

A resident works on a cedar bark weaving.



How Do I Visit?

APPROVED VISITORS

All potential visitors must be approved prior to visiting the facility. A resident's visitation list typically consists of family members, clergy, and supportive individuals that have been screened and approved by the youth's Probation Officer and the Unit Supervisor. All underage siblings require approval and must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

Each resident of the Johnson Youth Center Treatment Unit has a list of approved visitors. Only those individuals on this list may visit. If you are unsure if you are approved, or have not visited before, call 907-523-6870 to speak with a staff member.

What to Expect During Visiting

All visitors entering the Treatment Unit are subject to search by a metal detector. This is to ensure the safety and security of staff and residents.

Please bring your state-issued photo ID with you when visiting.

We ask that you do not bring any other personal items on to the Treatment Unit. Please leave your purse, cell phone, or any other items in your car or at home.

Special Visits

If you are a family member visiting from out of town, we would be happy to arrange special visitation times for you. Please provide us with advance notice by contacting the youth's treatment team to inform us when you will be in town and if any special accommodations are needed.

If you would like to share a meal on a special visit or for a special occasion such as birthdays or holidays, let us know in advance and arrangements can be made for you to order food for delivery. No food items are allowed to be carried in due to safety and security concerns.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

You may not bring these items inside our facility. Please ask Staff if you have any questions.

- Weapons or potential weapons
- Cell phones and mp3 players
- Recording devices (including smart watches)
- Cameras
- Laptops, flash drives, or anything that connects to the Internet
- Tobacco, marijuana, and vaping products
- Prescription drugs, unless they are life-sustaining
- Illegal drugs or paraphernalia
- Alcohol
- Money*
- Food or drinks*

*unless preapproved

VISITATION DAYS & HOURS

Regular visiting hours are:

Mondays: 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturdays 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m..

Should these times not work for you, please contact the Treatment Unit to arrange alternate options.



Johnson Youth Center Treatment Unit

3252 Hospital Drive
Juneau, AK 99801

907-523-6870

Our mission

To hold juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior, promote the safety and restoration of victims and communities, and assist offenders and their families in developing skills to prevent crime.

Trauma Informed Effective Reinforcement System (TIERS)

To keep in line with best practices, the Johnson Youth Center (JYC) utilizes the TIER System in the delivery of services and as a foundational approach to working with our at-risk population. In the TIER System, staff utilize an understanding of both gender-responsive and trauma-informed/responsive principles integrated in the application of new approaches and skills so they can work with girls in a way that unifies:

1. A Relational Approach
2. A Strength-based Approach
3. Trauma-Informed/Responsive Care
4. Cultural Competency
5. Basic Motivational Interviewing skills



Detention residents take a tour of the local firehouse.

About

The Girl's Treatment Unit (GTU) of JYC is a secure, 12-bed facility. The average stay for a resident entering the program ranges from 12 to 18 months. The purpose of the Unit is to provide a safe, secure, and gender-specific therapeutic environment for institutionalized female residents.

In addition to their individualized programs, residents complete the following core groups: Aggression Replacement Training (ART), Prime for Life (substance abuse education), and Acceptance Commitment Dialect (a 16-session cognitive group to encourage the concepts of values, goals, and behavioral accordance with one's objectives). These groups are essential in fostering prosocial skills that will allow them to be productive members of society once they reenter the community.

Strength-Based Program, Trauma-Informed Care

Our goal is to motivate change by helping residents find positive, effective, and reasonable solutions that are available to them. In order to accomplish this, residents will work to identify their strengths and the strengths of their families. Consistent visiting or contact with family helps foster these important, supportive relationships.

We recognize the importance of family connections and we encourage visitation while youth are participating in our program. Telephone contact and visitation through Zoom calls is also encouraged and can be set up through each youth's treatment team. Residents are allowed 10 phone calls per week to/from approved contacts.

Alaska Ombudsman

The Alaska State Ombudsman investigates citizen complaints about administrative acts of state agencies and determines appropriate remedies. [A.S. 24.55](#)

Phone Numbers:

In Anchorage: 907-269-5290

In Juneau: 907-465-4970

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Residents take a bike ride on a local trail.