2016 ANNUAL REPORT

HAMILTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT



We strive to ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE in the performance of the responsibilities of the juvenile court in providing quality services for the positive development of children, the safety of the community and the preservation of the family unit.

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INTRODUCTION

A MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

Hamilton County Juvenile Court (HCJC) is distinguished as a model court by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. Last year, the Court continued its proud tradition of creating innovative approaches and strategic partnerships to address the most challenging issues within its jurisdiction.

Day after day, our staff carries out the important responsibility of protecting the public and caring for youth with diverse needs and backgrounds. Even in the most difficult cases, staff uphold their duties with the highest degree of professionalism and dedication to change the trajectory of the lives of our most vulnerable and disadvantaged children. Last November, citizens elected Judge Melissa Powers to serve as a member of our team at HCJC. It is an honor to serve as a member of this team of professionals who provide for the positive development of youth, the preservation of families, and the safety of our community.

Since 2006, the HCJC has experienced a 76% increase in the number of children who were the subjects of new abuse, neglect or dependency complaint filings. To improve practices and shorten time frames for achieving permanency, Hamilton County Job and Family Services Director Moira Weir and I convened the Child Protection System Collaborative, a team of private and public sector professionals. In just a short time, this committee implemented a continuum of systems reforms to remove barriers to timely decision-making that included the following: docket modification to improve efficiencies, new docketing schedules to create opportunity for increased attorney/client communications, dedicated attorney/client interview rooms, attorney access to the Court's data system, scheduling orders to reduce delays and continuances, and a Parent Navigation brochure to guide families through the court process. Together, we will continue to ensure the timely protection of our county's most vulnerable.

Our Court continued to see effective results and public recognition for our efforts to reduce absenteeism; promote trusting relationships between schools, law enforcement, families and students; and ensure youth achieve academic success. On May 25, 2017, the Hechinger Report recognized Kids In School Rule! (KISR!) as a proven practice for ensuring school stability for students in foster care with a 95% graduation rate for seniors in the program's short history. Northwest Local School District also experienced a 5% increase in the attendance rate of students engaged in the Students and Family Engagement (SAFE) Council, increasing from 74% to 79% from the 2015/2016 to the 2016/2017 school years. Enhancing the quality of education services through collaborative programming has proven to be effective in preventing delinquency and promoting individual success.

I invite you to share in Hamilton County Juvenile Court's 2016 Annual Report and welcome further community participation in ensuring that the children we serve have a chance for a promising future.

Best,
John M. Williams
Administrative Judge
Hamilton County Juvenile Court

OVERVIEW

Hamilton County Juvenile Court is entrusted with the responsibility to hear and decide cases with children as the subject of the legal complaint.

The Court administers programs and facilities providing for the custody, care and rehabilitation of youth within its jurisdiction. A myriad of placement and program services provided by the Court support this mission. Examples of these services include:

- · Diversion programs
- Competency evaluations and restorative services
- Diagnostic assessments
- Full continuum of behavioral health services
- Residential treatment

Numerous community stakeholders and agencies give their time and expertise to enhance the lives of Court-involved youth. From chaplains and unofficial community hearing officers to lawyers and mentors, these volunteers invest in community and Court-operated programs to connect youth to needed services and supports as well as educational and developmental opportunities.

Administrative Judge John M. Williams, Judge Melissa M. Powers, Court Administrator Kevin Hardman and Chief Magistrate Carla Guenthner provide administrative leadership to the dedicated professionals who administer the Court's programs and facilities. In 2016, the Court adopted a new, team-based organizational model to enhance communication and coordination, streamline decision-making, launch innovative programming and improve processes and outcomes.

The teams include:

Court Operations Team

- Magistrates
- Case Management
- Security

Court Programs Team

- Probation
- Behavioral Health Services
- Diversion and Community Programs

Court Administration Team

- Finance and Information Systems
- Human Resources
- · Clerk's Office

Youth Center Team

- Director of Detention
- · Director of Housing and Operations
- Director of Policy, Grants & Services

In 2016, we served...

Hamilton County Juvenile Court has the responsibility to hear and decide cases involving children from Hamilton County. In 2016, the Court served:

4,078 unique youth in 8,602 new Delinquency and Unruly complaints.

7,515 new Delinquency complaints addressed juveniles charged with a violation of a law which would be a crime if committed by an adult.

1,087 new Unruly complaints addressed juveniles alleged not to follow the rules of home, school or community.

2,057 unique youth in 2,709 new Traffic complaints.

With a traffic complaint, a juvenile is charged with a violation of a traffic law.



936 new Adult complaint filings.

An adult is charged with certain criminal offenses (misdemeanors) such as contributing to the delinquency or unruliness of a minor and child endangering.



3,950 unique youth in 296 new complaints and

2,499 contempt motions for Paternity and Support filings.

Complaints address actions for parentage, establishment and modifications of child support and enforcement of nonsupport.

1,739 unique youth in 1,524 new Custody and Visitation complaints.

Complaints address allocation of custody, parenting time or visitation for children of non-married parents or married parents not divorced or separated.

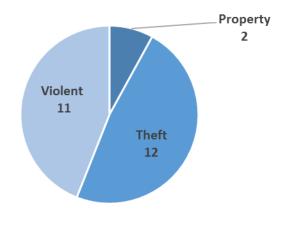
1,678 new motions to modify prior custody orders.

Motions modify prior orders addressing Custody; Visitation; and Abuse, Neglect, and Dependency complaints.

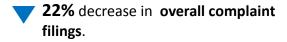
FILINGS BY THE NUMBERS

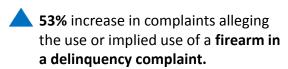
For additional data, please refer to the statistical index.

2016 Delinquent Complaint Filings: Elderly or Disabled Victims



HCJC Yearly Filings: 5-Year Trends





34% increase in the number of complaints with allegations of abuse, neglect or dependency.

