

Jefferson Regional Juvenile Detention Center (RJDC)



General Overview



- Louisville Metro Council defunded the operation of the Louisville Metro Youth Detention in June 21, 2019.
- Per KRS 15A.305, DJJ opted to provide the detention for Jefferson County youth.
- DJJ renovated a portion of the building where the Louisville Day Treatment Center (previously Audubon YDC) is located to create the Jefferson RJDC.
- A Memorandum of Agreement was executed between DJJ and Louisville Metro Government on December 23, 2019. The MOA addressed the transition of detention services to DJJ and developed transportation guidelines for Jefferson County pre-adjudicated youth.
- Louisville Metro Youth Detention Center closed its doors on December 31, 2019.
- On January 1, 2020, the Jefferson RJDC opened its doors and began providing detention services for Jefferson County pre-adjudicated youth.
- With its closure, now all the juvenile detention facilities in the Commonwealth are operated by DJJ.
- In addition to the Jefferson RJDC, DJJ operates Regional Juvenile Detention Centers in Adair, Boyd, Breathitt, Campbell, Fayette, McCracken, and Warren Counties.

Stakeholder meetings



- DJJ hosted weekly stakeholder meetings from November 2019-December 2019 to discuss the Jefferson Regional Juvenile Detention Center transition plan.
- In addition, DJJ also had meetings with Jefferson County prosecutors, the Public Defenders' Office, the ACLU, the Children's Law Center, the Mayor's office, Circuit Court Clerk's office, community providers, the Louisville Metro Police Department, the Sheriff's Office, and community citizens.
- DJJ provided general information and process guidelines to the Courts and Judges regarding the Jefferson Regional Juvenile Detention Center.

Memorandum of Agreement



- Created a 16-bed facility on the Audubon Campus known as the Jefferson Regional Juvenile Detention Center; opened on January 1, 2020.
- Louisville agrees to pay the Commonwealth \$685,000 for FY 20 to assist in the initial expense of operation.
- Louisville created the Metro Transportation Unit to provide transportation of pre-adjudicated youth between Jefferson County Courts and the Regional Juvenile Detention Centers operated by the DJJ, including the Jefferson RJDC.

Jefferson RJDC



- Located at 8711 LaGrange Road
- Projected budget (personnel and operating) for FY '20: \$721,000
- Construction costs: \$178,000
- Projected personnel costs : \$396,000

- Funded Positions: 22
- Filled positions: 13 (7 employees for next academy)

