

2015 ANNUAL REPORT



Vision

Our ultimate vision is that all youth in La Plata County are empowered and have the support and resources they need to strengthen their well-being and engage positively in their community.

Mission

La Plata Youth Services supports and advocates for youth facing challenges in school, home, or court.

Core Values

Social Justice – We advocate for equality.

Integrity – We foster fair, honest relationships and communication.

Compassion – We practice empathy and acceptance.

Creativity – We seek innovative ways to provide strength-based services.

Collaboration – We create progress by working together as a community.

OVER 400 YOUTH SERVED in 2015

- 293 with prevention and early intervention programming
- 148 through juvenile diversion
- 9 by our county's SMART Collaborative

2015 Non-Profit of the Year



2015 Summer Program Workshops

LPYS STUDENTS SERVED-DIVERSION PROGRAM

67% Male
33% Female

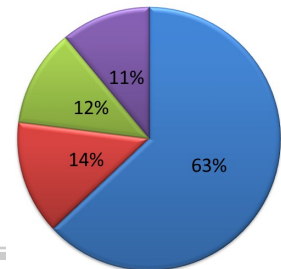
14% Hispanic/Latino/12.6% in LPC*

12% Native American/6.8% in LPC*

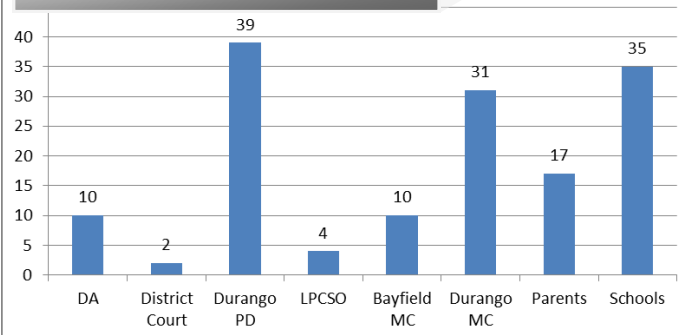
63% Caucasian/89.2% in LPC*

11% Multi-Racial/2.5 in LPC*

*2014 Census Data from La Plata County



2015 DIVERSION REFERRALS



Youth enter our doors when referred by juvenile justice to our diversion program or by schools to our truancy program. We will also consider parent

RATES of SUCCESS

85% of youth did not reoffend while in the program.

97% success rate* in preventing youth from further entering the juvenile justice system.

* Data demonstrates 1 out of every 4 students who is committed to a state detention facility will reoffend within one year of their release. (CO Division of Youth Corrections 13-14 recidivism report)

Making a Difference in the Lives of Youth

2015 PROGRAMS

PREVENTION & EARLY INTERVENTION

- **Community-in-Schools Partnership (CISP)**—77 students Served chronically absent, habitually truant, and at-risk students and their families in 3 elementary and 2 middle schools by coordinating community services and support in the school setting.
- **Drug Awareness**—216 students Presentations for middle and high school students and staff in La Plata County.

LPYS DIVERSION PROGRAM

Since 1994, LPYS has worked with students experiencing challenges at home, in school, or with court involvement by providing support and services.

- **Pre- and Post-File Juvenile Diversion Referrals**—96 students
- **Truancy Referrals**—35 students
- **Parent/Self Referrals**—17 students

Services Provided:

Assessment & Case Management

Getting Real About Marijuana (GRAM)—38 students

Restorative Mediation and Conferences—14 students

Therapeutic Mentorship—9 youth paired with 5 mentors

Summer Programming—42 students reached

Parent Support & Coaching

Community Service—832 hours contributed

Restitution—\$1,774 paid to victims

COLLABORATIVE CASE MANAGEMENT

LPYS houses the community's SMART Collaborative, which coordinates wrap-around care for habitually truant and at-risk students in La Plata County.

- **SMART**—17 family review meetings, serving 9 students



2015 Splash & Dash

"I feel accepted at LPYS."

"Working with LPYS helped me a lot because everyone here truly cares about me and helps however they can."

"Thank you for spending time informing (me) about the laws and safety of marijuana. You gave great lessons and I would definitely recommend this group to a lot of my friends."

"I was severely depressed and hardly went outside and now I am pretty happy and I go out a lot more."



In 2015, LPYS hosted the 1st Annual **Unchain my heART** multimedia art exhibit at Open Shutter Gallery. The event exhibited the work of 13 students and raised \$1,300 in art scholarships!

Fiscal Year 15-16 Budget: \$478,922

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