2016 New Complaint Filings by Jurisdiction

Adult Misdemeanors	936
Delinquency	7,515
Unruly	1,087
Custody & Visitation	
New Complaints	1,524
New Motions to Modify Dispositions	1,260
Paternity, Support & Contempt	
New Complaints	296
New Modifications of Support	425
New Contempt Motions	2,499
New Objections to Administrative Ord.	230
Abse, Neglect & Dependency	
New Complaints	752
New Motions to Modify Dispositions	418
Traffic	2,709
Other	113
Juvenile Protection Orders	41
UIFSA	72

Adjudications

Adult Misdemeanors & Juvenile Delinquency, Unruly and Traffic

Adjudicated Delinquent	3,466
Adjudicated Unruly	225
Adjudicated Juvenile Traffic Offender	1,607
Guilty (Adult Misdemeanor)	277

DIVERSION PROGRAMMING

HCJC continued to improve programming to prevent delinquency and intervene for the positive development of youth. A myriad of in-house and contracted services focus on education, prevention and diversion in lieu of detention and traditional sanctions. The programs employ evidence-based or promising practices and curricula in order to enhance the lives of court-involved youth.

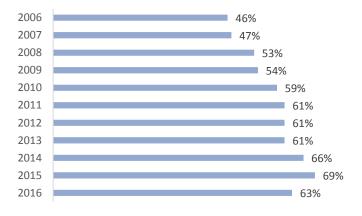
Detention Diversion

The State of Ohio directs juvenile courts across the state to avoid court action and access other community resources when appropriate.

Over the past ten years, the number of youth diverted from the Youth Center increased by 17%, with 63% of all intakes diverted from admission to the detention facility in 2016.

Percent of Total Youth Intakes Diverted from the Youth Center

*Data reflects duplicate youth.



In 2016, HCJC diverted 483 youth with misdemeanor offenses or violations from detention to shelter care placement at the Lighthouse Crisis Center when the Court could not contact a parent, guardian or custodian.

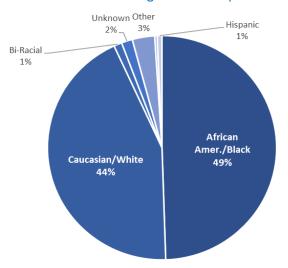
Alternative to Placement Program (APP) and Outpatient Alternative Specialized Individualized Services (OASIS)

HCJC launched two new programs in 2015 that provide an alternative to residential placement for youth on probation. By providing individualized and intensive community-based treatment, these programs address behavioral health concerns and criminogenic risk factors. These programs were successful in diverting 44 youth from residential placement in 2016 while engaging these youth and families in therapeutic services.

Juvenile Justice Diversion Programs

Unofficial hearings and diversion programs allow youth charged with non-violent and low level offenses to engage in services so the charge can be dismissed from their records upon successful completion.

Diversion Programs' Participant Data



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50% Female

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50% Male

2016 DIVERSION PROGRAMS DATA

	Youth Served	Full/Partial Compliance
Unofficial Community Courts	932	N/A
CALL Youth Court	68	88%
Mental Health Courts		
Pretrial Diversion Docket	24	85%
Individual Disposition Docket	31	75%
Diversion Programs		
Traffic	556	75%
Drug & Alcohol	183	87%
Unofficial Court	819	N/A
Unofficial Truancy		
Juvenile	106	N/A
Adults (Failure to Send)	165	N/A

ANNUAL TRAINING 2016

ADDRESSING YOUTH GUN VIOLENCE: A STATE AND LOCAL PERSPECTIVE

With a 175% increase in gun specifications filed with the Court between 2005 to 2015, HCJC hosted its annual training to share and discuss local, state and national trends regarding juvenile possession and use of illegal firearms. Experts and practitioners discussed the relationship between electronic media and youth violence, effective gun violence prevention and intervention strategies, and links between the community, law enforcement, juvenile justice and child welfare.



Joshua Bates presents on community trauma.

Presentations included:

- The Impact of Youth Gun Violence on Cincinnati, Ohio and Local Strategies for Intervention by Judge John M. Williams (Hamilton County Juvenile Court) and Chief Eliot Isaac (Cincinnati Police Department);
- Does Social Media Play a Role in Youth Violence? by Naomi Simmons (Hamilton County Juvenile Court Probation Department), Oleatha Waugh (Program Manager at the Columbus Urban League) and Sgt. Nathan Asbury (CPD Gang Enforcement Squad);
- State and National Data Trends and Promising
 Approaches to Reducing Gun Violence and Responding
 to Generational Trauma by Joshua Bates (Program
 Assistant at the Kirwan Institute of The Ohio State
 University) and Charles Noble III (Director of African
 American Male Initiatives at the Columbus Urban
 League).

Community Partners

The formation of strong community partnerships is the key to helping Cincinnati build safe homes, schools and neighborhoods. HCJC was honored to be joined by several community agencies and leaders who tirelessly work to improve the lives of at-risk youth and families in Hamilton County. The following agencies and organizations participated in the 2016 Annual Training:

Camelot Community Care

The Casey Foundation

The Children's Home of Cincinnati

Children's Law Center, Inc.

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Cincinnati Police Department

Cincinnati Public Schools

Hamilton County Developmental Disabilities Services

Hamilton County Domestic Relations Court

Hamilton County Department of Job & Family Services

Hamilton County Juvenile Court

Hamilton County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board

Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office

Hamilton County Public Defender's Office

Kids in School Rule!

Legal Aid Society of Cincinnati

Lighthouse Youth Services

Mental Health Access Point

Northwest Local School District

Ohio Department of Youth Services

ProKids

Rite of Passage (Hillcrest Academy).

SPECIAL REPORT

Challenges & Accomplishments from 2016

PROTECTING THE MOST VULNERABLE

Addressing the Rise in Abuse, Neglect and Dependency Complaints through Strategic Partnerships

INCREASING ABUSE, NEGLECT AND DEPENDENCY (A.N.D) COMPLAINTS

Despite a decrease in overall complaint filings with the Court, the number of complaints addressing issues of abuse, neglect and dependency continue to increase. In 2016, HCJC designated an additional magistrate to staff the Court's dependency dockets. Currently, eight full-time magistrates specialize in this jurisdiction to hear and decide these cases.

TRENDS AT-A-GLANCE

ABUSE, NEGLECT AND DEPENDENCY COMPLAINTS

Demographic Trends of Children in Dispositional Statuses of

Agency Custody or Supervision, 2000-Present





COMPLAINT DATA

HCJC Total Complaint Filings Since 2010, the number of total complaint filings for all case types with HCJC has decreased by 28%. A.N.D Complaint Filings
Since 2010, HCJC has
experienced a 56% increase in
the number of children who
were the subjects of new
complaint filings and a 51%
increase in the number of new
complaints filed alleging
children were abused,
neglected or dependent.

