

Progress Update on RAND Evaluation of JJCPA Funded Programs in Los Angeles County

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Activity Since December 2023

Provide consultation and report on the JJCPA programs in compliance with JJCPA Program Outcomes, BSCC rules and requirements, and County requirements

- Released toolkit “Building Capacity for Data Collection” (January 2024)
 - <https://www.rand.org/pubs/tools/TLA3005-1.html>
- Developed evidence summaries for JJCPA-funded services for JJCPA Annual Plan (April 2024)

Update on Evaluation Efforts and Timeline – First Set of Programs

2021

- Mental Health Screening, Assessment, and Treatment
- Multisystemic Therapy
- CARE Program
- Juvenile Mental Health Court

Initial Set of Programs: Progress Update

- Report 1: JMHC + CARE
 - Qualitative and program data
 - Will be completing RAND Publications process within next month and ready for public release
- Report 2: MST + MHSAT
 - Qualitative and program data
 - Currently undergoing final round of revision and formal copy edit; expected to be ready for public release within 1-2 months
- Report Appendices: Containing juvenile justice contact data
 - Initial draft complete; plan for QA review and release around end of year

Update on Evaluation Efforts and Timeline – Second Set of Programs

2022

- DPH Substance Use Programs (Youth Substance Use, CENS, YES)
- LA County DEO (Formerly WDACS)
- LA City EWDD
- Youth Development Training
- PPP (Ready 2 Rise)
- DPH Office of Violence Prevention Trauma Prevention Initiative/Capacity Building Training

Second Set of Programs: Progress Updates

- Report 3: Capacity Building Programs
 - Qualitative data
 - Final revisions under review and copy editing in progress
 - Expected to be ready for public release in 1-2 months
- Report 4: DEO/EWDD
 - Qualitative data
 - Final report in development and to be submitted to RAND quality assurance process this week
 - Expected to be ready for public release by end of year

Update on Evaluation Efforts and Timeline – Third Set of Programs

2023

- Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation
- City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks
- City of Los Angeles Housing Authority
- Los Angeles County Development Authority
- City of Paramount

Third Set of Programs: Progress Updates

- Report 5: Covers programs offered by all five agencies
 - Qualitative and program data
 - Final report in development and to be submitted to RAND quality assurance process this week (September 2024)
 - Expected to be ready for public release by end of year (2024)

Update on Evaluation Efforts and Timeline – Fourth Set of Programs

2024

- Los Angeles County Beaches and Harbors
- Los Angeles County Library

Fourth Set of Programs: Progress Updates

- Report 6: Covers Beaches and Harbors, Libraries, plus DPH Substance Use programming
 - Qualitative and program data
 - Final report in progress and to be submitted to RAND quality assurance process in mid/late September
 - Expected to be ready for public release by end of year (2024) or early January 2025

Gap Analysis 2024

- Focus of gap analysis
 - Our interviews with programs were designed in part to identify groups of youth who have particular needs or are often marginalized
 - With our gap analysis, we wanted to focus on exploring best practices related to serving at-risk and juvenile justice-involved youth within these marginalized groups
 - Based on a review of our data and other guiding documents (e.g., CMJJP, Community Advisory Committee Youth Service Needs Assessment Survey), we have focused on LGBTQ+ youth

Gap Analysis 2024, cont.

- Methods
 - Conducting comprehensive literature review
 - Supplemented by key informant interviews and analysis of our existing interview data
- Final Report
 - Report 7: In progress, to be submitted to RAND quality assurance process in mid/late September
 - Expect to be ready for public release in December or early January

Feedback and Questions?

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