

○ **Sonoma County Juvenile Justice Commission**
Group Home Inspection Report

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

J.J.C. Inspector(s)	Gayle Ballinger
Date of Inspection	12/18/17
Date of Last Inspection	11/14/16
C.C.L. Contact	Pauline Muntzer
Date of Last C.C.L. Inspection	July 2016

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

Action

INSPECTION	O	S	N.I.	Comments (required if "N.I." is checked)
Grounds		x		Grounds are entirely fenced. The front patio is neatly groomed with several picnic tables for gathering.
Building Exterior		x		The exterior is clean and painted.
Living Room		x		Large and decorated with Harry Potter motif.
Kitchen		x		Large kitchen with two refrigerators, a sitting area and large island for cooking.
Bedrooms		x		There are 6 youth in this house. 3 girls. 3 boys. 2 girls share a room and one has her own. The same with the boys. All were clean and organized.
Bathrooms		x		There are two bathrooms. One for the girls and one for the boys.
Fire Safety --Extinguishers		x		Current
Fire Safety --Smoke Alarms		x		Smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors current.
Fire Safety --Evacuation Plan		x		Evacuation plan posted.
Food		x		Both refrigerators and freezers were full. Staff and one of the girls were making chicken while I was there.
Emergency Supplies		x		Emergency supplies are stored in a separate shed. All had easy access this time. They were up to date.
Health Services		x		All have access to dental and medical treatment.
Medications		x		Locked and logged.
Recreation (on site)		x		30 minutes on site daily.

Outings (off site)		x		This is an Independent Living Skills house. All either work or are acquiring jobs. There are outings when people are available.
Education & Classrooms		x		North Valley.
Mail/Phone		x		All have their own cell phones. They may take them to their bedroom but they need to be on the floor by their bed all night. The door is open so staff can check. Mail is available.
Discipline		x		Proactive, natural consequences are preferred.
Library		x		At school

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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YOUTH INTERVIEWS

TOPICS				
Evaluation of Program				The girl I spoke with felt good about the program. This is her first placement in a group home. She feels she is on target.
Program Understood				She understood her program, goals and felt on target to graduate in May.
Levels (Privileges)				She said there is more focus on being proactive, learning lessons, communication and other skills than punitive.
Grievances				She said there is no need to file a grievance since the staff is so easy to work with and wants her to succeed.
Discipline				No problems.
Staff Evaluation				Really likes the staff. She feels since this is an Independent Living Skills house they are treated more like adults.
Health Services				She is current on medical and dental.
Counseling/Therapy				Weekly visits with her clinician.
Chores & Allowance				There are reasonable chores and there is an allowance but she is also working.
Laundry				They all do their own laundry. Each one gets a particular day.
Clothes				She has plenty of clothes.
Food				The food is good. They get to cook and try new things. She eats food she wouldn't ordinarily eat. She is a picky eater.
Snacks				There are snacks available.

School				North Valley is good.
Library				At the school.
Activities & Entertainment				There are activities but since so many are getting jobs everyone is pretty busy.
Money				She has plenty.

ADDITIONAL NOTES & SUGGESTIONS BY YOUTH

of Youth Interviewed: 1
 The youth was very easy to talk to. She shared about her concerns when she turns 18 and graduates. She said she has been told not to worry they will not throw her out. There will be a working plan in place. She said she feels much better having heard that.
 She feels very grateful to the staff for helping her attain some skills that she can take with her for life.

Inspection Summary

The entire house is decorated in Harry Potter style. Not only is the Christmas tree decorated, but the hallway, each bedroom door, the kitchen ceiling and the fireplace. This is a very warm and friendly house. The staff is excited that there are boys and girls in the house so they can learn how to interact appropriately.

The Residential Services Supervisor said there have been few changes in how the house works since AB 403. The positive aspect is there are Child & Family Team meetings monthly which has really kept the teams focused on the youth's plan. More youth feel prepared for the next transition.

During the wildfires, all of the residents went either to their own homes or to one of 4 vacation homes in Guerneville for 4 days. The school was closed for 3 weeks.

 Inspection Commissioner

Next Inspection Recommended: _____ or X Annual Inspection

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 Mary Cone, Chair/Report Review

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