A.N.D COMPLAINTS BY RACE

The number of **African American children** served decreased by **22**%.

The number of **Caucasian children** served increased by **13%**

A.N.D COMPLAINTS BY AGE

The number of children ages from 11 to 15 years old served decreased by 18%.

The number of children ages from birth to 5 years old served increased by 19%.

IMPACTS OF A HEROIN AND OPIOID EPIDEMIC

The abuse of heroin and prescription opioids in the United States has risen to epidemic levels and has become one of the foremost challenges to health and safety faced today in Hamilton County, Ohio, and across the nation. This epidemic is one of many factors affecting the rise of A.N.D complaint filings. According to the Hamilton County Heroin Coalition's March 6, 2017, Overdose Report, the number of unintentional overdose deaths involving heroin has increase eightfold over a seven year period. This epidemic has impacted Hamilton County's children in alarming ways. A Court examination of filings for the first quarter of 2017 revealed that 28% of all A.N.D complaint filings contained factual allegations of heroin or opioid use by a parent, caregiver or member of the household where the child(ren) reside.

THE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM COLLABORATIVE

The Child Protection System Collaborative Committee (CPSCC) works to implement strategies that shorten decision-making time frames that lead to improved safety, permanency, and wellbeing outcomes for the best interest of children in the child protection system. Convened by Judge John M. Williams and HCJFS Executive Director Moira Weir, this group of dedicated public and private partners work tirelessly to protect our county's most vulnerable children and families by building an infrastructure of strong communication and coordination. In doing so, it maximizes existing resources to implement promising practices.

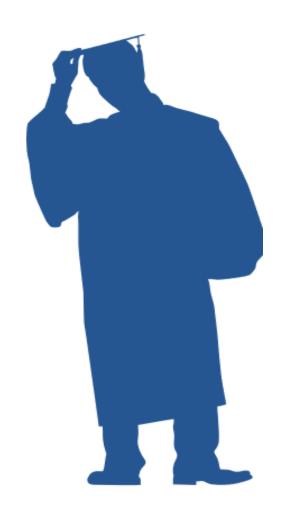
A few examples of systemic reform successfully accomplished by this workgroup include:

- Modified dockets to ensure timely filing of complaints and to improve efficiencies in processing the influx for new compliant filings and request for emergency hearings;
- Granted attorneys greater access to the Court's data system to allow for immediate access to quality information that will lead to effective advocacy;
- Developed a Parent Navigation brochure that provides information and guidance to parents and custodians regarding the court process when their child is the subject of an abuse, neglect, or dependency complaint.

CPSCC will continue to develop and implement innovative, effective strategies to ensure that every child has a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent home.

EDUCATION AS A PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

Celebrating the Educational Accomplishments of Court Involved Youth and Collaborative Programs



Hamilton County Juvenile Court continues to seek innovative programming that champions quality education services for Court-involved youth. Through strategic, inter-systemic partnerships with key organizations, these programs address issues faced by Court-involved youth across the various intercepts of the child protection and juvenile justice systems.

By addressing issues of truancy, school behavior and school stability, these partnerships work to reduce youth involvement in the juvenile justice system and child protection systems and promote positive outcomes related to educational achievement. Objectives include the following: improving student and family engagement; reducing absenteeism caused by school behavior incidences, truancy, and family circumstances; attaining school stability for youth subject to dependency issues; and achieving academic credit recovery for youth detained at the Youth Center or placed in residential facilities.

2016 was a year that produced both powerful and positive outcomes for local school districts and the Court-involved youth they serve. Increased graduation and improved school attendance rates testify to success that can be achieved when professionals from the legal, education, and judicial fields work with students and families to advocate for educational achievement and personal growth. The accomplishments of these youth will serve as a foundation for future individual and community success.

"Their pride was evident on their faces and in their body language."

Brian Bell, Youth Center Director of Detention, on witnessing the graduation ceremony honoring three Youth Center youth who completed their General Education Diploma requirements while in detention.

COLLABORATING AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Cincinnati Public School District
Coaching 4 Life, Easter Seals
Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office
Hamilton County Public Defender's Office
Hamilton County Job and Family Services
Northwest Local School District
The Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati
Hamilton County Educational Service Center

100%

Graduation rate for senior KISR! Students for the 2015/2016 school year. The program's six-year graduation rate, since 2011, is 95%.

KIDS IN SCHOOL RULE! (KISR!)

Last year, the Hechinger Report, a nonprofit independent news agency dedicated to featuring equality and innovation in education, highlighted KISR! for its proven success in improving educational outcomes for Courtinvolved youth.

Kids in School Rule! (KISR!) is a collaboration that supports students in Cincinnati Public Schools (CPS) who are in the custody or under the supervision of the Hamilton County Department of Job & Family Services (HCJFS). KISR! is a partnership between HCJC, CPS, HCJFS and the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati.

The program seeks to promote school success for KISR! students through child specific interventions and systemic improvements that use data to help focus on issues of school stability, academic achievement, school engagement, grade promotion, and graduation.

The educational outcomes of KISR! students demonstrate that investment in education is a powerful influence in maximizing the potential of children in foster care. KISR! has been nationally recognized as a model worthy of replication by other local and state jurisdictions.

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Number of General Education Diplomas earned by Youth Center youth while detained in 2016.

YOUTH CENTER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Cincinnati Public School District (CPS) provides a satellite educational program to Youth Center residents. This education satellite program operates during the regular school year and a modified program operates during the summer session. Classes focus on the core instructional areas of the Youth Center school curriculum: remedial reading, remedial math, computers, life skills, social studies, and physical education.

In 2016, the Youth Center hosted its first ever graduation ceremony for three graduates who fulfilled all credit requirements to earn their G.E.D.s in detention. In the presence of parents and guardians, these youth donned caps and gowns as they received their diplomas from Coach Mike Brown, CPS instructor and teacher-in-charge for the Youth Center education program. As noted by the Youth Center's Director of Detention, Brian Bell, "Their pride was evident on their faces and in their body language...this was definitely a memorable moment for many of us."

