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Seward County

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Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year22



Youth Level

- Increase in chronic absenteeism in 2018/2019
- While we could not get race/ethnicity data for chronic absenteeism in this community because the frequency was too low to report, Hispanic, Native American, and Black youth are over-represented statewide in chronic absenteeism.
 - Rate of Hispanic youth with chronic absenteeism is disproportionate to the rate of Hispanic youth in Seward County schools.
- A little more than 1/3 of 10th and 12th graders in Seward County report depression
- Almost 1/3 of 12th graders report alcohol use.
- 2019 arrests/citations show primary offenses for juveniles are assault and liquor law violations with a 220% increase in liquor law violations. The number is small (16) but it is a sharp increase from the previous year.
- YLS domains that are the highest in Seward County are Family Circumstance/Parenting, Peer Relationships, and Personality/Behavior. There should be programs in the community to address these.
- Law enforcement data by race/ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED; however the percentage of black youth in diversion and probation is higher than reported in demographics
- Although the Census and school data indicate few Black youth, they are over-represented in diversion referrals and probation intakes. Black youth are also disproportionately less successful on probation

Table 1.

Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Males

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	108,494	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Seward	944	90.9%	4.6%	0.0%	0.4%	0.2%	3.9%

Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	69.9%	15.8%	5.2%	1.2%	2.5%	5.4%
Seward	813	96.7%	0.4%	0.1%	0.0%	1.5%	1.4%

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Table 2.

School Membership by Race/ Ethnicity and School Year (2014-2019) ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific islander	White	Two or More Races
2014-2015	Seward	2,558	3.91%	0.31%	0.20%	1.49%	0.04%	92.34%	1.72%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Seward	2,557	3.95%	0.20%	0.20%	1.29%	0.04%	92.33%	1.99%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Seward	2,620	4.01%	0.23%	0.38%	1.30%	0.04%	92.18%	1.87%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Seward	2,654	3.50%	0.26%	0.53%	1.43%	0.00%	92.58%	1.70%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Seward	2,691	3.23%	0.37%	0.48%	1.49%	0.04%	92.75%	1.64%
	Nebraska	325,984	19.13%	2.83%	1.33%	6.63%	0.15%	66.02%	3.91%

Table 3.

Chronic Absenteeism by Race/Ethnicity and School Year ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Youth with Chronic Absenteeism	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific islander	White	Two or More Races
2014-2015	Seward	182	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Seward	149	8.05%	*	*	*	*	91.95%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Seward	155	10.32%	*	*	*	*	89.68%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Seward	178	6.74%	*	*	*	*	93.26%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Seward	262	4.20%	*	*	*	*	95.80%	*
	Nebraska	46,356	27.64%	1.76%	4.16%	14.71%	0.23%	46.27%	5.23%

Per the Nebraska Department of Education, the * represents masked data, which they define as 10 or fewer students, for the confidentiality of the students



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Table 4.

Disabilities, English Proficiency, Eligibility for Free/Reduced Lunch and School Year (2014 – 2019) ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	Seward	2,558	12.16%	1.56%	0.82%	25.96%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Seward	2,557	11.77%	1.76%	0.51%	26.75%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Seward	2,620	11.45%	1.95%	0.57%	25.99%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Seward	2,654	14.66%	2.07%	0.53%	24.91%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Seward	2,691	15.35%	1.90%	0.45%	26.57%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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Table 5.

Nebraska Public High School 4-Year Graduation Rates by County (5-year estimates, 2015-2019) ^c

County	Total in Last 5 Years		Yearly Averages		Graduation Rate	Rank
	Graduates	Students	Graduates	Students		
Nebraska	100,111	112,857	20,022.2	22,571.4	88.7%	--
Seward	1,036	1,088	69.1	72.5	95.2%	35

Data are only for public school districts and their associated high schools. The figures are aggregated based on the location of the school, not the residential location of the student. The figures for Dawes County are impacted by a vocational school where graduation rates are less than 25%; in the rest of the county graduation rates equal 93%.

