



Suburban King County
Coordinating Council
on Gangs

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Center for Children & Youth Justice

Founded in 2006 by retired Washington State Supreme Court Justice Bobbe Bridge, the Center for Children & Youth Justice (CCYJ) shapes better lives for youth involved in Washington's foster care and juvenile justice systems.

In partnership with parents, advocates, and policymakers, CCYJ develops and advances innovative approaches to systemic changes that will support kids, stabilize families, and strengthen communities.



SKCCCG Project Overview

History: CCYJ convened the Suburban King County Coordinating Council on Gangs in 2011 to develop a multi-jurisdictional, coordinated response to growing gang violence in suburban communities. As the lead agency, CCYJ provides all SKCCCG staff support and oversees project implementation.

Membership: The Coordinating Council is comprised of high level decision makers including mayors, police chiefs, school district representatives, service providers and King County elected officials.

Model: Following Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Comprehensive Gang Model.

Current Funding: CCYJ received a grant from the Washington State Partnership Council on Juvenile Justice to continue the work of the Coordinating Council. This grant will fund Implementation of the comprehensive SKCCCG Plan through June 2015

Membership

King County:

King County Office of the Executive:

Dow Constantine - King County Executive

Gail Stone - Law and Justice Policy Advisor

King County Council:

Larry Gossett - King County Councilmember

Kathy Lambert - King County Councilmember

King County Prosecutor's Office:

Carla Lee - Deputy Prosecuting Attorney; Director of Community Partnerships

Karissa Taylor - Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Gang Violence

King County Superior Court:

Judge Susan Craighead - Presiding Judge

Judge Barbara Mack

Bruce Knutson - Director, Juvenile Court Services

King County Sheriff's Office

John Urquhart – Sheriff

Jim Pugel – Chief Deputy Sheriff

Membership

Local Representation

Suzette Cooke – Mayor, City of Kent

Nancy Backus – Mayor, City of Auburn

Denis Law – Mayor, City of Renton

Michael Hursh – Director of Administration, City of Auburn,

Mike Heinisch – Executive Director, Kent Youth and Family Services

Brian Wilson – Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office, City of Federal Way

Jim Ferrell - Mayor, City of Federal Way

Claudia Balducci – Mayor, City of Bellevue

Mia Gregerson – Mayor, City of SeaTac

Robert B. Gilbertson, Jr. – President/CEO, YMCA of Greater Seattle

Law Enforcement:

Ken Thomas - Chief of Police, Kent Police Department

Andy Hwang – Chief of Police, Federal Way Police Department

Mike Johnson - Deputy Chief of Police, Bellevue Police Department

Dennis McOmber – Commander, Tukwila Police Department

Jamie Sidell -Commander, Auburn Police Department

Kevin Milosevich – Chief of Police, Renton Police Department

Lisa Mulligan – Chief of Police, SeaTac Police Department

George Delgado – Chief of Police, Des Moines Police Department

Membership

School District:

Kim Beeson – PSESD Prevention Center

Silvia Honores – Family and Community Engagement Specialist,
Department of Equity, Bellevue School District

José-de-Jesus Meléndez – Director, Department of Equity, Bellevue School District

Dr. Linda Del Giudice - Chief Accountability Officer, Kent School District

Randy Heath – Director of Student and Family Services, Kent School District

Rhonda Larson - Assistant Superintendent, Student and Family Services,
Auburn School District

Vickie Damon – Executive Director, Student and Family Support Services,
Renton School District