The ceremony celebrated the largest number of graduates in the Youth Center's history who completed their G.E.D at the facility. Detention is intended to be a short-term pretrial placement with 19.51 days as the average length of stay. The coordination between families, staff and multiple school districts makes this feat even more difficult to achieve. Hats off to the graduates for this impressive accomplishment!

+5%

Percentage increase in the attendance rate for youth involved in SAFE Council from the 2015/2016 to 2016/2017 school year. The rate increased from 74% to 79%.

STUDENTS AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT (SAFE) COUNCIL

HCJC, in collaboration with Northwest Local School District, Colerain Township Police Department and the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati, developed the SAFE Council to proactively address issues that promote school stability, enhance student engagement and minimize the risk for official involvement with the juvenile justice system. This unofficial, diversion docket addresses attendance and school behavior issues. The goal of SAFE Council is to minimize a student's absence from school by providing targeted interventions that address the root cause for the youth's absence from school.

Northwest's partnership with Coaching 4 Life, a program organized by the non-profit Easter Seals, provides educational enrichment and connection to employment mentors. Coaching 4 Life, supplements services provided by the district and prioritizes goal setting for future employment.

SAFE Council employs a multidisciplinary approach to identify the contributing factors for absence and develops a comprehensive plan to address those factors. Cases are continued for progress reporting, and Court oversight provides accountability for the team regarding implementation and compliance with the developed plan. Cases are dismissed when students demonstrate consistent attendance.

COURT TEAMS

Highlights & Information

COURT ADMINISTRATION

Together the Clerk's Office, Department of Finance and Information Services, and the Department of Human Resources support the daily business operations and administration of staff. The Clerk's Office processes complaints and maintains all forms and legal records. The Finance Department prepares and expenses the Annual County Operating budget and restitution and child support orders as well as provides provides real-time data access through the Court's record system and technical support to Court Staff. Finally, the Human Resources Department is responsible for staffing, employee relations, class and compensation, and benefits administration.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS

CUSTOMER SERVICE TRAINING

Staff of the Clerk's Office, Docketing and Record's Room participated in a 6-month quality service initiative focused on identifying and proactively addressing issues impacting service. Legal Information versus Legal Advice training from the Ohio Supreme Court Judicial College provided guidance to assist non-attorney clerks in discerning how to properly assist the public without giving legal advice.

OPERATIONAL BUDGET

The Finance section of the Finance and Information Services Department successfully prepared and monitored activity of the \$24,840,973.11 budget, administering \$7,625,026.98 of grant funding and managing \$7,516,459.07 of professional contracts.

NEW HIRING PROCESSES

The Human Resources Department piloted new approaches for hiring processes, including providing phone screenings for candidates for some Court positions and partnering with Youth Center leaders to implement a new group interview process for Juvenile Corrections Officers.

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION

In 2016, the Court recognized the outstanding dedication of 17% of its staff in achieving the following milestone anniversaries:

5 year: 7 employees

10 year: 14 employees

• 15 year: 8 employees

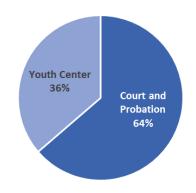
• 20 year: 7 employees

25 year: 7 employees

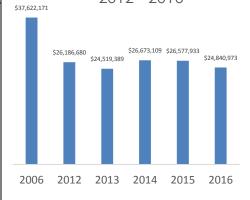
30 year: 6 employees.

QUICK STATISTICS

2016 Annual Operating Budget



HCJC Total Expenses 2012 - 2016



2016 STAFFING LEVELS

January 1, 2016:

273 Full-Time Employees11 Part-Time Employees

December 31, 2016:

271 Full-Time Employees14 Part-Time Employees

DIRECTORS

Kristie L. Davis, Chief Deputy Clerk

Laura Wickett, Director of Human Resources

Steve Rokich, Director of Finance and Information Systems

YOUTH CENTER

Located at 2020 Auburn Avenue, the Youth Center is a locked and secured detention facility. It provides short-term confinement and structured programming for youth awaiting adjudication, transfer to another jurisdiction or agency, or short-term commitment ordered by the Court. While housed at the facility, youth have access to daily education services through a satellite division of Cincinnati Public Schools; programming to enhance pro-social skills and behaviors; 24 hours/7 days a week medical and dental health services contracted through Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; and on-site mental health services through the Court's Department of Behavioral Health Services. The facility is accredited for Performance-based Standards (PbS) through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and passed all mandatory inspection standards mandated by the Ohio Department of Youth Services in 2016.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS

ACCREDIDATIONS AND INSPECTIONS

In 2016, the Youth Center successfully passed all mandatory standards required by the the Ohio Administrative Code after inspection by the Ohio Department of Youth Services. The National Commission on Correctional Health Care also reaccredited the facility for the medical care given to youth in a partnership with Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

Additionally, the facility successfully completed two cycles of Performance-based Standards (PbS), a data-driven and results-focused program which strives to improve services for incarcerated youth.

VISITATION POLICY

The Youth Center provides daily visitation for families in a secure environment. In 2016, Youth Center leadership developed a child-friendly visitation environment to allow youth who are parents to have regular, supervised visits and positive interaction with their child.

EXPANDED DENTAL SERVICES

Dental care provided to admitted Youth Center residents expanded in 2016 due to an enhanced partnership with Cincy Smiles, a local foundation that provides dental services to low-income and homeless individuals in Cincinnati. In 2016, 208 dental exams were performed, which is a 5% increase from the number of exams performed in 2015.

QUICK STATISTICS

From 2012 to 2016:

24% *decrease* in the number of unique youth processed through YC intake.

30% *decrease* in the number of unique youth *admitted* to the YC.

70% *increase* in the number of unique youth *diverted* from the YC.



3 youth earned their high school diplomas while at the Youth Center in 2016.

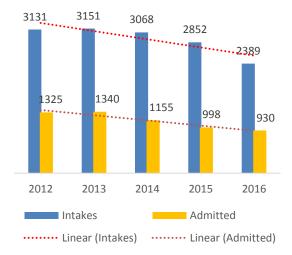


208 dental exams performed for admitted youth.



580 full physical examinations performed for admitted youth.

