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DEPARTMENT OF
JUVENILE SERVICES

Judicial Proceedings Committee



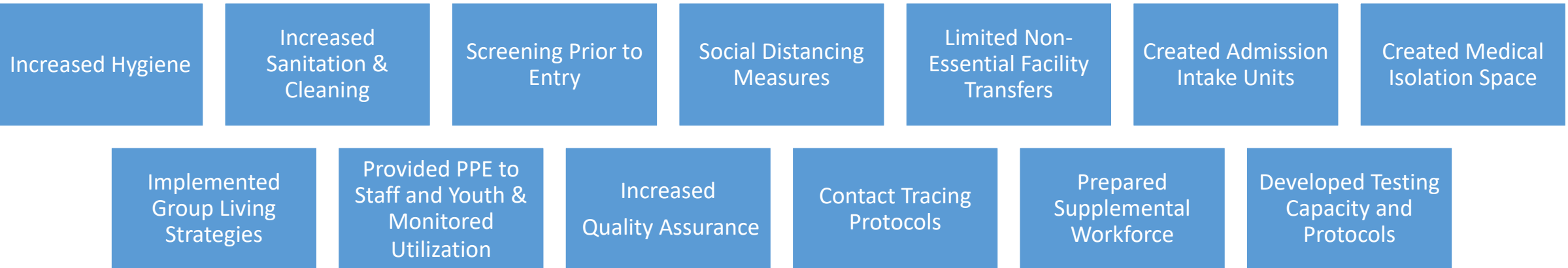
CHANGING
Maryland
for the Better

Department of Juvenile Services
COVID-19 Response and Data
Presentation

January 8, 2021

DJS COVID-19 RESPONSE OVERVIEW

DJS implemented health and safety measures, in adherence to CDC and MDH guidance, to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in DJS Detention & Committed Facilities.



DJS COVID-19 RESPONSE OVERVIEW

DJS designed and implemented community supervision strategies aimed at providing a continuity of supervision and access to community based supports.

Maintaining 24/7
Community
Detention
Operations

Implementing
Virtual Supervision

Developing Virtual
Programming

Supporting
Connections to
Community Based
Resources

Conducting
Weekly Placement
& Detention
Reviews

DJS COVID-19 RESPONSE OVERVIEW

DJS implemented a variety of effective communication strategies.

