



**Youth  
Development  
Oregon**

**HB 2372 - 1**

**Youth Development Council and Division Statutory Updates**

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# Background



**Youth  
Development  
Council**

The **Youth Development Council (YDC)** is a state advisory board with rulemaking and grantmaking authority and responsibility for strategic direction and coordination of youth development programs. The YDC is also the designated State Advisory Group (SAG) responsible for oversight of federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP A) compliance monitoring and Title II funding.



**Youth  
Development  
Division**

The **Youth Development Division (YDD)** is Oregon's youth development agency, supporting the well-being and success of youth ages 6-24 through grant programs, policy, and collaboration with state agency partners and communities.



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**Youth Development Oregon** is the name given to the collective work of the Division and Council. Key agency responsibilities like grantmaking processes and JJDP A compliance monitoring are shared efforts of the YDD and YDC.

# YDC & YDD Statutory Update History

1993-2011	The Oregon Commission on Children and Families (OCCF) - predecessor agency
2012	HB 4165 established the Youth Development Council [ORS 417.847; 417.850]
2013	HB 3231 established the Youth Development Division established [ORS 417.852; 417.853; 417.854]
2015	SB 586 expands services to youth through age 24 [ORS 417.847]
2019	SB 15 established YDC Monitoring Authority under the JJDPA [ORS 417.851; 417.855]
	HB 2262 updated YDC authority to enter contracts <i>or</i> make grants to CBOs and other entities [ORS 417.850] HB 3427 (Student Success Act) established Statewide Youth Reengagement System [ORS 417.859]
2021	SB 54 updated references to State Advisory Group and Juvenile Crime Prevention plans [ORS 417.850]
	HB 2051 expanded reengagement services to youth through age 24 [ORS 417.859]

# Bill Purpose



**HB 2372 updates the statutory language describing the Youth Development Council and Youth Development Division**

**These updates provide a more comprehensive and current description of the roles and responsibilities of each entity and clarify how the Council and Division work together.**

# Current Statutory Language Needs



- The Youth Development Division's scope of work, responsibilities and authority are not described
- The respective roles of the Council and Division in grant funding processes are not well defined
- The Division's authority to carry out grant programs with direct appropriations from the legislature is not clearly established
- Some language in the original statutes is ambiguous or outdated, and would benefit from updating for clarity, accuracy, and fidelity with the mission, vision and values of the Council and Division

# Key Changes



- **Expands description of the Youth Development Division** to include current scope of work and responsibilities, including grant administration, compliance monitoring, and coordination with other state agencies.
- Refines the descriptions of Council and Division to **clarify their joint purpose, roles, and responsibilities in shared work** such as grantmaking and JJDPa compliance monitoring.
- **Identifies the youth workforce development as a priority** of the agency, alongside educational success and prevention of justice system involvement, youth crime and violence.
- **Updates the agency's gang prevention and intervention strategy** to emphasize community-led and public health-informed approaches to preventing youth violence.
- **Acknowledges culturally specific and traditional practices** in youth programs, alongside evidence based programming.
- **Updates Juvenile Crime Prevention (JCP) plan process** to reflect current YDC practices.

# Intended Outcomes



- **Clear understanding of the respective roles and functions of the Council and Division in shared work**
- **More efficient grantmaking processes, whether directed by Council or legislature**
- **Refined priorities around addressing gang activity and preventing youth crime and violence**
- **Division directed to prioritize youth voice and leadership, collaboration with other state agencies, and ensuring accountability of funding youth development programs**
- **Culturally specific and Tribal best practices are valued alongside other evidence-based programs**
- **Clear process for counties to opt out of submitting JCP plans for one or more biennia**
- **Approval of Tribal Nation JCP plans and funding is acknowledged - has been ongoing YDC practice**



**Thank You**

**QUESTIONS?**

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