

**Nebraska Panhandle
Comprehensive Juvenile Services
Community Plan
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**For the counties of:
Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel,
Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan, and
Sioux Counties**

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Introduction

Geographic Area The Panhandle of Nebraska consists of the 11 rural and frontier counties in the western third of the state. They include Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan and Sioux counties and the communities of Alliance, Bayard, Berea, Big Springs, Bridgeport, Broadwater, Bushnell, Chadron, Chappell, Clinton, Crawford, Dalton, Dix, Ellsworth, Gering, Gordon, Gurley, Harrisburg, Harrison, Hay Springs, Hemingford, Henry, Kimball, Lewellen, Lisco, Lodgepole, Lyman, Marsland, McGrew, Melbeta, Minatare, Mitchell, Morrill, Oshkosh, Potter, Redington, Rushville, Scottsbluff, Sidney, Sunol, Terrytown, Whiteclay and Whitney. The 14,810 square mile area is bordered by equally remote areas of South Dakota (north), Wyoming (west) and Colorado (south). The area’s relevant industry is primarily agriculturally based. It also includes the railroad, a state and community college and a regional hospital system.

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Youth Services System The youth services system works between service sectors to provide a continuum of youth services for young people which:

- Provides strengths and assets-based services.
- Provides the right services at the right time.
- Is a continuum of services which is geographically accessible.
- Assures that services are evidence based and evidence informed.
- Promotes policy that decreases barriers so that youth may be served without entering high-end systems.
- Demonstrates accountability through shared data, assessments, planning and evaluation.
- Believes that the best outcomes for youth will occur through a system of flexible funding that follows the youth.
- Promotes safety and inclusion for all youth regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, socio-economic status, and gender identity.
- Promotes the professionalism of youth services workers through shared training.
- Has a central referral and navigation component regardless of referral source.
- Is vibrant, adaptable, and current.

Practices and skills such as a commitment to youth thriving, positive youth development, trauma informed care, and developmental assets are the foundation for prevention and are sustained through transition services.

Box Butte County Data Summary

- Despite being a smaller community, Box Butte has a higher percent of Native American and Hispanic population. Interesting that there are more Hispanic adolescent females, than males and more Native American males than females.
- Chronic absenteeism – Both Hispanic and Native American youth were more likely to have chronic absenteeism issues over the past five years. Some of Box Butte County's number were too small to report (less than 10 cases.)
- Free and reduced lunch is consistently higher than the rest of the state.
- HS graduation rates are slightly lower than the state average.
- Box Butte County's 10th and 12th graders reported higher rate of loss of sleep from worry, and youth across all ages reported higher levels of depression. A very high percent of 12th graders reported attempting or considering suicide as compared to the state average.
- Youth who report using alcohol is much higher than the rest of the state. (30% of 8th graders report drinking compared to 9.8% statewide; 25% of 10th graders and 50% of seniors. Binge drinking is also much higher for seniors.
- Youth in Box Butte County are using tobacco and vaping at higher rates than youth across the state.
- Slightly fewer 8th and 12th graders report feeling hopeful.
- Reports of gang involvement are about the same as percentages across the state.
- Overall crime decreased by 32% from 2018 to 2019, and almost no juvenile crimes reported.
- Only 126 youth had a law violation reported to NCC (over 5 years). It appears that Hispanic and Native American youth are diverted at equitable rates. Native American youth have higher rates or override (but few cases.)

Cheyenne County Data Summary

- Chronic absenteeism – although Cheyenne County is lower than the rest of the state, Hispanic youth are still over represented in absenteeism (13.57% of the youth chronically absent –compared to 8.41% of the 1,665 students enrolled in 2018-2019).
- 10th and 12th graders in Sidney Public Schools report loss of sleep from worry and considering/attempting suicide at higher rates than the state. 8th, 10th, and 12th graders report feeling depressed at higher rates than the state. 8th, 10th, and 12th graders report higher rates of tobacco use, vaping, and binge drinking; 8th and 12th graders report higher alcohol use, and 10th and 12th graders report higher marijuana use compared to the state. All three grades surveyed indicated feeling less hopeful for the future than the state rate.
- 8th and 12th graders in Sidney Public Schools report gang involvement at a higher rate than the state.
- 175 cases came into the hotline, and roughly 78% were unfounded (higher number of unfounded reports compared to the rest of the state.)
- With regard to how youth perceive community attitudes on substance use, 8th, 10th, and 12th graders in Sidney Public Schools report lower rates regarding marijuana, alcohol, and cigarettes than the state.

Dawes County Data Summary

- Hispanic and American Indian youth are overrepresented in chronic absenteeism compared to school enrollment.
- This community has not participated in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factor Student Survey (NRPFS) since 2014 and should consider participating in the next survey year (2020) to get youth-level data on mental health, gangs, supportive adults and community perceptions of substance use.
- Graduation rates include Job Corp, which may result in a misrepresentation of Dawes County public school graduation rates.
- Juvenile Justice Institute (JJI) did not have risk assessment scores for diversion from the 2015-2017 assessment evaluation to include. If the county is not using a validated assessment tool, then it should begin doing so (there will be a statewide tool coming in July 2021). If the county does have assessment data in digital format for JJI to analyze, they would be happy to update the data.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of Racial and Ethnic Disparity (RED). Based on census and school enrollment data:
 - American Indian youth are overrepresented in all court system points, and all probation system points except probation underrides.
 - Hispanic youth are overrepresented with multiple charges and adult court filings, and at probation intake and successful probation completion.
 - Race/ethnicity data is missing or unspecified at the court level for 14.3% and 16.7% of the cases.
- 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.
- Dawes County does not have a diversion program, as such did not complete the diversion procedure and protocol survey.
- The percentage of children under 18 in poverty is slightly higher than the state average.
- The percentage of adults with bachelor's degrees is higher than the state average – this may be partially due to the presence of a state college.
- The percentage of youth without a computer at home is slightly lower than the state average, but internet access is higher than the state.
- The percentage of renters is slightly higher than the state average – this may be partially because of college students renting while in college.
- 70% of abuse/neglect calls are unfounded.
- There are not many violent arrests in this community.
- 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.

Deuel County Data Summary

- County 8th, 10th and 12th graders reporter higher rate of loss of sleep from worry, and depression. Slightly fewer 12th graders reported attempting or considering suicide as compared to the state average. More youth report feeling hopeful.
- 12th graders report using alcohol at a higher rate than the rest of the state. (40.6% report drinking compared to 34%, but far fewer reported binge drinking.)
- Very few youth reported using marijuana. Twice as many 8th graders are using tobacco compared to the state.
- Youth understand that adults think marijuana use (across all age groups), alcohol and cigarettes are “wrong” to use. Fewer 10th graders think their parent(s) oppose alcohol use.

Garden County Data Summary

- More youth have IDEA plans than the state comparison across all years.
- The percentage of youth with internet subscription and access to broadband internet at home is lower than the rest of the state.
- There are no violent arrests in this community.
- Garden County is doing very well with sealing of juvenile court records. Dismissed or dropped cases should be sealed at 100%, which they are in this community.
- 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), in which Garden County appears to also be doing very well.
- Despite not being in a county required to provide counsel under statute, access to counsel is higher than the state average.
- There are few curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately.

Kimball County Data Summary

- In many instance, Kimball County's number were too small to report. However, data indicate that Hispanic youth were more likely to have issues of chronic absenteeism (as reported in 2014-2015 and 2017-2018.)
- Overall adult crime increased from 2018 to 2019, by 57.29%, but there were almost no juvenile crimes reported.
- Only 20 youth had a law violation reported to NCC. Hispanic youth are referred and enroll at similar rates. (Very few cases)
- 79 cases reported to CPS, and only 7% were substantiated, lower than the rest of the state.

Scotts Bluff, Banner & Morrill Counties Data Summary

- Scotts Bluff County has a larger Hispanic youth population as compared to the rest of the state. Censuses data reflects an Asian/Pacific Islander male population of 3.0%, higher than the rest of the state. Hispanic youth account for 30.7%.
- Department of Education data shows that an even higher percent of youth enrolled in school are Hispanic which matches the larger Hispanic youth population in Scotts Bluff County.
- It was found that Hispanic and Native American youth are overrepresented in the population of youth who are chronically absent from school.
- IDEA rates are lower than the rest of the state. However, the percentage of youth on the free and reduced lunch program is higher than the rest of the state.
- High school graduation rates are higher in Scotts Bluff County than in the rest of the state.
- In Scotts Bluff County, 8th, 10th, and 12th graders reported a higher rate of loss of sleep due to worry, and depression. In conjunction, slightly more 8th graders reported attempting or considering suicide as compared to the state average.
- Youth who report using alcohol in Scotts Bluff County is 4 to 5 times higher than the rest of the state. (44.6% of 8th graders report drinking compared to 9.8% statewide; 43.1% of 10th graders and 70.9% of 12th graders.
- Scotts Bluff County has a slightly higher rate of youth who reported marijuana use. (8th graders 6.0%, 10th graders 9.2%, 12th graders 16.3%)
- Slightly fewer 8th and 12th graders report feeling hopeful, this can be paired with Scotts Bluff County having slightly lower reported percentages of adults who listened at home.
- Overall, juvenile crime is down almost 89% from past years.
- May of the youth assessed on Diversion did not score across any domains.
- Minority youth in Scotts Bluff County move through the Diversion program at very equitable rates.
- Native American youth in Scotts Bluff County make up 14% of the intakes for Probation and are likely to have an underride. Hispanic youth in Scottsbluff county are represented equitably across probation points.

Sheridan County Data Summary

- Hispanic and American Indian youth are overrepresented in chronic absenteeism compared to school enrollment.
- Students with IDEA plans are slightly higher than the state average.
- Sheridan County has more youth on free/reduced lunch than the state average.
- This community has not participated in the NRPFS and will consider participating next year to get youth-level data on mental health, gangs, supportive adults and community perceptions of abuse use.
- Students participating in winter activities did take a Human Performance Survey in November on alcohol use through Partnership for Success Grant through the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services and Region 1 Behavioral Health Authority, but results have not been shared yet.
- Slight increase in arrests for larceny, other assaults, and drug possession, (however, with such small frequencies, this increase should be taken with caution).
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED. Based on the census and school enrollment data:
 - American Indian youth are overrepresented in all probation system points, and with multiple charges being filed
 - Black youth are overrepresented in probation overrides, probation intakes and successful probation completion
 - Hispanic youth are overrepresented at probation intake and overrides
 - Race/ethnicity data is missing or unspecified at the court level for 22.2% and 37.5% of the cases.
- Sheridan County does not have a diversion program, as such did not complete the diversion procedure and protocol survey.
- The percentage of children in poverty in Sheridan County is higher than the state average.
- The percentage of adults with high school diplomas and bachelor's degrees is lower than the state average.
- The percentage of youth without a computer and access to internet at home is lower than the state average.
- 71% of abuse/neglect calls are unfounded.
- There are not many violent arrests in Sheridan County communities.
- No vehicle % is slightly higher than the state average.
- We have seen an increase of concern regarding more students vaping which is high across the country.
- Through Random Student Drug Testing, more students test positive than in years past. This may be due in part to legalized marijuana in bordering South Dakota and on the Pine Ridge Reservation which is less than 18 miles north.
- Arrests for aggravated assault and other assaults are down from 2018-2019, but are still high for the size of the community.
- Juvenile record sealing is not "automatic" even if statute requires it to seal. Sealing a record requires administrative staff to initiate the process. 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).

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- Sheridan County is not a county required to provide counsel under statute; notably, access to counsel is lower than the state average in this community.
- Curfew filings were relatively high in previous years but have decreased in recent years. Curfew violations, if not diverted, can net-widen juveniles into the juvenile justice system.
- Sheridan County does not have a diversion program, as such did not complete the diversion procedure and protocol survey.

Sioux County Data Summary

- Sioux County is ranked #1 with youth under 18 having a computer at home, but has a lower percentage of youth with internet subscriptions and access to broadband internet at home than the state.
- Sioux County has a slightly higher rate of households without access to a vehicle than the state average.
- Sioux County has very few juvenile court cases in the past four years
- No court filings for curfew, homeless/neglect, absenteeism/truancy, uncontrollable youth or mentally ill and dangerous for juveniles in the past 4 years.

Box Butte County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION

(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
School Counselor	K-12 Grades	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders.
School Resource Officer	K-12 Grades	Law enforcement/support/attendance
Licensed School Based Mental Health Provider	K-12 Grades	Any trauma
ESU School Psychologist	K-12 Grades	Diagnosis / evaluations
Upward Bound	9-12 Grades	First generation college bound student support
Native Futures	5-12 Grades	Neglect/family support/attendance/juvenile justice
Hope Squad	6-12 Grades	Suicide prevention/identify at risk
504	K-12 Grades	Supports for disabilities/medical
Department of Health and Human Services	All	Family support/neglect/trauma/health classes
SPED Services	All	Identification/verification of disabilities

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES

(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Native Futures	5-12 Grades	Court ordered diversions

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Do not have		

KNOWN GAPS IN SERVICES

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Counseling services	all ages	Availability for all incomes
Alternative to detention	14-18	No local alternatives

Box Butte County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Youth who commit minor crimes	Juvenile Diversion Program	11-17 years	Only Adult diversion programs
Elementary school youth with high percent of absenteeism	APS calls /welfare check	0-99 years	APS / formal handling often does not get at the root cause of the absenteeism.

Box Butte County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
youth under 17 committed minor law violations	Limited diversion available	13-18 years	Need to develop a juvenile diversion program, allow youth to accept responsibility and stop offending,
elementary school youth in our county, are absent 15 or more days per semester.	APS calls /welfare check	School aged youth	Need to develop a truancy program to get at the root cause of the absenteeism, and begin attending school.

Cheyenne County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION		
(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
SMAC	11-12	Drug/Alcohol use
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Teammates (mentoring)	5-18	
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Cirrus House Youth Transitional Support	16-24	Severe mental health disorders
Unified Raiders	12-19	Inappropriate use of time
WIC	All ages	Poor parental and early childhood health
Karuna Counseling	All ages	Mental health
Destiny Counseling	All ages	Mental health
SRMC Behavioral health	All ages	Mental health
ESU MHS	School age	Mental health

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES		
(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Diversion	11-18	Sensation seeking, defiance of authority, low achievement, low attachment, drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, lack of concern for others, inappropriate use of time
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Teammates (mentoring)	5-18	
Evals by Eck	16 +	Substance use
Cirrus House Youth Transitional Support	16-24	Severe mental and behavior health
Truancy	11-18	Truancy, low school attachment, low school achievement
Karuna Counseling	All ages	Mental health
Destiny Counseling	All ages	Mental health
SRMC Behavioral health	All ages	Mental health

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SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Family 4ward	10-18	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, inappropriate use of time, defiance of authority

KNOWN GAPS IN SERVICES

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Suicide Prevention	All	Anxiety/depression, mental health disorders, previous victimization
Substance use prevention	12-18	Substance use, deviant peer groups
Parenting education/services	All	All family risk factors
Youth shelter	12-18	Family violence, parental substance use, parental hostility, mental health disorders, previous victimization, individual substance use
Employment/Life skills	12-18	Low attachment/low achievement
Family support services	All	In home support without court orders

Cheyenne County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Hispanic RED with chronic absenteeism, RAI Override	Truancy program	11-18	In 2018-19 Hispanic youth represented 13.57% of youth with chronic absenteeism. Hispanics represent 12.5% of those referred and accepted by the Truancy program offered through Youth Services.
Mental Health – Depression high rates of worry, depression and suicidal ideations	In-school Mental Health provider	5-18	Grant funding for ages 11-18 was established in 2019 for an in-school MH provider contracted with ESU. Prior to this, a provider was available on a semi-regular basis and traveled over 2 hours one way. Average monthly participants is 10.5 that utilize this service.
Participation in Nebraska Risk and Protective Factory Survey	NRPFSS - UNL	Grades 8, 10, 12	SPS school represented over 70% of results so Cheyenne Co was listed as “Unavailable” and no data was included; checked with SPH and they do participate; we had the repots updated with results
High Substance Abuse use and Attitudes of alcohol and substance abuse	SMAC (Students making awesome choices), Diversion program	Age: Diversion 11-18	SMAC is offered to middle school students and is not an evidence based program. Research adding an evidence based piece to this offering. Diversion addresses these concerns for youth that have had law enforcement contact.
Child Abuse & Neglect Reports – High percentage of “unfounded”; need clarification on process; how is emotional and educational neglect handled	DHHS	0-99 years	Effective for cases that are accepted. Need an alternative for those concerns that are considered unfounded and the family refuses other services.
Adult/Family substance abuse	AA, ALANON Celebrate Recovery	Adults 18-99	Called out as an issue when a parent(s) use and it affects the child or children
Gang Involvement is higher than the state	No services related to gang activity		Needs further investigation, no indication of gangs in the area

Cheyenne County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Child Abuse & Neglect Reports – High percentage of “unfounded”; need clarification on process; how is emotional and educational neglect handled	DHHS	0-99 years	Effective for cases that are accepted. <u>Need an alternative for those concerns that are considered unfounded and the family refuses other services.</u>
Mental Health – Depression high rates of worry, depression and suicidal ideations	In-school Mental Health provider	5-18	Grant funding for ages 11-18 was established in 2019 for an in-school MH provider contracted with ESU. Prior to this, a provider was available on a semi-regular basis and traveled over 2 hours one way. Average monthly participants is 10.5 that utilize this service. <u>Researching an alternative for those individuals who don’t want to participate in school service. Currently most local counseling services have wait lists.</u>
Adult/Family substance abuse	ALANON Celebrate Recovery	Adults 18-99	Called out as an issue when a parent(s) use and it affects the child or children. Researching ALATEEN program offering
Gang Involvement is higher than the state	No services related to gang activity		Needs further investigation, no indication of gangs in the area

