



JDRDC 2024 PREA Annual Report: Incidents by Program

Reporting period: January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024

Introduction

The data reflected in this report encompasses survey responses from four juvenile facilities regarding reports of sexual victimization during 2022, 2023, and 2024. Facilities surveyed include: Juvenile Detention Center (JDC), Foundations (female residential facility), Stepping Stones (male residential facility), and Shelter Care (SC). A full list of definitions can be found at the end of the document.

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| 100% of facilities are owned and operated by the county for all three years: | | On December 31, 2024, there were 7 females (21%) and 26 males (79%) being held across facilities. |
| County | 100% | <p>A bar chart showing the gender distribution of juveniles held across facilities as of December 31, 2024. The x-axis is labeled 'Male' and 'Female'. The y-axis represents the percentage. The bar for 'Male' is significantly taller than the bar for 'Female'. The percentage for Male is 79% and for Female is 21%.</p> |
| State | 0% | |
| Local or Municipal Government | 0% | |
| Private Agency | 0% | |
| Native American Tribal Government | 0% | |

- On December 31, 2024:
 - **97%** (n=32) of juveniles being held were age 17 or younger
 - **3%** (n=1) were age 18 to 20
 - **0%** (n=0) were age 21 or older
- For calendar year 2024, **727** juveniles were admitted across the four facilities.
- 100% of facilities record all reported allegations of youth-on-youth nonconsensual sexual acts, youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact and youth-on-youth sexual harassment.
- 100% of facilities report all incidents of staff sexual misconduct and staff sexual harassment.

Below is a breakdown of reported allegations for youth-on-youth nonconsensual sexual acts, youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact, youth-on-youth sexual harassment, staff sexual misconduct, and staff sexual harassment by facility.

Juvenile Detention Center (JDC)

| Table 1: JDC Reports of Youth-on-Youth Nonconsensual Sexual Acts | | |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 2: JDC Reports of Youth-on-Youth Abusive Sexual Contact | | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 1 | 1 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 3: JDC Reports of Youth-on-Youth Sexual Harassment | | |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 4 | 1 |
| 2023 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | 1 | 0 |

There was **one Youth-on Youth Sexual Harassment** reported allegation at the JDC in 2024. This reported case was **unfounded**.

- A resident’s mother called JDC to express concerns about her son’s safety while in JDC.
- Staff spoke with the resident who stated while showering, another resident motioned for him to come to his shower. No words were exchanged, but youth felt uncomfortable, ended his shower and exited the bathroom. He described the resident as tall, Hispanic, with black curly hair, no longer at JDC.
- Based on resident and staff interviews, as well as video surveillance of the unit, it was determined that the investigated claim of Youth-on-Youth Sexual Harassment was **unfounded**.
- A PREA investigation was completed. As a precautionary measure, the youth’s Red Flags were updated for him to shower last and alone, as well as monitor his phone conversations.

The incident did not require a referral for criminal investigation or follow-up. After a review, the incident did not indicate a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse. Upon administrative review, the incident was deemed NOT to be motivated by race, ethnicity, gender identity, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex identification, perceived status, or gang affiliation. Group dynamics at the facility did not motivate or otherwise cause the alleged incident and no physical barriers in the areas contributed to the alleged incident. Staffing levels were deemed to be adequate, and it was determined there was no need for monitoring technology to be augmented to supplement supervision. **No necessary recommendations for improvement were identified.**

| Table 4: JDC Reports of Staff Sexual Misconduct | | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 1 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 1 | 0 |

There was **one Staff Sexual Misconduct** reported allegation at the JDC in 2024. This reported case was **unfounded**. This case involved the same resident as the youth-on-youth sexual harassment incident listed above in Table 3.

- During counseling, the resident’s mother alleged her son was sexually abused by a staff member during his stay at JDC. The counselor reported the incident to CPS and the Fairfax County Police Department was contacted to initiate a criminal investigation based on the allegations.
- Based on the CPS and Fairfax County Police Department investigation, the youth was interviewed on two separate occasions and denied any sexual abuse. As a review of the facts did not show a preponderance of the evidence that abuse or neglect had occurred, the case was **unfounded**.