Mark Davidson – Deputy Superintendent, Federal Way Public Schools

Dr. Nancy Coogan – Superintendent, Tukwila School District

Scott Logan – Chief Operations Officer, Highline School District

SKCCCG Principles and Mission

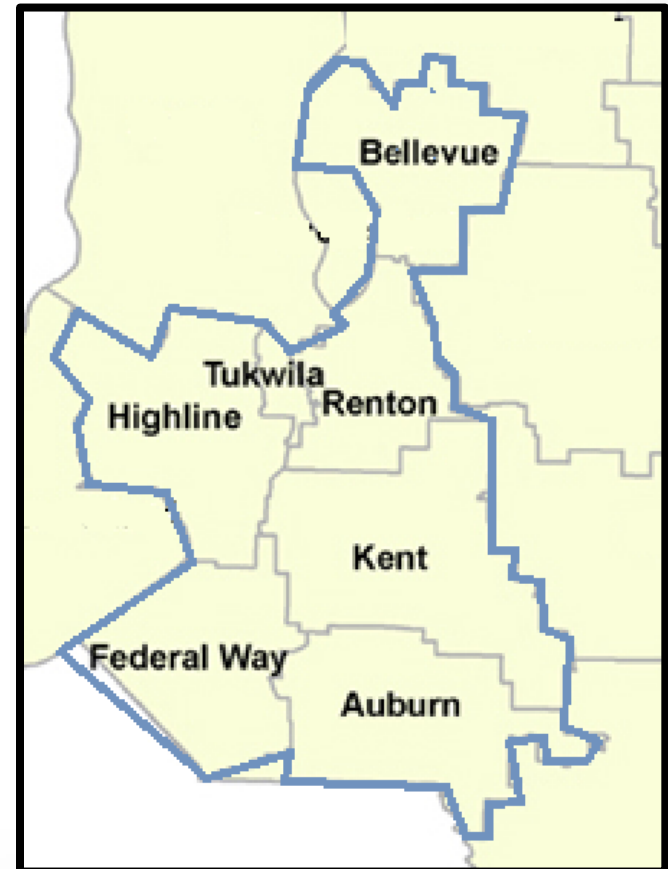
- We value our youth
- We will promote a comprehensive response that includes prevention, intervention, suppression, and re-entry
- We acknowledge that this community problem requires individual and family intervention, as well as a broader community response
- We will hold our youth accountable for their actions and assist them to get back on the right track
- We will not give up on any youth and are committed to facilitating personal transformation

Mission Statement: The mission of the Council is to coordinate a comprehensive and collaborative strategic response to gang-activity including the development of safe and healthy communities.

SKCCCG Region: School Districts

The SKCCCG Region is defined by seven contiguous school districts in suburban King County. The SKCCCG region represents a combined population of 750,000 residents, which includes approximately 100,000 school-aged youth.

- Auburn School District
- Bellevue School District
- Federal Way School District
- Highline School District
- Kent School District
- Renton School District
- Tukwila School District



SKCCCG Community Assessment

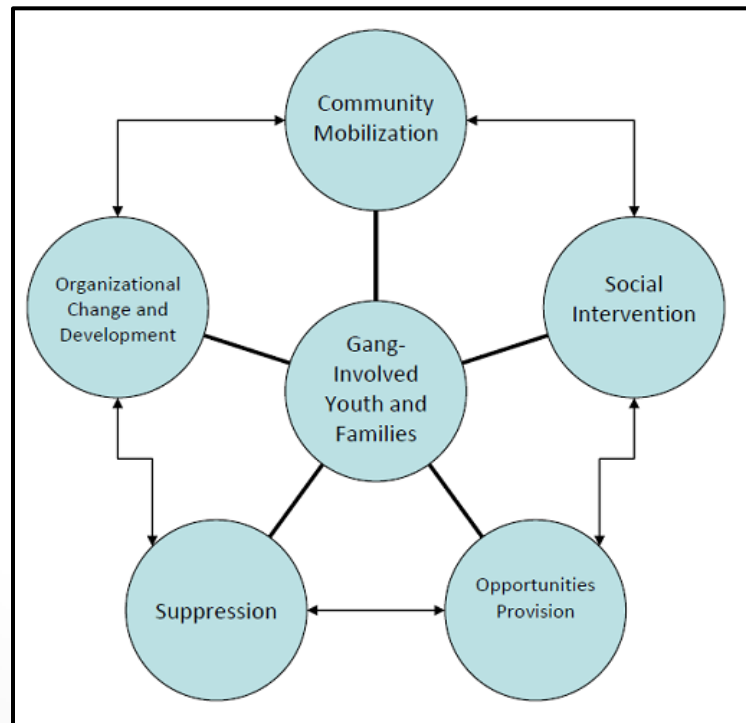
- Community Demographics
- Gang-Involved Population
- School and Student Data
- Community Resources
- Community Perceptions

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Gangs:
Community Assessment, April 2013



OJJDP Comprehensive Gang Model

Following the OJJDP Comprehensive Gang Model, SKCCCCG used the Community Assessment to inform project development. Based on the Community Assessment's key findings, SKCCCCG developed corresponding goals to address each of the six key problem areas. Workgroups were convened to design activities that will ultimately achieve the SKCCCCG Goals. Activities were developed using the five strategies of the OJJDP model to ensure that each problem faced by the SKCCCCG communities is addressed with a comprehensive solution.