Dawes County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION		
<i>(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)</i>		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
School Counselor	K-12 Grade	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders
School Social Worker	7-12 Grade	any/family/support/attendance
School Resource Officer (SRO)	7-12 Grade	counseling/law enforcement/classroom instruction
Licensed School Based Mental Health Provider	K-12 Grade	any/trauma
ESU13 School Psychologist	Birth - 21	diagnosis/evaluations
Youth Transition Service (YTS)	Age 14-21	attendance, behavior, academics, social emotional
Professional Partnership Program (PPP)	Age 14-21	family support, behavior, attendance, academic and social emotional
ESU13 Migrant Program	K-12 Grade	migrant/family/support
TeamMates	3-12 Grade	positive adult connection
Upward Bound	9-12 Grade	first generation college bound student support
Native Futures	5-12 Grades	neglect/family support/attendance/juvenile justice
School Assistance Team (SAT)	Birth - 21	supports & identification of learning and behavioral needs
504	K-12 Grade	supports for disabilities/medical School Community Intervention Program
Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)	any	family support/neglect/trauma/ Health Classes - K-12, prevention and drug/alcohol education and healthy habits
Cardinals Committed	9-12 Grade	drug & alcohol prevention/healthy habits/leadership/character/social media
Licensed Local Mental Health Providers -	any	any
SPED Services -	Birth - 21	Identification/verification of disabilities, services and supports provided for students verified Academic, Behavior, OT, PT, Vision, Hearing
Project Northland	6th-8th grade	drug and alcohol education
Class Action	9th Grade	drug and alcohol education
Families and Schools Together (FAST) Program	PK - 8th grade	family connection to school, school-home communication, introduction to schools
SCIP	5-12 Grades	drug/alcohol
REAL Colors teachers and student training (widely used in probation and jails as well)	9-12 Grade	
Habitudes	9-12 Grade	
QPR	9-12 Grade	
Mental Health First Aid	9-12 Grade	

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SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES

(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
No diversion services		

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Trackers	10-19	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, inappropriate use of time, defiance of authority

KNOWN GAPS IN SERVICES

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
No diversion services		

Dawes County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
<i>School youth with high percent of absenteeism</i>	<i>CPS calls /welfare check/SRO/Indian Educator Liason</i>	<i>3 to 20 years</i>	<i>County attorney and CPS is notified handling often does not get at the root cause of the absenteeism</i>
<i>School Social Worker</i>	<i>School Social Worker</i>	<i>12-17 years</i>	<i>This program cannot serve under age 12.</i>

Dawes County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
<i>Youth under 20 committed minor law violations (shoplifting, 3rd degree assault, MIP).</i>		<i>12-20 years</i>	<i>Need to develop a juvenile diversion program, allow youth to accept responsibility and stop offending,</i>
<i>25% of elementary school youth in our county, are absent 15 or more days per semester.</i>	<i>CPS calls /welfare check</i>	<i>3-20 years</i>	<i>Need to develop a truancy program to get at the root cause of the absenteeism, and begin attending school.</i>

Deuel County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION

(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Cirrus House Youth Transitional Support	16-24	Severe mental health disorders
Hope Squad	Grade 7-12	Suicide Prevention
ESU 13 Counseling	School Age	Mental health

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES

(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Diversion	11-18	Sensation seeking, defiance of authority, low achievement, low attachment, drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, lack of concern for others, inappropriate use of time
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Evals by Eck	16 +	Substance use
Cirrus House Youth Transitional Support	16-24	Severe mental and behavioral health
Truancy	11-18	Truancy, low school attachment, low school achievement

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Family 4ward	10-18	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, inappropriate use of time, defiance of authority

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Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Suicide Prevention	All	Anxiety/depression, mental health disorders, previous victimization
Substance use prevention	12-18	Substance use, deviant peer groups
Parenting education/services	All	All family risk factors
Youth shelter	12-18	Family violence, parental substance use, parental hostility, mental health disorders, previous victimization, individual substance use
Employment/Life skills	12-18	Low attachment/low achievement

Deuel County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Mental Health Depression issues could be hidden	Schools and ESU Hope Squad	School age	New programs recently implemented. Data does not reflect effectiveness yet. School has started to implement Hope Squad.
Youth alcohol and tobacco higher than State average. Drugs should also be higher than indicated. Youth perception of Community Attitudes related to alcohol is low.	Diversion	11-18	Diversion program addresses these issues for those who've had contact with law enforcement. Need educational piece addressing alcohol, tobacco and substance abuse
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports High percentage of unfounded. How is emotional and disability needs (wheelchairs, etc) handled as an intake?	DHHS	0-99	Effective for cases that are accepted. Need an alternative for those concerns that are considered unfounded and the family refuses other services.

Deuel County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Youth alcohol and tobacco higher than State average. Drugs should also be higher than indicated. Youth perception of Community Attitudes related to alcohol is low.	Diversion	11-18	Diversion program addresses these issues for those who've had contact with law enforcement. <u>Need educational piece addressing alcohol, tobacco and substance abuse</u>

Garden County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION		
(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
School Counselor	K-12 Grades	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders.
ESU #13 School Psychologist	K-12 Grades	Diagnosis / evaluations
504	K-12 Grades	Supports for disabilities/medical
Department of Health and Human Services	All	Family support/neglect/trauma/health classes
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Youth Transitional Services	16-24	Severe mental health disorders
WIC	All ages	Poor parental and early childhood health
ESU #13 Mental Health Services	School age	Mental health
Evals by Eck	16 +	Substance use
Department of Health and Human Services	any	family support/neglect/trauma/ Health Classes - K-12, prevention and healthy habits
SPED Services	Birth - 21	Identification/verification of disabilities, services and supports provided for students verified Academic, Behavior, OT, PT, Vision, Hearing
Capstone Child Advocacy Center	All Ages	Abuse/neglect

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES		
(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
No diversion	5-12 Grades	Court ordered diversions

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY		
(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
None		

KNOWN GAPS IN SERVICES		
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Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Unknown at this time		

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COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Unknown at this time			

Garden County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Unknown at this time			

Kimball County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION

(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
ESU Psychology	School age	Mental Health
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Cirrus House Youth Transitional Support	16-24	Severe mental health disorders

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES

(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Diversion	11-18	Sensation seeking, defiance of authority, low achievement, low attachment, drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, lack of concern for others, inappropriate use of time
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Evals by Eck	16 +	Substance use
Cirrus House Youth Transitional Support	16-24	Severe mental and behavioral health
Truancy	11-18	Truancy, low school attachment, low school achievement

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY

(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)

Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Family 4ward	10-18	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, inappropriate use of time, defiance of authority

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Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Suicide Prevention	All	Anxiety/depression, mental health disorders, previous victimization
Substance use prevention	12-18	Substance use, deviant peer groups
Parenting education/services	All	All family risk factors
Youth shelter	12-18	Family violence, parental substance use, parental hostility, mental health disorders, previous victimization, individual substance use
Employment/Life skills	12-18	Low attachment/low achievement

Kimball County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Hispanic disparities -Chronic Absenteeism	Truancy Program	11-17	This program can accomplish the desired change, if utilized more fully.
Nebraska Risk and Protective Factor Survey	UNL - NRPFS	Grades 8, 10, & 12	This survey could give a better insight of youth in the communities.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports – High percentage of “unfounded”; need clarification on process; how is emotional and educational neglect handled	DHHS	0-99	Effective for cases that are accepted. Need an alternative for those concerns that are considered unfounded and the family refuses other services.
Low arrest rates for Under 18 – What is driving low numbers - are law violations happening and not being documented?	Diversion Program Youth Services Program	11-18	Law enforcement and school personnel have handled issues as they arise. Need to work toward better reporting. Youth services coordinator will work with both agencies to provide formal services as necessary.
Youth mental health counseling/suicide prevention			No local service available.

Kimball County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Nebraska Risk and Protective Factor Survey	UNL - NRPFS	Grades 8,10,& 12	This survey could give a better insight of youth in the communities. Working with KPS on the possibility of implementing.
Youth mental health counseling/suicide prevention			No local service available. Work with Kimball School and ESU on providing in school mental health services.

Scotts Bluff, Banner & Morrill Counties Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION		
(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Scotts Bluff County Juvenile Assessment Center	12-18	Truancy, Runaway/homelessness, Uncontrollable Juveniles, Parent/Child Conflict
CAPWN Health- Counseling, Health Services	All ages	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others, anger, communication problems
Professional Partner Program	3-25	Mental health Diagnosis, Dropouts, Criminal offences
Capstone Child Advocacy Center	All Ages	Abuse/neglect
Hope Center		Emergency housing/hotel vouchers
Educational Service Unit 13	School aged children	Nontraditional classes, Tutoring
Crisis Response Team	All ages	Suicidal thoughts or Ideations, emergency family assistance
Region I Office of human development	All ages	Community support services for people with disabilities
Regional Behavioral Health Authority	All ages	Substance abuse mental health needs
PALS	14-24	Current or past state wards, helping to transition to independence
Valley Youth Connections	School aged children	Day reporting, tutoring, therapy, intensive family therapy
Mental Health Alliance	All ages	Substance abuse, mental health issues
Panhandle Youth Shelter	Youth	Homelessness
Midwestern Behavioral Health Services	All ages	Psychological Evaluations
Scottsbluff Fire Department	All ages	Fire starting offences, classes offered about fire control
Doves	All ages	Domestic abuse
Options in Psychology	All ages	Substance abuse, mental health issues

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SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES (diversion and services available to youth on diversion)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Diversion	11-18	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, lack of concern for others, inappropriate use of time
Scotts Bluff County Juvenile Assessment Center	12-18	Truancy, Runaway/homelessness, Uncontrollable Juveniles, Parent/Child Conflict
CAPWN Health- Counseling, Health Services	All ages	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others, anger, communication problems
Professional Partner Program	3-25	Mental health Diagnosis, Dropouts, Criminal offences
Capstone Child Advocacy Center	All Ages	Abuse/neglect
Hope Center		Emergency housing/hotel vouchers
Educational Service Unit 13	School aged children	Nontraditional classes, Tutoring
Crisis Response Team	All ages	Suicidal thoughts or Ideations, emergency family assistance
Region I Office of human development	All ages	Community support services for people with disabilities
Regional Behavioral Health Authority	All ages	Substance abuse mental health needs
PALS	14-24	Current or past state wards, helping to transition to independence
Valley Youth Connections	School aged children	Day reporting, tutoring, therapy, intensive family therapy
Mental Health Alliance	All ages	Substance abuse, mental health issues
Panhandle Youth Shelter	Youth	Homelessness
Midwestern Behavioral Health Services	All ages	Psychological Evaluations
Scottsbluff Fire Department	All ages	Fire starting offences, classes offered about fire control
Options in Psychology	All ages	Substance abuse, mental health issues
Doves	All ages	Domestic abuse
Trackers	10-19	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, inappropriate use of time, defiance of authority

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Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Diversion	11-18	Drug/alcohol use, lack of supervision, lack of concern for others, inappropriate use of time
CAPWN Health- Counseling, Health Services	All ages	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others, anger, communication problems
Professional Partner Program	3-25	Mental health Diagnosis, Dropouts, Criminal offences
Capstone Child Advocacy Center	All Ages	Abuse/neglect
Hope Center		Emergency housing/hotel vouchers
Educational Service Unit 13	School aged children	Nontraditional classes, Tutoring
Crisis Response Team	All ages	Suicidal thoughts or Ideations, emergency family assistance
Region I Office of human development	All ages	Substance abuse mental health needs
PALS	14-24	Current or past state wards, helping to transition to independence
Valley Youth Connections	School aged children	Day reporting, tutoring, therapy, intensive family therapy
Mental Health Alliance	All ages	Substance abuse, mental health issues
Panhandle Youth Shelter	Youth	Homelessness
Midwestern Behavioral Health Services	All ages	Psychological Evaluations
Scottsbluff Fire Department	All ages	Fire starting offences, classes offered about fire control
Options in Psychology	All ages	Substance abuse, mental health issues
Doves	All ages	Domestic abuse

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Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Panhandle Youth Shelter	Youth	Homelessness
Scotts Bluff County Probation	All ages	Criminal charges

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COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Youth who commit minor crimes	Juvenile Diversion Program	11-17 years	This program cannot serve 17+, and we have a large number of college MIPs.
Elementary school youth with high percent of absenteeism	CPS calls /welfare check	0-99 years	CPS / formal handling often does not get at the root cause of the absenteeism.

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GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
124 youth under 17 committed minor law violations (shoplifting, 3 rd degree assault, MIP).	Only an adult diversion program	18-99 years	Need to develop a juvenile diversion program, allow youth to accept responsibility and stop offending,
25% of elementary school youth in our county, are absent 15 or more days per semester.	CPS calls /welfare check	0-99 years	Need to develop a truancy program to get at the root cause of the absenteeism, and begin attending school.

Sheridan County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION (includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
School Counselor	K-12 Grade	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders
School Resource Officer (SRO)	K- 12 Grade	Counseling, law enforcement, student absenteeism
Licensed School Based Mental Health Provider	K-12 Grade	any trauma
ESU13 School Psychologist	Birth-21	Diagnosis and evaluations
Youth Transition Service (YTS)	Age 14-19	Attendance, behavior, academics, social emotional
Professional Partnership Program (PPP)	Age 14-19	Family support, behavior, attendance, academic, and social emotional
ESU13 Migrant Program	K-12 Grade	Migrant, family, support
Native Futures	5-12 Grades	Neglect, family support, attendance, juvenile justice
SMART	14-19	Supports and identification of learning and behavioral needs
504	K-12 Grade	Supports for disabilities, medical School Community Intervention Program
DHHS	Any	Family support, neglect, trauma, Health Classes K-12, prevention and drug, alcohol education and healthy habits
Mustang Committed	9-12 Grade	Drug & alcohol prevention, healthy habits, leadership, character, social media
Licensed Local Mental Health Providers	Any	Any

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES (diversion and services available to youth on diversion)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
No Diversions		

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY (include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
None		

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Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
No Diversion	10-15	
Drug and alcohol program to be implemented into the Middle-School and high school	11-18	

Sheridan County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
School youth with high percent of absenteeism	School Resource Officer	3 to 20	SRO's visits on the most part get to the root of the problem. SRO Grant is going away for next year, so a new diversion is going to be needed.
Youth alcohol and tobacco higher than State average. Random Student Drug Test results indicate a higher use of drugs as well.	Human Performance Project	11-18	Need educational piece addressing alcohol, tobacco and substance abuse
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports High percentage of unfounded.	DHHS	0-99	Need an alternative for those concerns that are considered unfounded and the family refuses other services.

Sheridan County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
School youth with high percent of absenteeism	SRO	3 to 20	SRO's visits on the most part get to the root of the problem. Need to find additional support services to assure families follow through with getting their students to school and being able to hold them accountable.
Community awareness of prevention of drug/alcohol usage of school-aged students	None at this time	5-99	Parents and community need to be made aware of the possible increase of drug usage with the legalization of marijuana in neighboring states and knowledge of what to look for and watch for with their own children and children in their surrounding neighborhood.

Sioux County Comprehensive List of Services

SYSTEM POINT: PREVENTION		
(includes programs that aim to intervene before and after problematic behaviors are identified)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
School Counselor	K-12 Grades	Drug/alcohol use, low parental warmth, mental health disorders.
ESU #13 School Psychologist	K-12 Grades	Diagnosis / evaluations
504	K-12 Grades	Supports for disabilities/medical
Department of Health and Human Services	All	Family support/neglect/trauma/health classes
Professional Partners Program	3-25	All individual and family risks as needed
Mediation West	All ages	Lack of concern for others
Youth Transitional Services	16-24	Severe mental health disorders
WIC	All ages	Poor parental and early childhood health
ESU #13 Mental Health Services	School age	Mental health
Evals by Eck	16 +	Substance use
Department of Health and Human Services	any	family support/neglect/trauma/ Health Classes - K-12, prevention and healthy habits
SPED Services	Birth - 21	Identification/verification of disabilities, services and supports provided for students verified Academic, Behavior, OT, PT, Vision, Hearing
Capstone Child Advocacy Center	All Ages	Abuse/neglect

SYSTEM POINT: DIVERSION SERVICES		
(diversion and services available to youth on diversion)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
No diversion	5-12 Grades	Court ordered diversions

SYSTEM POINT: ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION FOR PRE-ADJUDICATED YOUTH ONLY		
(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
None		

KNOWN GAPS IN SERVICES		
(include any programs that allow youth to remain in the community after any contact with law enforcement)		
Program/ Agency Name	Eligible age	Risk or need
Unknown at this time		

Sioux County Community Analysis and Response (CAR) Final Worksheet

COMMUNITY ANALYSIS & RESPONSE WORKSHEET			
Identified Need	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Unknown at this time			

Sioux County Gaps to be Filled Worksheet

GAPS IN THE CONTINUUM			
Brief Data Snapshot	Existing Program, Agency or Resource	Eligible age	Does this program accomplish the desired change? If no, what is missing?
Unknown at this time			

Box Butte County List of Team Members

Description of Team: Box Butte County Team is composed of district employees. The district leadership team meets weekly and the members specific to the alternative school meets at the beginning of the year then as needed to address issues as they arise.

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Cheyenne, Kimball & Deuel Counties

List of Team Members

Description of Team

Participation in the Panhandle Partnership meetings continues. Through 2017, the local Community Planning Team consisted of representatives from the County Attorney's office, Kids Plus, Cool Kids and various community members. The main focus of this team was offering after school and prevention promotion programs to Cheyenne County youth. Very little input was received on criminal justice and truancy issues.

In 2018, the decision was made to form a Community Planning team that primarily focused on criminal justice and truancy issues facing area youth to include Cheyenne, Kimball and Deuel Counties. Invites were sent out to law enforcement, educators and youth service providers. In Cheyenne County, responses were received from two law enforcement agencies, a representative from the local hospital and two from area youth service agencies. Response rates were low and active participation eventually declined. The County Attorney's office, Youth Services Coordinator and each school meet individually annually on truancy needs and as needed throughout the school year. No responses were received from Deuel and Kimball Counties. The Youth Services Coordinator continued to contact the school and law enforcement in Deuel County on a regular basis to offer diversion and truancy services.

In May 2020, thirty-nine community stakeholders were identified in Cheyenne, Kimball and Deuel Counties. The list consisted of 33% law enforcement, 28% educational, 14% general public (business owners, community members), 10% faith community and 15% other (mental health providers, health and human services, community support organizations, etc.). A brief survey was sent out to these stakeholders asking them to rank their perception of various topics related to youth such as risk factors, age group most at risk and services needed. The top three identified risks were #1 – mental health, #2 Substance abuse and #3 physical or mental abuse. Services needed ranked #1 family or individual therapy, #2 social emotional needs and #3 drug and alcohol prevention. The survey also requested volunteers to service on a Community Planning Team. Of the thirty-nine surveys, sixteen responses were received and two members volunteered to serve both of which were in Cheyenne County. There was one response from Deuel County and no responses from Kimball County.

