Request for Proposals (RFP) Statewide Equity thru Data, Justice, Inclusion & Education (EDJIE) Initiative

Appendix I

State Funded Community Based Restorative Justice Programs

The purpose of this document is to map out in a visual format how state-funded restorative justice is provided, and by whom, across the state. The funders focused on in this document are the Attorney General's Office, the Department for Children and Families and the Department of Corrections. Together they fund 8 separate programs. *All of those programs* are provided/available in each county and AHS District and none of them are duplicative.

Where there seems to be some confusion is that some CJCs, Court Diversion and/or combined CJC/Diversion agencies have sought and received other funding, that is **not** from AGO/DCF/DOC, and use that funding to provide additional/different programs and services than the state funded restorative justice programs. Examples of this might include school based or truancy programs, an after-school program or a mentoring program.

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The following diagram lists each of the programs each agency currently funds.

FUNDER	Attorney General's Office (AGO)	Department for Family & Children (DCF)	Department of Corrections (DOC)
TONDER	Court Diversion Youth Substance Use Awareness	Balanced & Restorative Justice (BARJ)	Restorative Justice Intervention (Restorative Justice Panels/Circle Processes) Restorative Reintegration (Circles of
PROGRAMS FUNDED	Safety Program (YSASP)		Support & Accountability – CoSA and Reentry Navigation
	Civil DLS Program Tamarack/Pretrial Services Program		Restorative Community Engagement (Community Dialogue/Awareness/Dispute Resolution)

The next diagram gives a brief description of each of those 8 programs.

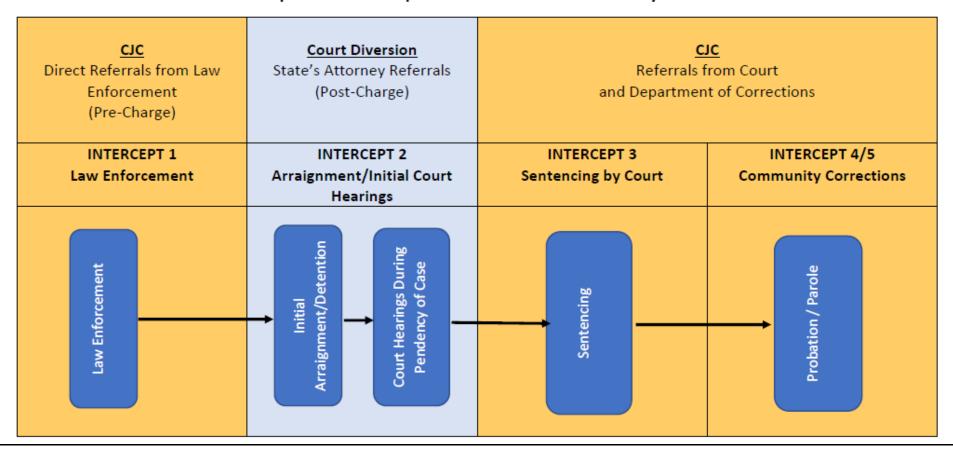
PROGRAM	FUNDER	DESCRIPTION
Balanced and		Individualized support services, guided by restorative justice principles, for youth aged 10
Restorative Justice	DCF	through 18 who are on juvenile probation, at risk of becoming involved with the justice
(BARJ)		system, or struggling with school attendance

Civil DLS Diversion Program	AGO	The Civil DLS Diversion Program helps people regain their Vermont driver's license while they pay off their fines and fees. Participants work with Diversion staff to develop a contract and payment plan. After the Vermont Judicial Bureau approves the contract – and other Department of Motor Vehicles requirements are met, the person's driver's license is reinstated
Court Diversion	AGO	Court Diversion is a restorative alternative to the court process. The state's attorney may offer Diversion to adults or youth who are charged with committing a crime (or youth charged with being delinquent). While in Diversion participants are required to do a Restorative Justice Panel. After successful completion of the program, the original charge is dismissed
Restorative Community Engagement	DOC	CJCs develop restorative justice strategies and programs that promote community awareness, improve citizen understanding and enhance public safety. This includes developing alternative dispute resolution processes. Participants can self-refer or be referred by law enforcement, landlords. Schools. CJCs also assist citizens in identifying the issues regarding crime and community conflict that are important to them and help the community address these issues using restorative methodologies including public forums and educational events; for example, racial justice, equity, and other relevant issues present the community
Restorative Justice Intervention (Restorative Justice Panels/Circles)	DOC	The Restorative Justice Panel is a volunteer group who work with offenders and victims involved in locally perpetrated crime. The purpose of the Panel is to support victims and provide offenders with the opportunity to acknowledge their wrongdoing and to make amends to individuals affected by the crime and the community. In more complicated cases, the CJC and its volunteers are able to offer Restorative Justice Conferences or Circle Process. Referrals can come directly from Law Enforcement (Pre-Charge) or post-conviction from the Courts or VTDOC.
Restorative Reintegration (Reentry Navigation, CoSA)	DOC	CJCs have Reentry Coordinators that provide enhanced community connections for people who are released from incarceration. This may also be referred to as Resource or Service Navigation. This may include referrals to relevant service agencies, and resource identification within a community. It is intended to serve individuals for a short-term period with the greatest intensity during the first three months following the release from incarceration

