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Updates for the Nebraska Children's Commission: August 2026

Juvenile Justice System Enhancement ~ Nebraska (JJSEN)

- Youth Justice System Advisory Team (YJSAT): A key recommendation of the JJSEN review and essential element of system enhancement is multi-disciplinary collaboration which prompted the creation of the YJSAT launched in August 2025.
 - Next Meeting is August 21, 2026, workgroups will come together to focus on the two priorities:
 1. Out-of-Home placement denials for high-risk and complex youth to focus on addressing the risk/need/responsivity of these youth
 2. Increase access to intensive In-Home services and Community-Based Services
- Adolescent Development Curriculum: Enhancing and launching statewide in 2027 for probation and other youth justice professionals.

Environmental Scan: Probation Districts 11 and 12: Full report available at <https://nebraskajudicial.gov/sites/default/files/Probation/juvenile/111Environment-Scan-Final-121625.pdf>

- Launch meeting was May 1, 2026, and leadership group has identified top two service priorities:
 1. Counseling/IFP and 2. Mentoring – Thrive

Legislative Bill 962 Implementation:

- Bill passed last session with an effective date of December 1, 2026
- Creates the Youth Reentry and Transitional Support Act
 - Leadership Group meeting to create rules and regulations
 - Reached out to provider networks to connect to out-of-home providers
 - Enhancing current reentry plans

Probation and Youth Justice System Review:

- Grant awarded for Douglas County to receive review completed by the National Resource Center for the Transformation of Youth Justice.

Juvenile Probation Data – Quarter 2 Report: <https://nebraskajudicial.gov/sites/default/files/publication-report-files/Q2-2026-Juvenile-Infographics.pdf>

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