

## Division of Youth Corrections

### Mission Statement >>>

To protect, restore, and improve public safety through a continuum of services and programs that: effectively supervise juvenile offenders, promote offender accountability to victims and communities, and build skills and competencies of youth to become responsible citizens.

### Vision Statement >>>

“Working with Colorado Communities to Achieve Justice”



## Mount View Youth Services Center

### Mission Statement >>>

It takes a strong culture to make a positive difference in the lives of our community members.

### Vision Statement >>>

Fostering a culture that facilitates safety, learning and positive changes by utilizing best practices to improve the lives of the community we serve

## Colorado Department of Human Services Division of Youth Corrections

### 5 Core Values

Division Employees will  
*Speak and Act with* **INTEGRITY**

*Treat Youth, Families and  
Each Other with* **RESPECT**

*Demonstrate* **TRUST**

*Reflect Personal  
Accountability*

*Pursue* **EXCELLENCE**

### 5 Key Strategies

The Division will Provide  
**THE RIGHT SERVICES AT THE  
RIGHT TIME**

*delivered by*  
**QUALITY STAFF**

*using*  
**PROVEN PRACTICES**

*in*  
**SAFE ENVIRONMENTS**

*embracing*  
**RESTORATIVE COMMUNITY  
JUSTICE PRINCIPLES**

#### Working with Colorado Communities to Achieve Justice

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*Visitation is an avenue to build and maintain healthy family and community relationships.*

### Visit Information >>>

Families of youth in the care of the Colorado Division of Youth Corrections are encouraged to visit the facility. All visits require a scheduled appointment. You can request visitation by contacting the Mount View Youth Services Center Control Unit at (303) 987-4502

### Visitation Hours >>>

Monday-Friday 7pm or 8:00pm

Saturday & Sunday: 10:00am-4:00pm and 7:00pm or 8:00pm

*Youth have the opportunity for a minimum 30 minute visit per week.*

*The number of visits can be increased by progress made in the program*

## Mount View Youth Services Center Program Information >>>

Mount View Youth Services Center (MVYSC) is a secure, co-ed multi-purpose facility operated by the Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections (DYC). MVYSC is located in unincorporated Southeastern Jefferson County and provides detention services for the First and Fifth Judicial Districts, Assessment services for sixteen Judicial Districts along the Colorado Front-Range, a secure Transportation unit that supports the Assessment function, and the Next Step program for youth who have returned to secure committed care due to unsafe behaviors. The sixteen Judicial Districts served by the Mount View Assessment unit encompass 46 Counties.

Mount View's behavior management program is applicable to all detained and committed youth. The program focuses on behavior, goal setting, strengths and the use of positive reinforcement through a level system. In addition, the facility utilizes a number of evidence-based curriculums for detained and committed youth, including *Skillstreaming the Adolescent* curriculum.

MVYSC is home to the Front-Range Assessment Unit for youth committed to the Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections. The Division of Youth Corrections assessment process relies upon evidenced-based assessment tools such as the Colorado Juvenile Risk Assessment (CJRA) to develop recommendations that address the risk and protective factors. The focus on risk and protective factors is a primary strategy to aid youth in addressing his or her criminal behaviors with the overall goal of reducing recidivism. Assessment results are reviewed by each youth's multi-disciplinary team (MDT). The team includes the family/natural supports, youth, the client manager, line staff, assessment specialists and others deemed appropriate. Masters level clinicians are available to provide individual, group counseling and crisis management to youth progressing through the assessment process or awaiting a placement into a treatment program. We also provide a Family Orientation group for families/natural supports who have a child committed to the Division of Youth Corrections.

Educational services are available to all youth in residential placement with the Division of Youth Corrections. Jefferson County Public Schools provides an on-site education program that serves

the detention population. The Division of Youth Corrections employs licensed teachers to educate committed youth. The school programs provide special education services to those who require individual educational plans. Jefferson County and DYC offer social studies, math, language arts, science, elective classes and recreation. Youth are able to work toward a High School Diploma or obtain a GED. They may also be involved in a vocational program.

Youth residing at Mount View are provided the opportunity to receive weekly religious, medical, counseling, psychoeducational groups, mental health and psychiatric services. Youth are also involved in Restorative Community Justice (RCJ) projects which allow them to examine and repair harm that they have caused to the community.

The detention population receives clinical services from the Jefferson Center for Mental Health (JCMH). JCMH Clinicians provide individual and group counseling as well as 24-hour support in crisis situations. The committed population receives clinical services from State clinicians and Youth Service Counselors.

MVYSC also runs the Statewide Transportation unit. This unit is responsible for transporting newly committed youth from the Southern and Northeast Region's Receiving Centers to the Assessment Unit at Mount View.

Research has shown that one of the most important and powerful influences in a young person's life is that of a positive and caring adult. Mount View Youth Services Center encourages the involvement of family and natural supports that can serve as positive role models while a youth is in their care.

Mount View and its 22 acres allows youth many opportunities to participate in outdoor recreational activities including a ropes course, frisbee golf, soccer, kickball, basketball, volleyball and gardening. Healthy pro-social activities such as these not only help facilitate change during a youth's stay at Mount View, they provide a positive alternative to negative choices.

