### REWARDS

**REWARDS** are earned for doing well in YAC:

- Arriving on time for court hearings
- Following the Judge's recommendations
- o Following your Action Plan
- Practicing and developing accountable behaviors

# RESPONSES

**RESPONSES** are given for not meeting your YAC commitments:

- Missing court appearances
- Missing appointments with your case manager
- Violating your Action Plan
- Committing new criminal offenses

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## **SERVICES & BENEFITS**

Connections to Services and Resources

- o Housing
- Job training and placement
- Education

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- Group and/or individual therapy
- o Health care and benefits

**Recognition of Progress** 

- Achievements will be recognized by the Judge and YAC team
- Rewards, like gift cards or reduced court appearances, may be earned

Legal Benefits

- o Probation may end early
- Records may be expunged
- Your felony conviction may be reduced or dismissed





Welcome to the Young Adult Court!



# Introducing Young Adult Court

The goals of the Young Adult Court (YAC) are to address and prevent criminal behavior. The YAC will support you with your personal and professional goals. Success in these areas may lead to a possible reduction or dismissal of your felony conviction.

## What is Young Adult Court (YAC)?

 YAC is an Orange County Superior Court for men between 18-25 years old who live and were arrested in Orange County

# Who is part of YAC?

- Many people make up your YAC team, including your Defense Attorney, the District Attorney, Probation Office, the Judge, Treatment Providers, and YOU!
- Your whole team wants you to succeed!

# What happens when I finish YAC?

 Based on recommendations from your case manager and probation officer, your felony conviction(s) may be reduced or dismissed.

# What is my ACTION PLAN?

# Your ACTION PLAN may include the following services and support:

Job & Education Support

Substance/Alcohol Treatment

Mental Health Services

Additional services

# WEBLINKS AND NEWS ARTICLES OF THE YAC

## A Simple Overview of YAC:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jLTNwBSR Nqg&feature=youtu.be

### A Recent YAC Graduation:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGzs5g3l2 hM

#### LA Times Article:

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-01-25/graduates-emerge-felony-free-from-orange-county-young-adult-court

### **OC Register article:**

https://www.ocregister.com/2020/06/27/orang e-countys-young-adult-court-celebrates-itsfirst-graduate/ What do I need to do?

# Appear before the YAC Judge regularly

- During the first few months, you will come to court frequently
- As you start to meet your goals, you will come to court less often

# Create and follow your ACTION PLAN

- The YAC team will work with you to create a plan based on your individual needs and goals
- Your Action Plan is a shared commitment between you and the other members of the YAC team
- The YAC team will give the Judge progress reports about your engagement in your Action Plan and adherence to your probation
- Your success in the program depends on you

If you adhere to these requirements, you may earn

### REWARDS.

If you fail to follow these requirements, you may receive **RESPONSES.**