

DEPARTMENT OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION

SERVICE STRATEGY: GROUP VIOLENCE



Services funded in the Group Violence Strategy are intended for individuals who are at the center of gun violence within or between street groups in Oakland. Services are intended to help individuals access resources and opportunities that lead them away from future violence perpetration, victimization, or incarceration. Services are also intended to mediate conflicts before they result in violence and disrupt retaliatory violence.

SERVICE CATEGORIES

- Adult employment
- Adult life coaching
- Emergency relocation
- Hospital response
- Violence interruption
- Youth diversion
- Youth employment
- Youth life coaching

FUNDED AGENCIES

ABODE SERVICES

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abode.org
510.657.7409

BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SELF-SUFFICIENCY

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self-sufficiency.org
510.649.1930

CENTER FOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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ceoworks.org/oakland-ca
510.251.2240

COMMUNITIES UNITED FOR RESTORATIVE YOUTH JUSTICE

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curyj.org
501-232-7230

COMMUNITY & YOUTH OUTREACH

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cyoinc.org
510.969.8708

COMMUNITY WORKS WEST

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communityworkswest.org
510.268.8116

EAST BAY ASIAN YOUTH CENTER

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ebayc.org
510.533.1092

LAO FAMILY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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lfcdd.org
510.533.8850

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

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nicjr.org
510.746.6111

OAKLAND KIDS FIRST

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oaklandkidsfirst.org
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OAKLAND PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL

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oaklandpic.org
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OUSD-JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER

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ousd.org
510.295.5375

ROOTS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

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rootscommunityhealth.org
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SAFE PASSAGES

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safepassages.org
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THE MENTORING CENTER

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mentor.org
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TRYBE

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oaklandtrybe.org
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YOUTH ALIVE!

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youthalive.org
510.594.2588

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PARTNERSHIP

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yep.org
510.533.3447



SERVICE CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS

■ Adult employment

Adult employment services include pre-employment training, paid work experience, and job placement services for adults at high risk for violence in Oakland. Funded organizations also provide general employment case management services to support individuals in securing and retaining employment.

■ Adult life coaching

Adult life coaches support adults at the center of gun violence with identifying and completing goals that reduce their risk for violence (e.g. obtaining employment or housing, accessing mental health services, avoiding negative peer influences). Life coaches refer clients to helpful services and support clients with system navigation, socio-emotional skill development, and strengthening family ties. Life coaches have frequent contact with their clients and use financial incentives to encourage positive behavior change.

■ Emergency relocation

Emergency relocation funding allows individuals who are in immediate, lethal danger as a result of group violence to be temporarily relocated outside of Oakland while the conflict is mediated or a long-term plan for safety is developed. Funding pays for transportation, hotel stays, and initial rent payments.

■ Hospital response

Hospital responders visit shooting victims in the hospital to educate them about services that are available to them when they are discharged, make referrals to requested services, and provide short-term case management. Hospital responders also assist victims with completing victim compensation applications.

■ Violence interruption

Violence interrupters respond to shootings and homicides to assess risk of retaliatory violence and interrupt potential retaliation. They also support victims and families with referrals to helpful services like life coaching and emergency relocation.

■ Youth diversion

Youth diversion services redirect youth away from involvement in the juvenile justice system by allowing youth to participate in a diversion program that promotes accountability and healing in lieu of charges being filed. Diversion program staff support youth in accessing helpful services and developing and completing a plan to repair harm.

■ Youth employment

Youth employment services include pre-employment training, career exploration opportunities, and paid work experience for youth at high risk for violence in Oakland. Funded organizations also provide academic case management to facilitate school attendance and graduation.

■ Youth life coaching

Youth life coaching services support youth at risk of violence or at the center of violence in Oakland with identifying and completing goals that reduce their risk for violence (e.g. obtaining employment, attending school regularly, avoiding negative peer influences). Life coaches refer youth to helpful services and support clients with system navigation, socio-emotional skill development, and strengthening family ties. Life coaches have frequent contact with their clients and use financial incentives to encourage positive behavior change.