Total Youth Center Intakes vs. Admits By Unique Youth



DIRECTORS

Brian Bell, Director of Detention **William Allen,** Director of Housing and Operations

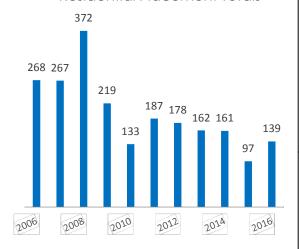
Wayne McFarland, Director of Policy, Grants & Service

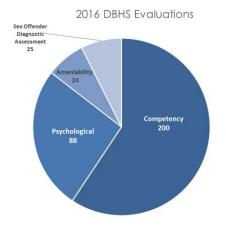
QUICK STATISTICS

Probation Referrals

	2015	2016
Total Cases Referred	658	641
Probation Investigation	448	441
Competency	162	124
Average Open Caseload	512	485

Residential Placement Totals





In 2016...

945 Crisis and Behavior Management Referrals resulted in interventions by DBHS staff for Youth Center youth.

254 Competency Attainment Plans were developed by DBHS staff.

756 cases were referred to DBHS for Outpatient Individual and Family Treatment.

COURT PROGRAMS

The Court Programs team supports operations and critical services targeting Court-involved youth and families. The Probation Department works to protect the community and rehabilitate youth by conducting investigations and supervising conditions of probation as ordered by the Court. Placement Probation teams monitor youth placed in residential treatment facilities during placement and upon reentry. The Department of Behavioral Health Services (DBHS) provides psychological assessment, psychiatric consultation, attainment services, crisis intervention and counseling. The Diversion and Community Programs Department oversees Court-sponsored and community-based programming that targets first-time Court-involved youth through positive experiences that aim to educate and divert. Additionally, the Special Projects team provides project management and research support for the teams' and Court's initiatives. Together, this team researches, plans, and develops Court programming that supports a continuum of services, from diversion to Court-monitored rehabilitation to community re-entry.

YEARLY HIGHLIGHTS

DIVERSION AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT

As part of an organizational restructuring, the Court created this department to assist its efforts in diverting first-time juvenile offenders away from the juvenile justice system. Using best practice approaches to therapeutic and educational interventions, the department's experienced staff assist in developing and supporting programs that hold offenders accountable for their actions, create positive experiences and prevent further entrenchment in the juvenile justice system. This department engages the community to increase involvement in these efforts. It oversees programming for L.I.V.E. Cincinnati, the Court's community-based Unofficial Hearing dockets and the Courtoperated Unofficial hearing dockets.

G.E.M.S EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOP

The Girls, Motivated and Empowered to Succeed (G.E.M.S) Probation team hosted its fourthannual Empowerment Luncheon, a pro-social workshop that brings at-risk female youth who are on probation together with positive role-models and probation officers for a pro-social workshop. Each year, the luncheon features themes of encouragement and resilience through guest speakers and panels.

DIRECTORS

Edward Ryan, Chief Probation Officer

Dwayne Bowman, Director of Diversion and Community Programs **Deanna Nadermann**, Director of

Special Projects

Heather Chura, Quality Review Analyst

YEARLY HIGHLIGHTS

- HCJC judges and magistrates conducted an average of 520 hearings per day.
- New professional waiting areas and client conference rooms were created for attorneys to have more confidential meeting space prior to court hearings for delinquency, custody, and dependency cases. Additionally, the space contains computer stations for attorneys to access the court wide record system.
- The Court participated in Amnesty Week in partnership with the Child Support Enforcement Agency to offer individuals with outstanding child support warrants to get up-todate with their payments.
- The Magistrates Department continues working in collaboration with the Hamilton County Public Defender's office, the Hamilton County Prosecutor's office and the Salvation Army to develop a model for identification of victims of human trafficking. The work group is developing a process to ensure appropriate services are provided to address the trauma resulting to children who are victimized by human trafficking.

DIRECTORS

Elizabeth Igoe, Administrative Magistrate

Alexxandra Jones, Director of Case Management

Col. Chris Hohmeister, Chief of Security

COURT OPERATIONS

The Magistrates Department, the Case Management Department and Security Department address any issues related to the operations of the Court's daily docket. The Magistrates Department consists of 3 part-time and 20 full-time magistrates who preside over cases not heard by a judge. The Case Management Department consists of 31 case managers who assist the public and judiciary with official case management and processing, while Juvenile Court security consists of certified officers responsible for the care and safety of all in Court attendance. Together, this team ensures that proper processes and procedures are honored in the Courtroom.

2016 HIGHLIGHT

MEDIATION PROGRAM: DELIVERING 18 YEARS OF EFFECTIVE RESOLUTION

In 1998, Hamilton County Juvenile Court embarked on a new endeavor in permanency planning for children by implementing mediation services in abuse, neglect and dependency cases. The Court, in collaboration with the Hamilton County Department of Job and Family Services and St Aloysius Orphanage, developed the first of its kind mediation program in the State of Ohio. Permanency mediation offers an effective alternative for child protection cases that actively promotes the parties' fullest investment in the process and the outcome. Since its inception the Court has mediated an average of 46 cases a year, with an average success rate of 65% of cases referred. In 2016, the Mediation Program continues to serve as a best-practice for delivering effective resolutions for dependency cases.

Since 2007, the Mediation Program has achieved the following:

- Served 511 cases;
- An average of 71% of cases reached a full or partial agreement.

Dependency Mediation in Juvenile Court is successful in that it creates an atmosphere where collaboration between and among participants is enhanced and communication improved. Knowledge is shared, and parties feel heard during the mediation session.

All parties remain focused on the best interest of the children.

Barbara Doll, HCJC Mediator, 1998-Present



STATISTICAL INDEX

Note: Some data extraction and reporting methods used by HCJC changed in 2015 and may be reflected in the changes of data over time.