Weekly
Stakeholder
Calls

Live Virtual
Staff Events

Live Virtual
Family Events

Daily Updates
on the DJS
Website

Daily Updates
on the DJS
Hotline

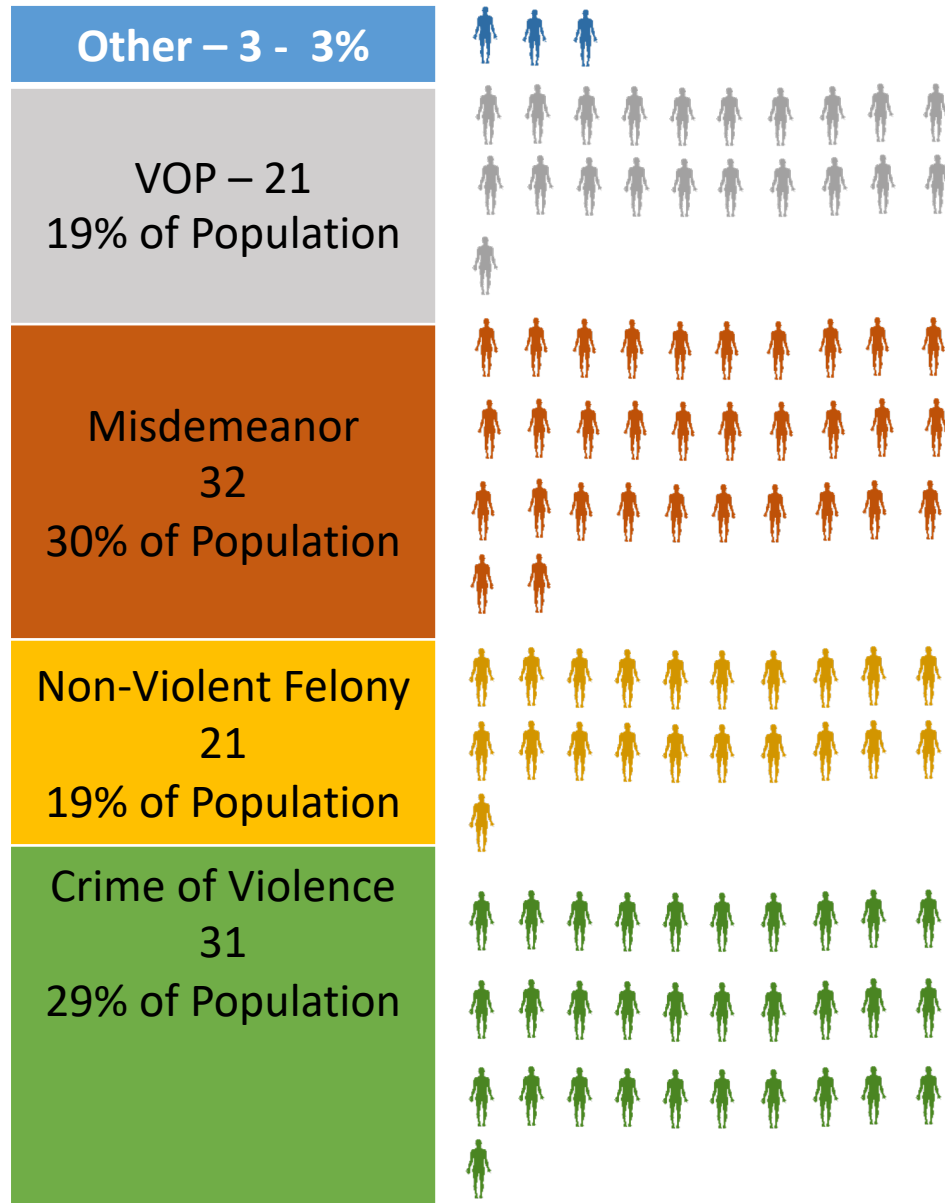
Data Overview

January to December 2020

- DJS Complaints Statewide Dropped 68% Since January 2020 (1589 to 512)
- Detention ADP Down 47% Since January 2020 (273 to 145)
- Commitment ADP Down 59% Since January 2020 (345 to 140)
- Temporary Decline in Youth of Color Down as Proportion of Overall Detention ADP
- Proportion of Youth of Color in Committed Facilities Down 12% Since January 2020 (80% to 68.1%)