		The primary focus of the <u>CoSA program</u> is "no more victims." CoSAs provide a restorative approach to justice by supporting, building, and maintaining healthy patterns of living for serious criminal justice offenders as they re-enter the community. CoSA teams or "circles" include 3-5 trained volunteers and a staff member who meet weekly with the core member to help them develop healthy relationships, manage day-to-day life, and adhere to post-release expectations. As the core member grows and rebuilds community connections, the CoSA celebrates their successes while supporting their transition through daily struggles and potential challenges. CoSA volunteers are essential in representing a bond of mutual respect, understanding, and building on the life experience of others. The diversity amongst CoSA volunteers' thinking, age, experience, and perspectives represent the community at large.
Tamarack/Pretrial Services Programs	AGO	The <u>Tamarack Program</u> is a form of court diversion which assists adults charged with a crime who have a substance use or mental health treatment need regardless of their criminal history. Tamarack Coordinators quickly connect participants referred to this program with substance use, mental health, and other community-based services supports, with the aim of improving the person's health and reducing future adverse involvement in the justice system. Tamarack participants must be willing to take responsibility for their actions and when appropriate, participate in a restorative process aimed at repairing the harm caused by their crime. Service needs related to the charge are addressed in a restorative agreement. The prosecuting attorney may refer the individual to Tamarack before or after arraignment. If the Tamarack participant completes their program contract successfully, their charges will be dismissed, and their record expunged.
		The <u>Pretrial Services Program</u> is for adults with substance use or mental health treatment needs who are going through the court process and awaiting final case resolution. The service may be ordered by the court or through self-referral. A person's refusal to engage cannot result in a new charge or in a violation of conditions of release.
Youth Substance Use Awareness Safety Program (YSASP)	AGO	YSASP provides an alternative to the civil court process for youth who violate Vermont's underage alcohol or marijuana laws ages 16-21. Vermont's Youth Substance Awareness Safety Program (YSASP) holds young people accountable for breaking underage drinking laws, educates them about the consequences and risks of alcohol, and identifies youth with potential substance abuse problems so they may receive treatment. The program is a voluntary alternative to a \$300 fine and 90-day driver's license suspension.

The following diagram shows where just one of the 8 programs, Restorative Justice Panels, are provided along the different intercept points of the criminal justice system and who provides them.

Sequential Intercept Model of Criminal Justice System



This final diagram attempts to show, by county, what agencies provide which of the 8 programs.

County	Funded Community-Based Organization		
Addison	Addison County Restorative Justice Services (Non-Profit)	Easter Seals (Non-Profit)	
	DLS Program	BARJ	
	Court Diversion		
	Restorative Engagement		
	Restorative Justice Intervention		
	Restorative Reintegration		
	Tamarack/Pretrial Service Programs		
	YSASP		
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	DLS Program		
	Court Diversion		
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	Restorative Justice Inte	rvention	
	Restorative Reintegr	ation	
	Tamarack/Pretrial Se	ervice	
	Programs		
	YSASP		