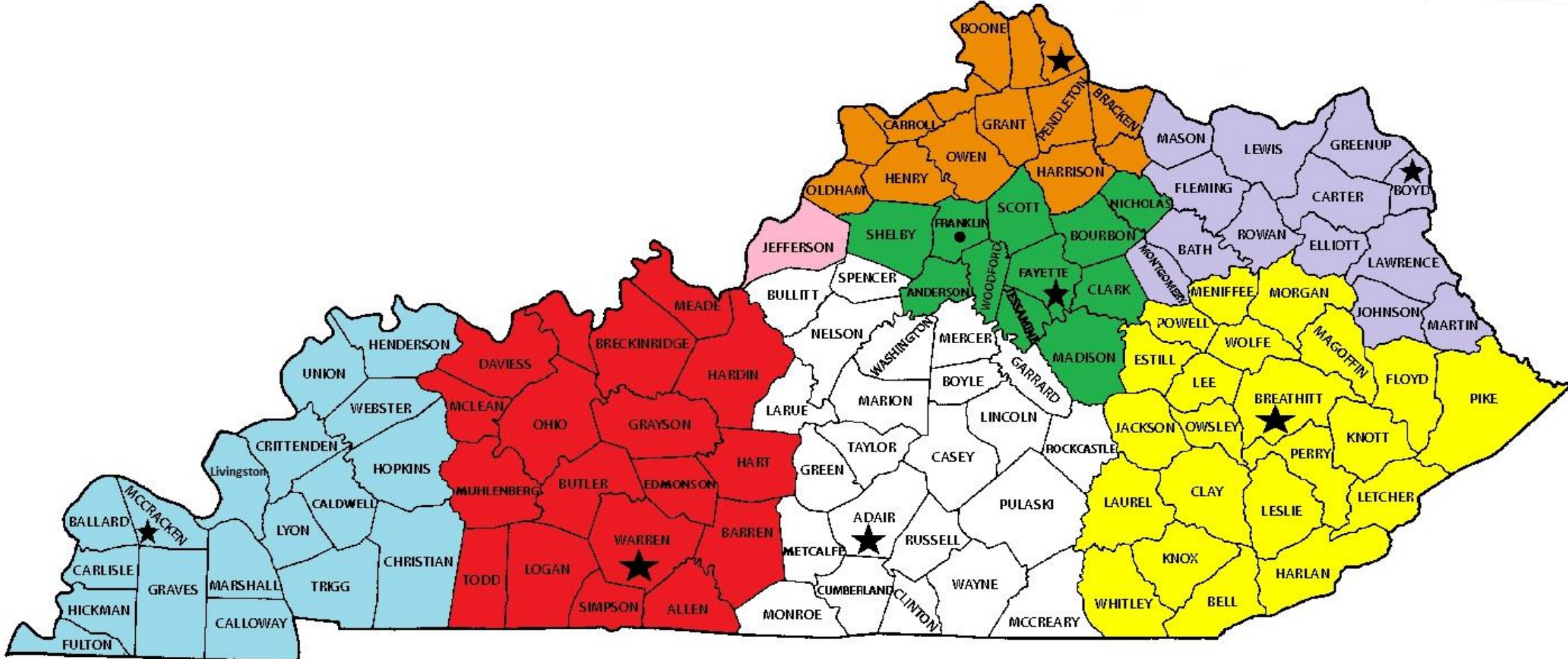
- Capacity: 16
- Current population: Maintains a population of between 10-12



Operating Plan

- Arresting police officer will take a Jefferson County youth that needs to be detained to the Jefferson RJDC.
- If a bed is available, the Jefferson RJDC will process the youth into the detention center.
- If a bed is not available at the Jefferson RJDC, DJJ will designate another Regional Juvenile Detention Center for the youth, and DJJ staff at the Jefferson RJDC will let the arresting officer as well as the staff of the Louisville Metro Transportation Unit, know the designated Regional Juvenile Detention Center.
- The arresting officer will wait with the youth for the Louisville Metro Transportation Unit to arrive and take the youth to the designated Regional Juvenile Detention Center.

Current Catchment Map



Construction Costs



Concrete for Sally Port	\$16,000.00
Sally Port Fence	\$31,713.05
Security Fence/Gates	\$14,105.98
Plumbing in Holding Cell	\$ 8,027.00
Flooring in Holding Cell	\$ 1,597.00
Audi Intercom for Sally Port	\$ 2,607.92
Perimeter Mag Locks	<u>\$17,421.00</u>
	\$91,471.95
Pending Items:	
Interior Magnetic Locks	\$29,994.60
Security Control Panel	\$14,956.00
Cameras	\$30,000.00
Mag Locks for Pod 3 Cells	<u>\$10,916.00</u>
	\$85,866.60





Family Engagement/Legal Representation



- For youth residing at a Regional Juvenile Detention Center outside of Jefferson County, DJJ has set up video conferencing for family members to visit with youth.
- The DJJ has offices at 600 West Cedar Street and the Jefferson Regional Juvenile Detention Center where family members may use DJJ video conferencing equipment to visit with youth at Detention Centers outside Jefferson County.
- DJJ has also mandated that secure and confidential video conferencing will be available for youth with their legal representation.



Other DJJ Services

- In-court personnel
 - DJJ Court Liaison
- Alternatives to Detention
 - Home Incarceration Program (HIP)
 - Home Supervision Program (HSP)

Future plans



- Strengthening the prevention services for youth throughout Kentucky
 - Developing partnerships with local providers
 - Providing local services to youth in need.
 - Facilitating a data analysis project to ascertain critical juvenile justice issues in Jefferson County and other counties throughout Kentucky.