The incident required a referral for criminal investigation. After a review, the incident did not indicate a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse. Upon administrative review, the incident was deemed NOT to be motivated by race, ethnicity, gender identity, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex identification, perceived status, or gang affiliation. Group dynamics at the facility did not motivate or otherwise cause the alleged incident and no physical barriers in the areas contributed to the alleged incident. Staffing levels were deemed to be adequate, and it was determined there was no need for monitoring technology to be augmented to supplement supervision. **No necessary recommendations for improvement were identified.**

| Table 5: JDC Reports of Staff Sexual Harassment | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

Foundations

| Table 6: Foundations Reports of Youth-to-Youth Nonconsensual Sexual Acts | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 7: Foundations Reports of Youth-on-Youth Abusive Sexual Contact | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 8: Foundations Reports of Youth-on-Youth Sexual Harassment | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 9: Foundations Reports of Staff Sexual Misconduct | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 10: Foundations Reports of Staff Sexual Harassment | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

There have been 0 reported allegations of any kind of sexual incident for Foundations in the last 3 years.

Stepping Stones (SS)

| Table 11: Stepping Stones Reports of Youth-to-Youth Nonconsensual Sexual Acts | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 12: Stepping Stones Reports of Youth-on-Youth Abusive Sexual Contact | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 13: Stepping Stones Reports of Youth-on-Youth Sexual Harassment | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 14: Stepping Stones Reports of Staff Sexual Misconduct | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 15: Stepping Stones Reports of Staff Sexual Harassment | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

There have been 0 reported allegations of any kind of sexual incident for Stepping Stones in the last 3 years.

Shelter Care (SC)

| Table 16: Shelter Care Reports of Youth-to-Youth Nonconsensual Sexual Acts | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 17: Shelter Care Reports of Youth-on-Youth Abusive Sexual Contact | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 18: Shelter Care Reports of Youth-on-Youth Sexual Harassment | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 1 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 19: Shelter Care Reports of Staff Sexual Misconduct | | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |

| Table 20: Shelter Care Reports of Staff Sexual Harassment | | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year | # of Reported Allegations | # of Substantiated Allegations |
| 2022 | 0 | 0 |
| 2023 | 0 | 0 |
| 2024 | 0 | 0 |


There were 0 reported allegations of any kind of sexual incident for Shelter Care in 2024.

Summary

From 2022 to 2024, there have been **ten total** reported allegations regarding sexual victimization.

- Across the four reporting facilities, there has been **one** allegation of **youth-on-youth abusive sexual contact**.
 - This allegation was deemed substantiated (JDC in 2023).
- Across the four reporting facilities, there have been **seven** allegations of **youth-on-youth sexual harassment** during this period.
 - One allegation was deemed substantiated (JDC in 2022).
- Across the four reporting facilities, there have been **two** allegations of **staff sexual misconduct** during this period.
 - No allegations were deemed substantiated.
- Across the four reporting facilities, there have been **zero** allegations of **youth-on-youth nonconsensual acts** or **staff sexual harassment**.

The agency continues to address sexual abuse by conducting ongoing incident reviews, staffing pattern reviews, ongoing vulnerability assessments, and regular training of existing and new staff.

Signed by:

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Matt Thompson, Director, Court Services Unit

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Date

DEFINITIONS:

SEXUAL ABUSE includes:

- a. Sexual abuse of a resident by another resident; and
- b. Sexual abuse of a resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer.

RESIDENT ON RESIDENT SEXUAL VICTIMIZATION

Nonconsensual Sexual Acts and Abusive Sexual Contact of a Resident by another Resident includes sexual contact of any person without his or her consent or of a person who is unable to consent or refuse, and:

- a. Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight;
- b. Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva, or anus;
- c. Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person, however slight, by a hand, finger, object, or other instrument; and
- d. Any other intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks of another person, excluding contact incidental to a physical altercation.

STAFF ON RESIDENT SEXUAL ABUSE (Including Abuse of a Resident by a Staff Member, Contractor, or Volunteer) includes any of the following acts, with or without consent of the resident:

Staff Sexual Misconduct:

Any behavior or act of a sexual nature directed toward a resident by an employee, volunteer, contractor, official visitor or other agency representative (exclude family, friends or other visitors).

Sexual relationships of a romantic nature between staff and residents are included in this definition. Consensual or nonconsensual sexual acts include:

- a. Any intentional contact, either directly or through the clothing, of or with the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or the buttocks, that is unrelated to official duties or where the staff member, contractor, or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse, or gratify sexual desire;
- b. Completed, attempted, threatened, or requested sexual acts;
- c. Occurrences of indecent exposure, invasion of privacy, or staff voyeurism for reasons unrelated to official duties or for sexual gratification.

Voyeurism by a Staff Member, Contractor, or Volunteer – An invasion of privacy of a resident by staff for reasons unrelated to official duties; requiring a resident to expose his or her buttocks, genitals, or breasts; or taking images of all or part of a resident's naked body or of a resident performing bodily functions.

STAFF SEXUAL HARRASSMENT

- a. Repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to a resident by a staff member, contractor, or volunteer, including demeaning references to gender, sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures.



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