

CURRENT COMMISSIONERS & PARTNERS

Commissioners

DANA PEPP LCSW (*Chair*) is a consultant with DPP Consulting, LLC, an organization whose mission is to strengthen collaboration among individuals, systems, organizations and communities. In addition to working with the youth, families and communities of Marin County, Dana's experience includes: teaching, social work, non profit management, facilitation and team building. danapepp@gmail.com

DON CARNEY (*Vice Chair*) has worked in the fields of Juvenile Justice and Social Justice for over 40 years. In 2000, Don became the Director of Youth and Family Services for the YMCA of Marin. In 2004, he became the YMCA Director of the Marin County Youth Court. In 2010, the Youth Court received the Annual Heart of Marin Award for Excellence in Innovation. dcarney@ymcasf.org

NOAH BLOCK is a student at Sir Francis Drake High School and a Marin native and activist dedicated to ensuring justice and equality for all. He works closely as a Youth Advocate and Trainer for the Marin County Youth Court, Board member of the Marin County Chapter of the ACLU and a Youth Leader in his community. nblock23@gmail.com

BEVERLY FARR worked, before retirement, for MPR Associates in Berkeley as Director of Evaluation. There she conducted research studies on projects and programs that focused on youth in Career and Technical Education programs, in foster care, and in alternative education programs. Her work over the last 20 years included numerous studies of policy and educational practice and involved the analysis of large data sets. Dr. Farr is currently involved in various consulting projects and in volunteer positions, including as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for foster youth in Marin and Contra Costa Counties and as a chaplain at the Marin County Jail.

MARILYN MACKEL JD is a retired Juvenile Court Commissioner with the Superior Court of Los Angeles. Marilyn has been a Law Professor at the University of West Los Angeles, a Professor of Criminal Justice at the University of the District Columbia, a Juvenile Court Probation Officer in New York City and a Social Worker for the Bureau of Child Welfare. mmackel@yahoo.com

LAILY MAJLESSI is a Marin County native with a passion for human rights and implementing change for social good. Ms. Majlessi is fluent in Swahili, Farsi, Spanish and English and holds a BA in Global Studies from UC Santa Barbara. She currently works as an East Africa-focused development consultant in the Bay Area. lailymay@gmail.com

Partners

The Commission collaborates with a variety of partners from all sectors of our Marin community. They include, but are not limited to:

Canal Alliance
Center for Domestic Peace
Community Action Program
Department of Family and Child Services Marin
Department of Health and Human Services Marin
Family Service Agency
High Schools
Human Rights Commission

Human Trafficking Task Force
Law Enforcement
Marin County Grand Jury
Marin County Office of the District Attorney
Marin County Office of the Public Defender
Marin County Probation Department
Marin Interfaith Community
YMCA Youth Court