In October, 2020, we then reached out to law enforcement and educators in all communities requesting volunteers. We received responses from two individuals in Kimball County, two from Deuel County and three individuals from Cheyenne County. Since the distribution of the County Needs Assessments from UNO-Juvenile Justice Institute, we've had more beneficial discussions on the needs of the youth in Deuel and Kimball Counties. We have also seen an increase in referrals

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from Kimball County. With continued contact and positive results, we hope to grow the services in this county.

Community meetings have been held on an as needed basis. The project lead compiles and disseminates the information to all members. If someone isn't able to attend or misses the meetings, the project lead reaches out to them for their comments on the information so that all voices are heard. Due to COVID concerns, meetings have been held by ZOOM and generally last one hour or less. Below is the schedule of events for the communities of Cheyenne, Kimball and Deuel County.

Community Planning Team - Cheyenne, Kimball and Deuel Counties		
Date	Topic	Description
5/19/2020	Sent Local Needs Assessment Survey via Survey Monkey	Deadline June 12, 2020
6/25/2020	Send meeting request to review results	
7/8/2020	Initial Planning meeting	Reviewed results, demographics and decided upon community need to research; no future meetings planned until the information from UNO was distributed
11/20/2020	Panhandle Partnership Planning Mtg	Reviewed Needs Assessments from UNO
12/3/2020	E-mailed Needs Assessments to Team	Outlined the layout of needs assessment and requested each person to review the information, identify needs and gaps to discuss at the team meeting
12/8/2020	Sent ZOOM mtg invite and resent the report	Reminder to review the information for the upcoming meeting
12/11/2020	Zoom mtg with Kimball and Cheyenne county	Reviewed the report and made the initial list of needs/gaps. Also compiled follow-up questions for next meeting.
12/14/2021	Deuel Team Mtg	Reviewed the report and made the initial list of needs/gaps. Also compiled follow-up questions for next meeting.
Dec-Jan	Project Lead followed up with questions from initial meeting	
1/13/2021	Updated CNA for Cheyenne County	Sent out updated CNA report for Cheyenne County with NRPFS; noted which tables changed and highlighted the major changes
1/20/2021	CAR and GAP worksheets	Project lead with data from December mtg and answers to follow up questions
1/25/2021	CAR and GAP worksheets	E-mailed worksheets to team members for review; established in-person meetings
2/2/2021	Kimball and Cheyenne Team mtgs	Review of CAR and GAP worksheets
2/3/2021	Deuel Team Mtg	Review of CAR and GAP worksheets
2/8 thru 12	Finalized CAR & GAP worksheets	Finalize worksheets and distributed for approval

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- 2) Local evaluation will also identify characteristics of students served, fidelity to evidence-based practices, student outcomes, and project impact.

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Closing Comments

The Panhandle of Nebraska has a long history of collaboration and, in many ways, functions as one extended community, finding innovative and creative ways to serve our rural and frontier communities. We appreciate the opportunity to submit a regional, multi-county Comprehensive Juvenile Services Community Plan on behalf of Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan and Sioux Counties.

As you see in the data, many of our communities share the same context including fewer degreed professionals, fewer internet subscriptions and less access to broadband internet at home than the state. Three counties in the Panhandle have fewer than 2000 residents in the entire county (2010 Census) with our smallest county, Banner, having a population of only 690. A few of our smaller counties have had no juvenile arrests over the course of a year. Our ability to collaborate means we can honor communities' unique identities while also ensuring services and supports for youth are available. Its worth noting that even the two smaller counties that have not applied for Community Based Aid grants in the past are still supported by neighboring counties. Being innovative and flexible ensures youth and families have supports and resources when they need them.

We appreciate the relationship we've forged with the Nebraska Crime Commission and we appreciate the opportunity to submit this multi-county plan.

Appendices

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Appendix B: Approval Verification from Panhandle Planning Team

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Appendix D: Overview of Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Appendix A

Completed Community Needs Assessments

The following Community Needs Assessments are submitted as attachments with the Nebraska Panhandle Comprehensive Juvenile Services Community Plan.

- Banner County Needs Assessment
- Box Butte County Needs Assessment
- Cheyenne County Needs Assessment
- Dawes County Needs Assessment
- Deuel County Needs Assessment
- Garden County Needs Assessment
- Kimball County Needs Assessment
- Morrill County Needs Assessment
- Scotts Bluff County Needs Assessment
- Sheridan County Needs Assessment
- Sioux County Needs Assessment

Appendix B

Approval Verification from Panhandle Planning Team

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Please take a moment to vote via survey monkey on the 2021-2025 Panhandle Comprehensive Juvenile Services Community Plan. This is the plan we have been working on during the Panhandle Prevention Coalition meetings, and is the plan counties use to apply for Community Based Aid grants from the Nebraska Crime Commission. The plan is attached to this email.

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Appendix C

Multi-County MOUs

The following county board MOUs are submitted as attachments with the Nebraska Panhandle Comprehensive Juvenile Services Community Plan.

- Banner County MOU
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- Dawes County MOU
- Deuel County MOU
- Garden County MOU
- Kimball County MOU
- Morrill County MOU
- Scotts Bluff County MOU
- Sheridan County MOU
- Sioux County MOU

Appendix D

Overview of Panhandle Partnership, Inc

The purpose of PPI is to:

- promote communication of area data, services and opportunities.
- conduct regional assessments and planning.
- share resources and training.
- collaborate in creative planning.
- evaluate for regional impact and outcomes.
- prioritize and create regional goodwill.
- advocate for policy changes to meet the needs of our rural area.

PPI is structured to promote a “system” approach to regional development.

Community Collaborative Capacity

The Panhandle enjoys extensive community collaboration as a result of its frontier culture and years of regional development through the Panhandle Partnership. Long before Stanford published its seminal article “Collective Impact”, the Panhandle had adhered to a very similar framework for collaboration. The tenants of Collective Impact have been formally integrated into the Panhandle Partnership as follows:

Common Agenda

In 2013, PPI adopted a new overarching vision statement: Collective impact for thriving and equitable communities.

Shared Measurement Systems

The Panhandle has been collecting and using common data sets for years. National, State, and regional data is collected and used in assessments and plans.

Continuous Communication

PPI has a robust communication system including a 600-person listserv, Training Academy listserv, and the Panhandle Partnership website.

Mutually Reinforcing Activities

A significant factor in the on-going strength of the Panhandle Partnership is the member commitment to aligning resources toward common goals.

Backbone Organization

Within the Collective Impact framework, the Panhandle Partnership serves as a regional backbone organization. Panhandle Partnership does not provide services but serves as a hub for cross-sector collaboration. Panhandle Partnership leads collaborative assessment and planning for initiatives that enhance the region.



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Despite being a smaller community, Banner County has a higher Hispanic community. Interesting that there are more Hispanic females (but this is only 8 or so women.)
- Table 2-3: Chronic absenteeism – Banner County’s number were too small to report. However, across the state we are finding that minority youth often have high rates of chronic absenteeism.
- Table 4: Free and reduced lunch is consistently higher than the rest of the state.
- Table 5: HS graduation rates are almost identical to the state average – 88.5% of your students graduate!
- Table 6: Banner County may want to participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey. This tool provides good information on binge drinking, drug use, depression, suicide ideation, etc. and often provides guidance for juvenile justice interventions.
- Table 11: Data was not available about gang involvement
- Table 12: Overall crime decreased by 47.22% from 2018 to 2019, and almost no juvenile crimes reported (only 1?).
- Table 13. A statewide tool is on the horizon. A validated tool can help design interventions (using the 8 domains).
- Table 14: Only 4 youth had a law violation reported to NCC, but some police departments did not report.

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%
Banner	23	95.7%	4.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Banner	44	81.8%	18.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



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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	Banner	162	11.73%	0.00%	0.62%	2.47%	0.00%	83.95%	1.23%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Banner	164	12.20%	0.00%	0.00%	2.44%	0.00%	84.15%	1.22%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Banner	160	15.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.63%	0.00%	83.75%	0.63%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Banner	150	12.67%	0.00%	0.67%	1.33%	0.00%	85.33%	0.00%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Banner	129	13.95%	0.00%	0.78%	1.55%	0.00%	83.72%	0.00%
	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 (2014 - 2019)^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	Banner	12	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Banner	20	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Banner	19	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Banner	24	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Banner	12	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	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	Banner	162	7.41%	*	*	56.17%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Banner	164	11.59%	*	*	51.83%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Banner	160	8.13%	*	*	57.50%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Banner	150	*	*	*	60.67%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Banner	129	*	*	*	58.14%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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

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%	--
Banner	46	52	9.2	10.4	88.5%	83

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Banner	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Banner	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Banner	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Banner	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%



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Banner	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Banner	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Banner	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Banner	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Banner	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

*Banner County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

****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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Banner	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
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	BANNER COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	36	19	-47.22	1	0	-100.00
Other Assaults	1	1	0.00	0	0	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Vandalism	-	1	-	-	0	-
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	1	1	0.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	1	3	200.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	21	8	-61.90	1	0	-100.00
Driving Under the Influence	1	2	100.00	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	6	3	-50.00	0	0	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	4	-	-100.00	0	-	-

Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Banner			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = --, <i>SD</i> = --, --			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed



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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	4*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth enrolled in diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Successful completion diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: Less Severe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Probation intake	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Successful probation	3	0%	0%	0%	66.70%	0%	0%	33.30%
Revocation of probation	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Banner County sheriff did not report data to NCC 2015 - 2018



Family Level

- Table 15: Banner County’s poverty rate is lower than the rest of the state. But, extreme poverty is very, very high.
 - 97.1% of young adults (25 older) with a HS degree.
 - High computer ownership (97.4%+) but lower broadband internet access (only 89.0%). This may be helpful for purposes of remote learning/ COVID.)
 - Higher rate of homeownership (73% vs 66%), and 97.5% of people report owning a vehicle.
- Table 16: Data not available
- Table 17: Very low rates of violence, domestic assault.
- Table 18: Only 5 cases reported to CPS, and none were substantiated.

Table 15. Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Banner	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	11.8%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	27	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	43.5%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	20.7%	31.3%
	County rank	51	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	32.9%	23.0%
	County rank	1	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	97.1%	91.1%
	County Rank	2	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	97.4%	96.9%
	County rank	62	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	96.1%	91.0%
	County rank	15	-



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	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	89.0%	90.8%
	County Rank	60	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	204	498,567
	Total households	279	754,063
	Owner %	73.1%	66.1%
	Renters	75	255,496
	Renter %	26.9%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	7	40,465
	Total households	279	754,063
	No vehicle %	2.5%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Banner	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Banner	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Banner County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

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
Banner	0	0	1	1
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Banner	5	40%	0%	100%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

Table 21: 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%. Banner County is on of the few counties were records are getting sealed as they should be.

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

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

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Banner	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Banner	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Banner	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Banner County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	3	3	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	9	9	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	6	10	60.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	18	22	81.8%

*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

Table 22: "No juvenile court cases" as reported by Kids Count. However, if there are juvenile cases, team members may want to look into whether youth received court appointed counsel.

Table 24: Absenteeism and truancy are lower level cases that could be diverted from court system, (52 filing overall, declining since 2017).

Table 25: With respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider a few things:

- Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
- Comparing diversion fees to court costs so they are comparable. With a higher proportion of children <18 in poverty, perhaps offering scholarships.
- Establish a sealing process

Table 22.
Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Banner	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	No Juvenile Court Cases	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.

Table 23.
Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Banner	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352



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Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

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

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Banner	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	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%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; case-by-case basis but normally do not take felonies	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	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%



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Fees beyond restitution	Yes; \$75--\$100	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Not sure; we will add services if not successful on current plan but not additional restrictions or punishment	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	<p>Yes; All juveniles released satisfactorily from diversion have their records "sealed". We do not pre-file, so the only thing we need to seal is the citation/police report.</p> <p>We notify the department that wrote the citation or report by email to tell them to seal the record as soon as the juvenile completes diversion--usually within days.</p>	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

- Table 26-27: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was quite low, at 11.7%. However, this is likely because it went to a very large team of 137. The sixteen people that responded gave the team good scores on collective impact.
- Table 28: It might be beneficial to add diversity to your team.
 - Very few younger people on the team (perhaps did not reply to the survey).
 - Need diverse representation (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.) You may have Black and Hispanic community members on your team, perhaps they didn't take the survey.
 - Are probation, law enforcement, county attorney and defense counsel on your teams?
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - Roughly 25% of your team reported not feeling heard, but that is likely not representative – due to low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	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 ^a

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner *n* = 3, Box Butte *n* = 3, Cheyenne *n* = 5, Dawes *n* = 5, Deuel *n* = 3, Garden *n* = 3, Kimball *n* = 3, Morrill *n* = 2, Scotts Bluff *n* = 7, Sioux *n* = 2, Sheridan *n* = 2 (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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 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	1	1	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	5	5	100%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	4	4	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	5	5	100%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	2	2	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	5	20.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	6	10	60.0%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	2	2	100%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	--	--	--



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Despite being a smaller community, Box Butte has a higher percent of Native American and Hispanic population. Interesting that there are more Hispanic adolescent females, than males (and more Native American males than females.)
- Table 2-3: Chronic absenteeism – Both Hispanic and Native American youth were more likely to have chronic absenteeism issues over the past five years. Some of Box Butte County’s number were too small to report (less than 10 cases.)
- Table 4: Free and reduced lunch is consistently higher than the rest of the state.
- Table 5: HS graduation rates are slightly lower than the state average.
- Table 6: Box Butte County’s 10th and 12th graders reporter higher rate of loss of sleep from worry, and youth across all ages reported higher levels of depression. A very high percent of 12th graders reported attempting or considering suicide as compared to the state average.
- You who report using alcohol is much higher than the rest of the state. (30% of 8th graders report drinking compared to 9.8% statewide; 25% of 10th graders and 50% of seniors! Binge drinking is also much higher for seniors.
- Youth in your county are using tobacco and vaping at higher rates than youth across the state.
- Slightly fewer 8th and 12th graders report feeling hopeful.
- Table 11: Reports of gang involvement are about the same as percent across the state.
- Table 12: Overall crime decreased by 32% from 2018 to 2019, and almost no juvenile crimes reported.
- Table 13. A statewide tool is on the horizon. A validated tool can help design interventions (using the 8 domains).
- Table 14: Only 126 youth had a law violation reported to NCC (Over 5 years). It appears that Hispanic and Native America youth are diverted at equitable rates. Native American youth have higher rates or override (but few cases.)

Table 1. Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Males

Geographic Area Name	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%
Box Butte	767	67.3%	18.9%	0.0%	7.3%	0.0%	6.5%

Females



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Geographic Area Name	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%
Box Butte	590	71.9%	28.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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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	Box Butte	1971	17.45%	0.51%	4.77%	0.46%	0.05%	72.45%	4.31%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Box Butte	1917	17.16%	0.42%	4.59%	0.63%	0.05%	72.30%	4.85%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Box Butte	1883	18.85%	0.48%	4.94%	0.69%	0.21%	69.89%	4.94%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Box Butte	1817	18.88%	0.44%	5.06%	0.66%	0.06%	69.73%	5.17%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Box Butte	1834	19.25%	0.49%	4.69%	0.44%	0.05%	70.23%	4.85%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Box Butte	392	24.74%	*	7.91%	*	*	60.20%	7.14%
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Box Butte	377	20.42%	*	13.00%	*	*	58.36%	8.22%
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Box Butte	335	24.78%	*	13.43%	*	*	53.13%	8.66%
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
	Box Butte	360	25.28%	*	12.50%	*	*	53.33%	8.89%



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2017-2018	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Box Butte	21	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	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

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	Box Butte	1971	12.68%	1.88%	2.13%	46.27%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Box Butte	1917	12.62%	1.30%	1.51%	46.32%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Box Butte	1883	13.49%	1.59%	2.18%	52.04%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Box Butte	1817	16.35%	1.65%	1.98%	47.77%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Box Butte	1834	17.28%	1.58%	1.96%	51.69%
	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%	n/a
Box Butte	640	742	64.0	74.2	86.3%	88

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Box Butte	Loss of sleep from worry	8.9%	29.1%	41.5%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Box Butte	Depressed	33.3%	47.0%	48.9%



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Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Box Butte	Considered/Attempted suicide	11.1%	18.8%	31.9%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Box Butte	Current alcohol	30.4%	25.6%	50.0%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Box Butte	Current binge drinking	2.2%	6.8%	28.0%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Box Butte	Current marijuana	6.5%	9.5%	19.1%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Box Butte	Current tobacco	21.7%	12.0%	30.9%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Box Butte	Current vaping	15.2%	36.8%	56.4%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Box Butte	Hopeful for future (past week)	76.1%	71.8%	69.1%
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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Box Butte	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	2.2%	3.4%	3.2%
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	BOX BUTTE COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	361	245	-32.13	10	17	70.00
Rape Total	1	2	100.00	-	-	-
Robbery Total	-	1	-	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	8	5	-37.50	0	0	-
Burglary Total	2	9	350.00	0	0	-
Larceny-Theft Total	5	2	-60.00	0	1	-
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	3	4	33.33	-	2	-
Other Assaults	72	37	-48.61	2	3	50.00
Forgery and Counterfeiting	-	3	-	-	-	-
Fraud	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Embezzlement	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	2	1	-50.00	0	0	-
Vandalism	2	1	-50.00	-	-	-
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	3	8	166.67	0	0	-
Prostitution	4	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	1	1	0.00	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	4	2	-50.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	98	62	-36.73	3	9	200.00
Offenses Against Family and Children	3	2	-33.33	0	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	47	28	-40.43	1	0	-100.00
Liquor Laws	22	10	-54.55	3	0	-100.00
Disorderly Conduct	8	6	-25.00	1	0	-100.00
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	74	74	74	74	74	74



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Table 13.

