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Contra Costa County Seeks Applicants for Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council

(Martinez, CA) - The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors is seeking residents who may be interested in serving on its 19-member Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC).

The JJCC is a multi-agency advisory body charged with creating and maintaining the County's comprehensive *Juvenile Probation Consolidated Annual Plan* and coordinating county-based juvenile delinquency prevention initiatives. The state-mandated *Juvenile Probation Consolidated Annual Plan* is designed to improve services for Contra Costa County's juvenile justice population by assessing existing practices and resources, identifying system needs and gaps, and prioritizing and recommending solutions.

The Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council will be composed of the following 19 members:

- Nine (9) ex-officio voting members:
 - 1. Chief Probation Officer, as Chair
 - 2. District Attorney's Office representative
 - 3. Public Defender's Office representative
 - 4. Sheriff's Office representative
 - 5. Board of Supervisors' representative
 - 6. Employment and Human Services Department representative
 - 7. Alcohol and Other Drugs Division representative
 - 8. Behavioral Health Division representative
 - 9. Public Health Division representative
- Ten (10) additional voting members selected and appointed by the Board of Supervisors:
 - 10. City Police Department representative
 - 11. County Office of Education representative
 - 12–15. Four (4) At-Large Members, residing or working within Contra Costa County;
 - 16–17. Two (2) Community-Based Organization representatives;
 - 18–19. Two (2) At-Large Youth, age 14 to 21 years old, residing or working in Contra Costa County

The Board is now seeking applications for five (5) of the seats identified above:

- ✓ Three (3) individuals to serve in the At-Large Seats #13, #14 and #15;
- ✓ Two (2) youth, age 14 to 21 years old, to serve in the At-Large Youth Seats, #18 and #19

Appointments to the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council will be for a term of two years. The JJCC is expected to meet on a regular basis, at intervals to be established by the JJCC. Members will serve without compensation, stipends, or reimbursement of expenses. The community based representatives should reflect the geographic, ethnic, and racial diversity of the County and should include youth or those providing restorative justice, faith-based, or mentoring services, to justice-involved, homeless, or foster-care involved youth.

Applicants will be interviewed by the Board of Supervisors' Public Protection Committee: Supervisors John Gioia, District I, and Federal Glover, District V. The nominations for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council will then be forwarded to the full Board of Supervisors for action.

Below is a timeline of the recruitment process for the five vacancies:

• April 1, 2019: First Day of the Application Period

May 24, 2019: Final Day of the Application Period, due by 5:00 p.m.
June 3, 2019: Public Protection Committee Meeting: Interviews
June 18, 2019: Board of Supervisors Consideration of Nominees

Application forms can be obtained from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by calling (925) 335-1900 or by visiting the County webpage at http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/3418/. Applications should be returned to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Room 106, County Administration Building, 651 Pine Street, Martinez, CA 94553. Applications can also be emailed to ClerkoftheBoard@cob.cccounty.us.

Public Protection Committee Chair and Board Chair, Supervisor John Gioia, commented on the process, "We value diversity, inclusion and racial equity in Contra Costa County, and we welcome interest from residents all across our County who want to serve the community in the cause of juvenile justice and delinquency prevention."

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