



Second District Juvenile Court

Department of Court Services

June 28, 2016

Diana Lopez, Community Outreach Coordinator
Ogden Police Department
2186 Lincoln Avenue
Ogden, UT 84401

Re: 2016 Northern Utah Gang Conference

Dear Diana,

The 2nd District Juvenile Court and local law enforcement have collaborated together regarding gangs in Weber and Davis counties for several years. We have partnered in handling gang youth and completing work service projects including graffiti clean up on a consistent basis. Working together and sharing information between agencies has been a great benefit for us in dealing with gang concerns in our District.

Over the past years the Northern Utah Gang Conference has provided our probation officers with very valuable information in dealing with gang involved youth and the opportunity to network with other agencies as it relates to this issue. We believe it is crucial that we continue to have this type of inter-agency collaboration. Being able to send our officers to this conference would be of benefit to both of our agencies and the community as a whole.

Due to our limited resources, this letter is a request for any possible scholarship opportunities that may be available. We would like to send several of our probation staff from Second District Juvenile Court. Having our staff as up to date as possible on the gang trends and issues the community faces would be very beneficial. If possible we would like to request 10 to 15 slots for this conference. In past years, staff who have attended this conference have given positive feedback as to the relevance the content has to their jobs. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Martin K. Nish

Second District Juvenile Court
Chief of Probation