

## Who are We?

### The Neighborhood Opportunity and Accountability Board (NOAB)

#### What is NOAB?

**NOAB stands for Neighborhood Opportunity and Accountability Board and is an initiative designed to assist young individuals who have faced arrests by providing an alternative to the justice system.**

Instead of going through the traditional justice system process, participants can engage with the NOAB program, collaborating with supportive adults to identify constructive solutions. In this program, the young person will work with a life coach trained to help them make informed choices and set personal goals. They will also connect with a group of dedicated adults from Oakland who are committed to their success. Together with the family, they will discuss their experiences and develop a personalized plan to foster future success. This plan may involve pursuing activities youth enjoy, acquiring new skills, or receiving assistance with any challenges they face. The overarching aim of NOAB is to offer youth a fresh start, guiding them towards positive decision-making while ensuring they remain positively engaged with their community.

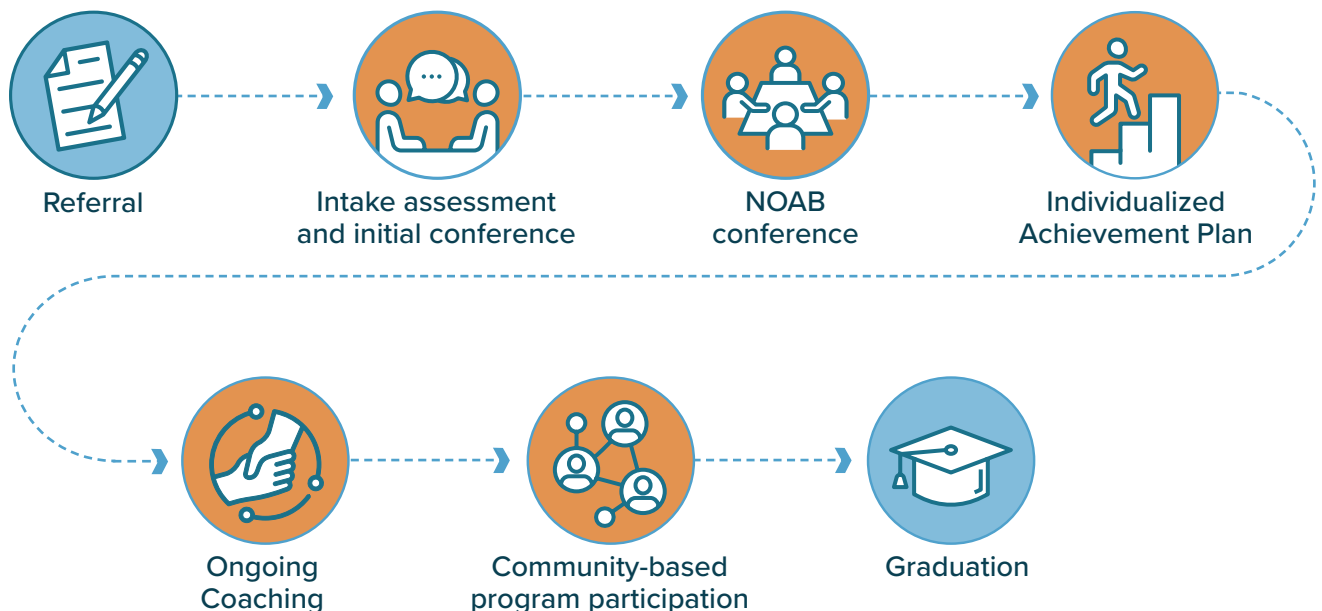
#### How Can NOAB Help Me?

**NOAB helps every young person in different ways.**

Your Individual Achievement Plan may include community-based activities, like a sport that you care about, and may also include things like therapy or conversations with a trusted adult. We can provide assistance to you and your family to help you achieve your goals.

I thought that the (initial conference) was good because it wasn't something for the court. It wasn't something for my parents. **It was something for me, which felt good.**

– Program Participant

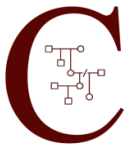


It's helped me learn that not everything's about physical violence.  
**It showed me that there's also second opportunities in life,** but you have to learn how to take risks. – Program Participant

### What happens if I complete the NOAB program?

If you complete the program your charge will be dismissed and you will not have to go to court.

### Who are our Community Partners?



Carl B. Metoyer  
Center for  
Family  
Counseling



I think it's a good program to keep kids from out the juvenile system. It keeps them from being afraid of feeling like they have to run or be on the streets because they don't want to deal with the court system.  
**The program is good for the kids to make them feel safe** and that they can stay at home or they don't have to go to court. – Family Member



### What do I do next?

We would really like to talk with you and explain how our program works. Just talking to us does not mean you have joined the program, you can decide if you want to be part of it or not. If you don't reach out to us, we will have to send your case back to the district attorney, and then they will get in touch with you to talk about what happens next.

### How to contact us:

Email:

Phone: