

Superintendents named to lead three youth correctional facilities

Bobby Mink, interim director of the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), today announced the appointment of superintendents to lead three Oregon youth correctional facilities.

Named were Mike Riggan as superintendent of MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility in Woodburn and Troy Gregg as superintendent of Hillcrest Youth Correctional Facility in Salem.

They join Lory Humbert who was appointed late last month to lead Oak Creek Youth Correctional Facility in Albany and nearby Corvallis House transition facility, both of which serve female youth offenders.

“These professionals bring some common attributes to their new positions that exemplify values OYA embraces and its mission to protect the public and reform youth,” Mink said. “They each bring to their work principle-based management, ethical decision-making and values-oriented leadership.”

Riggan, of Newberg, has been acting superintendent of Hillcrest Youth Correctional Facility since earlier this year and also filled in at RiverBend Youth Correctional Facility in LaGrande. He came to the Youth Authority in 2005 as rules and policies coordinator from the Clark County Juvenile Court, where he was a detention manager and juvenile probation officer. He also worked for the Center for Behavioral Intervention, an outpatient mental health clinic in Beaverton that focuses on sex offender therapy. His background includes research work as well as providing group and individual therapy, and working in a residential treatment program. He graduated with a degree in psychology from Portland State University.

In making the announcement, Mink noted: “Mike Riggan has already built an impressive track record of treating employees fairly – managers and staff alike – while expecting outcomes important to the youth and taxpayers we serve. Furthermore, he has a great temperament and an even-keeled, calming presence in any situation.”

Gregg, of Grants Pass, is superintendent of Rogue Valley Youth Correctional Facility and in recent months has also been acting superintendent of Oak Creek Youth Correctional Facility. A graduate of Eugene Bible College in pastoral ministering and counseling, Gregg also holds a masters degree in counseling and psychology from George Fox University. Before his tenure at Oak Creek and Rogue Valley, Gregg led Eastern Oregon YCF and worked as a unit manager at Tillamook Youth Accountability Camp. He was also a treatment coordinator and case manager at a Portland youth residential treatment center.

According to Mink, “Troy Gregg stands out for his strong personal ethics – standards that frame his work at OYA. I am not only impressed with his commitment to excellence, but also his inclusiveness. He values involvement of employees, youth, families, partners and the community, and is a great consensus-builder.”

Humbert, of Keizer, joins OYA from the Oregon Department of Corrections where she served as assistant superintendent of Program Services at Coffee Creek Correctional Facility in Wilsonville since it opened in 2001. Not only did she routinely fill in as acting superintendent, but also was responsible for the intake processing of all inmates received by the Department of Corrections, treatment and rehabilitation programs for female offenders, the Children of Incarcerated Parents Project and many other evidence-based programs.

After graduating from the Oregon College of Education in Monmouth with a degree in corrections and law enforcement, Humbert joined the Department of Corrections as a correctional officer. By earning promotions, her responsibility for prison security grew until she became security manager of Columbia River Correctional Institution and South Fork Forest Camp in 1993. She also spent two years on assignment to help design new correctional facilities.

“We are privileged to have someone of Lory Humbert’s caliber join our management team,” said Mink. “Few people in the country know more about correctional programs, female offenders and security. Additionally, Lory brings strong personal and team accountability, a belief in core values and demonstrated, capable leadership.”

Humbert assumed her position on September 3rd. Transition dates for Gregg and Riggan have yet to be determined.

The Oregon Youth Authority

The Oregon Youth Authority is the state’s juvenile corrections agency. Its mission focuses on protecting the public, holding youth offenders accountable for their actions and reformation in safe environments. By providing probation and parole services in the community and secure custody in eleven youth correctional facilities, the agency invests in opportunities for youth to learn personal responsibility, develop social skills, and make positive choices for themselves and for Oregon’s future. Services emphasize decisive intervention in delinquent behavior, certain sanctions for crimes committed by youth, restitution to victims, and effective evidence-based rehabilitation programs for youth offenders.

OYA has custody of about 950 youth offenders in correctional facilities and transition programs, and supervises about 1,100 youth on probation or parole.

Oak Creek Youth Correctional Facility in Albany has 75 beds and provides treatment services specifically designed to reduce criminal behavior of female youth offenders.

Corvallis House is a 25-bed transition facility that provides treatment services and community work experience for female youth offenders before they are released on parole.

MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility in Woodburn accommodates 295 young men and provides treatment services designed to reduce criminal behavior. Most youth receiving treatment at MacLaren committed sex offenses, crimes related to drug and alcohol addiction, and violent crimes.

Hillcrest Youth Correctional Facility in Salem is the OYA male intake facility. It provides treatment for violent offenders and substance abuse that focuses on reducing criminal behavior. The facility has 180 beds for young men between 12 and 25.

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