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

Score	Box Butte			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M = --, SD = --, --</i>			<i>M = 5.64, SD = 3.65, 0-17</i>		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed



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

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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	126	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	58	3.40%	0%	0%	20.70%	1.70%	0%	74.10%
Youth enrolled in diversion	55	3.60%	0%	0%	18.20%	1.80%	0%	76.40%
Successful completion diversion	42	4.80%	0%	0%	21.40%	0%	0%	73.80%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	7	42.90%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	57.10%
RAI underride: Less Severe	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	20	35%	0%	0%	5%	0%	0%	60%
Successful probation	51	29.40%	0%	2%	2%	2%	0%	64.70%
Revocation of probation	12	33.30%	0%	0%	8.30%	0%	0%	58.30%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



Family Level

Table 15: Poverty rates are higher than the state average. 91% of young adults (25 older) with a HS degree. High computer ownership (96.8%+) but lower broadband internet access (only 87.0%). This may be helpful for purposes of remote learning/ COVID.)

Table 16: Many of your 8th graders report having an adult who listens at home, 10th graders report an adult who listens at school.

Table 17: Low rates of violence, domestic assault reported.

Table 18: There were 167 cases reported to CPS, and 54% were investigated, only 8% were substantiated.

Table 15.

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

Measurement		Box Butte	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	16.9%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	301	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	30.9%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	18.2%	31.3%
	County Rank	75	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	30.5%	23.0%
	County Rank	5	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	91.7%	91.1%
	County Rank	57	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	96.8%	96.9%
	County Rank	71	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	87.1%	91.0%
	County Rank	70	-



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	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	87.0%	90.8%
	County Rank	69	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	3,182	498,567
	Total households	4,801	754,063
	Owner %	66.3%	66.1%
	Renters	1,619	255,496
	Renter %	33.7%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	272	40,465
	Total households	4,801	754,063
	No vehicle %	5.7%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Box Butte	Adult at home who listens	93.0%	76.90%	84.0%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Box Butte	Adult at school who listens	84.8%	87.2%	81.9%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means (2019) ^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
Box Butte	1	0	31	24
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports (2018) ⁱ



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	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Box Butte	167	54%	8%	79%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%

Community Level

Table 19: Measures of community violence were not bad compared to other counties, but there were a fair amount of assaults happening in the community.

- Table 20: Across all age groups, youth are less likely to view the community as thinking alcohol, marijuana are wrong or “very wrong” to use (as compared to the rest of the state.) This is a measure of whether youth think the adults are accepting of these substances.
- Table 21: Sealing juvenile records is problematic. 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).

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

Type of Violence	Box Butte	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	2	264
Robbery	1	367
Aggravated Assault	5	1,639
Other Assaults	37	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Box Butte	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	93.30%	82.90%	72.00%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Box Butte	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	68.90%	69.20%	53.80%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Box Butte	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	88.90%	82.90%	66.70%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



Table 21.
Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	77	130	59.2%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	0	2	0.0%
Filed in Juv. Court	206	448	46.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	27	52	51.9%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	310	632	49.1%

* 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



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Table 22: Youth who have counsel appointed is right at the state average, despite the fact that your county is not required by statute.

Table 23-24: Curfew, absenteeism and truancy appear to be getting diverted from court system.

Table 22.
Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Box Butte	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.

Table 23.
Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Box Butte	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	3	352

Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

Filed Subtype	Box Butte					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	1	1	2



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3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	2	0	2	0	4
3B - Uncontrollable	0	1	0	3	2	6
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	0	0	0	0	0
	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) °

	Box Butte	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Did not respond to survey	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Did not respond to survey	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Did not respond to survey	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

- Table 26-27: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was quite low, at 11.7%. However, this is likely because it went to a very large team of 137. The sixteen people that responded gave the team good scores on collective impact.
- Table 28: It might be beneficial to add diversity to your team.
 - Very few younger people on the team (perhaps did not reply to the survey).
 - Need diverse representation (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.) You may have Black and Hispanic community members on your team, perhaps they didn't take the survey.
 - Are probation, law enforcement, county attorney and defense counsel on your teams?
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - Roughly 25% of your team reported not feeling heard, but that is likely not representative – due to low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	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

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent).

*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: RED Descriptives

2015

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	61	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	16	6.20%	0%	0%	12.50%	0%	0%	81.20%
Youth enrolled in diversion	16	6.20%	0%	0%	12.50%	0%	0%	81.20%
Successful completion diversion	10	10%	0%	0%	10%	0%	0%	80%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	7	42.90%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	57.10%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	13	38.50%	0%	0%	7.70%	0%	0%	53.80%
Successful probation	17	17.60%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	82.40%
Revocation of probation	3	33.30%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	33.30%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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2016

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	20	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	15	0%	0%	0%	26.70%	0%	0%	73.30%
Youth enrolled in diversion	15	0%	0%	0%	26.70%	0%	0%	73.30%
Successful completion diversion	13	0%	0%	0%	30.80%	0%	0%	69.20%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	3	33.30%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	66.70%
Successful probation	8	25%	0%	0%	12.50%	0%	0%	62.50%
Revocation of probation	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



2017

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	18	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	9	11.10%	0%	0%	22.20%	0%	0%	66.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	7	14.30%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	85.70%
Successful completion diversion	7	14.30%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	85.70%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Successful probation	5	60%	0%	20%	0%	20%	0%	0%
Revocation of probation	3	66.70%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	33.30%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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2018

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	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	14	0%	0%	0%	28.60%	0%	0%	71.40%
Youth enrolled in diversion	13	0%	0%	0%	30.80%	0%	0%	69.20%
Successful completion diversion	9	0%	0%	0%	44.40%	0%	0%	55.60%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	7	14.30%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	85.70%
Revocation of probation	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
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2019

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	17	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	75%
Youth enrolled in diversion	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	75%
Successful completion diversion	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	14	42.90%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	57.10%
Revocation of probation	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year

* 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	23	27	85.2%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	0	2	0.0%
Filed in Juv. Court	56	73	76.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	11	11	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	90	113	79.6%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	8	12	66.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	27	59	45.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	4	75.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	38	75	50.7%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	10	23	43.5%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	21	39	53.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	6	19	31.6%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	37	81	45.7%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	15	32	46.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	32	96	33.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	6	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	47	134	35.1%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	21	36	58.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	70	181	38.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	7	12	58.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	98	229	42.8%



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Cheyenne County has some diversity, but is not as diverse as some regions of the state.
- Table 2-3: Chronic absenteeism – although Cheyenne County is lower than the rest of the state, Hispanic youth are still over represented in absenteeism (13.57% of the youth chronically absent –compared to 8.41% of the 1,665 student enrolled in 2018-2019).
- Table 4: Free and reduced lunch lower than the rest of the state. IDEA plans have risen slightly, still lower than the rest of the state.
- Table 5: HS graduation rates higher than the rest of the state -94% of your students graduate!
- Table 6: This county may want to participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last time this county participated was 2014). This tool provides good information on binge drinking, drug use, depression, suicide ideation, etc. and often provides guidance for juvenile justice interventions.
- Table 11: Data was not available about gang involvement.
- Table 12: Overall crime has remained the same, but juvenile crime has gone down slightly 44%, but few cases.) Larceny and drug violations went down.
- Table 13. Youth in Cheyenne County scored very similarly to the rest of the state. A statewide tool is on the horizon. A validated tool can help design interventions (using the 8 domains).
- Table 14: Table DMC/RED: law enforcement data by race would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED. Hispanic youth are referred to diversion but less likely to enroll, and less likely to be successful on diversion. Asian youth are referred, but do not enroll?
 - Hispanic youth have a very high override rate (but there were only 7 cases). Hispanic youth seem to have a high revocation rate, but it is actually a lower percent that youth placed on probation (42%).

Table 1. Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Males

Geographic Area Name	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%
Cheyenne	567	89.2%	9.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.7%

Females

Geographic Area Name	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races



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Nebraska	102,658	69.9%	15.8%	5.2%	1.2%	2.5%	5.4%
Cheyenne	491	78.2%	16.7%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	3.5%

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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	Cheyenne	1746	8.25%	1.60%	0.34%	0.29%	0.17%	87.86%	1.49%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Cheyenne	1783	8.81%	1.79%	0.17%	0.34%	0.17%	87.04%	1.68%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Cheyenne	1751	9.08%	1.77%	0.29%	0.63%	0.11%	86.64%	1.48%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Cheyenne	1699	8.18%	1.82%	0.18%	0.82%	0.12%	87.05%	1.82%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Cheyenne	1665	8.41%	1.68%	0.24%	1.14%	0.00%	86.79%	1.74%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Cheyenne	172	15.12%	*	*	*	*	84.88%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Cheyenne	201	13.43%	*	*	*	*	86.57%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Cheyenne	197	14.72%	*	*	*	*	85.28%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Cheyenne	237	12.66%	*	*	*	*	87.34%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Cheyenne	361	13.57%	*	*	*	*	86.43%	*
	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	Cheyenne	1746	11.51%	*	1.49%	32.88%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Cheyenne	1783	10.54%	*	1.85%	33.43%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Cheyenne	1751	10.39%	*	1.66%	37.29%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Cheyenne	1699	12.95%	*	1.71%	36.26%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Cheyenne	1665	13.21%	*	1.32%	40.48%
	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%	n/a
Cheyenne	564	600	37.6	40.0	94.0%	50

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Cheyenne	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Cheyenne	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Cheyenne	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Cheyenne	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Cheyenne	Current binge drinking	--	--	--



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Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Cheyenne	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Cheyenne	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Cheyenne	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Cheyenne	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		78.0%	76.1%	77.6%

*Cheyenne County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

****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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Cheyenne	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
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		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date						
Jurisdiction by Geography	CHEYENNE COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	339	343	1.18	25	14	-44.00
Rape Total	-	1	-	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	4	10	150.00	-	-	-
Burglary Total	6	1	-83.33	-	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	46	34	-26.09	8	1	-87.50
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	1	1	0.00	-	-	-
Other Assaults	38	41	7.89	2	3	50.00
Forgery and Counterfeiting	2		-100.00	-	-	-
Fraud	4	1	-75.00	-	-	-
Embezzlement		1	-	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	1	1	0.00	-	-	-
Vandalism	4	19	375.00	-	2	-
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	12	1	-91.67	0	-	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	-	1	-	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	17	13	-23.53	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	125	102	-18.40	11	2	-81.82
NIBRS Unable to Classify	9	4	-55.56	1	2	100.00
Offenses Against Family and Children	2	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	42	34	-19.05	1	1	0.00
Liquor Laws	1	18	1700.00	0	0	-
Disorderly Conduct	5	11	120.00	-	-	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	20	49	145.00	2	3	50.00

Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ⁹

Score	Cheyenne			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	55.2%	41.4%	3.4%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%



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Education/Employment	41.4%	48.3%	10.3%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	34.5%	65.5%	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	51.7%	44.8%	3.4%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	34.5%	55.2%	10.3%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	55.2%	31.0%	13.8%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	58.6%	37.9%	3.4%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	$M = 5.72, SD = 3.80, 0-13$			$M = 5.64, SD = 3.65, 0-17$		

Cheyenne County $n = 29$; Statewide $n = 1512$

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

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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	121	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	86	0%	1.20%	0%	8.10%	3.50%	3.50%	83.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	68	0%	0%	0%	5.90%	2.90%	4.40%	86.80%
Successful completion diversion	56	0%	0%	0%	3.60%	3.60%	3.60%	89.30%
Youth with multiple charges	17	0%	0%	0%	5.90%	0%	47.10%	47.10%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	7	0%	0%	0%	71.40%	0%	0%	28.60%
RAI Underride: Less Severe	3	33.30%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	33.30%
Probation intake	21	4.80%	0%	0%	42.90%	0%	0%	52.40%
Successful probation	62	3.20%	1.60%	1.60%	17.70%	0%	0%	75.80%
Revocation of probation	25	4%	0%	0%	36%	0%	0%	60%



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

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Family Level

- Table 15: Cheyenne County's rate are comparable to the rest of the state. Lower rates of poverty, higher rates of home ownership.
 - Relative high rates of high school graduation,
 - We looked at broadband internet access for purposes of COVID.
- Table 16: no data because you do not participate in the statewide survey.
- Table 17: Relatively low rates of violence, domestic assault.
- Table 18: 175 cases came into the hotline, and roughly 78% were unfounded (higher number of unfounded reports compared to the rest of the state.)

Table 15.

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

Measurement		Cheyenne	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	12.0%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	155	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	21.2%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	26.2%	31.3%
	County rank	15	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	27.0%	23.0%
	County rank	23	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	93.3%	91.1%
	County Rank	30	-



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Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	99.9%	96.9%
	County rank	20	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	94.7%	91.0%
	County rank	24	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	94.1%	90.8%
	County Rank	25	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	3,049	498,567
	Total households	4,434	754,063
	Owner %	68.8%	66.1%
	Renters	1,385	255,496
	Renter %	31.2%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	180	40,465
	Total households	4,434	754,063
	No vehicle %	4.1%	5.4%

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

		8th	10th	12th
Cheyenne	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Cheyenne	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Cheyenne County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

Table 17.
 Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means (2019) ^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
Cheyenne	11	6	24	15



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Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019
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Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports (2018) ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Cheyenne	175	47%	12%	78%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%

Community Level

- Table 19: relatively few assaults in 2019 (only 41).
- Table 20: no data available
- Table 21: 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). Diversion appears to have an in-depth policy for sealing records.

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

Type of Violence	Cheyenne	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	1	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	10	1,639
Other Assaults	41	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Cheyenne	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Cheyenne	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%



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Cheyenne	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

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Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	169	189	89.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	168	261	64.4%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	13	13	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	350	463	75.6%

*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

Table 22: JUSTICE data indicates that your county has a higher rate of legal representation compared to the rest of the states.

Table 23-24: No curfew filings- excellent. Why? These types of low level cases that could be diverted from court system, and this seems to be the case in Cheyenne County.

Table 25: With respect to diversion practices, the community seems to be using best practices:

- Not filing all unsuccessful cases, if the youth completed most of the diversion plan
- Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
- Comparing diversion fees to court costs so they are comparable. With a higher proportion of children <18 in poverty, perhaps offering scholarships.

Table 22.
Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Cheyenne	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	80.0% -- 100.0%	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.

Table 23.
Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Cheyenne	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352



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Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

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

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Cheyenne	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	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%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; Felony charges	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	No	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6%



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		Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; send letters and other options to address barriers that may prevent successful completion	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	No	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

- Table 26-27: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was quite low, at 11.7%. However, this is likely because it went to a very large team of 137. The sixteen people that responded gave the team good scores on collective impact.
- Table 28: It might be beneficial to add diversity to your team.
 - Very few younger people on the team (perhaps did not reply to the survey).
 - Need diverse representation (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.) You may have Black and Hispanic community members on your team, perhaps they didn't take the survey.
 - Are probation, law enforcement, county attorney and defense counsel on your teams?
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - Roughly 25% of your team reported not feeling heard, but that is likely not representative – due to low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

	Panhandle	Nebraska
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Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	5.52	5.78

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 ⁹

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%



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Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

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



References and Resources

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Appendix: RED Descriptives

2015

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	38	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	11	0%	0%	0%	9.10%	0%	0%	90.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	7	0%	0%	0%	14.30%	0%	0%	85.70%
Successful completion diversion	7	0%	0%	0%	14.30%	0%	0%	85.70%
Youth with multiple charges	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	7	0%	0%	0%	57.10%	0%	0%	42.90%
Successful probation	18	0%	0%	5.60%	16.70%	0%	0%	77.80%
Revocation of probation	8	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%	75%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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2016

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	16	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	25	0%	4%	0%	4%	0%	0%	92%
Youth enrolled in diversion	16	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	11	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	5	20%	0%	0%	60%	0%	0%	20%
Successful probation	17	0%	0%	0%	17.60%	0%	0%	82.40%
Revocation of probation	3	0%	0%	0%	66.70%	0%	0%	33.30%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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2017

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	28	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	17	0%	0%	0%	17.60%	5.90%	5.90%	70.60%
Youth enrolled in diversion	14	0%	0%	0%	14.30%	0%	7.10%	78.60%
Successful completion diversion	12	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	8.30%	91.70%
Youth with multiple charges	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	75%	25%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Successful probation	10	10%	10%	0%	20%	0%	0%	60%
Revocation of probation	8	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%	75%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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2018

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	25	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	19	0%	0%	0%	10.50%	10.50%	10.50%	68.40%
Youth enrolled in diversion	17	0%	0%	0%	5.90%	11.80%	11.80%	70.60%
Successful completion diversion	15	0%	0%	0%	6.70%	13.30%	6.70%	73.30%
Youth with multiple charges	3	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	66.70%	0%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Probation intake	5	0%	0%	0%	20%	0%	0%	80%
Successful probation	9	11.10%	0%	0%	33.30%	0%	0%	55.60%
Revocation of probation	5	20%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	40%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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2019

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	14	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	14	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth enrolled in diversion	14	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful completion diversion	11	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	75%	25%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	4	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%	75%
Successful probation	8	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Revocation of probation	1	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

**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	68	72	94.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	62	83	74.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	132	157	84.1%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	26	29	89.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	28	39	71.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	57	71	80.3%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	33	37	89.2%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	30	49	61.2%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	8	8	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	71	94	75.5%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	23	25	92.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	24	29	82.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	47	54	87.0%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	19	26	73.1%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	24	61	39.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	43	87	49.4%



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Youth Level

- Hispanic and American Indian youth are overrepresented in chronic absenteeism compared to school enrollment.
- This community has not participated in the NRPFS since 2014 and should consider participating in the next survey year (2020) to get youth-level data on mental health, gangs, supportive adults and community perceptions of substance use.
- Graduation rates include Job Corp as well, which may result in a misrepresentation of Dawes County public schools graduation rates.
- JJI did not have risk assessment scores for diversion from the 2015-2017 assessment evaluation to include. If the county is not using a validated assessment tool, then it should begin doing so (there will be a statewide tool coming in July 2021). If the county does have assessment data in digital format for JJI to analyze, we would be happy to update this table.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED. Based on census and school enrollment data:
 - American Indian youth are overrepresented in all court system points, and all probation system points except probation underrides
 - Hispanic youth are overrepresented with multiple charges and adult court filings, and at probation intake and successful probation completion
 - Race/ethnicity data is missing or unspecified at the court level for 14.3% and 16.7% of the cases.

