

LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE

**“Juvenile Justice Reform”
Las Cruces City Council Chambers
700 N. Main Street, Las Cruces, NM 88001
Monday, December 15, 2025
9 am – 3 pm**

I. Introductions & Opening Statements (9:00 – 9:30)

II. Perspectives of Local Law Enforcement (9:30 – 10:15)

- a. Chief Jeremy Story, Las Cruces Police Department
- b. Chief Steve Hebbe, Farmington Police Department

III. Community Impact of Juvenile Crime (10:15 – 11:15)

- a. Melissa Hernandez, NM Crusaders for Justice
- b. Travis Dempsey, Superintendent, Gadsden Independent School District
- c. Dr. Mari-Esther Edwards, NMSU Assistant Professor, Dept. of Criminal Justice

IV. CYFD’s Role in Juvenile Justice (11:15 – 12:00)

- a. Bob Cleavall, CYFD Director of Juvenile Justice

V. Current Challenges Addressing Juvenile Offenders (12:00 – 1:00)

- a. Fernando Macias, District Attorney, 3rd Judicial District
- b. Honorable Jason Bowie, Cabinet Secretary, NM Department of Public Safety
- c. Jason Greenlee, Chief Deputy District Attorney, 2nd Judicial District

VI. Efforts of Prosecutors and Judges (1:00 – 2:00)

- a. Troy Gray, Juvenile Justice Division, Office of 2nd Judicial District Attorney
- b. Honorable Grace Duran, 3rd Judicial District Judge
- c. Scot Key, NM Sentencing Commission

VII. Success Stories (2:00 – 2:30)

- a. Tina Sisneros, Program Dir., NM National Guard Youth ChalleNGe Academy
- b. Cadets: Lily Davidson, Noah Gonzales, Yadira Gomez-Strong

VIII. Development of Legislative Proposals (2:30 – 3:00)

- a. Rachel Gudgel, NM House Minority General Counsel

Senator Crystal Brantley, Co-Chair

Senator David Gallegos

Senator Gabriel Ramos

Representative Nicole Chavez, Co-Chair

Representative Rebecca Dow

Representative Luis Terrazas