STATISTICAL INDEX

New Filing Totals

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
New Complaint Filings					
Delinquency & Unruly	12,130	11,719	11,155	9,987	8,622
Traffic	3,009	2,804	2,537	2,648	2,709
Paternity & Support	403	261	305	297	296
Abuse, Neglect, & Dependency	646	679	663	674	752
Custody & Visitation	1,378	1,333	1,380	1,346	1,524
Adult Misdemeanor	930	933	852	1,102	936
Other	106	54	54	143	113
Other Filing Totals					
Admin. Modification Order	1,639	1,208	1,165	853	788
Contempt Motions	3,282	2,755	2,407	1,903	2,622
Investigative Report	3,597	3,374	3,872	3,504	4,093
Modification of Support	628	489	443	440	425
Obj. To Magistrate Dec./Set Aside Order	386	455	433	427	483
Objection to Administrative Order	372	236	230	236	230
Registration of Administrative Order	2,387	1,740	2,135	2,157	1,959
Registration of Foreign Order	114	71	54	22	33
All Filings	35,318	33,747	30,382	27,450	27,430

Dispositions for Delinquency Filings

	2016
Adjudications	
Adjudicate Delinquent	3,466
Adjudicate Unruly	225
Adjudicate Juvenile Traffic Offender	1,607
Guilty (Adult Misdemeanor)	277
Dismissals	
Dismissed for Want of Prosecution	1,058
Dismissed per Plea Agreement	1,848
Dismissed without Prejudice	641
Dismissed Req. of Pros. Witness	963
Dismissed- Heard Unofficially	132
Dismissed in Child's Best Interest	285
Dismissed on the Merits	69
Other Orders	
Court Costs	1,719
Costs Remit	4,119
Work Detail	453
Probation Investigations	441
Official Probation	316
Bound over to Grand Jury (By Youth)	33
Permanent DYS Commitment (By Youth)	44
Residential Placements	139
Restitution Orders	603
Stayaway Orders	1,106

Dispositions of Delinquent Crimes Against the Elderly or Disabled

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	Property	Theft	Violent
Adjudications	2	4	3
Adjudications with Restitution	2	1	3
Committed to an Institution	0	0	0
Transferred for Criminal Prosecution	0	0	0
Total Complaints	2	12	11

Delinquency Complaints by Type

Delinquency Complaints by Type		
	2015	2016
HOMICIDE	_	_
Aggravated Murder	4	4
Attempted Murder	0	1
Murder	3	1
Murder-Purposely	2	1
Complicity- Murder	2	0
Reckless Homicide	1	0
Totals	12	7
ASSAULT		
Aggravated Assault	3	3
Assault	494	437
Assault Child Service/Agency Worker	4	0
Assault Corrections Officer	5	2
Assault Peace Officer	22	21
Assault, Teacher, Admn., Bus Driver	34	29
Attempt Assault	1	5
Complicity Assault	1	0
Complicity Felonious Assault	3	1
Felonious Assault	60	67
Felonious Assault- Peace Officer	1	1
Negligent Assault	1	0
Vehicular Assault	0	2
Totals	629	568
MENACING		
Aggravated Menacing	90	93
Menacing	73	66
Menacing- Child Serv./Agency Worker	0	1
Menacing by Stalking	3	1
Totals	166	161
KIDNAPPING	_	_
Kidnapping	5	0
Kidnapping- No Risk of Harm	0	4
Abduction	1	0
Unlawful Restraint	0	1 -
Totals	6	5
SEXUAL OFFENSES		_
Complicity Rape	1	0
Attempted Rape	0	1
Rape	77	56
Sexual Battery	0	1
Gross Sexual Imposition	27	15
Sexual Imposition	1	10
Voyeurism	2	0
Public Indecency	3	4
Totals	111	87
EVTORTION		
EXTORTION		
Extortion	0	3
Coercion	0	0
TOTALS	0	3

	2015	2016
PROSTITUTION		
Soliciting	3	0
Loiter to Engage in Solicitation	1	0
Totals	4	0
OBSCENITY		
Disseminate Material Harmful to Juvenile	3	1
III. Use of Minor in Nudity Matter/Perf	1	3
Pander Sexual Matter Involving Minor	4	1
Poss/View Minor in Nud. Matt./Perf	0	2
Totals	8	7
ARSON AND RELATED OFFENSES		
Aggravated Arson- Person	4	5
Aggravated Arson-Property	5	5
Arson-Private Property	2	6
Arson-Public Property	2	1
Attempt Arson	1	0
Making Terroristic Threat	2	3
Totals	16	20
DISRUPTION, VANDALISM, DAMAGE		
Disrupt Transportation/Utility Services	3	2
Disrupt Service- Emergency Personnel	0	2
Vandalism-Occupied Structure	15	6
Vandalism-Unoccupied Structure	22	24
Vandalism of Burial Structure	0	1
Complicity-Criminal Damage	1	2
Criminal Damaging/Endangering	230	242
Criminal Mischief-Tampering	25	33
Criminal Mischief-Bench Mark	4	0
Criminal Mischief- Safety Device	0	2
Criminal Mischief-Fire	2	0
Vehicular Vandalism	6	2
Railroad Vandalism/Trespass	1	0
Totals	309	316
ROBBERY		
Aggravated Robbery	179	166
Attempt Aggravated Robbery	0	4
Complicity-Robbery	5	2
Complicity-Aggravated Robbery	7	5
Robbery	119	93
Totals	310	270
BURGLARY		
Aggravated Burglary	18	6
Burglary	210	181
Trespass Habitation	0	1
Complicity Burglary	4	7
Attempt Burglary	16	20
Breaking and Entering	89	63
Attempt Breaking and Entering	4	2
Totals	341	280

Delinquency Complaints (cont.)

