

# JUVENILE MINUTE

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## 2ND ANNUAL SUMMER SERIES IS A SUCCESS!

This summer, 10 kids involved with juvenile probation, attended the second annual Exploring Horizons Summer Program. Lake County Probation, in partnership with Redwood Community Services (RCS), provided two outings each week throughout the summer to teach youth about some of fun things to do in our community and that there are possibilities for their future.

During each outing, Probation Officers and RCS staff took the youth to various locations like Universal Technical Institute (UTI) in Sacramento, the UC Davis Marine Lab at Bodega Bay, and the

Four Winds Ropes course in Sonoma County. Additionally, the youth spent a day tubing on Clearlake, picnicking at Highland Springs, and sunning at Raging Waters in Sacramento.

The kids that participated enjoyed the adventures and expressed their pleasure in finding things to do different than they have done in the past!

Probation and RCS would like to thank Disney's Boat Rentals for their continued support, as well as all of the businesses that welcomed the group to their facilities.



## PROBATION OFFICER SPOTLIGHT EVA LARA

**Eva Lara has been with the Department since 2005. Eva started her career as a juvenile correctional officer at the Lake County Juvenile Hall. In November of 2014, Eva became a Probation Officer. Eva has served as a field officer supervising moderate to high-risk youth.**

**Eva said, "I believe in supporting our youth to find all the possibilities of what they can accomplish, the possibility to dream big, and that with hard work those dreams can come true so they can have a brighter future."**

**Eva's perfect day is spent at home with her family.**



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## TITLE IV-E WAIVER PROGRAM

*We have described in past issues, the Juvenile Division's participation in this alternative funding program with Lake County Child Welfare Services. As of September 30, 2017, Lake County is no longer participating in the Waiver program.*

*It is the Probation Department's goal to continue with the programs that were started as a result of participating in the Waiver, including Family WRAP and the Exploring Horizons Summer Program. For additional information about these changes, please contact Wendy Mondfrans, Chief Deputy Probation Officer at (707) 262-4285.*

## JUVENILE DETENTION HAS MOVED

Lake County Probation's contract with Mendocino County Probation to house incarcerated youth ended on September 30, 2017. We decided to contract with Tehama County Probation in order to provide our youth with the most services while they are in custody. Tehama's detention facility is a state-of-the-art facility where youth attend school, take music lessons, learn CAD computer skills, garden, work with farm animals such as chickens, goats, and horses, and learn life skills to return to their family's home.

Lake County Probation will facilitate transportation of youth to and from the new facility and will assist families in maintaining contact with their youth through Skype and visitation.

Tehama County's facility is located at 1790 Walnut Street, Red Bluff, CA, (530) 527-5380.

## WRAPAROUND SUCCESS!

Lake County Probation has contracted with Redwood Community Services for the past 7 years to provide WRAPAROUND services to youth and families who need additional help in our community. WRAPAROUND services include linking families to supports within the community, assisting with school challenges, teaching parenting and budgeting skills, assisting with medical and mental health needs, assisting with housing needs, and helping families learn to work together.

Pictured right is Lola, Jamie and Dani. They were recently featured in the statewide California WRAPAROUND Connections newsletter because of the success they had in our program.

When the family was first told of our program, Jamie was skeptical the program could help the family. "I was



wrong about that," Jamie now says. "When I finally accepted help, things became a lot easier." "I realized they

were on our side. They really wanted us to be successful, and I learned it was okay to ask for help."

"You have to choose success, you have to want it for your family. They can't do that for you," Lola said.

Probation is so proud of this family's successes and look forward to the great things to come from them!

For more information on our WRAPAROUND Programs, contact Kevin O'Brien at (707) 262-4285.