Implementation Plan:

Prevention, Intervention,
Suppression & Re-Entry



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Implementation Plan Goals

Community Resources

- Increase collaboration between service providers in order to maximize efficiency of existing services for SKCCCCG youth and families

Community Engagement

- Increase community awareness and participation in gang prevention strategies and services

Students and Schools

- Equip school-based staff and after school program staff with culturally appropriate tools to meet the educational social and emotional needs of gang affiliated youth

Gang-Involved Population

- Promote public safety and awareness of youth violence and gun and gang-related crime

Targeted Intervention

- Convene a multidisciplinary intervention team to deliver targeted intervention services to appropriate gang-involved clients

Re-Entry

- Utilize direct service and policy reform to reduce barriers to successful re-entry and employment for former gang members

Community Resources/Community Engagement

Ongoing Activities:

- Service Provider Workgroup
- Increased data collection on youth served at SKCCCG partner agencies; data collected quarterly
- SKCCCG is a key partner in creation of the Youth Program Directory
 - County-wide
 - In partnership with King County 2-1-1
 - User friendly, comprehensive, current
 - Tentative launch: March 2015
- Developing parent and community information on gangs, gang-involvement and associated risk factors
- Implementation and expansion of G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education and Training) in partnership with local law enforcement, King County Juvenile Probation and SKCCCG School Districts

School Experience & Gang-Involved Youth

Ongoing Activities:

- Middle School Counselor Workgroup
- Training hosted for School Resource Officers and School Security Staff
- Ongoing partnership with Road Map Project/CCER; Participate the Opportunity Youth Advisory Group
 - Promote the Opportunity Youth Initiative's Regional Re-Engagement Action Plan
- Support efforts to reform school discipline throughout the region
- SKCCCCG law enforcement agencies promote the "Lok-it-Up" gun safety campaign, in partnership with Public Health
- Law Enforcement Workgroup
- All SKCCCCG law enforcement agencies will unify data collection practices for gang-related incidents
 - Data to be collected quarterly

SKCCCG Intervention Team– January 2015

SKCCCG will deliver direct service through implementation of a multidisciplinary gang intervention team beginning in January 2015. The SKCCCG Pilot Intervention Team will be used as a model that can be replicated throughout the SKCCCG region as needed.

The Intervention team will be community-based and include interagency representation from:

- Police
- School staff
- Social service providers
- Street outreach workers
- Probation Counselors

SKCCCG Intervention Team will provide, or connect gang-involved youth to the following types of services:

- Drug and alcohol treatment
- Mental health and anger management counseling
- Job training and placement
- Educational services
- Mentoring



