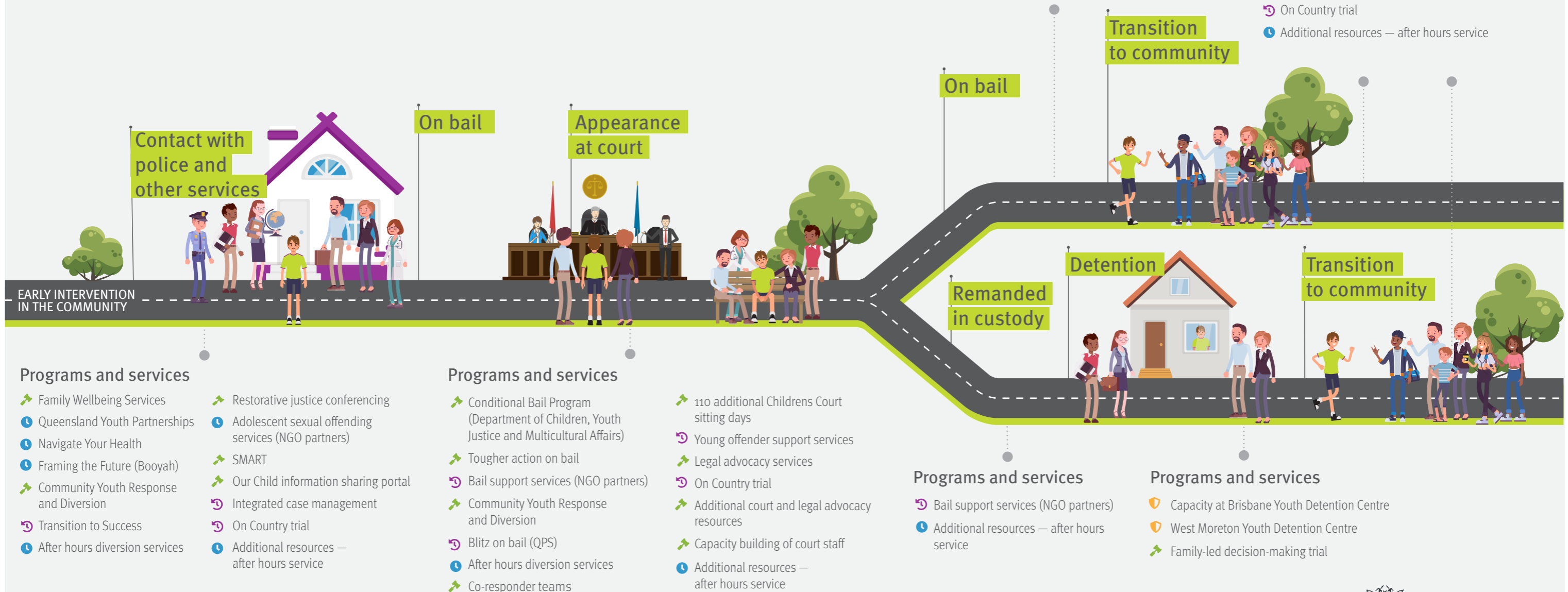


Services in the youth justice system

The Queensland Government is focused on keeping our communities safe. We know this is best achieved through early intervention activities, such as diversionary programs, along with education, training, employment, housing and sport, that wrap around at-risk young people and their families. By addressing the drivers of youth crime and better supporting young people on the transition to adulthood, young people can avoid becoming entrenched in the criminal justice system. They are also provided with alternative pathways that create better lives, brighter futures and give our children a great start.



Programs and services

- Conditional Bail Program (Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs)
- 🔄 Bail support services (NGO partners)
- 🏠 Empowering Local Communities — Local Community-Based Crime Action Committees
- 🔄 On Country trial
- Family-led decision-making trial
- 🏠 Electronic monitoring
- 🕒 Additional resources — after hours service

Programs and services

- Community Youth Response and Diversion
- 🔄 Transition to Success
- Restorative justice conferencing
- Family Wellbeing Services
- 🔄 SMART
- 🕒 Navigate Your Health
- 🔄 Our Child information sharing portal
- 🔄 Integrated case management
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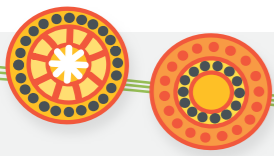
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- Co-responder teams
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- Legal advocacy services
- 🔄 On Country trial
- Additional court and legal advocacy resources
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- 🏠 Capacity at Brisbane Youth Detention Centre
- 🏠 West Moreton Youth Detention Centre
- Family-led decision-making trial



Youth justice investment package

These programs outline the Queensland Government's current investment package of more than \$550 million.



Reduce re-offending

Transition to Success

Transition to Success provides young people in the youth justice system, or at risk of entering it, a 10- to 16-week program where they complete vocational training certificates and work experience with local organisations.

\$36.1M
invested
2016-17 to
2021-22

Specialised Multi-Agency Response Teams (SMART)

Specialist staff and case workers provide a coordinated assessment of the underlying factors that contributed to a young person's offence and advise the courts which support programs will best address their behaviours to prevent re-offending.

\$4.2M
invested
2019-20 to
2021-22

Blitz on Bail (QPS)

Additional police and Youth Justice specialist court positions are working collaboratively to improve bail compliance and reduce high-risk young people on bail reoffending.

\$0.4M
invested
2019-20 to
2020-21

Tougher action on bail

This police operation targets high-risk offenders aims to improve bail compliance, change offending behaviours, and address the underlying causes of offending.

