

Who We Are:

1st Judicial District Minority Over Representation Committee

Concerns regarding possible disproportionate minority contact (DMC) in the 1st Judicial District (JD) prompted interest among key stakeholders in this district to further explore the issue. The 1st JD Juvenile Minority Over-Representation (MOR) Committee, meets regularly, brings together stakeholders with a range of perspectives on juvenile justice in the district, and has demonstrated commitment to identify and implement promising prevention and intervention strategies to address DMC. As a result, the 1st JD, with a focus on the City of Lakewood, was selected as a case study with the outcomes of their progress demonstrated here.

Our Approach:

Highlights for Engaging Partners for Collaborative Success

Lakewood Probation

Lakewood Probation Officers educated school staff and principals on alternatives to law enforcement, decreasing the need for law enforcement involvement in the schools!

Lakewood Schools

Lakewood High School used restorative practices to prevent suspension and expulsion of students!

All Lakewood Schools started Handle With Care, a trauma-informed approach to engaging with students experiencing challenges outside of school and this will soon be offered district-wide!

Lakewood Police Department

The LPD added an ethnicity field to police tickets to increase the ability to monitor and track data regarding potential youth minority overrepresentation!

The Truancy Diversion Program

Jeffco Public Schools, Jefferson Center for Mental Health, Jefferson County Juvenile Assessment Center, 1st Judicial District Colorado Youth Detention Continuum and Jefferson County collaborate to divert eligible students into programs to support decreasing truant behavior, versus them going to court and moving further into the justice system!

Local Providers

The Jefferson Center for Mental Health is partnering with the schools to provide bilingual Mental health services for families to increase access to Mental Health resources for Spanish-speaking youth and their families!

Using an Effective, Evidence-Based Planning Process

To ensure success, 1st JD MOR Committee uses a model that ensures continuous quality improvement and responds to community needs.



Committee Members

- Jefferson Center for Mental Health
- Office of the Public Defender
- Jefferson County Libraries

- 1st Judicial District
- Jeffco Public Schools
- CO Division of Criminal Justice
- 1st Judicial District Attorney's Office
- Golden Police Department
- Jefferson County Attorney's Office
- City of Lakewood Probation

- Jefferson County Juvenile Assessment Center
- 1st Judicial District Colorado Youth Detention Continuum
- Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center
- Lakewood Police Department
- City of Lakewood Municipal Court
- 1st Judicial District Probation Department

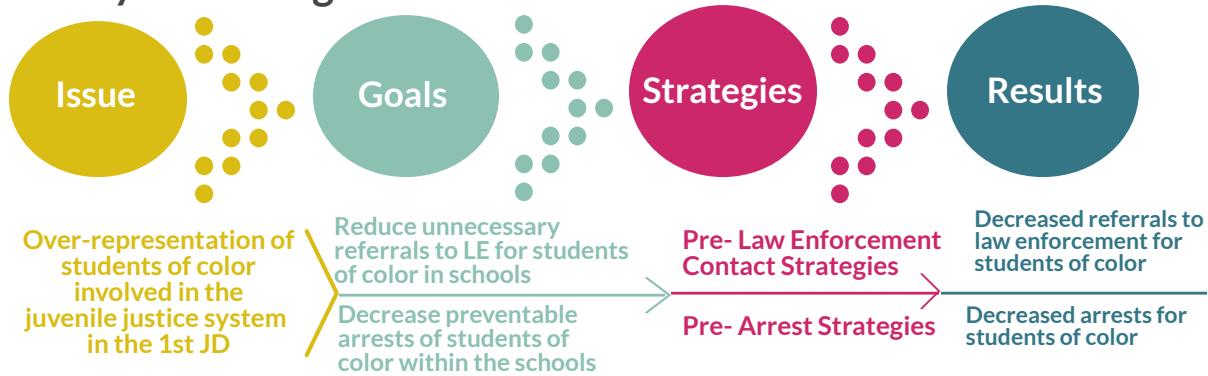
- City of Lakewood Attorney's Office
- Tennyson Center for Children
- Lakewood Faith Coalition
- Guardian Ad Litem
- Jefferson County Department of Human Services
- ARC
- Jefferson County Public Health

What We Do:

