



## Lake County Juvenile Justice Quarterly Meeting Minutes

**March 6, 2024 at 1 p.m. via Zoom**

Meeting recording can be found at: <https://lakecountyjjc.org/meetings/>

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### Participants:

Angel Lopez	Gina Roberts	Nick Chapman
Angel Roman	Greg Weider	Oscar Parham
Cheryl Gilleran	Karen Levi	Pamela King
Cristina Thornton	Marnie Slavin	Reginald Mathews
Dave Franco	Matt Kearney	Renetrice Pierre
Dennis McMahan	Melissa Siegel	Sara Zamor
Eric Rinehart	Muriel Adams	Vina Shee

### Meeting:

1. Call to order at 1:02 p.m.
2. Introduction of attendees
3. Speaker: Oscar Parham, youth director at Legacy Re-entry Foundation and founder of How Away From Home
  - a. The goal of Home Away From Home is to mentor youth, especially to catch them before entering gangs. Oscar is still looking for a solid funding avenue and is requesting assistance for researching possible grants. One barrier that Oscar identified for the youth members that he currently works with at Legacy is the lack of transportation to a prospective job; specifically the obstacles his youth members face with trying to obtain a driver's license. Oscar has assembled a board and secured a location for operations.
  - b. Contact: Oscar Parham, [oscarparham664@gmail.com](mailto:oscarparham664@gmail.com)
4. Speaker: Pamela King, Lake County North Area Administrator for DCFS

- a. In her 30 years of working at DCFS, Pamela has seen many changes from technological advancement to multiple directors and their different visions. As she retires on May 1st, 2024, she wants to voice for more advocacy for funding and mental health services for youth.
5. Annual Spring Seminar to be held on May 30th at the Greenbelt Cultural Center.
6. The next Quarterly JJC meeting is June 5, 2024.
7. Adjourned at 2:07 p.m.