On Country trial

The On Country trial is a community-driven response in Cairns, Mount Isa and Townsville providing culture-based rehabilitation for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders with complex needs. All young people engaged in the trial are provided with one-on-one support and supervision by On Country Elders and community leaders, who facilitate connection with culture and country while on camps, in the community, and while engaging with education and training.

\$5.7M
invested
2019-20 to
2022-23

Integrated case management

This program provides specialised case managers who deliver intensive support for a small number of high-risk young offenders and their families to reduce re-offending and limit the number of young people in remand.

\$6.1M
invested
2018-19 to
2021-22

Bail support services (NGO partners)

This program delivered by community organisations assists young people at risk of being remanded in custody, providing support to ensure they meet their bail conditions. Organisations provide basic needs and connect young people to housing, education, health and family support to reduce offending. New funding has enhanced this support service to provide an intensive wrap-around intervention to engage and work with families of young people considered serious, recidivist offenders.

\$25.4M
invested
2017-18 to
2021-22



Keep communities safe

West Moreton Youth Detention Centre

A new 32-bed youth detention centre has been built to better support demand pressures and keep the community safe.

Short-term remand centre

The government is proposing to change the current Caloundra Watchhouse into a short-term remand centre for young people to better support demand pressures and keep the community safe.

Empowering local communities

Community-Based Crime Action Committees are being established with the aim of improving collaboration and joint action to prevent and respond to youth crime.

Electronic monitoring

GPS smart tags may now be fitted to suitable young people as a component of their bail conditions as part of an electronic monitoring trial in five locations. These provisions are designed to protect community safety and will only be imposed on recidivist youth offenders charged with 'prescribed indictable offences', who would benefit from more intensive bail conditions. The smart tags are supplied and monitored by Queensland Corrective Services, with Queensland Police Service responsible for fitting and compliance, and the Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs providing support and supervision to young people fitted with the devices through the co-responder and intensive bail support programs.



Intervene early

Queensland Youth Partnerships

This program provides alternative opportunities and activities for at-risk young people with a focus on youth development, training, employment and engagement. Designed by young people for young people, the program is specifically targeted to keep communities safe by preventing young people engaging in anti-social behaviour or crime in busy shopping centres.

Navigate Your Health (NYH)

Navigate Your Health uses nurse navigators to provide health and development assessments and connect young people with health and support services. By addressing and improving some of the underlying health factors that contribute to offending, the program prevents offending and reduces re-offending.

Framing the Future (Booyah)

This program provides mentoring and support to Project Booyah graduates for up to six months after completion. This better connects at-risk young people with further education and training, and creates alternative pathways and opportunities to empower them to change their story and live better lives.

Additional resources — after hours service

The Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs was granted additional resources to provide decision making and expert assistance through a central point of contact located in the Child Safety After Hours Service Centre. These roles identify referral options that may reduce watchhouse bail refusals. They provide advice in response to alerts received by the Electronic Monitoring Surveillance Unit, ensuring the department is responsive to the 24-hour nature of the trial. They also support co-responder teams after hours, enabling caseworkers to proactively support young offenders and their families and respond to queries from funded service providers.



Keep children out of court and custody

Family Wellbeing Services

This program provides family-focused support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their families to help young people re-engage with kin, schools and communities and prevent contact with the youth justice system.

Community Youth Response and Diversion

This initiative provides diversionary responses after hours to keep young people out of courts and custody, and programs to assist young people to overcome barriers around accessing education, and mentoring and integrated case management to prevent re-offending. Each response looks different depending on the needs of the specific community.

Additional court sitting days

An additional 110 Childrens Court sitting days provides greater capacity to deal with court matters for children and young people accused of offences. This has immediate and positive benefits as it speeds up bail applications, decision-making and other court processes to keep children out of court and custody and reduce their length of stay.

Restorative justice conferencing

Restorative justice conferencing is an inclusive process that establishes a meeting between a child or young person who has committed a crime and the people who were affected to discuss what happened, the impact and what can be done to start making things right.

Family-led decision-making trial

This program gives Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, whose children are in contact with the youth justice system, a stronger voice in decisions about their children. It involves a conference between a young person, their family, community organisations and youth justice staff to reduce offending.

Conditional Bail Program

This program provides support for at-risk young people to increase their ability to remain in the community while before the courts. It addresses young people's educational and vocational needs, mental health issues, family intervention and accommodation. The program gives the court confidence that children will receive individualised and intensive supervision while they are on bail. Under the enhancements, the program delivers additional hours of supervision on weekends and at night.

Co-responder teams

Co-responder teams of police and youth justice workers provide coordinated responses to high-risk offenders and link them with community supports, including after hours. New funding has expanded this approach to two additional locations to ensure an appropriate level of monitoring is available in electronic monitoring trial sites.

Additional court and legal advocacy resources

Due to an increase in volume and complexity of matters coming before the courts, the Department of Justice and the Attorney-General received additional resources for a new Magistrate, court staff, and for Legal Aid Queensland. These resources ensure courts and legal advocates can adequately respond to the demands and complexity of the new legislation and young people appearing before the courts.

Capacity building of court staff

Senior Court Practitioners employed by the Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs will develop the capacity of court coordinators to assess suitability of young people, undertake high-quality risk assessments, and make representations to the court. The practitioners will develop and deliver materials to support the trial and provide supervision of staff involved in the electronic monitoring trial.