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**WHO WE ARE:** The Long Beach Bar Foundation (LBBF), founded in 1994, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to strengthening the youth of greater Long Beach and surrounding communities through juvenile crime prevention and diversion, scholarships, law-related education and other charitable programs. LBBF has operated the highly successful SHORTSTOP juvenile crime diversion program for over twenty years.

**Please visit us at [www.4lbbf.org](http://www.4lbbf.org)**

Each year **SHORTSTOP** serves over 350 **at-risk youth ages** 10-17 and their families. These youth are at risk for harmful behavior such as truancy, fighting at school, gang involvement, graffiti, petty theft, drug use and defiance. Many have gotten into trouble for first time nonviolent juvenile offenses or status offenses and are being given a second chance to correct criminal behavior and to choose the path to positive change while stopping short of crime.

Program statistics show that most juveniles who successfully complete **SHORTSTOP** do not re-offend in the following 12 months.

**WHAT WE DO:** The Program begins by having the youth and a parent or legal guardian come to the Long Beach Courthouse and participate in an intensive two day, over a period of two weeks, class. The **SHORTSTOP** Classes are held on Tuesday evenings from 5:30pm to 9:00pm and Instructors are not expected to arrive at the Courthouse until 6:00pm to begin the class. The Instructors, volunteer attorneys, provide the information necessary to help youth learn about the justice system and consequences to their actions.

Youth also get a taste of what it is like to be in custody by viewing a holding cell in the Courthouse and talking with youth that have previously been in the prison system.

**ARE YOU A PARENT/LEGAL GAURDIAN, COUNSELOR OR TEACHER  
OF AN AT-RISK YOUTH?!**

**DO YOU NEED OUR HELP?!**

**THEN CONTACT THE **SHORTSTOP** OFFICE AND ASK TO  
ENROLL IN **SHORTSTOP** AT **562-981-7525****

## ALL YOU NEED IS...

The following criteria are used to accept a juvenile into the program:

- **THE JUVENILE IS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 10-17;**
- **HAS NOT SPENT TIME IN A HOLDING CELL JUVENILE HALL, CAMP, A JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY OR THE CALIFORNIA YOUTH AUTHORITY;**
- **DOES NOT HAVE MULTIPLE OFFENSES IN THE JUVENILE COURT SYSTEM;**
- **AND AGREES TO ATTEND THE PROGRAM WITH A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN.**

The current cost for the program is \$125.00 total for both sessions. If the juvenile and their family are not able to pay the full amount of the program cost, we can work with them on a payment plan.

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