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	BARJ	
	DLS Program	
	Court Diversion	
	Restorative Engagement	
	Restorative Justice Intervention	
	Restorative Reintegration	
	Tamarack/Pretrial Service	
	Programs	
	YSASP	
Lamoille	Lamoille Restorative Center (Non-Profit)	
	BARJ	
	DLS Program	
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	Court Diversion	
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Orange	Orange County Restorative Justice Center (Non-Profit) DLS Program Court Diversion Restorative Engagement Restorative Justice Intervention Restorative Reintegration Tamarack/Pretrial Service Programs YSASP	Washington County Court Diversion, Northeast Kingdom Community Action and Valley Court Diversion BARJ
Orleans	Orleans County Restorative Justice Center (Non-Profit) Restorative Engagement Restorative Justice Intervention Restorative Reintegration	NEKCA Community Justice Programs (Non-Profit) BARJ DLS Program Court Diversion Tamarack/Pretrial Service Programs YSASP
Rutland	Rutland County Community Justice Center (Non-Profit) Restorative Engagement Restorative Justice Intervention Restorative Reintegration	Rutland County Restorative Justice Center (Non-Profit) BARJ DLS Program Court Diversion Tamarack/Pretrial Service Programs YSASP

Washington

Washington County Diversion Program (Non-Profit)

BARJ

DLS Program

Court Diversion

Tamarack/Pretrial Service **Programs**

YSASP

Barre Community Justice Center (Non-Profit)

Restorative Engagement

Restorative Justice Intervention

Restorative Reintegration

Serving Barre, Washington, Williamstown, Plainfield, Marshfield, Cabot, and Woodbury

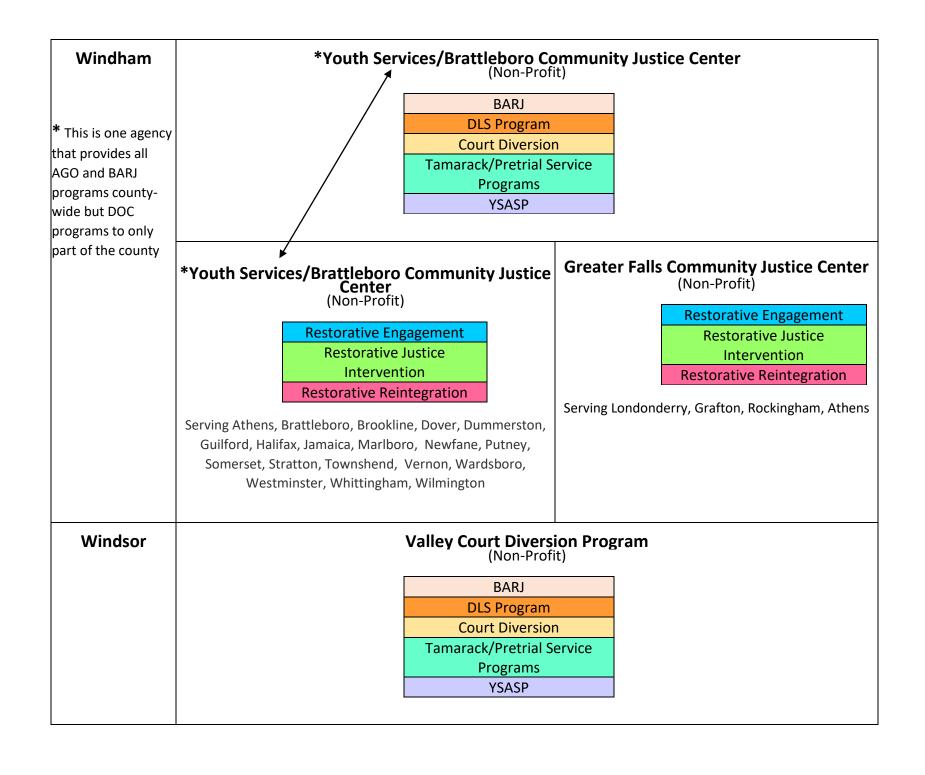
Montpelier Community Justice Center (Municipality)

Restorative Engagement

Restorative Justice Intervention

Restorative Reintegration

Serving Berlin, Calais, Montpelier, Middlesex, Northfield, Roxbury, Waitsfield, Warren, Waterbury, and Worcester



Hartford Community Justice Center

(Non-Profit)

Restorative Engagement

Restorative Justice Intervention

Restorative Reintegration

Serving Hartford, Woodstock, Bridgewater, Hartland, Pomfret, Barnard, Stockbridge, Rochester, Bethel, Royalton, Sharon, Norwich

Greater Falls Community Justice Center

(Non-Profit)

Restorative Engagement

Restorative Justice Intervention

Restorative Reintegration

Serving Springfield, Weston, Andover, Chester, Ludlow, Baltimore, Weathersfield, Cavendish