RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

The Oregon Youth Authority contracts with approximately 39 residential programs for youth.

Residential programs are located throughout Oregon, offering a range of options for serving the needs of at-risk youth.

900 YOUTH SUPERVISED IN COMMUNITIES

600 YOUTH SUPERVISED IN CLOSE CUSTODY

$398 MILLION 2015-17 BUDGET

1,085 EMPLOYEES DEDICATED TO HELPING YOUTH SUCCEED

AN AVERAGE OF 74% OF YOUTH WHO LEAVE OYA ARE CRIME-FREE AFTER 3 YEARS

OREGON YOUTH AUTHORITY

Our mission is to protect the public and reduce crime by holding the youth in our care and custody accountable and providing opportunities for reformation in safe environments.
The Oregon Youth Authority contracts with residential programs throughout the state to provide placement, treatment, and step-down support services to youth who are in the care and custody of the Oregon Youth Authority. Placement decisions are based on each youth’s needs through a thoughtful and thorough process that involves OYA and program staff, the youth, and the youth’s family.

These programs offer a variety of services for male and female youth. Programs offer youth access to drug and alcohol services, participation in counseling and skills training groups, help developing problem-solving and conflict-resolution skills, mental health support, crisis counseling, and individual group and family counseling.

Youth in residential programs live in structured group living and proctor home environments and may attend public schools or on-site alternative schools to work toward a diploma or GED. Residential programs also provide youth with vocational program services, job skills training, transitional services, preparation and experience with independent living, and community service opportunities.

OYA’s Community Resources Unit collaborates with these programs and providers to ensure youth have access to the placements, services, and supports they need, and that all services comply with Oregon Administrative Rule and contractual expectations. OYA meets with each provider at least quarterly to identify and discuss issues, recommend improvements, and review bed allocations to ensure that OYA’s contracted residential program providers are offering the services needed to help at-risk youth gain the attitudes, behaviors, and skills they need to create better lives for themselves, their families, and their communities.