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%
Dawes	377	83.8%	4.5%	1.3%	4.0%	0.0%	6.4%

Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races



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Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Dawes	260	79.2%	18.1%	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%	0.0%

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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	Dawes	1,098	3.01%	0.82%	5.19%	1.28%	3.19%	81.60%	4.92%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Dawes	1,106	3.07%	1.36%	5.88%	1.18%	2.89%	81.65%	3.98%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Dawes	1,135	4.41%	1.06%	5.46%	1.23%	2.73%	80.88%	4.23%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Dawes	1,143	3.76%	0.79%	6.47%	0.96%	1.31%	82.50%	4.20%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Dawes	1,124	3.74%	0.53%	7.56%	1.25%	0.80%	81.85%	4.27%
	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	Dawes	97	12.37%	*	14.43%	*	*	73.20%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Dawes	112	*	*	20.54%	*	*	79.46%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Dawes	112	11.61%	*	16.07%	*	*	72.32%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Dawes	138	9.42%	*	28.26%	*	*	62.32%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Dawes	194	7.22%	*	29.38%	*	*	63.40%	*
	Nebraska	46,356	27.64%	1.76%	4.16%	14.71%	0.23%	46.27%	5.23%



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

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	Dawes	1,098	9.29%	0.91%	5.56%	51.73%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Dawes	1,106	9.22%	*	7.14%	51.90%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Dawes	1,135	9.43%	*	6.34%	55.15%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Dawes	1,143	11.99%	*	4.72%	49.96%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Dawes	1,124	12.37%	*	1.07%	44.75%
	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%	-
Dawes	463	860	30.9	57.3	53.8%	93

Data are only for public school districts and their associated high school students. The figures are aggregated based on the location of the school, not the residential location of the students. 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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Dawes	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--



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Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Dawes	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Dawes	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Dawes	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Dawes	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Dawes	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Dawes	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Dawes	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Dawes	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

*Dawes County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective factors survey (last was 2014)

**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
Dawes	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--



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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		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date						
Jurisdiction by Geography	DAWES COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	311	349	12.22	37	31	-16.22
Robbery Total	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	6	2	-66.67	1	-	-100.00
Burglary Total	-	1	-	-	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	27	23	-14.81	9	8	-11.11
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	-	6	-	-	5	
Other Assaults	33	49	48.48	2	6	200.00
Fraud	-	2	-	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	1	2	100.00	-	-	-
Vandalism	8	3	-62.50	2	1	-50.00
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	3	1	-66.67	-	0	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	2	6	200.00	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Possession	78	76	-2.56	7	0	-100.00
NIBRS Unable to Classify	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Offenses Against Family and Children	5	4	-20.00	0	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	59	39	-33.90	1	1	0.00
Liquor Laws	51	89	74.51	13	9	-30.77
Disorderly Conduct	7	16	128.57	1	0	-100.00
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	29	30	3.45	1	1	0.00

Table 13.



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Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ⁹

Score	Dawes			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M = --, SD = --, --</i>			<i>M = 5.64, SD = 3.65, 0-17</i>		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed

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	155	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth enrolled in diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Successful completion diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth with multiple charges	21	47.60%	0%	0%	14.30%	0%	14.30%	23.80%
Filed on in adult court	6	16.70%	0%	16.70%	0%	0%	16.70%	50%
RAI Override: More Severe	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%



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Probation intake	8	62.50%	0%	12.50%	12.50%	12.50%	0%	0%
Successful probation	25	16%	0%	20%	8%	0%	0%	56%
Revocation of probation	25	44%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	56%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



Family Level

- The percentage of children under 18 in poverty is slightly higher than the state average.
- The percentage of adults with bachelor's degrees is higher than the state average.
- The percentage of youth without a computer at home is slightly lower than the state average, but internet access is higher than the state.
- The percentage of renters is slightly higher than the state average – this may be partially because of college students renting while in college.
- 70% of abuse/neglect calls are unfounded.

Table 15.
Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Dawes	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	17.2%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	101	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	20.3%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	37.0%	31.3%
		4	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	24.8%	23.0%
		36	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	95.3%	91.1%
	County Rank	12	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	94.8%	96.9%
		81	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	93.3%	91.0%
		29	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	92.1%	90.8%
	County Rank	37	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	2,343	498,567
	Total households	3,623	754,063
	Owner %	64.7%	66.1%
	Renters	1,280	255,496
	Renter %	35.3%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	195	40,465
	Total households	3,623	754,063
	No vehicle %	5.4%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Dawes	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Dawes	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Dawes County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective factors survey (last was 2014)

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
Dawes	0	0	21	15
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Dawes	161	37%	15%	70%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- There are not many violent arrests in this community.
- 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). Yearly data is available in the Appendix to see if the rate has improved because of legislation, but newer cases should naturally have lower rates of sealing than older cases.

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

Type of Violence	Dawes	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	0	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	2	1,639
Other Assaults	49	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Dawes	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Dawes	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Dawes	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Dawes County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective factors survey (last was 2014)



Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see Appendix for yearly data

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	86	142	60.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	173	493	35.1%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	10	21	47.6%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	269	656	41.0%

*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.
- Dawes County does not have a diversion program, as such did not complete the diversion procedure and protocol survey.

Table 22. Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Dawes	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.

Table 23. Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Dawes	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352

Table 24. Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m



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	Dawes					
Filed Subtype	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	3	1	0	2	6
3B - Uncontrollable	0	0	0	0	1	1
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	0	0	0	0	0

	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) °

	Dawes	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Did not complete survey	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Did not complete survey	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Did not complete survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	Did not complete survey	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Did not complete survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%



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Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Did not complete survey	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Did not complete survey	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 11.7%.
 - This is a decrease from the 2019 survey, but more people completed the survey; the number of people the survey was sent to increased.
 - The 2020 mean score for Collective Impact is lower than both the Panhandle 2019 response and overall Nebraska mean score, except for shared measurement.
- 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. This includes age of team members.
 - There were 4 responses (25%) to race/ethnicity that had town name and two that are missing (12.5), so there may be more diversity than the survey revealed.
- Survey results show no probation, law enforcement, or attorneys on your team, but this may be due to the low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45



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Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	5.52	5.78

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

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%



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Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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	30	33	90.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	29	64	53.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	2	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	59	89	66.3%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	19	34	55.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	68	89	76.4%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	4	10	40.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	91	133	68.4%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	8	14	57.1%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	24	67	35.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	32	81	39.5%

2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	12	31	38.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--



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Filed in Juv. Court	27	131	20.6%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	42	165	25.5%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	17	30	56.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	25	152	16.4%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	6	50.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	45	188	23.9%



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Deuel County has a Hispanic population similar to the overall state, but a higher number of Native American male youth ages 10-17. Your county also reports a high number of Hispanic adolescent females (Based on Census data).
- Table 2-3: Chronic absenteeism – Deuel County’s number were too small to report. 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.
- Table 4: Free and reduced lunch slightly higher than the rest of the state. IDEA plans have risen slightly, still lower than the rest of the state.
- Table 5: HS graduation rates higher than the rest of the state -94% of your students graduate!
- Table 6: Youth in your county appear less likely to suffer from depression
- County 8th, 10th and 12th graders reporter higher rate of loss of sleep from worry, and depression. Slightly fewer 12th graders reported attempting or considering suicide as compared to the state average. More of your youth report feeling hopeful.
- 12th graders report using alcohol at a higher rate than the rest of the state. (40.6% report drinking compared to 34%, but fare fewer reported binge drinking.)
- Very few youth reported using marijuana. Twice as many 8th graders are using tobacco compared to the state.
- Table 11: No youth reported gang involvement.
- Table 12: Overall adult crime has increased, but there were almost no juvenile crimes reported.
- Table 13. Only 4 youth in Deuel County scored. A statewide tool is on the horizon. A validated tool can help design interventions (using the 8 domains).
- Table 14: Only 3 youth had a law violation reported to NCC. Asian youth were referred to diversion at a higher rate? But do not show up as completing diversion?
- Hispanic youth are more likely to be filed as adults (but very small number of cases)
- Only 2 youth placed on probation, but both were minority youth.

Table 1. Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Males

Geographic Area Name	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%
Deuel	95	80.0%	15.8%	0.0%	4.2%	0.0%	0.0%



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Females

Geographic Area Name	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%
Deuel	64	64.1%	29.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%

[Click here to go back to RED analysis](#)

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	Deuel	400	4.75%	0.00%	1.25%	2.25%	0.25%	91.50%	0.00%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Deuel	429	6.06%	0.47%	1.63%	1.17%	0.23%	90.21%	0.23%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Deuel	420	7.62%	0.00%	1.43%	1.90%	0.95%	87.14%	0.95%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Deuel	386	7.51%	0.00%	1.04%	0.78%	0.00%	90.16%	0.52%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Deuel	373	7.51%	0.54%	0.80%	0.54%	0.00%	89.28%	1.34%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Deuel	38	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Deuel	36	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Deuel	49	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Deuel	37	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389



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2018-2019	Deuel	12	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	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

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	Deuel	400	14.50%	*	*	47.00%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Deuel	429	13.29%	*	*	48.48%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Deuel	420	13.81%	*	*	55.00%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Deuel	386	15.28%	*	*	52.33%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Deuel	373	15.82%	*	*	50.40%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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

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%	n/a
Deuel	141	150	14.1	15.0	94.0%	50

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 (2016) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Deuel	Loss of sleep from worry	11.50%	21.10%	21.20%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Deuel	Depressed	23.10%	10.50%	21.20%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%



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Deuel	Considered/Attempted suicide	11.50%	10.50%	15.20%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Deuel	Current alcohol	7.70%	5.30%	40.60%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Deuel	Current binge drinking	0.00%	5.30%	3.00%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Deuel	Current marijuana	0.0%	0.0%	3.1%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Deuel	Current tobacco	7.70%	0.00%	28.10%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Deuel	Current vaping	0.00%	5.60%	18.80%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Deuel	Hopeful for future (past week)	84.60%	78.90%	84.80%
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 (2016) ^d

		8th	10th	12th
Deuel	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
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	DEUEL COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	46	86	86.96	0	1	-
Larceny-Theft Total	-	1	-	-	0	-
Vandalism	-	1	-	-	-	-
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	2	2	0.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	10	6	-40.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	31	71	129.03	0	1	-
Offenses Against Family and Children	-	2	-	-	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	46	86	86.96	0	1	-
Liquor Laws	3	3	0.00	0	0	-

Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Deuel			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	75.0%	25.0%	0.0%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	75.0%	0.0%	25.0%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	M = 4.00, SD = 1.41, 3-6			M = 5.64, SD = 3.65, 0-17		

Deuel County n = 4; Statewide n = 1512



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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	3*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	9	0%	11.10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	88.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	8	0%	12.50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	87.50%
Successful completion diversion	7	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth with multiple charges	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Filed on in adult court	5	0%	0%	0%	20%	0%	40%	40%
RAI Override: More Severe	2	0%	0%	50%	50%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	2	0%	0%	50%	50%	0%	0%	0%
Successful probation	7	0%	14.30%	28.60%	0%	0%	0%	57.10%
Revocation of probation	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Deuel County sheriff only partially reported in 2015



Family Level

- Table 15: Deuel County’s poverty rate is comparable to the rest of the state. But youth at 185% below poverty –is much higher than the state average.
 - Relative high rates of high school graduation,
 - High computer ownership – lower broadband internet access (for purposes of COVID.)
 - Higher rate of homeownership.
- Table 16: 10th graders report higher rates of people there to listen to them (as compared to the rest of the state.)
- Table 17: Very low rates of violence, domestic assault.
- Table 18: Only 35 cases were reported to CPS, and only 6% were substantiated, lower than the rest of the state.

Table 15.
Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Deuel	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	14.4%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	44	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	46.8%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	15.8%	31.3%
	County rank	88	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	30.3%	23.0%
	County rank	7	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	89.8%	91.1%
	County Rank	71	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	97.9%	96.9%
	County rank	54	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	88.1%	91.0%
	County rank	64	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	88.1%	90.8%
	County Rank	61	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	624	498,567
	Total households	824	754,063
	Owner %	75.7%	66.1%
	Renters	200	255,496
	Renter %	24.3%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	31	40,465
	Total households	824	754,063
	No vehicle %	3.8%	5.4%

Table 16.
Youth Who Report Supportive Adults by Grade (2016) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Deuel	Adult at home who listens	84.60%	89.50%	84.80%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Deuel	Adult at school who listens	88.50%	94.70%	84.80%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means (2019) ^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
Deuel	1	0	0	0
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports (2018) ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Deuel	35	49%	6%	82%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Table 19: no assaults reported in 2019.
- Table 20: Youth in your community understand that adult think marijuana use (across all age groups), alcohol and cigarettes are “wrong” to use. Fewer 10th graders think their parent(s) oppose alcohol use.
- Table 21: 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). Diversion appears to have an in-depth policy for sealing records.

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

Type of Violence	Deuel	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	--	34
Rape	--	264
Robbery	--	367
Aggravated Assault	--	1,639
Other Assaults	--	8,782

No data presented, or frequencies are 0

Table 20.
Youth Perceptions of Community Attitudes on Substance Use by Grade (2016) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Deuel	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	100.0%	94.7%	93.9%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Deuel	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	88.5%	68.4%	66.7%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Deuel	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	92.3%	89.5%	81.8%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



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Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	19	23	82.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	18	30	60.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	12	12	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	49	70	70.0%

*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

Table 22: JUSTICE data indicates that your county has a higher rate of legal representation compared to the rest of the state.

Table 23-24: No curfew filings- excellent. Why? These types of low level cases that could be diverted from court system, and this seems to be the case in Deuel County.

Table 25: With respect to diversion practices, the community seems to be using best practices:

- Allow a youth to do diversion more than once (dependent in circumstances).
- Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
- Develop a process for sealing diversion cases.

Table 22.
Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Deuel	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	80.0% -- 100.0%	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.

Table 23.
Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Deuel	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352



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Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

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

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Deuel	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Not sure	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	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	Not sure	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; Felony charges	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%



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Fees beyond restitution	No	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; send letters and other options to address barriers that may prevent successful completion	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	No	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

- Table 26-27: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues; your response rate was quite low, at 11.7%. However, this is likely because it went to a very large team of 137. The sixteen people that responded gave the team good scores on collective impact.
- Table 28: It might be beneficial to add diversity to your team.
 - Very few younger people on the team (perhaps did not reply to the survey).
 - Need diverse representation (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.) You may have Black, Hispanic, and Asian community members on your team, perhaps they didn't take the survey.
 - Are probation, law enforcement, county attorney and defense counsel on your teams?
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - Roughly 25% of your team reported not feeling heard, but that is likely not representative – due to low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	5.52	5.78

The five elements of Collective Impact are:



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- **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

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				



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Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

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



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by:



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^p **Collective impact:** Collective impact surveys distributed to Community Planning Teams, 2019 and 2020. Prepared by: Anne Hobbs and Erin Wasserburger, UNO Juvenile Justice Institute

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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	9	9	100.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	5	5	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	5	5	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	19	19	100.0%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	2	2	100.0%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	8	8	100.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	8	15	53.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	17	24	70.8%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	0	1	0.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	5	5	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	5	11	45.5%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	2	5	40.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	0	5	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	4	4	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	6	14	42.9%



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Youth Level

- While we could not get race/ethnicity data for chronic absenteeism in this community for most years because the frequency was too low to report, Hispanic, Native American, and Black youth are over-represented statewide in chronic absenteeism.
 - In 2018/2019 the rate of Hispanic youth with chronic absenteeism is disproportionately high compared to the school population.
- More youth have IDEA plans than the state comparison across all years.
- This community has not participated in the NRPFS and should consider participating in the next survey year (2020) to get youth-level data on mental health, gangs, supportive adults and community perceptions of substance use.
- JJI did not have risk assessment scores for diversion from the 2015-2017 assessment evaluation to include. If the county is not using a validated assessment tool, then it should begin doing so (there will be a statewide tool coming in July 2021). If the county does have assessment data in digital format for JJI to analyze, we would be happy to update this table.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED.
 - Although the Census and school data indicate few Black youth, they are over-represented in successful probation discharges.
 - Diversion data at all 3 points is missing race/ethnicity or marked unspecified. Data for race and ethnicity at each juvenile justice system point is imperative for an accurate Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) analysis.

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%
Garden	107	98.1%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%



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Garden	115	78.3%	21.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
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[Click here to go back to RED analysis](#)

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	Garden	257	8.56%	0.00%	1.17%	0.00%	0.00%	87.16%	3.11%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Garden	285	10.18%	0.00%	1.05%	0.00%	0.00%	85.96%	2.81%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Garden	280	9.64%	0.00%	0.71%	0.36%	0.00%	87.50%	1.79%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Garden	250	12.40%	0.00%	1.60%	0.00%	0.00%	84.00%	2.00%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Garden	264	9.85%	0.00%	1.14%	0.00%	0.00%	87.12%	1.89%
	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	Garden	15	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Garden	46	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Garden	27	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Garden	14	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Garden	92	15.22%	*	*	*	*	84.78%	*
	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	Garden	257	10.51%	*	*	59.14%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Garden	285	13.68%	*	*	55.44%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Garden	280	14.64%	*	*	54.29%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Garden	250	22.00%	*	*	52.80%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Garden	264	25.76%	*	*	61.36%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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

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%	-
Garden	85	86	17.0	17.2	98.8%	5

Table 6.
 Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Garden	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Garden	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Garden	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Garden	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Garden	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%



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Garden	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Garden	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Garden	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Garden	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

*Garden County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

** 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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Garden	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

*Garden County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



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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	GARDEN COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	11	2	-81.82	0	0	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Driving Under the Influence	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	9	2	-77.78	0	0	-

Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Garden			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = --, <i>SD</i> = --, --			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed



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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	1*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	13	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	69.20%	30.80%
Youth enrolled in diversion	13	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	69.20%	30.80%
Successful completion diversion	11	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	72.70%	27.30%
Youth with multiple charges	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	13	7.70%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	92.30%
Revocation of probation	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Garden County sheriff did not report to NCC 2015 - 2018



Family Level

- Number of people with bachelor’s degrees is lower compared to the state; this could be a result of residents going to college in a different community and not returning to Garden County.
- The percentage of youth with internet subscription and access to broadband internet at home is lower than the rest of the state.

