

JI PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

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FOUNDATIONS | SEPTEMBER 2024

FAMILY-FRIENDLY CITY SUMMIT



A **Family Friendly City Initiative** meeting took place with an attendance of **80 community stakeholders, representing 60 organizations**. The focus of the convening was to gather stakeholder input on the summit report and information gathering for next steps. Future meetings will involve committees that will focus on the areas of public awareness, public financing and policy advocacy, all through community collaboration.



QUALITY IMPROVEMENT



JI received a record **92 applications for quality improvement MOUs**. JI has worked through the required prioritization of applications, as requests for support outweigh statewide funding, and is currently serving 49 early childhood programs.

ADVANCING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS PROGRAM



- A total of **18 participants have been enrolled** in this new workforce development program for the fall, and they are working to enroll in classes at **Pikes Peak State College** to gain their teacher/teacher assistant credential.

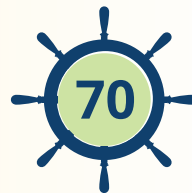
PARTNERSHIPS



JI is collaborating with the **Head Start Association** to host **focus groups** that will dive deep into understanding the local challenges of finding high quality infant/toddler care in our region. These focus groups will be conducted in October.



- **Four students have successfully finished the program to date!** All students passed classes with excellent grades and received their EC Professional Credential.



- Career navigation was provided to **108 professionals** this month.

EMERGING + EXPANDING (E+E) CHILD CARE GRANT

The Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC) is **changing the management system** for this grant.



UNIVERSAL PRE-K

Now Colorado Universal Preschool Program (CUPP)

- The UPK team had a total of **1,213 contacts in September**.
- JI has onboarded **15 new CUPP providers** to date this fiscal year. This is a celebration for increased access in our community. This increase of course results in an increased workload for JI staff working to educate and consult with administrators to ensure compliance and quality programming.
- **CDEC released the 2025-26 school year timeline**, and provider registration for next school year will be from October 15–November 8, 2024. Any provider not registered between these dates will miss out on the continuity of care registration for families.
- There have been lengthy discussions regarding **Quality Standards**. The release is being pushed back until January 2025.
- JI continues to participate in an active group of LCOs to **advocate for LCO funding**. A **statewide LCO retreat** is in development to build relationship and develop shared agenda for future work.



204 PROVIDERS

- **76** school district-based (15 school districts total, all districts in El Paso County are participating)
- **43** Family child care teachers
- **85** Center-based programs
- **66** CCCAP programs



6,264 UPK SEATS

Registered Seats



4,480 MATCHED

4-year-olds | 371 unmatched



1,785 AVAILABLE

Registered Seats

Includes 973 IEP Seats

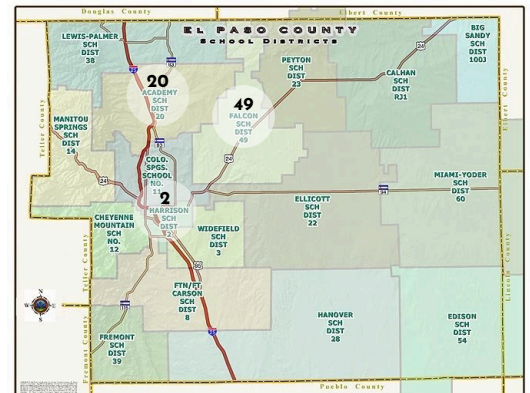


4,851 FAMILY APPLICATIONS



1,213 CONTACTS DURING SEPTEMBER

- Family calls/emails for September: **922**
- Provider calls/emails for September: **291**



Areas of El Paso County with low availability to meet need: D20, D49, D2.



UPK DATA IS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024.



