

City and County of San Francisco Juvenile Probation Department

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Current Operating Programs at Log Cable Ranch August 11, 2006

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Education

- The Summer School Program was for 5 weeks. Due to the reading program, school hours were 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM
- Linda Mood Bell, a reading program which guarantees at least a two-grade level improvement in reading skills is in its 6th week of a 9-week program.
- Students are spending a minimum of three (3) hours per day focused on phonic/reading skills in a small group setting.
- WritersCorps will resume its Writing Skills class for new residents in the fall.
- Our high school graduates will again participate in the Distance Learning Program offered through the College of San Mateo.

Therapy

- Two (2) therapists are currently assigned to the Ranch, one (1) full time and one (1) part time.
- ART (Anger Replacement Therapy) class started two weeks ago.
- AA continues to come every Monday night.
- The Substance Abuse Counselor teaches two (2) classes and is on-site for individual counseling 28 hours per week.

Vocational

- Turning Heads continues to offer two (2) to three (3), eight (8) week classes for our residents centered on Barbering, computer skill development, and video technology.
- Plans continue to progress with Goodwill Industries in developing training avenues to employment opportunities at the time of release.

- The residents continue to participate in the Ranch Athletic League and are 2/3 of the way through the baseball season. We are at .500.
- Our swimming pool is open and staff offers daily swim groups.

Workreation

All residents are participating in our Manual Labor skills program where they are taught to water, weed, plant, and clear areas directly related to their living environment. This is a working Ranch that emphasizes teamwork, interdependent skills, as well as, self-responsibility.

Other Programs

- The Beat Within every Friday
- Poetry Class (through Writers Corps)
- Mentoring Omega Boys Club and the Squires Program

Facility Improvements Update

On Wednesday, August 9, 2006, we had a meeting with several structural representatives from Department of Public Works, as well as, Chief Siffermann, Allen Nance, and supervisor, Tracy Haynes. The purpose of the meeting was to determine how best the monies allocated for capital improvement of the Gym and Domnitory buildings could be used.