

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-__

**THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTIES OF DOUGLAS,
ELBERT, AND LINCOLN COLORADO**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A JUVENILE SERVICES
PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Douglas, Elbert, and Lincoln Counties, to have effective services for juveniles who are involved in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 19-2.5-302, it is within the authority of the constituent counties of the Twenty-Third Judicial District to agree together to authorize the creation of a of a local Juvenile Services Planning Committee for the Judicial District; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County believes a Juvenile Services Planning Committee is necessary to effectively create a plan for the allocation of resources for the local juvenile services within the Twenty-Third Judicial District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTIES OF DOUGLAS, ELBERT, AND LINCOLN THAT:

Douglas, Elbert, and Lincoln Counties ("Counties") approves the creation of a local Juvenile Services Planning Committee ("Committee") pursuant to C.R.S. § 19-2.5-302 and said Committee shall be organized and established as follows, to with:

- 1) The Committee shall be comprised of not less than ten (10) or more than twenty-five (25) members. Before January 14, 2025 the administrative judge of the Twenty-Third Judicial district shall appoint the members based on a list of persons recommended by the Boards of Commissioners from each county in the Twenty-Third Judicial District. After January 14, 2025 the Chief Judge of the Twenty-Third Judicial District shall appoint members of the Committee based on a list of persons recommended by the Boards of Commissioners from each county in the Twenty-Third Judicial District.
- 2) Committee membership shall include the following, per C.R.S. 19-2.5-302(1):
 - a) A Representative from a local Department of Human Services;
 - b) A Representative of a Local Law Enforcement Agency;

- c) The Chief Probation Officer of the Twenty-Third Judicial district or their Designee;
 - d) A Representative of the Division of Youth Services
 - e) Private Citizens;
 - f) The District Attorney for the Twenty-Third Judicial District or Their Representative;
 - g) The Colorado Public Defender or their representative;
 - h) A representative of a community Mental Health Organization; and
 - i) Representatives of Municipal interests from the community.
- 3) The Committee shall meet as necessary to develop a plan for the allocation of resources for local juvenile services within the judicial district for the fiscal year. The state department of human services shall approve the plan.
- 4) The plan shall provide for the management of dually identified crossover youth, which are identified as “youth who are currently involved in the juvenile justice system and the child welfare system or have a history in the child welfare system that includes, but is not limited to, a family assessment response service plan or an open case.” C.R.S. 19-2.5-102(19).
- 5) The plan shall include descriptions of processes to include:
- a) A process for the identification of dually identified crossover youth at the earliest reasonable point of contact;
 - b) A method for collaborating and exchanging information with other judicial districts, including with the collaborative management program described in section 24-1.9-102 and consistent with the data-sharing policies of the collaborative management program;
 - c) A process for promptly communicating information about the youth's crossover status between the child welfare and juvenile justice systems and to notify each other of the new involvement in the respective system or information that may aid in the identification of dually identified crossover youth. The following parties should be notified of a youth's status as a dually identified crossover youth if applicable: Public defenders, district attorneys, local juvenile services planning committee coordinators, human or social services department representatives,

probation representatives, juvenile court representatives, parents, and guardians ad litem.

- d) A process for identifying the appropriate services or placement-based assessment for a dually identified crossover youth;
 - e) A process for sharing and gathering information in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and county policy;
 - f) A process for the development of a single case management plan and identification of the lead agency for case management purposes and the engagement of dually identified crossover youth and their caregivers;
 - g) A process that facilitates the sharing of assessments and case planning information and includes policies around sharing information with other judicial districts;
 - h) A process for a multidisciplinary group of professionals to consider decisions that include youth and community safety, placement, provision of needed services, alternatives to detention and commitment, probation, parole, permanency, education stability, and case closure; and
 - i) A requirement that dually identified crossover youth placed in a secure detention facility who are deemed eligible for release by the court be placed in the least restrictive setting whenever possible to reduce the disparity between dually identified crossover youth and non-dually identified crossover youth in secure detention.
- 6) To the degree that any funding requires the expenditure of county funds, such funding shall be subject to approval by the Board of County Commissioners.
 - 7) To the extent that joint action (including any decision to amend or repeal this Joint Resolution or to dissolve the Committee established hereby) is required by the Signatory boards under the terms of this Joint Resolution, said action shall be considered adopted and enforceable if it has been approved by an affirmative vote of the Signatory Boards, with each such Board having one vote.
 - 8) Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the Chief Judge via the County Boards of Commissioners and may be removed with or without good cause shown by action of the Chief Judge of the Twenty-Third Judicial District.
 - 9) The Board shall have the authority to create and pass such bylaws as are necessary for the efficient administration of the Board. All bylaws and amendments to them must be passed

by a majority vote of a quorum of the Board. A quorum of the board is present when at least five members of the Board are present.

- 10) The Board shall comply with all Colorado laws including open meeting laws.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2024, in _____ County, Colorado.

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, COLORADO**

BY:

GEORGE TEAL, Chair

ATTEST:

ROBERT NELSON, Clerk to the Board

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ELBERT, COLORADO**

BY:

_____, Chair

ATTEST:

_____, Clerk to the Board

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, COLORADO**

BY:

_____, Chair

ATTEST:

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