Delinquency Complaints (cont.)	2015	2016
TRESPASS	2015	2016
Criminal Trespass	231	157
Aggravated Trespassing	9	4
Totals	240	155
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SAFECRACKING		
Safecracking	2	2
Totals	2	2
THEFT		
Grand Theft-Firearm /Dang. Ordinance	3	5
Complicity- Misdemeanor Theft	1	4
Theft-Elderly/Disabled Adult	2	1
Complicity- Grand Theft	1	3
Grand Theft- Over \$1,000	6	5
Attempt Grand Theft	0	2
Grand Theft Motor Vehicle	27	54
Attempt Theft- Misdemeanor	1	8
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle Theft	33 626	28
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Complicity- Unauthorized Use M.V. Unauthorized Use M.VElderly/Dis.	1	0
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Complicity- Unauthorized Use Motor Vehicle	2	1
Unauth Use Mot Veh- Elderly/Disabled	0	1
Unauthorized Use of Prop Computer	2	0
Unauthorized Use of Property	4	4
Totals	708	654
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARDS		_
Misuse Credit Card	4	7
Attempt Misuse Credit Card Totals	1 5	0
iotais	5	7
FRAUD		
Identity Fraud	2	0
Totals	2	0
FORGERY		
Forgery	3	2
Criminal Simulation	1	1
Totals	4	3
RECEIVING		
Complicity- Receiving Stolen Property	0	1
Complicity- Rec. Stol. Prop Misd.	2	1
Attempt Rec. Stolen Property	0	1
Receiving Stolen Property- Misdemeanor	80	62
Receiving Stolen Property Wisdemedia	8	1
Receiving Stolen Prop- >\$1k, Drug, Auto, Fire	107	149
Totals	197	215
CANADIANC		
GAMBLING	1	3
Gambling Public Gaming	1 3	0
Totals	4	3
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OFFENCES A CAUNCY DEACE	2015	2016
OFFENSES AGAINST PEACE	2	0
Inciting to Violence	3	0
Aggravated Riot - No Weapon	5	1
Riot	5	0
Failure to Disperse	0	1
Disorderly Conduct	610	462
Disorderly Conduct-Intoxicated	16	4
Misconduct at an Emergency	3	1
Telecommunications Harassment	12	14
Complicity- Inducing Panic	1	0
Inducing Panic	18	26
Making False Alarm	16	12
Totals	689	521
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY		
Endangering Children	0	2
Domestic Violence	316	314
Domestic Violence- Felony	11	13
Violation of a Protection Order	3	1
Totals	330	328
Totals	330	320
OFFENSES AGAINST JUSTICE		
Bribery- Public Official	0	1
Failure to Disclose Personal Information	9	9
Initimidation	6	4
Intimidation of a Victim or Witness	1	0
Retaliation	1	0
Falsification	83	74
Tampering with Evidence	19	11
Failure to Report a Crime	2	0
Obstructing Official Business	405	354
Obstruction of Justice- Misdemeanor	1	1
Obstruction of Justice- Felony	0	1
Assault on Police Dog, Horse	1	0
Resisting Arrest	112	104
Failure to Comply with Police	7	4
Failure to Comply with Police- Felony	8	15
Fleeing, Eluding Police	10	10
Escape	5	4
Convey Weapon/Drug into Detention	2	2
Harassment by an Inmate	3	1
Totals	675	595
Totals	0/3	333
LIQUOR CONTROL LAW		
Possession of an Open Flask	4	2
Misrepresentation to Obtain Alcohol	4	1
Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor	2	0
Permitting Underage Alcohol Consumption	6	2
Poss., Consumption or Under Influence of Alc.	130	78
Totals	146	83
CONSPIRACY, ATTEMPT, COMPLICITY		
Conspiracy	2	0
Attempt	6	5
Complicity	13	14
Totals	21	19

Delinquency Complaints (cont.)

Delinquency Complaints (cont.)	2015	2016
HABITUAL/CHRONIC TRUANCY		
Chronic Truancy	541	597
Totals	541	597
WEAPONS CONTROL		
Carry Concealed Weapon	100	79
Carry Concealed Weapon-Felony	8	1
Possession Obj. Indistinct from Firearm	4	5
Poss/Con Weap /Ord School Safety	8	13
Weapon Under Disability	25	24
Weapon Use while Intoxicated	1	0
Improp. Handling Firearm in Mot. Veh.	6	8
Transporting Loaded Firearm	6	2
Transport Unloaded Firearm	0	1
Improp. Disch. Firearm into School/Hab	4	3
Disch. Firearm on/near Prohib Premises	2	0
Disch. Firearm on/near Pub. Road/Hwy.	1	4
Defacing Firearm I.D.	1	0
Possessing Defaced Firearm	1	5
Improperly Furnishing Firearm to Minor	3	0
Underage Purchase of Firearm	1	1
Possession of Criminal Tools, Firearm	17	17
Totals	188	163
DRUG OFFENSES		
Corrupt Another with Drugs	3	0
Aggravated Trafficking Drugs	0	1
Agg. Trafficking Drugs near School	1	1
Trafficking Drugs	5	7
Trafficking Drugs near School	6	0
Trafficking Marjiuana	9	7
Trafficking Marijuana near School	5	3
Trafficking Cocaine	2	2
Trafficking Cocaine near School	3	1
Trafficking Heroin	12	4
Trafficking Heroin near School	8	2
Trafficking Counterfeit Controlled Substance	1	2
Traff. Cntft. Ctrl. Sub. Near School	1	0
Illegal Cultivation of Marijuana	1	0
Possession of Dangerous Drug	1	0
Possession of Hashish	2	3
Possession of Cocaine	15	13
Aggravated Possession of Drug	4	4
Drug Possession	26	15
Possession of Heroin	17	14
Possession of L.S.D.	0	1
Possession of Marijuana	405	378
Attempt Drug Possession	1	0
Possession of Drug Abuse Instrument	0	5
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	70	72
Marijuan Drug Paraphernalia	83	70
Illegally Process Drug Document	4	0
Abuse of Harmful Intoxicant	1	0
Possession of Counterfeit Control Sub.	4	2
Totals	690	607

	2015	2016
MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES	2015	2016
	1	0
III Dist of Cig or Tobacco Products	1	0
Littering	3	0
Underage Entry or Attempt to Casino	2	
Fictitious License, I.D. Card		4
Stopping after an Accident Totals	1 8	6
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MISCELL ANICOLIS LOCAL CODES		
MISCELLANEOUS LOCAL CODES	1	0
Spitting in a Public Place-CMC	12	0 2
Weapon on School Property-CMC		
Littering in a Public Place-CMC	4	2
Possession of Dangerous Drug-CMC	4	3
Possession of Weapon/Firearm-CMC	1	0
Discharge of Firearm-CMC	2	6
Public Gaming-CMC	1	0
Crim Trespass Medical FacCMC	0	1
Interfering with Traffic- CMC	1	1
Sell or Explode Fireworks- CMC	1	0
Park After Hours	6	11
Delhi Park After Hours	2	0
Playground After Hours- Deer Park	0	2
Reading City Park Violation	3	0
Prescription Drugs- Harrison	0	1
Aggravated Menacing	2	1
Cruelty to Animals	2	0
Possession of Pellet Gun	1	2
Littering from a Motor Vehicle	2	0
Upsetting a Public Receptacle	4	0
Improper Solicitation	1	1
Possession of Marijuana	2	0
Prohibitions within Veteran's Memorial	0	2
Totals	52	35
AUGU ATIONIS		
VIOLATIONS	44	4.4
Interstate Compact Supervision	11	14
False Info-Underage Tobacco	2	1
VCO Electronic Monitoring Unit	387	264
Violation of Court Order (VCO)	13	12
Delinquency	1	0
VCO Curfew	208	183
VCO Incorrigible	160	124
VCO Probation	447	257
VCO Placement	257	250
VCO Runaway	355	273
VCO Truancy	398	338
VCO Tobacco	2	1
VCO Work Detail	92	64
Parole Violation	38	13
Totals	2371	1794

