

Sonoma County Juvenile Justice Commission Group Home Inspection Report

Facility Name:	Victor Treatment Centers: Clover House
Address	On File
Phone	On File
Contact Person	Kristine Aphugh
JJC Inspector(s)	Jeanette Lebell
Date of Inspection	November 10, 2022
Date of Last Inspection	October 21, 2019 **Due to COVID-19, in-person inspections have been on hiatus**
CCL Analyst	Cheyenne McCambridge
Date of Last CCL Inspection	July 12, 2022

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

INSPECTION	S	N.I.	Comments (required if "N.I." is checked)
Grounds	X		Facility is surrounded by a tall fence. There are two large buildings on the property – closest to the street is Clover House, the other is a maintenance/workshop. There is also a separate garage. There is patio furniture and picnic tables, a grill, a basketball hoop, one punching bag in the patio area between the two large buildings. There are two garden beds but they're not currently in active use.
Building Exterior	X		Exterior seemed to be in good shape.
Living Room	X		The room is large, carpeted, has several sofas, a large screen TV and a computer work station. There's a large brick fireplace but was told not used in over a year. Library.
Dining Room	X		A large dining table with adequate seating is located right off the kitchen. Used for eating and games.
Laundry Room	X		Clean. Youth can use, per schedule, with various degrees of age-appropriate instruction and safety adult supervision. The room is locked when not in use and soap for washing machine was in an unlocked cupboard.
Kitchen	X		Kitchen appears to be well-maintained and welcoming. Due to Covid, using mostly disposable utensils and paper plates. Easier to clean up after eating. Fresh fruit on the counter. Cupboards, fridge and freezers well stocked. Large pantry too.
Bedrooms	X		There are four bedrooms large enough for double occupancy but currently they are all being used as singles. Bedrooms were well furnished. Residents were encouraged to decorate their rooms but only one has. One screen was bent/partially off. Resident damaged it going AWOL and they are waiting to replace it until less likely to be damaged again.
Bathrooms	X		Both full baths appeared to be clean although there was standing water in one tub because resident who last used it forgot to drain it. No harmful chemicals present. Prior report indicated they were divided into a boys and girls bathroom. Currently there are 4 male residents including one who is trans but identifies as male. Residents can use either bathroom.
Fire --Extinguishers	X		Only one right next to fireplace. It was charged and last inspected June 30, 2022.

Fire Safety --Smoke Alarms	X		Every bedroom, hallway, and all of the other rooms.
Fire Safety --Evacuation Plan	X		Posted by main door, appropriate height. None by the other exit door.
Food	X		Lots of fresh fruit in the kitchen. Well-stocked pantry.
Emergency Supplies	X		Everything is checked quarterly. Food, water, flashlights, batteries, all in large, labeled emergency bins. Reviewed their disaster plan and the lists for residents and staff of what to grab if need to evacuate.
Health Services	X		Psychiatrist works with staff and therapists to keep current for mental health meds. Work with other health providers as needed. Regular medical and dental care is provided, initially within 30 days of arrival, and then as needed.
Medications	X		Meds were appropriately logged and logs are up to date. All are triple locked.
Recreation (on site)	X		Video games, board games. There were bicycles, skateboards and scooters (and helmets) in the garage. Basketball hoop was in use briefly during my inspection. Residents are to engage in 30 minutes of physical activity on school days, 60 minutes each weekend day.
Outings (off site)	X		Include: Trips to go shopping/stores, outings for ice cream/frozen yogurt, movies (in house), beach, river, local parks for hiking.
Education & Classrooms	X		Currently all four residents attend facility's North Valley School.
Mail/Phone	X		One resident is 18 years old and he is allowed to keep his phone on him. The others need to use the house phone when making calls.
Discipline	X		Discipline program reviewed with incoming youth. Chart was posted in public area disclosing residents' status re needing to make amends, grounded and community service. Staff feels transparency on those issues reminds residents of what they need to do/enhances compliances. Chart in staff office (private) showed more detail/AWOL risk, etc.
Library	X		Well-stocked one in living room.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

Staff plans celebrations around holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas. They anticipate an increase in behavioral issues arising around this time of year.

YOUTH INTERVIEW(S)

Of Youth Interviewed: #1 Feels the facility is well run. No complaints. Appreciates the structure to each day. They had been cooking mac and cheese as an after-school snack while I was there. Seems to be making the most of what's available to them. Likes the school. Mentioned they don't get homework and sometimes wishes they did.

INSPECTION SUMMARY:

Appears organized and well-run.

Next Inspection Recommended: Annual Inspection

Jeanette Lebell, Inspection Commissioner

Mary Cone/Michael Charpiot, Co-Chairs

cc: Honorable Judge of the Sonoma County Superior Court
Commissioner of the Juvenile Court
Probation Department, Chief of Probation

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