

**NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM**

**FY27 LOCAL PRIORITIES  
IDENTIFIED VIA REGIONAL STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS**

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM:**

**Law Enforcement:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Crime prevention programs and/or crime prevention equipment
- Equipment / technology for law enforcement
- Officer safety equipment (i.e., body armor, shields)
- Specialized investigators (i.e., sexual assault, cold case, crimes against children, family violence, financial crimes, human trafficking investigation)
- Specialized training for law enforcement

**Judicial / Courts:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Court-based victims services
- Specialized courts (i.e., family violence court, adult / juvenile drug court, mental health court, DWI court, human trafficking court)
- Specialized investigators (i.e., family violence, crimes against children, elder abuse, financial crimes, human trafficking)
- Specialized prosecutors (i.e., family violence, crimes against children, elder abuse, financial crimes, human trafficking)
- Treatment services for offenders

**JUVENILE JUSTICE:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Counseling / therapy (including specialized mental health assessment / treatment)
- Drop-out prevention and/or intervention
- First offender programs
- Job skills training – includes vocational / trade skills
- Diversion programs

## **MENTAL HEALTH:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Access to medications / access to care
- Counseling / therapy (including dual diagnosis and/or intensive outpatient treatment)
- Residential treatment programs
- Specialized mental health training (i.e., for court personnel, law enforcement, victim assistance advocates)
- Substance use disorder treatment services

## **SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Aftercare treatment services
- Alternatives to incarceration
- Counseling / therapy for youth and/or adults (including dual diagnosis and/or intensive outpatient treatment)
- Residential treatment programs
- Substance use disorder prevention and/or intervention

## **VICTIM SERVICES:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Advocacy
- Counseling / therapy for victims of crime
- Crisis intervention (includes hotline, assistance with crime victim compensation claims, information and referral, safety planning)
- Emergency shelter
- Legal services (i.e., protective orders, court accompaniment, court advocacy, court preparation)

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## **UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS:**

*Not listed in order of priority:*

- Children
- Persons experiencing homelessness
- Persons with disabilities
- Senior citizens
- Socioeconomically disadvantaged