PATHWAYS PROGRAM

- All JI staff participated in a comprehensive 3-day **Trust-Based Relational Intervention® training**.
- The **Reach Committee convened** for its first meeting of the fiscal year.
- Attended an **Emergency Release Committee** meeting to discuss proposed changes to the Emergency Release Policy.
- Initiated the development of a **job description for the gun violence prevention grant**, with plans to begin reviewing candidates in the upcoming weeks.
- Began the implementation of a Memorandum of Understanding for a **mural project** to be painted at the Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC).

COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



- JI's **CMP evaluation measures and procedures are being updated** to meet new requirements, with a shift from TRO to Apricot in Springs 2025. JI is participating in the pilot program.



- JI's VP of Pathways to attend the **CMP in-person conference** in October to connect with other CMP professionals and continue to learn best practices.

SERVICE PROVISION



TRUANCY/COMMUNITY ISSTS

Limited Individualized Service and Support Team (ISST) service provision resumed this month and **one youth and their family was supported** through the ISST process.



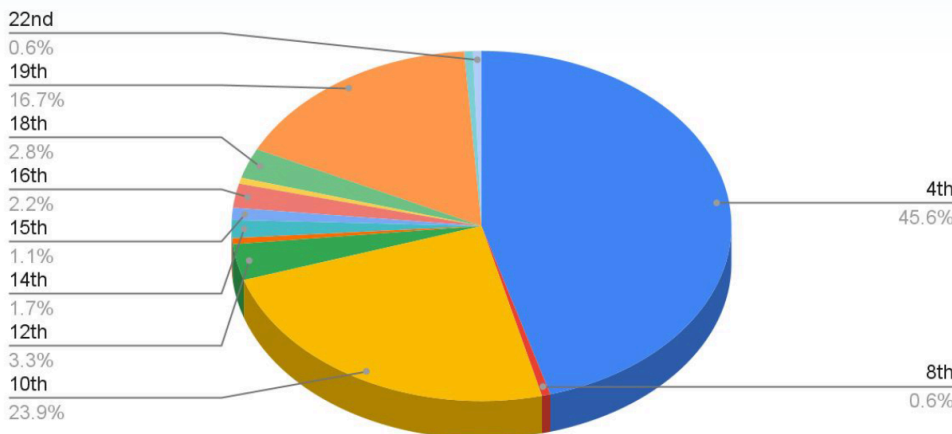
CARE COORDINATION

A total of **18 youth and families are being supported** with intensive care coordination through JI.

COLORADO YOUTH DETENTION CONTINUUM



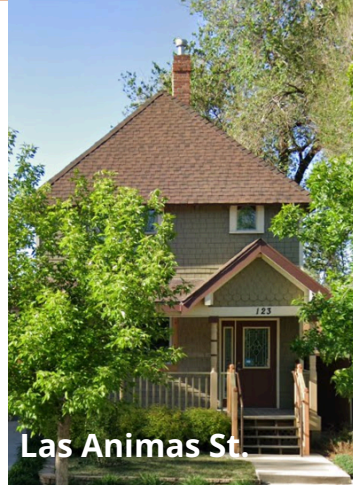
180 EMERGENCY BEDS BY JD-IMPLEMENTATION-CURRENT



- As the graphic shows, the **4th JD continues to utilize the highest number of emergency beds**. As such, CYDC asked JI staff to talk to the impact of emergency bed management at the CYDC Conference in October. During September, we were at or over cap for 23 days.
- JI's CYDC Manager, VP of Youth Pathways, and CEO will attend the **CYDC Conference in October**, as well as both REACH Executive Committee Chairs and JI's Board President.



JAC



Las Animas St.

JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER

- JI moved into the JAC at Galileo and the Las Animas office space October 1st!
- JI hosted a **volunteer day at Galileo through COSILoveYou** on October 5th and had great community engagement. Cleaning, paint preparation, and a community art project took place during this CityServe day.
- Several **key items are in draft for JAC Committee review** including a data sharing agreement, JAC and Shelter eligibility criteria, and assessment tool utilization protocol.
- An **after-school program has been created** and is in review. JI is pursuing licensing for this programming.

