

## Sonoma County Juvenile Justice Commission Group Home Inspection Report

Facility Name:	Victor Treatment Center -- Country Club
Address:	On File
Phone	On File
Contact Person	Kristine Aphugh

J.J.C. Inspector(s)	Gayle Ballinger and Michael Fried
Date of Inspection	11/16/16
Date of Last Inspection	10/23/15
C.C.L. Contact	Pauline Muntzer
Date of Last C.C.L. Inspection	07/01/16

*\*O = Outstanding \*S= Satisfactory or exceeds \*N.I. = Needs Improvement/corrective*

**Action**

INSPECTED	O	S	N.I.	Comments
Grounds		x		The grounds are well maintained. The house fits well in the neighborhood.
Building Exterior		x		Well kept.
Living Room		x		Well-decorated, very homey, upgraded since last year.
Kitchen		x		Kitchen is clean and organized. Refrigerator, freezer, pantry are well stocked.
Bedrooms		x		All bedrooms are clean and decorated.
Bathrooms		x		Bathrooms are clean.
Fire Safety --Extinguishers		X		Up to date.
Fire Safety --Smoke Alarms		X		Multiple smoke detectors.
Fire Safety --Evacuation Plan		x		Posted.
Food		x		Well stocked in the kitchen and in the garage. Freezer is packed to the top.
Emergency Supplies		x		Very organized with easy access. Chuck involves the youth in the inventory counting of the supplies.
Health Services		x		Appointments and travel arrangements made.
Medications		x		Medication are logged and locked up. All youth are on meds.
Recreation (on site)		x		There is an in-ground swimming pool in the back yard. 30 minutes of exercise mandated each day. There is now the beginning of a gym including punching bag in the garage.

Outings (off site)		x		Chuck plans lots of nature walks. He creatively includes themes with the walks. In Santa Cruz they took pictures of crazy footwear. They have photographed graffiti. Mixing exercise, outings with a task makes exercise more palatable.
Education & Classrooms		x		These commissioners did not visit the school.
Mail/Phone		x		Mail and phone calls are accepted with those on the youth list of allowed callers.
Discipline		x		Grounding, restitution amends.
Library		x		At the school.

## YOUTH INTERVIEWS

TOPICS				
Evaluation of Program		x		The youth appreciates the program. Although she has tested the boundaries.
Program Understood		x		She understands the program planned for her.
Levels (Privileges)		x		There are no levels. Privileges may be added or removed.
Grievances		x		Feels comfortable enough to speak to the staff.
Discipline		x		Loss of allowance. Privileges may be lost depending on seriousness of infraction.
Staff Evaluation		x		She really likes the staff. They have her best interest in mind.
Health Services		x		Up to date with her medical needs.
Counseling/Therapy		x		There is counseling at the school and again at the house.
Chores & Allowance		x		\$1.50 per day for her allowance. The chores are easy.
Laundry		x		Laundry is assigned a specific nail.
Clothes		x		She said she has enough clothes.
Food		X		The food is great!
Snacks		x		Snacks are available after school.
School		x		She really likes school. She feels she is doing better
Library		x		The school has one.
Activities & Entertainment				
Money				

**ADDITIONAL NOTES & SUGGESTIONS BY YOUTH**

# of Youth Interviewed:     1    

We interviewed a young woman who had just come back from AWOL. This was not her first time. Chuck and the staff and the police had been looking for her for a few days. She was found and brought back. She was very upfront with us. We already had heard the story but she told us her version, which matched the house version. She shared that this is a great place to be. She appreciates having a roof over her head and people who care. She did not know how many people cared for her until she had a team meeting and there were so many people around the table that were trying to help her. She did not resent that many people in her life, she appreciated it. She shared that there are two of her inside. The one who wants to do the right thing and then the one that wants to do her own thing. She appreciates how hard the staff is working to help her find coping mechanisms. She can go for a walk, do exercise or hit the punching bag when she needs to regulate her emotions.

**Inspection Summary**

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Inspection Commissioner Gayle Ballinger

**Next Inspection Recommended:** \_\_\_\_\_ **or** \_\_\_\_\_ **Annual Inspection**

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Inspection Commissioner Michael Fried

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Mary Cone, Commissioner/Report Review

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Dennis Ruggiero, Chairperson

cc: Honorable Judge of the Sonoma County Superior Court  
Commissioner of the Juvenile Court  
Probation Department, Chief of Probation  
Sonoma County Family Youth & Children's Services  
State of California, Community Care Licensing  
Facility Inspected

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