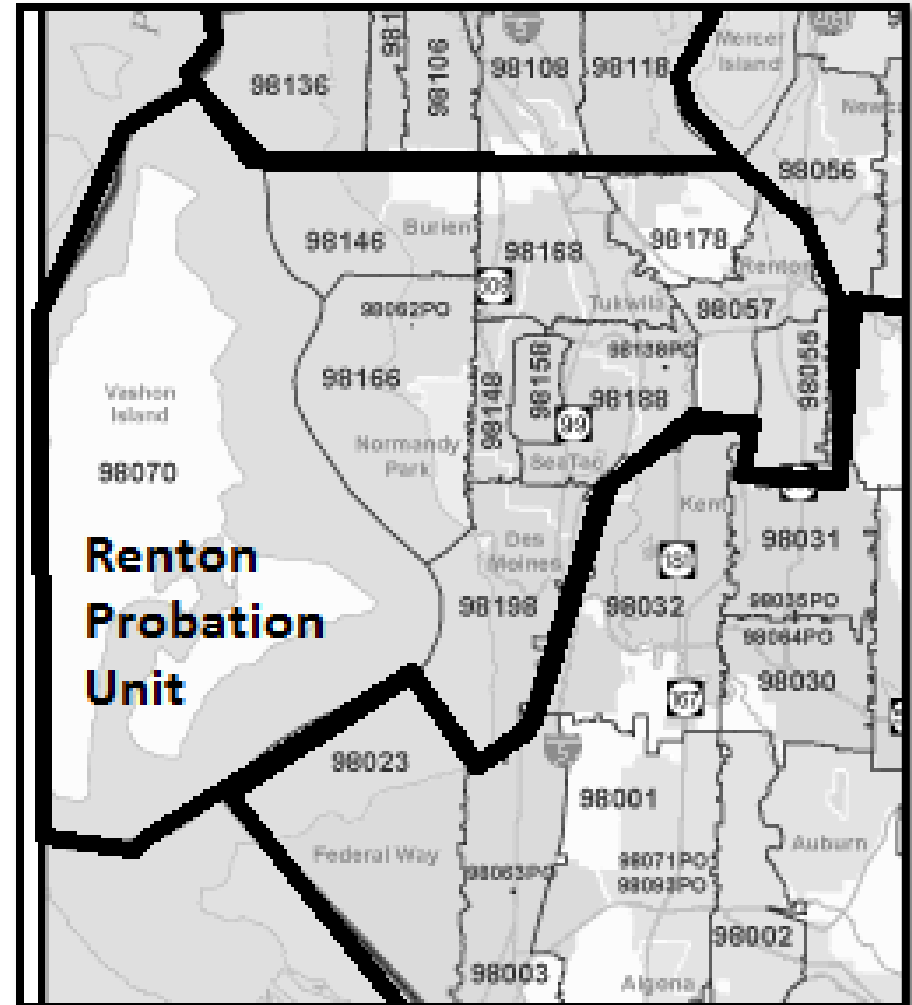
SKCCCCG Intervention Team Location

The SKCCCCG Pilot Intervention Team will be based in the Renton Probation Unit.

This based on:

- Need
- Central Location
- Existing SKCCCCG partnerships and resources

While the Renton Probation Unit will be the primary location, the Pilot Intervention Team may also serve youth from the Federal Way Probation Unit as applicable as recommended by King County Juvenile Probation.



SKCCCCG Intervention Team Membership

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- **Project Manager**
 - Anica Stieve – CCYJ
- **School Staff**
 - Kurt Hollingsworth – Safety and Security Daily Operation Manager, Highline School District
 - Lisa Foote – School Social Worker, Highline School District
 - Marsha Linn – Truancy Liaison, Renton School District
 - Greg Paribello – Security Officer, Tukwila School District
- **Social Service Providers**
 - Alissa Schieche – Renton Area Youth and Family Services
 - Ryan Quigtar – Mentor, Renton Area Youth and Family Services
 - Marty Jackson – Rainier Vista Boys and Girls Club
 - Marco Sauri – Consejo Counseling and Referral Services
 - Samantha Valle – Consejo Counseling and Referral Services
 - Sorya Svy – Safe Futures Youth Center
 - Lorena Sepin – Safe Futures Youth Center
 - Susie Kroll – Services Director, Valley Cities

SKCCCCG Intervention Team Membership

- **Law Enforcement**

- Lisa Harrison – School Resource Officer, Tukwila Police Department
- Justin Cripe – School Resource Officer, Des Moines Police Department
- Scott Barfield – Renton Police Department
- Eric White – King County Sheriff's Office

- **Probation**

- Michelle Mihail – Renton Supervision Unit
- JoeAnne Taylor – Supervisor, Renton Supervision Unit

- **YMCA Alive & Free Street Outreach Workers**

- Sean Goode – South King County Supervisory
- Street Outreach Staff

- **Job training/education service providers**

- Jennifer Hill – King County Employment and Education Resources
- Dawn Nannini – King County Employment and Education Resources

SKCCCCG Members will recommend other agency participants to serve on the SKCCCCG Intervention Team as applicable.

SKCCCG Intervention Team Procedure

Team Agreements:

- Participation- agreement from each agency establishing participation in the SKCCCG Intervention Team
- Information Sharing and Confidentiality

Meetings:

Beginning on February 5th, 2015, the Intervention Team will meet bi-weekly to accept referrals, establish client case management plans, and review client progress.

Team Procedure:

Facilitated by the SKCCCG Project Manager, the Intervention Team will:

- Review and accept referrals
- Establish initial case management plans through consensus-based decision making
- Review client case management plans and client progress
- Collect data and track client outcomes
- Provide regular progress updates to SKCCCG Councilmembers

Ongoing Activities/Next Steps

- Service Provider and Law Enforcement Data Collection
- Intervention Team
 - Implementation
 - Data collection
 - Evaluation
- School Resource Officer/School Counselor Training
- SKCCCG Project Communication and Outreach
- Sustainability Planning and Evaluation