Table 6.

Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

	Youth Report of MH Symptoms	8 th	10 th	12 th
Seward	Loss of sleep from worry	14.8%	23.6%	18.9%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Seward	Depressed	23.1%	37.7%	33.0%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Seward	Considered/Attempted suicide	11.4%	18.9%	16.2%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Seward	Current alcohol	5.1%	14.6%	31.3%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Seward	Current binge drinking	1.7%	6.9%	15.2%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%



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Seward	Current marijuana	0.6%	1.9%	8.0%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Seward	Current tobacco	4.0%	6.3%	18.8%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Seward	Current vaping	5.6%	17.6%	28.6%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Seward	Hopeful for future (past week)	79.7%	73.6%	82.0%
Nebraska		78.0%	76.1%	77.6%

****JJI is currently waiting for the legal team at DHHS to approve providing this data**

Table 7.

Juveniles Referred to Services ^e

Table 8.

Juveniles Referred to Services by Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and Mental Health Diagnosis ^e

Table 9.

Juveniles Who Utilized Services ^e

Table 10.

Types of Services Utilized ^e

Table 11.

Youth Who Report Gang Involvement by Grade (2018) ^d

		8th	10th	12th
Seward	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	1.1%	3.1%	1.8%
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%



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Table 12.

Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change ^f

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
Summary Arrest Date	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Jurisdiction by Geography	SEWARD COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	514	463	-9.92	27	42	55.56
Aggravated Assault Total	11	3	-72.73	0	-	-
Burglary Total	2	1	-50.00	1	-	-100.00
Larceny-Theft Total	10	5	-50.00	2	2	0.00
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	1	2	100.00	1	0	-100.00
Other Assaults	33	26	-21.21	8	10	25.00
Forgery and Counterfeiting	1	2	100.00	-	-	-
Fraud	4	2	-50.00	1	-	-100.00
Embezzlement	-	2	-	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	2	4	100.00	-	0	-
Vandalism	1	4	300.00	-	2	-
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	1	3	200.00	-	0	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	1	1	0.00	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	8	7	-12.50	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	121	149	23.14	6	2	-66.67
Offenses Against Family and Children	2	2	0.00	-	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	45	34	-24.44	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	26	38	46.15	5	16	220.00
Disorderly Conduct	3	5	66.67	-	0	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	242	173	-28.51	3	10	233.33

Table 13.

Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Seward		All YLS Counties	
	M	SD	M	SD
Family Circumstance/Parenting	1.53	1.69	1.20	1.32
Education/Employment	0.93	1.28	1.27	1.35
Peer Relationships	1.40	1.40	1.78	1.08
Substance Use	0.27	0.59	1.29	1.40



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Leisure/Recreation	0.80	1.15	0.88	0.95
Personality/Behavior	1.20	1.42	1.34	1.52
Attitudes/Orientation	0.60	1.35	0.45	0.79
Mean Score	$M = 6.87, SD = 5.58, 0-16$		$M = 8.23, SD = 5.22, 0-31$	

Seward County $n = 15$; Statewide $n = 2124$; Seward County also had 2 youth screened with the NYS (not included)

Table 14.
Racial and Ethnic Disparities Descriptives (2015-2019) ¹

[Click here to see Census and School Population Data](#)

*Data were not separated by year because there were too few cases

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	169*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	144	1.40%	0.70%	4.90%	2.80%	1.40%	0%	88.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	115	1.70%	0.90%	5.20%	2.60%	0.90%	0%	88.70%
Successful completion diversion	92	1.10%	1.10%	5.40%	3.30%	0%	0%	89.10%
Youth with multiple charges	15	6.70%	0%	6.70%	0%	0%	0%	86.70%
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	14	7.10%	7.10%	14.30%	0%	7.10%	0%	64.30%
RAI Override: Less Severe	5	0%	20%	0%	20%	0%	0%	60%
Probation intake	45	2.20%	4.40%	8.90%	4.40%	6.70%	0%	73.30%
Successful probation	135	1.50%	0.70%	1.50%	4.40%	1.50%	0%	90.40%
Revocation of probation	16	0%	0%	6.20%	0%	0%	0%	93.80%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Milford PD did not report to the NCC 2015 - 2016 or 2018