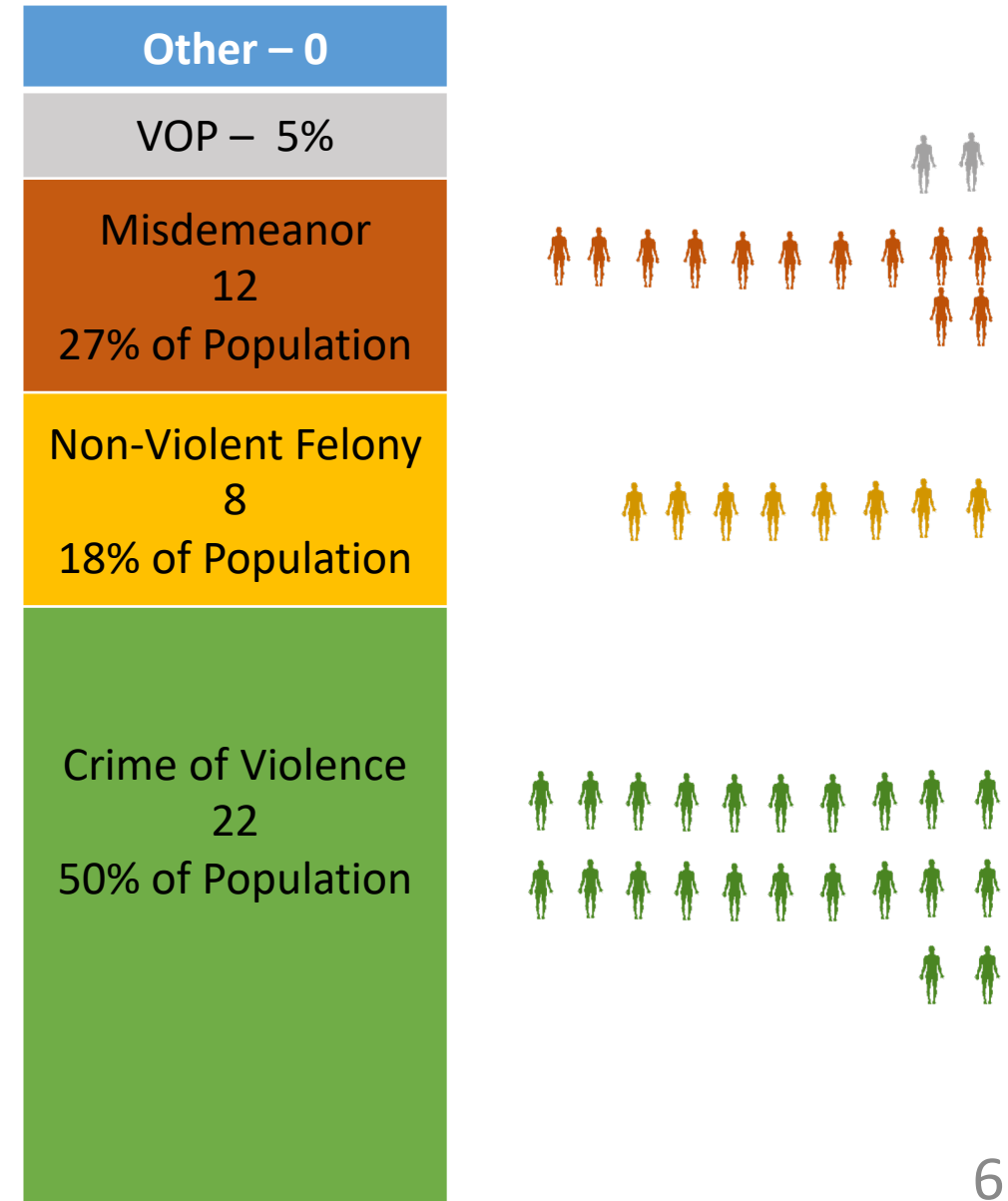
3/3/2020 Statewide Detention Population

Total Juvenile Population - 108

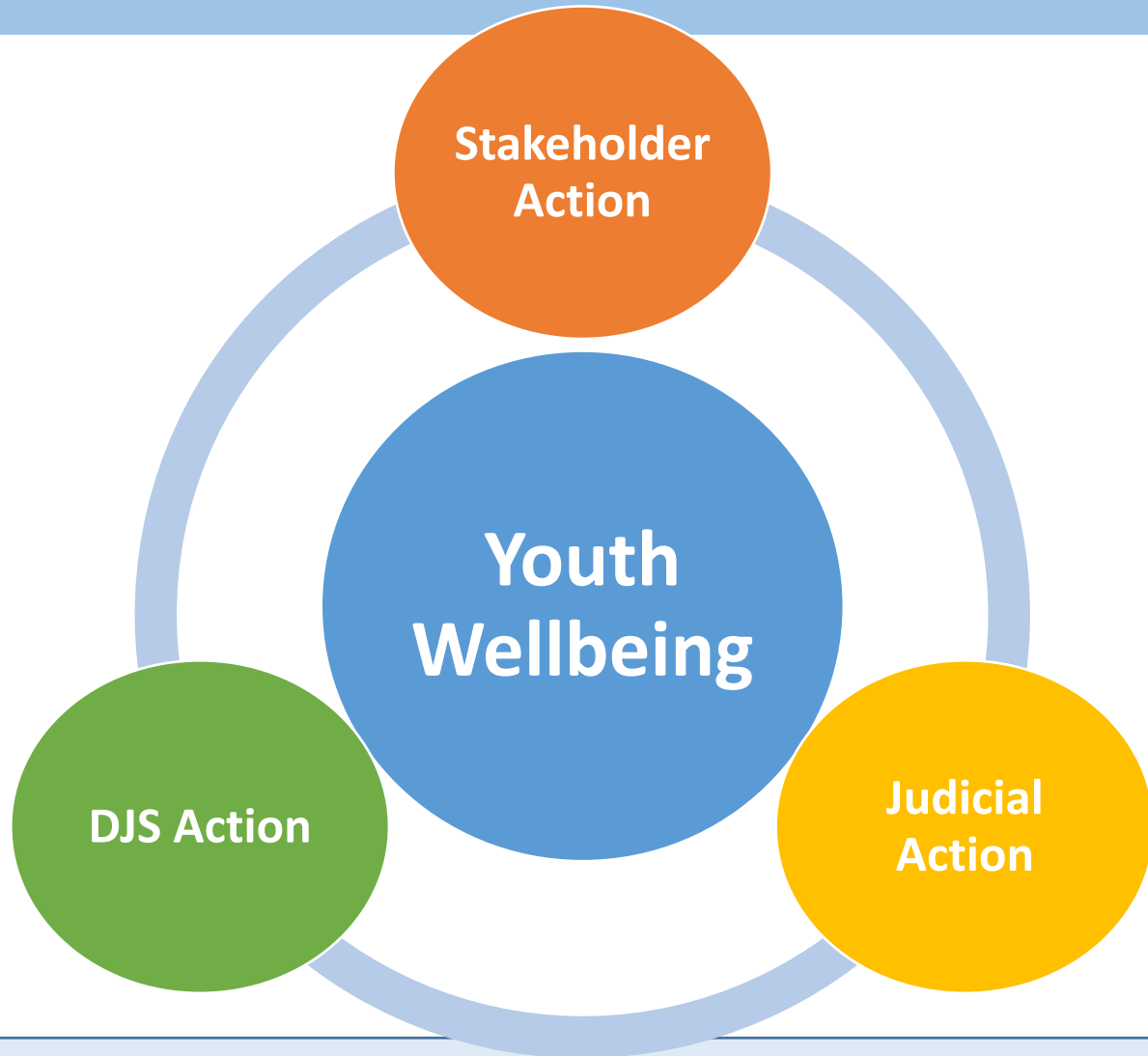


12/25/2020 Statewide Detention Population

Total Juvenile Detained Population - 44

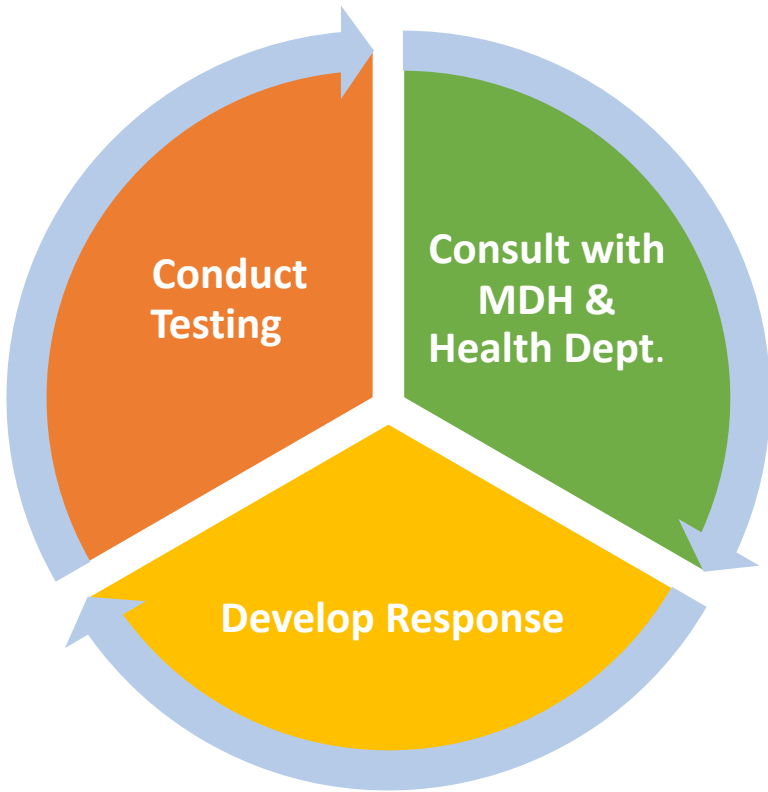


Factors Driving the Data



- ✓ **Prioritizing Health and Wellbeing of Young People**
- ✓ **Stakeholder Collaboration & Effective Communication**
- ✓ **DJS Weekly Reviews of All Incarcerated Young People**
- ✓ **OPD Motion & Chief Judge Administrative Order**

COVID-19 Testing



Testing of DJS Detained & Committed Populations

Test Symptomatic Youth

Test Prior to Transfer

Test at Admission

Test as Directed by Medical Team

Testing of DJS Facility Staff

Universal Testing in Coordination with MDH
Outbreak Testing As Needed

COVID-19 Testing

Youth Testing

1749 TOTAL TESTS

39 POSITIVE TESTS

Staff Testing

7449 TOTAL TESTS

229 POSITIVE TESTS