Table 15. Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Garden	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	8.8%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	38	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	24.4%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	24.9%	31.3%
	County rank	21	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	25.2%	23.0%
	County rank	32	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	93.2%	91.1%
	County Rank	32	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	100.0%	96.9%
	County rank	1	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	84.0%	91.0%
	County rank	76	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	84.0%	90.8%
	County Rank	75	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	672	498,567
	Total households	871	754,063
	Owner %	77.2%	66.1%
	Renters	199	255,496
	Renter %	22.8%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	23	40,465
	Total households	871	754,063
	No vehicle %	2.6%	5.4%

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

		8th	10th	12th
Garden	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Garden	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Garden County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

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
Garden	0	0	1	0
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Garden	33	39%	23%	62%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- There are no violent arrests in this community.
- Garden County is doing very well with sealing of juvenile court records. Dismissed or dropped cases should be sealed at 100%, which they are in this community.
 - 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), in which Garden County appears to also be doing very well.

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

Type of Violence	Garden	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	--	34
Rape	--	264
Robbery	--	367
Aggravated Assault	--	1,639
Other Assaults	--	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Garden	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Garden	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Garden	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Garden County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



Table 21.
Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	49	49	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	51	55	92.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	9	9	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	109	113	96.5%

*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 higher than the state average.
- There are few curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately.
- With respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider a few things:
 - Not filing all unsuccessful cases, if the youth completed most of the diversion plan
 - Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
 - Comparing diversion fees to court costs so they are comparable. With a higher proportion of children <18 in poverty, perhaps offering scholarships.
 - Having a process for sealing records for youth on diversion with law enforcement and JCMS, as required by statute.
 - 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

	Garden	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	80.0% -- 100.0%	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.

Table 23.

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

	Garden	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352

Table 24.

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

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

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
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

	Garden	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Always	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	No	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; certain felony charges	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%



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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; \$100 and cost of drug test	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	No	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; filed away as completed	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 11.7%.
 - This is a decrease from the 2019 survey, but more people completed the survey; the number of people the survey was sent to increased.
 - The 2020 mean score for Collective Impact is lower than both the Panhandle 2019 response and overall Nebraska mean score, except for shared measurement.
- 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. This includes age of team members.
 - There were 4 responses (25%) to race/ethnicity that had town name and two that are missing (12.5), so there may be more diversity than the survey revealed.
- Survey results show no probation, law enforcement, or attorneys on your team, but this may be due to the low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Year of survey	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	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 ⁹

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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	17	17	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	29	29	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	5	5	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	51	51	100%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	7	7	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	14	14	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	24	24	100%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	10	10	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	6	6	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	16	16	100%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	9	9	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	12	12	100%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	6	6	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	0	4	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	6	40	60.0%



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Despite being a smaller community, Kimball County has a diverse juvenile population - similar to the overall state. Your county also reports a higher number of diverse males. (Based on Census data).
- Table 2-3: Chronic absenteeism – In many instance, Kimball County’s number were too small to report. However, data indicate that Hispanic youth were more likely to have issues of chronic absenteeism (as reported in 2014-2015 and 2017-2018.)
- Table 4: Free and reduced lunch slightly higher than the rest of the state, but appears to be decreasing. IDEA plans have steadily risen and are now higher than the rest of the satte in this county.
- Table 5: HS graduation rates higher than the rest of the state -91% of your students graduate!
- Table 6: Kimball County may want to participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey. This tool provides good information on binge drinking, drug use, depression, suicide ideation, etc. and often provides guidance for juvenile justice interventions.
- Table 11: Data was not available about gang involvement
- Table 12: Overall adult crime increased from 2018 to 2019, by 57.29%, but there were almost no juvenile crimes reported.
- Table 13. A statewide tool is on the horizon. A validated tool can help design interventions (using the 8 domains).
- Table 14: Only 20 youth had a law violation reported to NCC. Hispanic youth are referred and enroll at similar rates. (Very few cases)
- **Compared to intake, 29 youth were 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 Name	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%
Kimball	207	79.2%	15.9%	2.9%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%

Females

Geographic Area Name	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%
Kimball	197	89.3%	10.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



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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	Kimball	538	13.57%	1.49%	1.30%	0.19%	0.19%	80.30%	2.97%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Kimball	508	12.01%	1.38%	1.18%	0.20%	0.20%	82.28%	2.76%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Kimball	467	11.35%	1.71%	1.28%	0.00%	0.21%	82.23%	3.21%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Kimball	437	10.76%	1.83%	1.14%	0.00%	0.69%	81.01%	4.58%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Kimball	421	12.35%	0.48%	0.95%	0.00%	0.71%	82.42%	3.09%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Kimball	79	22.78%	*	*	*	*	77.22%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Kimball	49	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Kimball	43	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Kimball	80	22.50%	*	*	*	*	77.50%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Kimball	49	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	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

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
	Kimball	538	9.67%	*	1.86%	58.36%



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2014-2015	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Kimball	508	11.02%	*	*	56.30%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Kimball	467	11.35%	*	*	49.46%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Kimball	437	14.87%	2.29%	*	47.14%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Kimball	421	19.71%	*	*	47.03%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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

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%	n/a
Kimball	163	179	32.6	35.8	91.1%	71

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Kimball	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Kimball	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Kimball	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Kimball	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Kimball	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Kimball	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Kimball	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Kimball	Current vaping	--	--	--



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Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Kimball	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		78.0%	76.1%	77.6%

*Kimball County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

** 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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Kimball	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

*Kimball County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

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Table 12.
Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change ^f

Arrestee Age Summary Arrest Date	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Jurisdiction by Geography	KIMBALL COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	96	151	57.29	3	5	66.67
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	4	6	50.00	0	0	-
Burglary Total	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	3	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Other Assaults	2	7	250.00	0	0	-
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	3	3	0.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	11	6	-45.45	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	28	62	121.43	0	1	-
Driving Under the Influence	9	7	-22.22	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	9	3	-66.67	0	0	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	25-	57	128.00	3	4	33.33

Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Kimball			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = --, <i>SD</i> = --, --			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed

Table 14.



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Racial and Ethnic Disparities Descriptives (2015-2019) ¹

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	20*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	6	0%	0%	0%	16.70%	16.70%	0%	66.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	6	0%	0%	0%	16.70%	16.70%	0%	66.70%
Successful completion diversion	5	0%	0%	0%	20%	0%	0%	80%
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	2	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Probation intake	5	0%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	60%
Successful probation	29	6.90%	0%	0%	17.20%	0%	0%	75.90%
Revocation of probation	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



*Kimball County sheriff only partially reported in 2018; Kimball PD only partially reported in 2017

Family Level

- Table 15: Kimball County's poverty rate is lower than the rest of the state.
 - Lower levels of young adults (25 older) with a HS degree.
 - High computer ownership (98%+) but fairly low broadband internet access (only 73.8%). This may be helpful for purposes of remote learning/ COVID.)
 - Higher rate of homeownership, but lower levels 6.6% of people do not have a vehicle.
- Table 17: Low rates of violence, domestic assault.
- Table 18: 79 cases reported to CPS, and only 7% were substantiated, lower than the rest of the state.

Table 15.

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

Measurement		Kimball	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	9.3%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	75	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	23.5%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	18.2%	31.3%
	County rank	74	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	24.5%	23.0%
	County rank	42	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	88.5%	91.1%
	County Rank	80	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	98.4%	96.9%
	County rank	44	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	73.8%	91.0%
	County rank	91	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	73.8%	90.8%
	County Rank	90	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	1,112	498,567
	Total households	1,571	754,063
	Owner %	70.8%	66.1%
	Renters	459	255,496
	Renter %	29.2%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	104	40,465
	Total households	1,571	754,063
	No vehicle %	6.6%	5.4%

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

		8th	10th	12th
Kimball	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Kimball	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Kimball County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means (2019) ^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
Kimball	2	2	8	5
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports (2018) ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Kimball	79	38%	7%	77%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Table 19: Very few assaults reported in 2019.
- Table 21: 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). Diversion appears to have an in-depth policy for sealing records.

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

Type of Violence	Kimball	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	0	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	6	1,639
Other Assaults	7	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Kimball	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Kimball	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Kimball	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Kimball County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



Table 21.
Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see Appendix for yearly data

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	7	18	38.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	70	88	79.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	9	33.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	80	115	69.6%

*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

Table 22: JUSTICE data indicates that your county has a higher rate of legal representation compared to the rest of the state.

Table 23-24: No curfew filings- excellent. Why? These types of low level cases that could be diverted from court system, and this seems to be the case in Kimball County.

Table 25: With respect to diversion practices, the community seems to be using best practices. Areas to explore:

- o Could some felony offenses be considered for diversion?
- o Tracking which youth get warning letters.
- o Ensure that you have a process for sealing juvenile records.

Table 22. Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Kimball	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	80.0% -- 100.0%	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.

Table 23. Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Kimball	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352



Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

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

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Kimball	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Not sure	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	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	Not sure	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; Felony charges	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	No	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6%



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		Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; send letters and other options to address barriers that may prevent successful completion	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	No	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

- Table 26: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 11.7%.
- Table 27: In most instance, you had slightly lower collective impact scores than the rest of the state. You average went down from 2019 to 2020.
- Table 28: 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. (Could be that people just didn't respond.) On the survey –no probation, law enforcement, county attorney, defense counsel, government official on your team.
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - 25% of the people who responded, reported “not feeling heard,” in meeting.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	5.52	5.78

The five elements of Collective Impact are:



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- **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 ⁹

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				



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Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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	0	4	100.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	37	37	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	6	16.7%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	38	47	80.9%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	3	4	75.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	16	16	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	21	22	95.5%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	0	2	0.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	6	12	50.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	6	14	42.9%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	4	6	66.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	11	19	57.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	15	25	60.0%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	0	2	0.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	0	4	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	1	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	0	7	0.0%



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Morrill County has a larger Hispanic youth population as compared to the rest of the state, accounting for 30.7% of the population 10-17. Data indicate that roughly 8.8% of the 256 youth are Black females.
- Table 2: Dept. of Education data show that an even higher percent of youth enrolled are Hispanic in 2018-2019 (33.6%)
- Table 3: Hispanic youth are over represented in the population chronically absent. (We could not get data for chronic absenteeism for Asian, Black or Native American or Hawaiian because the frequency was too low to report. Chronic absenteeism seems to be less of a problem among white youth (76% enrolled compared to 66% of the chronically absent).
- Table 4: IDEA rates are lower than the rest of the state. However, the percent of youth on free and reduced lunch is higher than the rest of the state.
- Table 5: High school graduation rates are slightly higher than the overall state average.
- Table 6: Morrill County may want to participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey. This tool provides good information on binge drinking, drug use, depression, suicide ideation, etc. and often provides guidance for juvenile justice interventions.
- Table 7-11: Data not available.
- Table 12: Overall, juvenile crime was down almost 80%. The community should **verify** the law enforcement data because there are so few cases (58 juvenile stops from 2015-2020?).
- Table 13: Team should have a discussion about the state wide assessment tool.
- Table 14: Minority youth move through the diversion program at very equitable rates- and have higher rates of successful completion, compared to White youth.
 - Hispanic youth are more likely to have multiple charges filed.
 - Probation data: Hispanic youth make up 32% of intakes, but 50% of revocations? (Look at five year data in the attachments)

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%
Morrill	256	63.7%	30.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	6.3%



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Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Morrill	274	66.1%	25.2%	8.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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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	Morrill	921	21.06%	0.22%	0.98%	0.22%	0.00%	75.68%	1.85%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Morrill	893	21.05%	0.34%	1.46%	0.00%	0.00%	76.04%	1.12%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Morrill	892	20.63%	0.22%	1.01%	0.11%	0.00%	76.79%	1.23%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Morrill	860	20.00%	0.23%	0.70%	0.35%	0.00%	77.79%	0.93%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Morrill	854	21.08%	0.47%	0.94%	0.12%	0.00%	76.00%	1.41%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Morrill	122	25.41%	*	*	*	*	74.59%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Morrill	152	31.58%	*	*	*	*	68.42%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Morrill	139	34.53%	*	*	*	*	65.47%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Morrill	170	30.59%	*	*	*	*	69.41%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389



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2018-2019	Morrill	122	33.61%	*	*	*	*	66.39%	*
	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

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	Morrill	921	11.83%	1.85%	3.15%	49.40%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Morrill	893	12.43%	2.24%	2.91%	48.94%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Morrill	892	12.56%	2.47%	2.58%	51.79%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Morrill	860	13.84%	2.79%	3.02%	53.60%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Morrill	854	14.17%	*	2.69%	55.85%
	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%	-
Morrill	306	331	30.6	33.1	92.4%	65

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Morrill	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Morrill	Depressed	--	--	--



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Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Morrill	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Morrill	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Morrill	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Morrill	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Morrill	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Morrill	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Morrill	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

*Morrill County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last was 2014)

**** 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
Morrill	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
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	MORRILL COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	75	56	-25.33	5	1	-80.00
Rape Total	2	1	-50.00	0	-	-
Burglary Total	3	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	3	2	-33.33	1	-	-100.00
Other Assaults	9	11	22.22	0	0	
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	2	1	-50.00	1	-	-100.00
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	2	1	-50.00	0	-	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	2	4	100.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	15	14	-6.67	1	1	0.00
Offenses Against Family and Children	-	1	-	-	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	17	11	-35.29	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	7	3	-57.14	0	0	-
Disorderly Conduct	8	3	-62.50	2	0	-100.00
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	5	4	-20.00	0	0	-

Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Morrill			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M = --, SD = --, --</i>			<i>M = 5.64, SD = 3.65, 0-17</i>		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed



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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	58*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	65	1.50%	0%	0%	12.30%	0%	0%	86.20%
Youth enrolled in diversion	65	1.50%	0%	0%	12.30%	0%	0%	86.20%
Successful completion diversion	46	2.20%	0%	0%	15.20%	0%	0%	82.60%
Youth with multiple charges	11	0%	0%	0%	18.20%	0%	9.10%	72.70%
Filed on in adult court	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	33.30%	66.70%
RAI Override: More Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	28	0%	0%	0%	32.10%	3.60%	0%	64.30%
Revocation of probation	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Morrill County sheriff only partially reported to the NCC in 2017



Family Level

- Table 15: Morrill County’s has lower poverty compared to the rest of the state (9.5% compared to 14.8%). This county does have relatively high rates (almost 27%) of extreme poverty (185% below poverty level.)
 - Lower number of people have HS degree, and college education.
 - We looked at broadband internet access for purposes of COVID. Many youth have access to a computer (91.3%), but fewer have an internet subscription at home -79.9% (this may have gone up in 2020).
 - Higher percent of home owner rates compared to the entire state.
- Table 16: data not available on adults at home or school who listen.
- Table 18: Of the CPS complaints assessed, only 7% were found to be “substantiated,” which is much lower than the rest of the state.

Table 15.
Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Morrill	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	9.5%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	96	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	26.6%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	18.1%	31.3%
	County rank	77	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	24.0%	23.0%
	County rank	49	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	86.6%	91.1%
	County Rank	86	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	91.3%	96.9%
	County rank	86	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	79.9%	91.0%
	County rank	85	-



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	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	79.9%	90.8%
	County Rank	85	-
Housing	Owner-occupied households	1,435	498,567
	Total households	1,982	754,063
	Owner %	72.4%	66.1%
	Renters	547	255,496
	Renter %	27.6%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	68	40,465
	Total households	1,982	754,063
	No vehicle %	3.4%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Morrill	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Morrill	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Morrill County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last was 2014)

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
Morrill	0	0	5	4
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ



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	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Morrill	74	39%	7%	76%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%

Community Level

- Table 19: Measures of community violence were not bad compared to other counties, only 11 assaults!
- Table 20: No data available
- Table 21: Sealing juvenile records is problematic. 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).

Table 19.

Community Violence Measured by Arrests for Violent Crime (2019) ^j

Type of Violence	Morrill	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	1	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	0	1,639
Other Assaults	11	8,782

Table 20.

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Morrill	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Morrill	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Morrill	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Morrill County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey (last was 2014)



Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	42	50	84.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	100	136	73.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	22	26	84.6%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	164	212	77.4%

*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

- Table 22: Despite not being in a county required to provide counsel under statute, it appears that some youth have access to counsel, but still lower than ideal.
- Table 23-24: There are almost no curfew and 3A, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately. Only four 3B cases – absenteeism and truancy cases.
- Table 25: with respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider:
 - Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth

Table 22. Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Morrill	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.



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(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.

Table 23.
Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Morrill	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	2	352

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
0	1	1	0	0	2

Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

Filed Subtype	Morrill					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	1	0	0	1	2	4
3B - Uncontrollable	0	1	0	0	0	1
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	1	0	0	0	0	1

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					Total
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
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

	Morrill	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%



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File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	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%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; some felonies	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	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	No	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	No	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; The file is closed and placed in a locked file cabinet	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

- Table 26: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 11.7%.
- Table 27: In most instance, you had slightly lower collective impact scores than the rest of the state. You average went down from 2019 to 2020.
- Table 28: 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. (Could be that people just didn't respond.) On the survey –no probation, law enforcement, county attorney, defense counsel, government official on your team.
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - 25% of the people who responded, reported “not feeling heard,” in meeting.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	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 ^a

Table 28.

Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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	7	12	58.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	23	43	53.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	11	11	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	41	66	62.1%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	5	5	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	26	30	86.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	4	4	10%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	35	39	89.7%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	17	17	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	28	33	84.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	2	50.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	46	52	88.5%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	6	6	100%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	13	14	92.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)			
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	1	1	100%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	7	10	70.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	10	16	62.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	5	8	62.5%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	22	34	64.7%



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Youth Level

- Table 1: Scotts Bluff County has a larger Hispanic youth population as compared to the rest of the state. Census data reflects an Asian/ Pacific Islander male population of 3.0%, higher than the rest of the state. Hispanic youth account for 30.7%.
- Table 2: Dept. of Education data show that an even higher percent of youth enrolled are Hispanic. Interestingly – Asian youth is a much smaller percent than the census. Why are Asian youth so underrepresented in school enrollment?
- Table 3: Hispanic and Native American youth are over represented in the population chronically absent. (We could not get data for chronic absenteeism for Asian, Black or Native Hawaiian because the frequency was too low to report.
- Table 4: IDEA rates are lower than the rest of the state. However, the percent of youth on free and reduced lunch is higher than the rest of the state.
- High school graduation rates are slightly higher than the overall state average.
- Table 6: Scotts Bluff County 8th, 10th and 12th graders reporter higher rate of loss of sleep from worry, and depression. Slightly more 8th graders reported attempting or considering suicide as compared to the state average. Youth who report using alcohol is higher than the rest of the state. (19.3% of 8th graders report current alcohol use, compared to 9.8% statewide; 23.8 % of 10th graders and 38.4% of seniors! Slightly higher percent of youth report marijuana use. Twice as many 8th graders are vaping compared to the state.
- Slightly fewer 8th and 12th graders report feeling hopeful.
- Table 11: Reports of gang involvement are slightly higher than the state.
- Table 12: Overall, juvenile crime was down almost 89%. The community should **verify** the law enforcement data: Larceny-theft went from 33 in 2018 to 1 in 2019. Was there a change in definitions? Filing? County attorney? Other assaults also went down from 21 to 2? Drug Violations – Possession, Driving under the Influence, Liquor Laws, and Disorderly Conduct, runaway –all down dramatically. This could be a reporting issue.
- Table 13: Many of the youth assessed on diversion did not score across any domains.
- Table 14: Minority youth move through the diversion program at very equitable rates- this is great to see! Hispanic youth are more likely to have multiple charges filed and be filed on through the adult system.
 - Probation outcomes: Native America youth make up 14% of intakes, and are likely to have an underwrite. Hispanic youth are represented equitably across probation points.

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%



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Scotts Bluff	2,113	58.2%	30.7%	0.6%	1.2%	3.0%	6.3%
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Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Scotts Bluff	2,058	58.3%	29.7%	3.3%	2.2%	1.3%	5.2%

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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	Scotts Bluff	6,620	37.28%	0.69%	2.27%	0.71%	0.06%	57.02%	1.96%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Scotts Bluff	6,638	37.48%	0.56%	2.23%	0.63%	0.11%	56.96%	2.03%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Scotts Bluff	6,668	37.55%	0.58%	2.31%	0.63%	0.04%	56.97%	1.90%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Scotts Bluff	6,720	37.28%	0.52%	2.19%	0.63%	0.07%	57.16%	2.16%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Scotts Bluff	6748	37.15%	0.50%	2.07%	0.58%	0.06%	57.57%	2.06%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Scotts Bluff	976	47.03%	*	6.05%	*	*	44.16%	2.77%
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Scotts Bluff	1,039	45.91%	*	5.49%	*	*	44.75%	3.85%
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Scotts Bluff	1,085	48.76%	*	4.70%	*	*	44.15%	2.40%
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Scotts Bluff	1,201	47.79%	*	5.08%	*	*	44.38%	2.75%
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Scotts Bluff	1,251	49.24%	*	5.52%	*	*	42.77%	2.48%
	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

Table 4.
 Disabilities, English Proficiency, Eligibility for Free/Reduced Lunch and School Year (2014 – 2019) ^b



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Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	Scotts Bluff	6,620	10.14%	1.75%	4.11%	54.08%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Scotts Bluff	6,638	10.09%	1.97%	3.77%	55.65%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Scotts Bluff	6,668	10.06%	2.22%	3.99%	56.87%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Scotts Bluff	6,720	11.74%	2.29%	3.99%	58.53%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Scotts Bluff	6,748	12.54%	*	4.19%	57.93%
	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%	-
Scotts Bluff	2,062	2,280	82.5	91.2	90.4%	74

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Scotts Bluff	Loss of sleep from worry	28.5%	26.7%	27.6%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Scotts Bluff	Depressed	44.7%	48.9%	42.5%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Scotts Bluff	Considered/Attempted suicide	25.1%	18.6%	14.0%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Scotts Bluff	Current alcohol	19.3%	23.8%	38.4%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Scotts Bluff	Current binge drinking	4.4%	9.2%	15.5%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Scotts Bluff	Current marijuana	6.0%	9.2%	16.3%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Scotts Bluff	Current tobacco	7.8%	9.2%	14.0%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%



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Scotts Bluff	Current vaping	21.2%	25.4%	36.0%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Scotts Bluff	Hopeful for future (past week)	69.0%	74.0%	75.9%
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

**** 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
Scotts Bluff	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	4.3%	4.0%	4.1%
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

Table 11b.

Estimated Gang Involvement by Local Law Enforcement

Per Scotts Bluff Police Department Captain Brain Wasson via phone on September 9, 2020:

When Captain Wasson began working with the Scotts Bluff Police Department in 1997, gangs were present in the city, but then died down for about 10-15 years, and have started back up again. The Police Department does not have a lot of statistics at this time, but they are starting to see gangs forming in the high school. These are not really organized, and they are not using criminal activity to support themselves with the current gang-related criminal activity being centered on fighting in the schools and claiming affiliations/turf. During disturbance investigations is when police officers wind up identifying gang members. They currently have 11



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identified gangs with about five to 10 identified members in each gang (although they are just starting identification of members). There are some females involved with the gangs, but 98% of the identified members are male. All current gangs have Caucasian members, some are Hispanic, no identified black gang members at this time. The only gang in Scotts Bluff that is also found nationally is the Sureños, and this year they are seeing less activity from them and no ties to other Sureños groups. Captain Wasson provided the following names of active gangs: East Side Pure Bloods, Scotts Bluff Bloods, Trained to Bust, and Them Terry Town Boys (or Them Trainer Boys per some members). They have a zero-tolerance policy at the schools for gang involvement/activity and the School Resource Officers will cite for gang related activity in the schools in an attempt to control gangs/gang activity.

Table 12.

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

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Jurisdiction by Geography	SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	1,873	943	-49.65	253	28	-88.93
Rape Total	2	2	0.00	-	-	-
Robbery Total	3	1	-66.67	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	26	21	-19.23		0	-
Burglary Total	17	14	-17.65	3	2	-33.33
Larceny-Theft Total	157	36	-77.07	33	1	-96.97
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	13	3	-76.92	8	-	-100.00
Other Assaults	203	182	-10.34	21	2	-90.48
Forgery and Counterfeiting	10	2	-80.00	-	-	-
Fraud	6	3	-50.00	-	-	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	5	4	-20.00	-	-	-
Vandalism	26	17	-34.62	3		-100.00
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	17	3	-82.35	1	1	0.00
Prostitution	7	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Assisting or Promoting Prostitution	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Sex Offenses (Except Rape and Prostitution)	4	1	-75.00	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	15	25	66.67	-	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	413	271	-34.38	32	3	-90.63
NIBRS Unable to Classify	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Offenses Against Family and Children	1	-	-100.00	0	-	-



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Driving Under the Influence	114	153	34.21	5	1	-80.00
Liquor Laws	228	25	-89.04	41	0	-100.00
Disorderly Conduct	68	38	-44.12	16	0	-100.00
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	480	129	-73.13	34	5	-85.29
Runaways	56	13	-76.79	56	13	-76.79

Table 13.

Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ⁹

Score	Scotts Bluff			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	84.4%	6.5%	9.1%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	72.7%	11.7%	15.6%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	74.0%	23.4%	2.6%	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	78.9%	11.8%	9.2%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	54.5%	32.5%	13.0%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	61.0%	32.5%	6.5%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	85.7%	11.7%	2.6%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = 3.75, <i>SD</i> = 2.59, 1-12			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Scotts Bluff County *n* = 77; Statewide *n* = 1512

Table 14.

Racial and Ethnic Disparities Descriptives (2015-2019) ¹[Click here to see Census and School Population Data](#)



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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	1089*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	343	3.50%	0%	1.50%	40.50%	0.30%	1.50%	52.80%
Youth enrolled in diversion	330	3.30%	0%	1.50%	40%	0.30%	1.50%	53.30%
Successful completion diversion	266	3.40%	0%	1.50%	37.20%	0.40%	1.50%	56%
Youth with multiple charges	92	4.30%	0%	1.10%	16.30%	0%	45.70%	32.60%
Filed on in adult court	44	0%	0%	6.80%	34.10%	0%	22.70%	36.40%
RAI Override: More Severe	43	18.60%	0%	0%	48.80%	2.30%	0%	30.20%
RAI Override: Less Severe	11	27.30%	0%	0%	45.50%	0%	0%	27.30%
Probation intake	191	14.10%	0%	2.60%	50.30%	2.10%	0%	30.90%
Successful probation	637	10%	0%	1.40%	45.50%	2.70%	0%	40.30%
Revocation of probation	220	18.60%	0%	0.90%	49.50%	2.70%	0%	28.20%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Mitchell PD only partially reported in 2017; Morrill PD only partially reported in 2018 and did not report 2015 - 2017

Family Level



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- Table 15: Scotts Bluff County’s rate are of poverty compared to the rest of the state (18.7% compared to 14.8%). This county also has very high rates (almost 36%) of extreme poverty (185% below poverty level.)
 - Relative high rates of high school graduation,
 - We looked at broadband internet access for purposes of COVID. Many youth have access to a computer (98.1%), but fewer have an internet subscription at home (may have gone up in 2020).
 - Higher percent of home owner rates compared to the entire state.
- Table 16: Scotts Bluff County youth report fewer adults at home who listen, but 12th graders appear to have an adult at school who listens.
- Table 18: Of the CPS complaints assessed, only 10% were found to be “substantiated,” which is lower than the rest of the state.

Table 15.
Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Scotts Bluff	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	18.7%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	1,108	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	35.8%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	22.4%	31.3%
	County rank	35	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	26.1%	23.0%
	County rank	26	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	87.5%	91.1%
	County Rank	84	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	98.1%	96.9%
	County rank	51	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	89.7%	91.0%
	County rank	57	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	89.6%	90.8%
	County Rank	55	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	10,082	498,567
	Total households	14,613	754,063
	Owner %	69.0%	66.1%
	Renters	4,531	255,496
	Renter %	31.0%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	750	40,465
	Total households	14,613	754,063
	No vehicle %	5.1%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Scotts Bluff	Adult at home who listens	83.0%	83.7%	83.1%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Scotts Bluff	Adult at school who listens	77.0%	80.2%	93.3%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 17.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means (2019) ^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
Scotts Bluff	18	10	120	84
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Scotts Bluff	825	41%	10%	77%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%

Community Level



Table 19: Measures of community violence were not bad compared to other counties, but there were a fair amount of assaults happening in the community.

- Table 20: Youth view the community as thinking alcohol, marijuana are not appropriate to use (in some communities youth think the adults are accepting of these substances.)
- Table 21: Sealing juvenile records is problematic. 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).

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

Type of Violence	Scotts Bluff	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	2	264
Robbery	1	367
Aggravated Assault	21	1,639
Other Assaults	182	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Scotts Bluff	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	89.5%	90.6%	83.1%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Scotts Bluff	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	85.0%	81.3%	68.7%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Scotts Bluff	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	90.6%	87.4%	75.9%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



Table 21.
Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

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	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	502	746	67.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	1100	2394	45.9%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	138	236	58.5%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	0	14	0.0%
Total	1740	3420	50.9%

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



Policy, Legal and System Level

- Table 22: Despite not being in a county required to provide counsel under statute, it appears that some youth have access to counsel, but still lower than ideal.
- Table 23-24: There are few curfew and 3A, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately. 3B cases – absenteeism and truancy cases appear to be on the rise.
- Table 25: with respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider a few things:
 - Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
 - Comparing diversion fees to court costs so they are comparable. With a higher proportion of children <18 in poverty, perhaps offering scholarships.
 - Consider possible felony offenses (i.e. damage over \$250.)

Table 22.
 Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Scotts Bluff	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	40.0% -- 59.9%	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.

Table 23.
 Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Scotts Bluff	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	2	352

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
0	0	1	0	1	2



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Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

Filed Subtype	Scotts Bluff					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	1	1
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	16	41	29	34	54	174
3B - Uncontrollable	5	5	5	2	1	18
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous						

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Scotts Bluff	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Yes	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	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%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; case-by-case basis but normally do not take felonies	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	No	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Yes; \$75--\$100	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6%



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		Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Not sure; we will add services if not successful on current plan but not additional restrictions or punishment	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; All juveniles released satisfactorily from diversion have their records "sealed". We do not pre-file, so the only thing we need to seal is the citation/police report. We notify the department that wrote the citation or report by email to tell them to seal the record as soon as the juvenile completes diversion--usually within days.	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

- Table 26: A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 11.7%.
- Table 27: In most instance, you had slightly lower collective impact scores than the rest of the state. You average went down from 2019 to 2020.
- Table 28: 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. (Could be that people just didn't respond.) On the survey –no probation, law enforcement, county attorney, defense counsel, government official on your team.
 - Good representation of persons formerly involved in the system.
 - 25% of the people who responded, reported “not feeling heard,” in meeting.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	5.52	5.78

The five elements of Collective Impact are:



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- **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

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%



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No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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: RED Descriptives

2015

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino 30%	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	246*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	48	0%	0%	2.10%	39.60%	0%	0%	58.30%
Youth enrolled in diversion	48	0%	0%	2.10%	39.60%	0%	0%	58.30%
Successful completion diversion	34	0%	0%	2.90%	35.30%	0%	0%	61.80%
Youth with multiple charges	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	80%	20%
Filed on in adult court	5	0%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	60%
RAI Override: More Severe	22	27.30%	0%	0%	40.90%	0%	0%	31.80%
RAI Override: Less Severe	1	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	55	21.80%	0%	3.60%	40%	3.60%	0%	30.90%
Successful probation	94	10.60%	0%	0%	48.90%	1.10%	0%	39.40%
Revocation of probation	48	18.80%	0%	2.10%	52.10%	0%	0%	27.10%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2016

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	234*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	58	3.40%	0%	1.70%	34.50%	1.70%	1.70%	56.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	52	3.80%	0%	1.90%	28.80%	1.90%	1.90%	61.50%
Successful completion diversion	45	4.40%	0%	2.20%	31.10%	2.20%	2.20%	57.80%
Youth with multiple charges	17	0%	0%	5.90%	17.60%	0%	58.80%	17.60%
Filed on in adult court	12	0%	0%	8.30%	50%	0%	8.30%	33.30%
RAI Override: More Severe	4	0%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%	75%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	NA%	0%	NA%
Probation intake	37	10.80%	0%	0%	54.10%	0%	0%	35.10%
Successful probation	146	13%	0%	0%	45.20%	5.50%	0%	36.30%
Revocation of probation	46	30.40%	0%	0%	47.80%	4.30%	0%	17.40%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2017

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	328*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	75	4%	0%	2.70%	37.30%	0%	1.30%	54.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	75	4%	0%	2.70%	37.30%	0%	1.30%	54.70%
Successful completion diversion	62	3.20%	0%	1.60%	37.10%	0%	0%	58.10%
Youth with multiple charges	19	0%	0%	0%	15.80%	0%	31.60%	52.60%
Filed on in adult court	5	0%	0%	0%	40%	0%	20%	40%
RAI Override: More Severe	6	16.70%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	33.30%
RAI Override: Less Severe	5	40%	0%	0%	40%	0%	0%	20%
Probation intake	32	15.60%	0%	0%	56.20%	0%	0%	28.10%
Successful probation	107	2.80%	0%	0%	42.10%	1.90%	0%	53.30%
Revocation of probation	46	15.20%	0%	0%	45.70%	0%	0%	39.10%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2018

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	253*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	90	5.60%	0%	1.10%	36.70%	0%	2.20%	54.40%
Youth enrolled in diversion	89	5.60%	0%	1.10%	37.10%	0%	2.20%	53.90%
Successful completion diversion	74	6.80%	0%	1.40%	33.80%	0%	2.70%	55.40%
Youth with multiple charges	27	7.40%	0%	0%	11.10%	0%	55.60%	25.90%
Filed on in adult court	9	0%	0%	0%	11.10%	0%	33.30%	55.60%
RAI Override: More Severe	4	25%	0%	0%	75%	0%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	3	0%	0%	0%	66.70%	0%	0%	33.30%
Probation intake	32	15.60%	0%	0%	50%	3.10%	0%	31.20%
Successful probation	124	13.70%	0%	1.60%	48.40%	0%	0%	36.30%
Revocation of probation	43	9.30%	0%	2.30%	55.80%	9.30%	0%	23.30%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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2019

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	28*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	72	2.80%	0%	0%	54.20%	0%	1.40%	41.70%
Youth enrolled in diversion	66	1.50%	0%	0%	56.10%	0%	1.50%	40.90%
Successful completion diversion	51	0%	0%	0%	49%	0%	2%	49%
Youth with multiple charges	24	8.30%	0%	0%	25%	0%	29.20%	37.50%
Filed on in adult court	13	0%	0%	15.40%	30.80%	0%	38.50%	15.40%
RAI Override: More Severe	7	0%	0%	0%	71.40%	14.30%	0%	14.30%
RAI Override: Less Severe	2	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	50%
Probation intake	35	2.90%	0%	8.60%	57.10%	2.90%	0%	28.60%
Successful probation	166	9%	0%	4.20%	44%	3.60%	0%	39.20%
Revocation of probation	37	18.90%	0%	0%	45.90%	0%	0%	35.10%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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**Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year**

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. Some 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	66	126	52.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	257	517	49.7%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	28	69	40.6%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	0	3	0.0%
Total	351	723	48.5%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	110	133	82.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	241	412	58.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	38	61	62.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	389	606	64.2%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	107	188	56.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	245	533	46.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	35	40	87.5%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	387	768	50.4%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	84	125	67.2%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	222	479	46.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	19	31	61.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	0	1	100%
Total	325	637	51.0%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	135	174	77.6%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	135	453	29.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	18	35	51.4%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	0	10	0.0%
Total	288	686	42.0%



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Youth Level

- Hispanic and American Indian youth are overrepresented in chronic absenteeism compared to school enrollment.
- Students with IDEA plans are slightly higher than the state average.
- Sheridan County has more youth on free/reduced lunch than the state average.
- This community has not participated in the NRPFS and should consider participating in the next survey year (2020) to get youth-level data on mental health, gangs, supportive adults and community perceptions of substance use.
- Slight increase in arrests for larceny, other assaults, and drug possession, (however, with such small frequencies, this increase should be taken with caution).
- JJI did not have risk assessment scores for diversion from the 2015-2017 assessment evaluation to include. If the county is not using a validated assessment tool, then it should begin doing so (there will be a statewide tool coming in July 2021). If the county does have assessment data in digital format for JJI to analyze, we would be happy to update this table.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED. Based on census and school enrollment data:
 - American Indian youth are overrepresented in all probation system points, and with multiple charges being filed
 - Black youth are overrepresented in probation overrides, probation intakes, and successful probation completion
 - Hispanic youth are overrepresented at probation intake and overrides
 - Race/ethnicity data is missing or unspecified at the court level for 22.2% and 37.5% of the cases.

