) is to address core stability, provide hope, support and safety, inspire continual growth, collaborate and empower community.

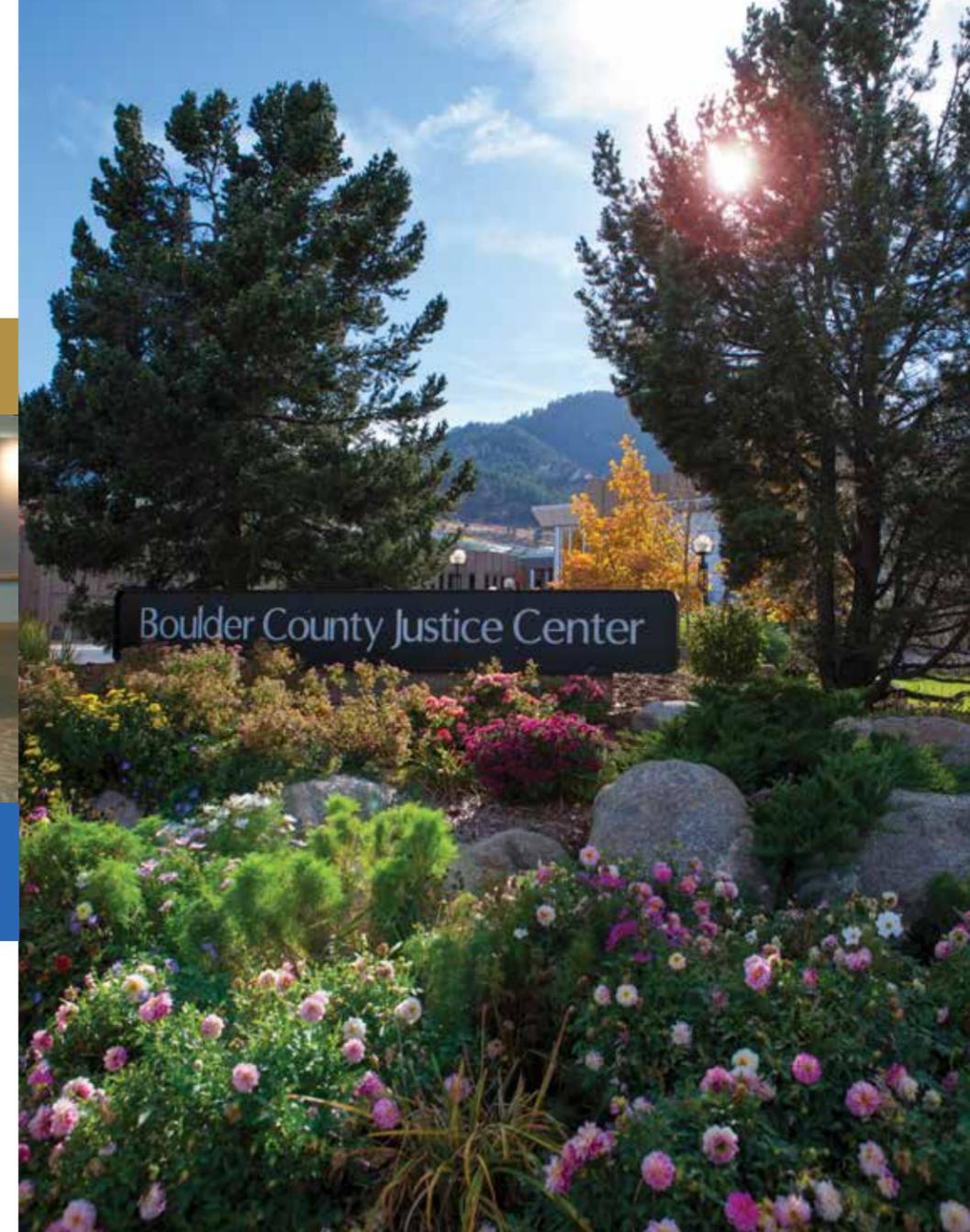
## CJS Revenues and Expenses

CJS collected **\$243,339** in Community Service Client Fees and **\$18,500** in ROC Client Fees. This revenue goes into the County General Fund.

### 2016 - 2017 Revenues and Expenses



*Our special thanks to the Boulder County Commissioners for their continued funding and support of the Community Justice Services Division.*



**2017**

# COMMUNITY JUSTICE SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT



AREA AGENCY ON AGING  
COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS  
COMMUNITY JUSTICE SERVICES  
CHILD PROTECTION REVIEW TEAMS  
HEAD START  
HEALTHY YOUTH ALLIANCE  
VOLUNTEER INITIATIVES  
WORKFORCE BOULDER COUNTY

Generating a Lifetime of Opportunities

## Community and Jail-Based Services

The **Bond Commissioners Unit** provides initial assessment of individuals after arrest in order to recommend or set bond.

