

Restorative Justice at Community Works



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What if our responses to harm could transform relationships instead of perpetuate harm?

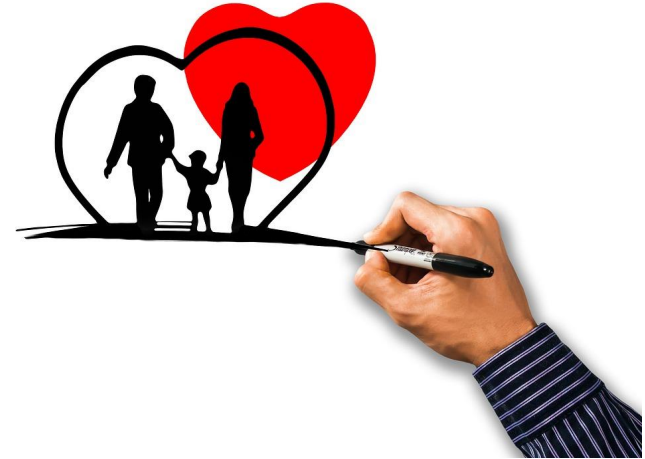
“We cannot solve our problems with the same level of thinking we used when we created them.”

Albert Einstein

Vision & Mission of Community Works

Vision: We envision a future where justice heals.

Mission: To catalyze our collective power to transform justice through programs and policy rooted in humanity and healing.



Transform justice: RJ paradigm shift:



In response to conflict and harm:

- Moving From punitive reactions towards restorative responses
- Shifting the focus from rules to relationships.
- Equity focus

Key Restorative Values

Howard Zehr:

- Respect
- Responsibility
- Relationship
 - Fania Davis: African traditions: Ubuntu (interrelatedness)
 - Translation: "A person is a person through their relationships."
 - "One's Caring Relationship with others that enhances their humanity and self-worth."

Values in action: Continuum of practices



Source: Youth Restoration Project of Rhode Island

CW Programs: Overview

ONE FAMILY

CW YOUTH THEATER

PROJECT WHAT!

RESTORATIVE COMMUNITY CONFERENCES (RCC)

RESOLVE TO STOP THE VIOLENCE PROJECT (RSVP)

TAY MEN'S REENTRY & WOMEN RISING

Enfolding Families

2011

*Rice paper, ink, watercolor, silk,
dye, oil pastel 10'x10*



A project funded by the San
Francisco Arts Commission



“Enfolding Families” is the culmination of a yearlong Restorative Justice Arts project in San Francisco County jails. Through Restorative Justice talking circles, participants addressed issues such as violence, addiction, racism, oppression, the justice system, and the impact of incarceration. The insight and inspiration from these circles was then expressed in the creation of personal “legacy boxes” that utilized traditional Japanese art forms. Participants contributed written work and dyed paper for the artists to use in the creation of the final installation.



Join us for a Restorative Justice Arts class that promotes healing and transformation through talking circles and hands-on art making.

We offer 8 week cohorts that meet for 2 hours each week.

We provide RJ circles and visual and digital media art projects for

Transitional Age Youth (TAY) who have been impacted by the criminal legal system
Stipends available.

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Repairing Harm: RCC RJ Diversion