Family Level

- Number of adults with bachelor's degrees is lower than the state average; it may be possible that residents who go to college outside of Seward County find employment where they go to school and do not return to Seward County.
- 12th graders report feeling less supported by adults at home than 8th and 10th graders

Table 15.

Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Seward	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	7.5%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	312	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	23.5%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	29.2%	31.3%
	County rank	8	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	21.6%	23.0%
	County rank	78	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	94.1%	91.1%
	County Rank	22	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	99.6%	96.9%
	County rank	26	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	95.3%	91.0%
	County rank	21	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	94.5%	90.8%
	County Rank	22	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	4,747	498,567
	Total households	6,596	754,063



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	Owner %	72.0%	66.1%
	Renters	1,849	255,496
	Renter %	28.0%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	210	40,465
	Total households	6,596	754,063
	No vehicle %	3.2%	5.4%

Table 16.
Youth Who Report Supportive Adults by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Seward	Adult at home who listens	85.3%	87.4%	82.1%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Seward	Adult at school who listens	92.0%	84.8%	91.1%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means ^h

	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Reported	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	Simple Domestic Assaults Reported	Simple Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means
Seward	1	1	8	4
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Seward	183	38%	13%	54%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Juvenile record sealing is not “automatic” even if statute requires it to seal. Sealing a record requires administrative staff to initiate the process. Dismissed or dropped cases should be sealed at a rate of 100%. All others should be sealed at the rate to which youth successfully complete their court requirements (completion of diversion, probation, restorative practice, or other treatment).
- Data for race and ethnicity at each juvenile justice system point is imperative for an accurate Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) analysis.

Table 19.
Community Violence Measured by Arrests for Violent Crime (2019) ⁱ

Type of Violence	County	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	0	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	3	1,639
Other Assaults	26	8,782

Table 20.
Youth Perceptions of Community Attitudes on Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Seward	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	97.7%	94.9%	91.1%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Seward	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	89.1%	81.0%	74.1%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Seward	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	94.3%	92.4%	83.9%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



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Table 21.

Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^msee [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	94	133	70.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	247	400	61.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	3	33.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	342	565	60.5%

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. All cases filed in adult court and transferred to juvenile court overlapped with cases that were filed in adult court as a misdemeanor or infraction; as such, they were omitted from analysis



Policy, Legal and System Level

- Despite not being in a county required to provide counsel under statute, access to counsel is similar to the state average, but still lower than ideal.
- There are few curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately.
- It is not clear why all first-time offenders are not referred to diversion but perhaps this is due to the ineligible offenses.
- With respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
- If drug testing is needed, it should only be used on cases where the youth demonstrates a substance use issue.

Table 22.

Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Seward	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	60.0% -- 79.9%	73.5%

Neb. Rev. 43-272. Right to counsel; appointment; payment; guardian ad litem; appointment; when; duties; standards for guardians ad litem; standards for attorneys who practice in juvenile court.

(1)(a) In counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, when any juvenile shall be brought without counsel before a juvenile court, the court shall advise such juvenile and his or her parent or guardian of their right to retain counsel and shall inquire of such juvenile and his or her parent or guardian as to whether they desire to retain counsel.

(b) In counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more inhabitants, when any juvenile court petition is filed alleging jurisdiction of a juvenile pursuant to subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of section 43-247, counsel shall be appointed for such juvenile.



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Table 23.

Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Seward	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	2	352

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
0	0	0	2	0	2

Table 24.

Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Seward					
Filed Subtype	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A - Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	5	1	2	5	13
3B - Uncontrollable	0	0	0	1	2	3
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	1	0	1	0	2

	Nebraska					
Filed Subtype	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	2	0	2	3	7
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	96	510	493	423	475	1997
3B - Uncontrollable	47	118	125	119	82	491
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	22	48	37	22	23	306

Table 25.

County Diversion Procedures and Protocols Compared to Statewide Responses (2020) ^o

	Seward	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	No	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	Not sure	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Sometimes	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Yes	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%



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Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; murder, manslaughter	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	No	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	Yes	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Yes; \$25 enrollment fee and \$15 a month	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; when a violation occurs, a response is given to address the specific violation	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; Upon enrollment a motion to dismiss will be provided to the court unless charges are never filed. Once the order of dismissal is processed the court seals the record. Upon completion a case completion form is completed and sent	Yes: 59.1% No: 22.7% Not sure: 18.2%

*responses included 44 juvenile diversion programs; representing 68 counties/tribe (91.9% response rate)



Community Team Level

- A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 12.2%.
- The community team should be representative of the population of that community but should also include diversity. It might be beneficial to add diverse member to your team (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.)
- On the survey –no probation, law enforcement, prosecution, or defense counsel in your team – but perhaps they did not respond to the survey.
- Only two people did not feel heard, but that is likely not representative – due to low response rate.

Table 26.

Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

	Seward/Butler		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	29	41	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	9	5	221	345
Response rate	31.0%	12.2%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27.

Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

	Seward/Butler		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.00	5.80	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	4.36	5.80	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	3.78	5.80	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	4.32	6.00	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	5.10	5.80	5.52	5.78



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The five elements of Collective Impact are:

- **Common agenda:** Participants have a shared vision and common understanding of both the problem and potential solutions to that problem.
- **Mutually reinforcing activities:** Participant activities must be differentiated while still being coordinated through a mutually reinforcing plan of action.
- **Shared measurement:** Collecting data and measuring results consistently across all participants ensures efforts remain aligned and participants hold each other accountable.
- **Continuous communication:** Consistent and open communication is needed across stakeholders to build trust, assure mutual objectives, and create common motivation.
- **Backbone support:** Creating and managing Collective Impact often requires a separate organization(s) with staff and a specific set of skills to serve as the backbone for the entire initiative and to coordinate participating organizations ^q

Table 28.

Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Seward/Butler		Nebraska	
	N = 5	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	--	--	101	29.3%
Female	4	80.0%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	20.0%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	1	20.0%	68	19.6%
40-49	2	40.0%	88	25.4%
50-59	1	20.0%	90	25.8%
60 and over	--	--	44	13%
Missing	1	20.0%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	3	60.0%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	--	--	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	1	20.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	1	20.0%	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	1	20.0%	98	28.4%
No	4	80.0%	242	70.1%
Missing	--	--	5	1.4%
System Point				
Law enforcement	--	--	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	--	--	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	1	20.0%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based			10	2.3%
Diversion	1	20.0%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	--	--	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	20.0%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	2	40.0%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	--	--	3	0.7%
Other	--	--	16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	3	60.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	2	40.0%	75	21.7%

Seward $n = 4$ (one person named more than one county they represent, but they were outside this multi-county group).

*note. Team members could have selected more than one system point; as such, they do not add up to 100%



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**Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year**

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. All cases filed in adult court and transferred to juvenile court overlapped with cases that were filed in adult court as a misdemeanor or infraction; as such, they were omitted from analysis

2015	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	11	11	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	46	59	78.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	57	70	81.4%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	27	29	93.1%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	74	92	80.4%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	1	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	101	122	82.8%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	30	50	60.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	63	100	63.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	1	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	93	180	51.7%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	21	31	67.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	53	83	63.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	75	115	65.2%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	5	12	41.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	11	66	16.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	16	78	20.5%