

Sonoma County Juvenile Justice Commission Group Home Inspection Report

Facility Name:	Hanna Boys Center
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JJC Inspector(s)	Michael Fried, Richard Miller
Date of Inspection	February 26, 2020
Date of Last Inspection	March 21, 2019
Community Care Licensing Contact	Joel Segura (per last CCL Facility Inspection Report)
Date of Last CCL Inspection	December 11, 2019

****S= Satisfactory or exceeds *N.I. = Needs Improvement/Corrective Action***

INSPECTION	S	N.I.	Comments (required if "N.I." is checked)
Grounds	X		Grounds are well maintained. Trees, vegetation and various bushes around each home were trimmed and there were no notable branches posing a safety risk. This is a vast facility with acres of grass, paved walk ways and roads for cars. There is a large soccer field for activities. Roadways were well maintained with adequate parking. Grounds surrounding each inspected building was in good repair. This vast campus houses academic, manual arts, play grounds and church chapels. There are no significant changes since last reports, however one cottage has been closed as a result of declining population.
Building Exterior	X		Building exteriors were clean and recently painted, back area at Mt. Carmel had garden area for container gardening. Residents are encouraged to participate in growing vegetables in the containers. At this time the gardens are empty. Recent upgrades to gutters was noted. There are cameras on the outside of the building that cover the exterior perimeter. In walking the grounds all buildings appear well maintained. New paint couldn't hurt but do not distract from the overall maintained exterior.
Living Room	X		Two cottages were inspected. Each communal living area was clean and well maintained, furniture was in good repair although dated. Couches in both homes were torn at the edges and this was noted by staff. There were books and video games readily available. Computers were available for use.
Dining Room			
Laundry Room			
Kitchen	X		House kitchens were clean and appropriate for use.
Bedrooms	X		Mt Carmel bedrooms, while clean are very spartan in decor. There are no desk for study, or personal use. Lighting is restricted to the overhead lamp for the room. Each room has two residents.
Bathrooms	X		They are clean and meet ADA standards. Privacy for showers provided.
Fire Safety --Extinguishers	X		Extinguishers up to date. Overhead sprinklers provided
Fire Safety	X		Posted in all quarters near front entrance.

--Smoke Alarms			
Fire Safety --Evacuation Plan	X		Evacuation Plan posted
Food			Varied, rotating menus. Group homes do own dinners. Boys participate in shopping and food preparation with staff supervision. The cabinets and refrigerator were fully Stocked and the food was marked with date for freshness. There was a wide variety of food available.
Emergency Supplies	X		available
Health Services	X		Medical doctor, dentist, nurse and psychiatrist are available as needed.
Medications	X		Medications are stored in locked office in a locked medication cabinet. Medications are recorded in a medical record book. While some residents are receiving psychotropic drugs, no one medication stands out.
Recreation (on site)	X		There is a broad range of activities provided. Hanna is a participant of Bridge League of small schools for athletic activities. A visit to the music room offered an opportunity to meet the music teacher. Residents had expressed an interest in forming a band. The schedule was booked with other academic activities so the teacher made time after school for the residents to form a band. This is very commendable.
Outings (off site)	X		Hiking, camping.
Education & Classrooms	X		Standard high school academic program. Academic program has been upgrades and seems to be going well. In addition to the basic academic program, there is an extensive vocational component, which includes woodworking and welding. Many residents are involved in making furniture, which is used on campus or sold in the community.
Mail/Phone	X		Residents have access to phones for communication with families.
Discipline	X		Main issue is substance abuse. If there is a positive test, resident is put through a Matrix program of education until tests are clear. Another problem is bullying, which is dealt with by staff interaction with perpetrator and victim on concept of restorative questions and responses. Fights are seen as individual disputes and do not appear to be gang-related.
Library	X		Available in school and living quarters. Computers are available in living quarters for individual research.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: As of this inspection, there are seventy residents at Hanna. About seventy percent come to Hanna from Sonoma County. The rest come from all over California.

YOUTH INTERVIEW(S)

Of Youth Interviewed:

INSPECTION SUMMARY: The Hanna staff and administration has worked very hard to overcome the problems of the past few years. Many changes have been made and it seems the residents are being cared for and dealt with in an appropriate way.

Next Inspection Recommended: _____ or ___X_____ **Annual Inspection**

Michael Fried, Inspection Commissioner

Richard Miller, Inspection Commissioner

Eve Goldberg, Chair

cc: Honorable Judge of the Sonoma County Superior Court, et al