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%
Sheridan	336	66.4%	6.0%	0.0%	20.8%	0.9%	6.0%

Females



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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%
Sheridan	374	48.1%	16.8%	2.4%	19.3%	0.0%	13.4%

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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	Sheridan	843	7.47%	0.12%	16.84%	0.36%	0.00%	67.14%	8.07%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Sheridan	830	6.99%	0.12%	16.27%	0.12%	0.00%	67.23%	9.28%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Sheridan	854	9.37%	0.00%	16.39%	0.00%	0.00%	64.52%	9.72%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Sheridan	819	7.69%	0.24%	15.87%	0.00%	0.00%	66.42%	9.77%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Sheridan	817	8.57%	0.12%	15.18%	0.00%	0.00%	66.59%	9.55%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Sheridan	113	17.70%	*	36.28%	*	*	46.02%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Sheridan	123	13.01%	*	42.28%	*	*	44.72%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
	Sheridan	129	24.81%	*	31.01%	*	*	34.88%	9.30%



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2016-2017	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Sheridan	122	18.85%	*	27.05%	*	*	54.10%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Sheridan	107	10.28%	*	42.99%	*	*	36.45%	10.28%
	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

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	Sheridan	843	13.76%	1.66%	*	55.52%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Sheridan	830	11.81%	1.45%	*	55.30%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Sheridan	854	13.70%	1.87%	1.64%	57.14%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Sheridan	819	16.48%	1.95%	*	55.43%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Sheridan	817	16.28%	*	1.22%	54.83%
	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%	--
Sheridan	259	276	25.9	27.6	93.8%	54

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%.



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Table 6.
 Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8th	10th	12th
Sheridan	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Sheridan	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Sheridan	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Sheridan	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Sheridan	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Sheridan	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Sheridan	Current tobacco	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Sheridan	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Sheridan	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

*Sheridan County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

****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.



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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sheridan	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
Nebraska		2.7%	0.0%	0.0%

*Sheridan County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

Table 12.
Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change ^f

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Summary Arrest Date	SHERIDAN COUNTY					
Jurisdiction by Geography	SHERIDAN COUNTY					
Arrest Offense	SHERIDAN COUNTY					
Total	272	182	-33.09	12	22	83.33
Rape Total	-	1	-	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault Total	19	10	-47.37	0	1	-
Burglary Total	2	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Larceny-Theft Total	8	8	0.00	0	2	-
Motor Vehicle Theft Total	3	3	0.00	0	0	-
Other Assaults	42	32	-23.81	0	5	-
Forgery and Counterfeiting	-	1	-	-	0	-
Fraud	-	1	-	-	0	-
Stolen Property; Buying, Receiving, Possessing	-	1	-	-	0	-
Vandalism	8	6	-25.00	2	0	-100.00
Weapons; Carrying, Possessing, etc.	4	1	-75.00	0	1	-
Drug Violations - Sale/Manufacturing	2	-	-100.00	0	-	-
Drug Violations - Possession	26	25	-3.85	0	3	-
Offenses Against Family and Children	2	2	0.00	0	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	44	29	-34.09	2	0	-100.00
Liquor Laws	38	15	-60.53	2	1	-50.00
Disorderly Conduct	23	12	-47.83	1	2	100.00
Vagrancy	2	1	-50.00	0	0	-



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All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	49	34	-30.61	5	7	40.00
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Table 13.
Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

Score	Sheridan			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = --, <i>SD</i> = --, --			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed

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

[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	56*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth enrolled in diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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Successful completion diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth with multiple charges	18	44.40%	0%	0%	5.60%	0%	22.20%	27.80%
Filed on in adult court	8	12.50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	37.50%	50%
RAI Override: More Severe	5	20%	0%	40%	20%	20%	0%	0%
RAI Override: Less Severe	4	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	15	53.30%	0%	13.30%	26.70%	6.70%	0%	0%
Successful probation	21	47.60%	0%	14.30%	0%	0%	0%	38.10%
Revocation of probation	14	71.40%	0%	0%	7.10%	14.30%	0%	7.10%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Gordon PD did not report to the NCC 2015 - 2017



Family Level

- The percentage of children in poverty in Sheridan County is higher than the state average.
- The percentage of adults with high school diplomas and bachelor's degrees is lower than the state average.
- The percentage of youth without a computer and access to internet at home is lower than the state average.
- 71% of abuse/neglect calls are unfounded.

Table 15.

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

Measurement		County	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	32.2%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	196	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	44.6%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	23.6%	31.3%
	County Rank	26	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	23.2%	23.0%
	County Rank	59	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	90.4%	91.1%
	County Rank	66	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	90.2%	96.9%
	County Rank	89	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	73.8%	91.0%
	County Rank	90	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	72.7%	90.8%
	County Rank	91	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	1,610	498,567
	Total households	2,251	754,063
	Owner %	71.5%	66.1%
	Renters	641	255,496
	Renter %	28.5%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	167	40,465
	Total households	2,251	754,063
	No vehicle %	7.4%	5.4%

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sheridan	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Sheridan	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Sheridan County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

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
Sheridan	3	0	11	9
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Sheridan	49	49%	17%	71%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Arrests for aggravated assault and other assaults are down from 2018-2019, but are still high for the size of the community.
- 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). Yearly data is available in the Appendix to see if the rate has improved because of legislation, but newer cases should naturally have lower rates of sealing than older cases.

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

Type of Violence	Sheridan	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	1	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	10	1,639
Other Assaults	32	8,782

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sheridan	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Sheridan	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Sheridan	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Sheridan County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



Table 21.
Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

see [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	36	98	36.7%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	86	337	25.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	17	55	30.9%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	139	495	28.1%

*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

- Sheridan County is not a county required to provide counsel under statute; notably, access to counsel is lower than the state average in this community.
- Curfew filings were relatively high in the previous years but have decreased in recent years. Curfew violations, if not diverted, can net-widen juveniles into the juvenile justice system.
- Sheridan County does not have a diversion program, as such did not complete the diversion procedure and protocol survey.

Table 22. Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Sheridan	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	40.0% -- 59.9%	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.

Table 23. Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Sheridan	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	8	352

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
0	4	4	0	0	8



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Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

Filed Subtype	Sheridan					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	1	5	3	1	10
3B - Uncontrollable	0	0	0	0	0	0
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	0	0	1	0	1

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Sheridan	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Did not complete survey	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Did not complete survey	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Did not complete survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	Did not complete survey	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Did not complete survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6%



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		Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Did not complete survey	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Did not complete survey	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 11.7%.
 - This is a decrease from the 2019 survey, but more people completed the survey; the number of people the survey was sent to increased.
 - The 2020 mean score for Collective Impact is lower than both the Panhandle 2019 response and overall Nebraska mean score, except for shared measurement.
- 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. This includes age of team members.
 - There were 4 responses (25%) to race/ethnicity that had town name and two that are missing (12.5), so there may be more diversity than the survey revealed.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	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 ^a

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%
Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%



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Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

*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	19	22	86.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	35	62	56.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	9	9	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	63	93	67.7%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	8	18	44.4%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	24	95	25.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	7	38	18.4%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	39	151	25.8%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	1	19	5.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	17	93	18.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	5	20.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	19	117	16.2%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	6	10	60.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	10	22	45.5%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	1	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	16	33	48.5%

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	2	29	6.9%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	0	65	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	0	2	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	2	101	2.0%



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Youth Level

- Very low rates of absenteeism in Sioux County – 0 since 2016/2017, and 100% graduation rate.
- This community has not participated in the NRPFSS and should consider participating in the next survey year (2020) to get youth-level data on mental health, gangs, supportive adults and community perceptions of substance use.
- JJI did not have risk assessment scores for diversion from the 2015-2017 assessment evaluation to include. If the county is not using a validated assessment tool, then it should begin doing so (there will be a statewide tool coming in July 2021). If the county does have assessment data in digital format for JJI to analyze, we would be happy to update this table.
- Although the Census and school data indicate few Black youth, they are over-represented in successful probation discharges.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED
 - Successful probation closure or revocation is the only system point that JJI had race/ethnicity data for in Sioux County.

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%
Sioux	32	93.8%	6.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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%
Sioux	25	88.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	12.0%

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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	Sioux	99	5.05%	0.00%	2.02%	1.01%	0.00%	89.90%	2.02%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Sioux	95	4.21%	0.00%	1.05%	2.11%	0.00%	89.47%	3.16%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Sioux	109	3.67%	0.00%	0.92%	0.92%	0.00%	91.74%	2.75%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Sioux	98	5.10%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	89.80%	5.10%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Sioux	100	8.00%	0.00%	1.00%	0.00%	0.00%	87.00%	4.00%
	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 (2014 - 2019) ^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	Sioux	0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Sioux	0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Sioux	12	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Sioux	0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Sioux	0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	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

Table 4.
 Disabilities, English Proficiency, Eligibility for Free/Reduced Lunch and School Year (2014 – 2019) ^b



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Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	Sioux	99	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Sioux	95	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Sioux	109	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Sioux	98	*	*	*	*
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Sioux	100	*	*	*	*
	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%	-
Sioux	27	27	5.4	5.4	100.0%	1

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
Sioux	Loss of sleep from worry	--	--	--
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Sioux	Depressed	--	--	--
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Sioux	Considered/Attempted suicide	--	--	--
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Sioux	Current alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Sioux	Current binge drinking	--	--	--
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Sioux	Current marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Sioux	Current tobacco	--	--	--



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Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Sioux	Current vaping	--	--	--
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Sioux	Hopeful for future (past week)	--	--	--
Nebraska		78.0%	76.1%	77.6%

*Sioux County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

****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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sioux	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	--	--	--
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

*Sioux County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



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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	SIOUX COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	1	4	300.00	0	0	-
Drug Violations - Possession	-	1	-	-	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	1	2	100.00	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	-	1	-	-	0	-

Table 13.

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

Score	Sioux			All NYS Counties		
	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	--	--	--	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	--	--	--	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	--	--	--	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	--	--	--	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	--	--	--	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%
Personality/Behavior	--	--	--	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	--	--	--	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	<i>M</i> = --, <i>SD</i> = --, --			<i>M</i> = 5.64, <i>SD</i> = 3.65, 0-17		

Could not compute because county did not have any risk assessments completed



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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	3*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth enrolled in diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Successful completion diversion	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth with multiple charges	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: Less Severe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Probation intake	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Successful probation	4	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Revocation of probation	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

*Sioux County sheriff did not report to the NCC 2015 - 2018



Family Level

- The number of people with bachelor's degrees is lower compared to the state; this could be a result of residents going to college in a different community and not returning to Sioux County.
- Sioux County is ranked #1 with youth under 18 having a computer at home, but has a lower percentage of youth with internet subscriptions and access to broadband internet at home than the state.
- Sioux County has a slightly higher rate of households without access to a vehicle than the state average.

Table 15.

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

Measurement		Sioux	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	13.7%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	9	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	23.7%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	26.6%	31.3%
	County rank	13	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	24.2%	23.0%
	County rank	45	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	93.3%	91.1%
	County Rank	29	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	100.0%	96.9%
	County rank	1	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	67.3%	91.0%
	County rank	92	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	67.3%	90.8%
	County Rank	92	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	423	498,567
	Total households	579	754,063
	Owner %	73.1%	66.1%
	Renters	156	255,496
	Renter %	26.9%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	34	40,465
	Total households	579	754,063
	No vehicle %	5.9%	5.4%

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

		8th	10th	12th
Sioux	Adult at home who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Sioux	Adult at school who listens	--	--	--
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

*Sioux County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey

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
Sioux	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 18.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Sioux	8	25%	50%	50%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- Sioux County has very few juvenile court cases in the past four years
- 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).

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

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

Data reported as 0 or not reported at all

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

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Sioux	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	--	--	--
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Sioux	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	--	--	--
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Sioux	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	--	--	--
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%

*Sioux County did not participate in the Nebraska Risk and Protective Factors Survey



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Table 21. Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	0	1	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	3	33.3%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	1	4	25.0%

*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

- No court filings for curfew, homeless/neglect, absenteeism/truancy, uncontrollable youth or mentally ill and dangerous for juveniles in the past 4 years.
- Sioux County does not have a diversion program, as such did not complete the diversion procedure and protocol survey.

Table 22. Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Sioux	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	No Juvenile Court Cases	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.

Table 23. Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Sioux	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352



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Table 24.
Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

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

Filed Subtype	Nebraska					
	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

	Sioux	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Did not complete survey	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Did not complete survey	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Did not complete survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	Did not complete survey	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%
Currently drug test	Did not complete survey	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Did not complete survey	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6%



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		Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Did not complete survey	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Did not complete survey	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 11.7%.
 - This is a decrease from the 2019 survey, but more people completed the survey; the number of people the survey was sent to increased.
 - The 2020 mean score for Collective Impact is lower than both the Panhandle 2019 response and overall Nebraska mean score, except for shared measurement.
- 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. This includes age of team members.
 - There were 4 responses (25%) to race/ethnicity that had town name and two that are missing (12.5), so there may be more diversity than the survey revealed.
- Survey results show no probation, law enforcement, or attorneys on your team, but this may be due to the low response rate.

Table 26. Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	24	137	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	12	16	221	345
Response rate	50.0%	11.7%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27. Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	5.33	5.27	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.52	5.13	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	5.57	5.60	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	5.98	5.15	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	6.16	5.64	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 ⁹

Table 28.
Community Planning Team Diversity ^P

	Panhandle		Nebraska	
	N = 16	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	2	12.5%	101	29.3%
Female	13	81.3%	229	66.4%
Missing	1	6.3%	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	3	18.9%	88	25.4%
50-59	8	50.2%	90	25.8%
60 and over	3	18.9%	44	13%
Missing	2	12.5%	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	9	56.3%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	1	6.3%	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	4	25.0%	63	18.3%



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Missing	2	12.5%	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				
Yes	5	31.3%	98	28.4%
No	11	68.8%	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	5	29.4%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	1	5.9%	10	2.3%
Diversion	3	17.6%	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	1	5.9%	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	1	5.9%	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	5	29.4%	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	1	5.9%	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	12	75.0%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	4	25.0%	75	21.7%

Banner $n = 3$, Box Butte $n = 3$, Cheyenne $n = 5$, Dawes $n = 5$, Deuel $n = 3$, Garden $n = 3$, Kimball $n = 3$, Morrill $n = 2$, Scotts Bluff $n = 7$, Sioux $n = 2$, Sheridan $n = 2$ (three people named more than one county they represent)

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



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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between
PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP INC
and
BANNER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Executed by the parties or their duly authorized representatives on the dates indicated below.

FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

03/02/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Robert Post

3-2-2020

Robert Post, Chair
Banner County Board of Commissioners

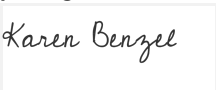
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
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This Agreement is entered into by and between **Panhandle Partnership, Inc.**, 1517 Broadway, Suite 106, Scottsbluff NE 69361 (hereinafter PPI) and **Box Butte County Board of Commissioners**, 515 Box Butte Ave Alliance, NE 69301 (hereinafter County).

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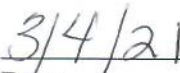
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Executed by the parties or their duly authorized representatives on the dates indicated below.

FOR PPI:



Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.




Date

FOR COUNTY:



Susan Lore, Chair
Box Butte County Board of Commissioners



Date

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
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CHEYENNE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

This Agreement is entered into by and between **Panhandle Partnership, Inc.**, 1517 Broadway, Suite 106, Scottsbluff NE 69361 (hereinafter PPI) and **Cheyenne County Board of Commissioners**, 1000 10th Ave Sidney, NE 69162 (hereinafter County).

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FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

03/02/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

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FOR COUNTY:



Darrell Johnson, Chair

Cheyenne County Board of Commissioners

3/1/2021


Date



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FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

02/11/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Jake Stewart

02/09/2021

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Date

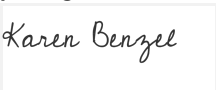
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FOR PPI:


Karen Benzel

03/01/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Date

FOR COUNTY:



Steven Fischer, Chair
Deuel County Board of Commissioners

2-24-2021

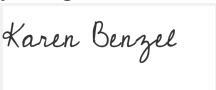
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KIMBALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Executed by the parties or their duly authorized representatives on the dates indicated below.

FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

03/03/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Larry A. Engstrom

March 2, 2021

Larry Engstrom, Chair
Kimball County Board of Commissioners


Date



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between
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and
MORRILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

03/03/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Jeff Metz

Jeff Metz, Chair

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Date

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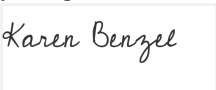


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PANHANDLE PARTNERSHIP, INC.
and
SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

03/02/2021

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Ken Meyer

Ken Meyer, Chair
Scotts Bluff County Board of Commissioners

March 1, 2021


Date



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and
SIOUX COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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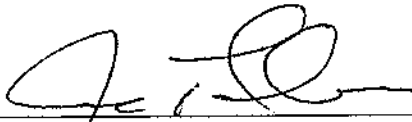
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Karen Benzal, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

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Date

FOR COUNTY:



Joshua Skavdahl, Chair
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3/1/21

Date



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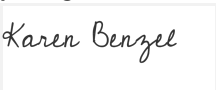
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and
GARDEN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

03/10/2021

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Dixann Krajewski

Dixann Krajewski, Chair
Garden County Board of Commissioners

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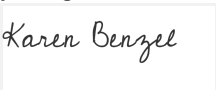
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SHERIDAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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FOR PPI:

Karen Benzel

Karen Benzel, Board President
Panhandle Partnership, Inc.

03/10/2021

Date

FOR COUNTY:

Loren Paul

Loren Paul, Chair
Sheridan County Board of Commissioners

03/09/2021

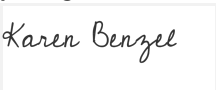
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