RCC is an RJD process that connects

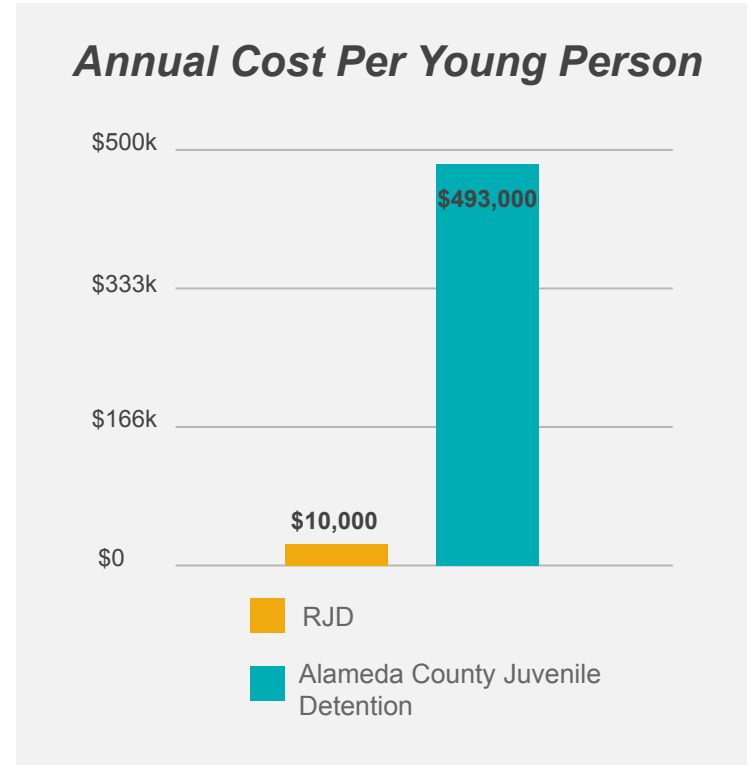
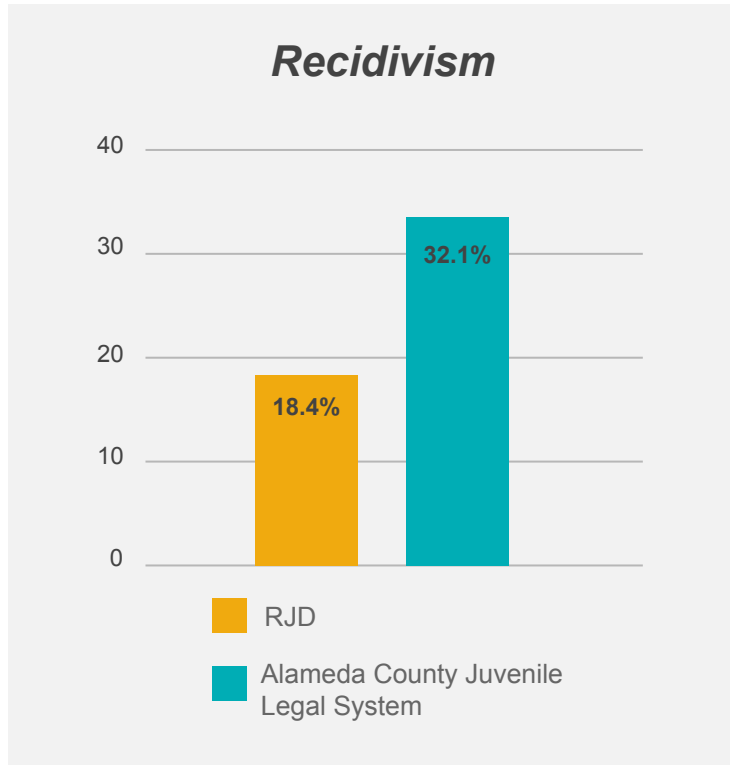
- The Person Harmed
- The Responsible Person
- The Support of P.H. / R.P
- The Community

All parties benefit

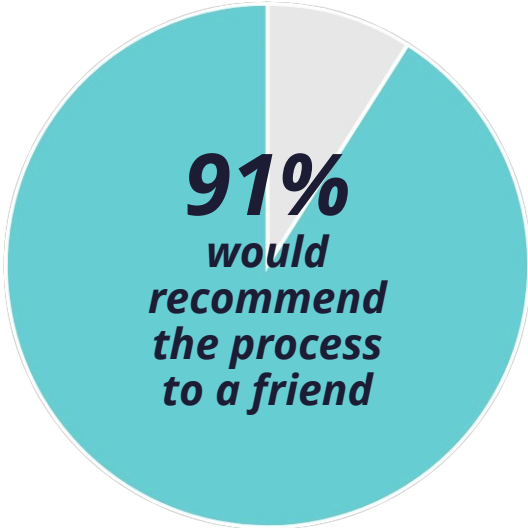
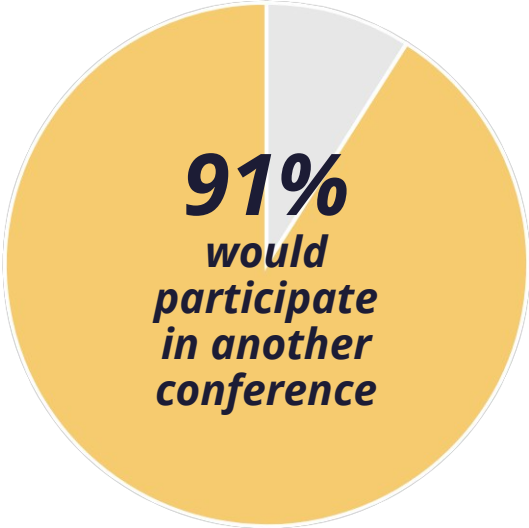
- Opportunity for face to face dialogue
- Orients around needs of person harmed
- Responsible party takes steps to repair the harm



Restorative Justice Diversion Works!



Satisfaction Among People Harmed



Learn more at [RJDToolkit.org](https://www.RJDToolkit.org)

Sharing Power: RESTORATIVE REENTRY



- Comprehensive: Circles + case management
- Restorative case management: what makes it different & why it works
- Building Beats



Thank you!

Any Questions?