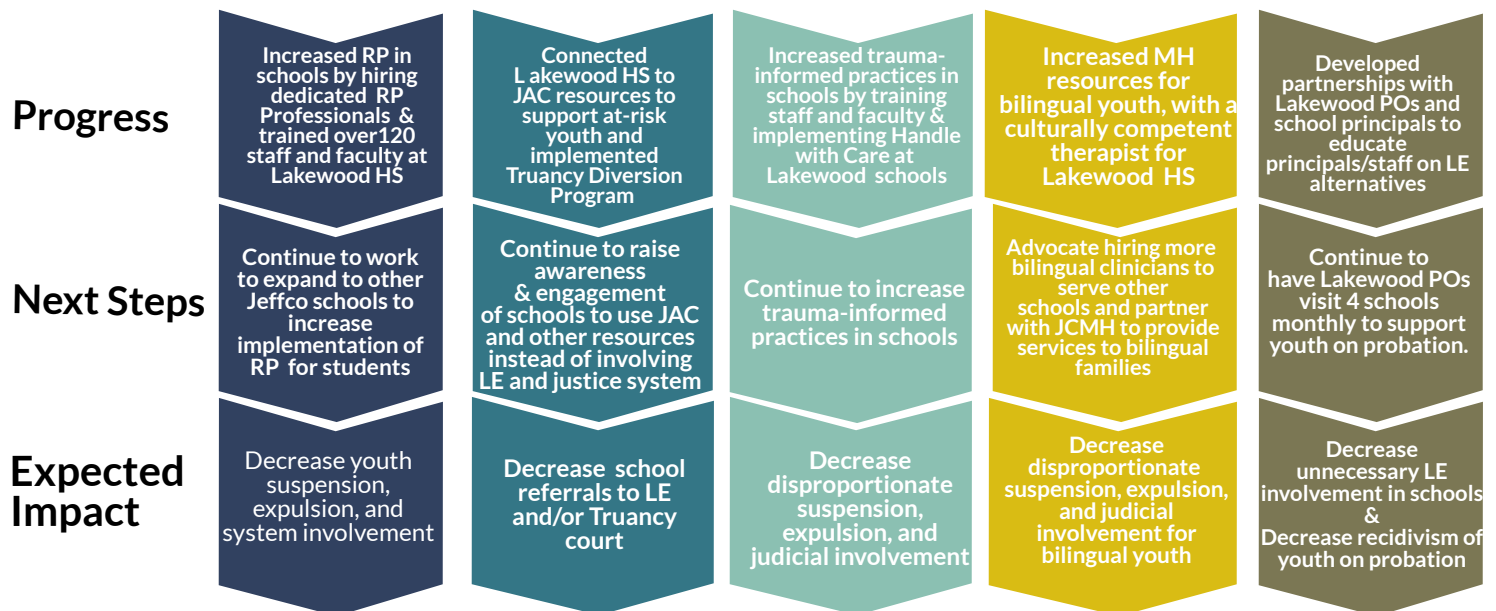


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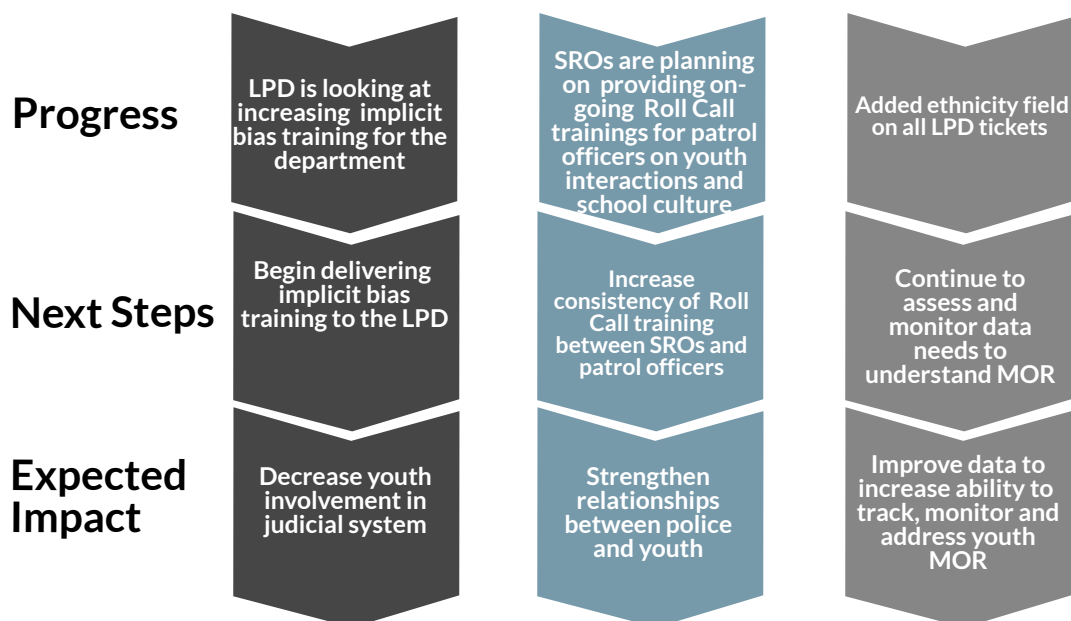
Our Pathway For Change



Actions to Reduce Unnecessary Referrals to Law Enforcement



Actions to Decrease Preventable Arrest



Abbreviations:

JAC: Juvenile Assessment Center JeffCo: Jefferson County, CO LE: Law Enforcement MOR: Minority Over-Representation MH: Mental health PO: Probation Officer RP: Restorative Practices HS: High School LPD: Lakewood Police Department JCMH Jefferson Center for Mental Health

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