

**Monterey County Board of Supervisors  
Referral Submittal Form**

Referral No. 2017.24  
Assignment Date: 10/24/17  
Reopened: 03/09/21  
**Modified On: 8/24/21**

**SUBMITTAL - Completed by referring Board office and returned to CAO no later than noon on Thursday prior to Board meeting:**

Date: 10/18/17	Submitted By: Luis Alejo	District #: 1
Referral Title: Consolidation of Juvenile Hall Sites & Repurpose 970 Circle Drive		
Referral Purpose: Proposal to consolidate the current "Youth Center" on 970 Circle Drive in east Salinas with the new Juvenile Hall on 1420 Natividad Road and repurpose the property on 970 Circle Drive.		

Brief Referral Description: Monterey County is currently building a new modern, \$58.6 million Juvenile Hall facility on 1420 Natividad Road. But the County also runs an aging facility called the "Youth Center" on 970 Circle Drive in east Salinas that primarily serves juvenile boys with longer sentences from 9 months to 1 year. Meanwhile, juvenile incarceration numbers overall have continued to steadily decline in the county over the last several years. In the last three years, for instance, juvenile incarceration has dropped 36% from 75 to 48.

This referral aims to have staff analyze at the feasibility and pursue consolidating the "Youth Center" into the existing newer. D-Unit wing at 1420 Natividad that was built in 1994 and was not demolished during recent new Juvenile Hall construction project. Consolidation in the D-Unit would not interfere with the existing plans of the new adjacent Juvenile Hall facility. Consolidation could result in significant overhead and other cost savings.

The other purpose of the consolidation and closing of the "Youth Center" is to look at repurposing and adaptive reuse of that county property for other critical community needs in east Salinas, such as parks, trails, a true Youth Recreation Center, community swimming pool, health services, housing, economic development, etc. This has been a proposal that has long been requested by community leaders in east Salinas and numerous adjacent properties present some real redevelopment opportunities for east Salinas. The County has recently acquired the adjacent vacant property on the corner of Sanborn Road and Circle Drive while the City of Salinas has a vacant adjacent property on Division Street and East Market Street. The adjacent neighbor, Teamsters Local 890, has a large adjacent parcel and has also expressed interest in partnering with this proposal. The City of Salinas is also currently pursuing its Alisal Vibrancy Plan and this property could be a major centerpiece of this revitalization and reinvestment plan. We can convert this place of incarceration into a place of hope, health, housing, recreation and community in east Salinas.

**Modified on 8/24/21 to include the following: Report from County Administrative Officer on options for retaining an independent consultant to look in this matter.**

Classification - Implication	Mode of Response
<input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial / Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Social Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Budget Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Juvenile Hall Consolidation</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Memo <input type="checkbox"/> Board Report <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation
	Requested Response Timeline
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month <input type="checkbox"/> 8 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> Status reports until completed <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Date: _____

**ASSIGNMENT – Provided by CAO at Board Meeting. Copied to Board Offices and Department Head(s) Completed by CAO's Office:**

Department(s): RMA / Probation	Referral Lead: Holm	Board Date: 10/24/17
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**REASSIGNMENT – Provided by CAO. Copied to Board Offices and Department Head(s). Completed by CAO's Office:**

Department(s): Probation with support from RMA	Referral Lead: <del>Parsons</del> Keating	Original Date: 11/01/17 Reopened: 3/09/21
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**ANALYSIS - Completed by Department and copied to Board Offices and CAO:**

Department analysis of resources required/impact on existing department priorities to complete referral:	
Analysis Completed By: _____	<b>Department's Recommended Response Timeline</b>
Date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> By requested date <input type="checkbox"/> 2 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month <input type="checkbox"/> 6 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 6 months <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Specific Date: _____

**REFERRAL RESPONSE/COMPLETION - Provided by Department to Board Offices and CAO:**

Referral Response Date:	Board Item No.:	Referrals List Deletion:
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**Note:** cc: Nick Chiulos, Mary Zurita, and Ebby Johnson on all CAO correspondence relating to referrals.