

§ IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT
§ CITY OF GEORGE WEST
§ LIVE OAK COUNTY, TEXAS

CITY OF GEORGE WEST YOUTH DIVERSION PLAN

The following Youth Diversion Plan is adopted as of January 1, 2025, in accordance with Subchapter E and Article 45.306 of the Code and Criminal Procedure.

PURPOSE:

The Municipal Court of George West, Live Oak County, Texas prioritizes individualized justice for a child at least 10 years of age and younger than 17 years of age, with focus of administering accountability and positive development with our goal being to set the child on a path towards success. This plan is designed to ensure and promote the safety of the community and welfare of the child by redirecting the child from formal prosecution to constructive intervention strategies and to deter future criminal conduct and to prevent creation of future criminal records.

ELIGIBILITY:

A child is charged with a misdemeanor offense, punishable by fine only, other than traffic offenses.

A child has not entered into a diversion agreement within 365 days.

A child is NOT eligible for diversion if he/she previously had an unsuccessful diversion.

A child is NOT eligible for the diversion if the city prosecutor denies the request.

The consent of both the child and the parent must be agreed upon for the diversion.

CASE MANAGEMENT:

The George West Municipal Court designates the Court Clerk to be Youth Diversion Coordinator under this plan.

The YDC will follow up with the child and parent/guardian for sole purpose of the agreement progress.

The YDC will contact the Community Service provider (if applicable)

The YDC will refer the child/parent to educational classes or community service providers.

If the child successfully completes the terms of the diversion agreement, the case is to be closed and reported as a successful completion.

If the child does not successfully complete the diversion agreement, the YDC will set the child and parent for a future hearing with the Judge to determine if an extension is needed to comply with the diversion agreement, amend agreement(if needed), transfer the child to Juvenile Court, refer the charges to the prosecutor for filing consideration or issue a complaint against the child/ parent for contempt of court.

This order shall be maintained on file for public inspection.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

SIGNED AND ENTERED on this 9th day of December, 2024
Yolanda Guerrero

George West Municipal Judge, Yolanda Guerrero

City of George West

Live Oak County, Texas