CJS is involved in the **Bond Reform Project**, an evidence-based approach to ensure that release decisions are driven by risk. Research shows that posting a monetary bond does not increase the likelihood of community safety and court appearance, and disproportionately affects low-income individuals. Risk assessment through increased bond commissioner interviews and tailored supervision have been shown to mitigate risk more effectively than setting monetary bonds.

Jail bed utilization has declined due to a combination of several factors, including fewer bookings as well as system wide efforts such as the Bond Reform Project.

The **Pretrial Supervision Unit** supervises defendants who are court-ordered as a condition of bond. Tailored case management is provided with community safety as the primary goal. The program had **2,029** intakes.

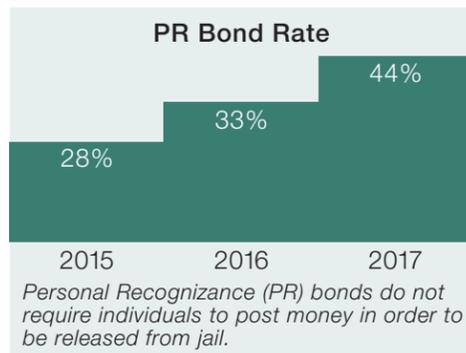
**88%** of supervised defendants made all court appearances

**81%** of supervised defendants had no new charges during the pretrial period

The **Jail Education & Transition Program (JET)** prepares inmates to reenter society safely and as productive members of their communities and families through enhanced knowledge, awareness, skills and resources.

**197** clients received resources for basic needs after release from jail

**251** clients took Spanish/English Language classes



In 2017, CJS implemented **Specialized Caseloads** for supervised clients presenting with mental health and/or substance abuse disorders. Clients are referred through the Pretrial Supervision Unit to case managers who specialize in these areas and can meet their unique needs.



**2,007** class sessions taught within the Boulder County Jail

## Alternatives to Incarceration

CJS programs provide alternative sentencing options to keep clients in the community and reduce jail bed usage, while providing treatment, improving safety outcomes and reducing criminal justice costs.

**Community Service** is a sentencing alternative that serves the courts and the community by placing clients into unpaid positions in approved non-profit agencies, giving them the opportunity to give back to the community in which they have done harm.

**2,754** intakes in the Community Service Program  
**82,808** hours of community service were completed

**4,234** hours completed by participants of **Fast Track**, an option for clients to complete their obligation over the weekend. This program saved the county and local non-profits **\$97,382**

### Caring Crafts



As part of the Community Service program, clients can opt to create crafts including carpentry, weavings, knitted goods and paintings which are then donated to non-profit agencies. Program client Anthony Quilici, a cabinet maker from Nederland, built and hand-embellished a rocking horse using recycled materials. When it sold in a silent auction, the proceeds benefited The Carousel of Happiness in Nederland.

**164** Juveniles participated in Juvenile Diversion crews  
**984** hours of service were completed  
**\$8,098** in cost savings to the county

**Restoring our Communities (ROC)** is a voluntary substance abuse treatment program designed for men who have three or more drinking/drugging and driving offenses. The program served **61** clients with DUI offenses.

**82%** of the clients who completed the ROC program graduated successfully  
**100%** of ROC graduates had no new drinking and driving related charges one year post-program

**Community Corrections** is a state-funded alternative to divert individuals from prison, or transition them to the community after release from prison. It provides residential community based services for clients with the goal of supporting their productive reintegration back into society. The Community Corrections Board reviews cases for approval as a sentencing option for the courts, with community safety as the primary consideration.

**117** diversion cases with **81%** acceptance rate  
**105** transition cases with **71%** acceptance rate

## Supportive Juvenile Justice Programs

The **Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC)** is the only county-funded intake, assessment and short-term detention facility for juveniles in the state. Its main purpose is to assess youth for release into the community, provide secure lodging and ensure safety. The Center offers positive programming during incarceration to further reduce harm using volunteers and interns who assist staff with daily activities and provide special programming including yoga, therapy dogs, art education, and gardening.

**702** admissions in JAC  
**24%** Municipal, Petty & Traffic  
**33%** Felonies  
**43%** Misdemeanors  
**72%** male  
**15** average age



The **Boulder Enhanced Supervision Team (BEST)** provides services, supervision, and support for youth involved in the early stages of the justice system who are at high risk of being detained in a locked facility. BEST provided **91** opportunities for youth to return home with the support and structure to maintain safety for both the juvenile and the community.

**99%** of participants made all court appearances  
**95%** had no new charges  
**5,844** days that juveniles were kept out of detention by participating in BEST

The **Family Navigator** supports families with questions about their child's involvement in the juvenile justice system. It can serve as a one-time resource liaison between community agencies and families (Track 1), or a more long-term support to increase their self-efficacy as they navigate the system (Track 2). There were **789** contacts made in Track 1 and **23** families served in Track 2

**88%** of providers felt that families served were able to better engage in the system and vocalize their needs

The **Juvenile Services Detention Therapist** provides assessment and brief psychotherapy, and coordinates medication evaluations and other treatment services for detained youth and their families.

**80** youth were served  
**485** clinical contacts were made