Unruly Complaints by Type

omuly complaints by Type	2015	2016
Habitual Truancy	159	104
Incorrigible	133	145
Runaway	529	506
Tobacco	5	0
Unruly	16	17
Curfew Violations	10	1,
Anderson Twp	3	7
Blue Ash	1	1
Cheviot	2	3
Cincinnati	81	97
Cleves	2	0
Colerain Twp	6	10
Deer Park	10	1
Delhi Twp	26	15
Elmwood Pl	20	1
Fairfield	0	1
Forest Park	41	11
Greenhills	5	17
Harrison	2	3
Lincoln Heights	0	5
Lockland	4	0
Loveland	9	1
Montgomery	0	4
Mt. Healthy	8	4
North College Hill	17	18
Norwood	31	11
Reading	13	16
Silverton	1	0
Springdale	1	0
Springfield Twp.	3	4
St. Bernard	2	4
Woodlawn	3	1
Wyoming	1	0
Totals	274	235
Totals	2/4	233
Daytime Curfew Violations		
Cincinnati	68	59
Reading	2	1
Springfield Twp	1	8
Mt. Healthy	1	0
Totals	72	68

Juvenile Traffic Complaints by Type

	2015	2016
Speeding	5	0
Licensing of Motor Vehicle	49	37
Drivers License Law	87	87
Financial Responsibility	1	0
Driver License Suspension	9	15
Driving Under Suspension	18	24
Operating Vehicle w/o Valid License	282	285
Operation of Motor Vehicle	1688	1766
Equipment, Loads	126	158
Motor Vehicle Crimes	62	43
Traffic Violations	6	10
Traffic Signals	21	32
Pedestrian Violations	23	5
Changing Course of Vehicle	47	48
Local Ordinance	224	199

Adult Misdemeanor Complaints by Type

	2015	2016
Contributing to Delinquency/Unruly	45	39
Endanger Child-Adult	11	7
Failure to Send Child to School	1039	880
Interfere w/Custody Under 18-Adult	3	3
Probation Violation (Adult)	4	7

Abuse, Neglect & Dependency Complaint Data

	2015	2016
New Complaints	674	781
No. Children	1,367	1,390
No. of Children on Dismissals	93	131
Initial Dispositions (No. of Children)		
Direct Custody to Individual	115	103
Protective Supervision	187	222
Temporary Custody	716	788
Permanent Custody	26	31
Planned Permanent Living Arrangement	6	11
Children under Pending Complaints, Agency Custody or		
Supervision at Year End		
Pending Complaints	653	731
Protective Supervision	249	222
Temporary Custody	888	1084
Permanent Custody	249	296
Planned Permanent Living Arrangement	171	155
Total	2,210	2,488

Probation Referral Statistics

Probation Referral Statistics				=	
Defending Officers	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Referring Offense					
Felony	333	381	408	332	381
Misdemeanors	425	364	320	284	238
Violation of Court Orders	70	57	45	27	26
Unruly	18	10	8	11	7
Traffic	6	5	3	4	5
Terminations vs. Transfers					
Total Youth who Term. at P.I.	269	233	204	158	118
Total Youth who Transfer into Prob.	364	368	339	286	336
Referrals to Probation by Offense					
Arson	9	9	6	3	2
Assaults	69	79	68	58	57
Attempt, Complicity, Conspiracy	15	24	31	23	32
Burglary	127	130	126	103	115
Disruption, Vandalism, Damaging	15	10	9	10	13
Drug Offenses	70	55	36	31	36
Forgery/Fraud	1	5	0	0	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0
Habitual / Chronic Truancy	5	0	4	9	3
Homicide	0	1	1	1	0
Kidnapping	2	0	2	0	1
Liquor Control	20	9	4	3	
	10	21		12	3
Menacing Missellaneous Offerees			9		9
Miscellaneous Offenses	0	0	0	0	0
Misuse of Credit Cards	3	1	1	1	0
Obscenity Office Applied Family	0	2	4	0	2
Offenses Against Family	54	56	41	35	29
Offenses Against Justice	35	24	28	13	33
Offenses Against Peace	51	45	39	28	28
Prostitution	1	0	1	0	0
Receiving	24	26	32	21	36
Robbery	79	82	97	63	86
Safecracking	0	0	0	2	0
Sexual Offenses	26	19	36	18	30
Theft	102	80	63	45	53
Traffic Related Offenses	6	5	3	2	8
Trespass	7	5	8	8	2
Violations of Court Orders	72	62	48	35	26
Weapons Offenses	33	71	56	44	46
Cruelty to Animals	2	0	0	2	0
Interstate Compact Supervision	12	12	15	11	11
Age at Referral					
9	0	0	0	1	0
10	7	3	2	4	0
11	14	5	7	8	7
12	30	26	22	24	20
13	51	62	54	50	44
14	107	97	101	93	101
15	158	164	165	124	115
16	183	163	164	123	142
17	185	166	173	134	130
18	93	104	70	75	76
19	3	5	4	3	4
20 and over	21	22	22	19	18

Youth Center Detention Data

	2012**	2013	2014	2015	2016
Admissions	2262	2339	1942	1619	1607
Diverted	3551	3733	3733	3530	2750
Intakes	5813	6072	5675	5149	4357
Avg. Length of Stay*	13	14	16	18.76	19.51
Avg. Daily Population*	75	90	81	91	101

^{*} Increase due to dispositional cases in efforts to reduce number of children sent to DYS or other placements.

5-Year DYS Commitment Data

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Commitments	16	26	52	66	44
Mandatory Gun Spec.	6	9	21	43	18
Discretionary Gun Spec.	0	3	4	3	6
Gun Spec. Totals	6	12	25	46	24
Recommitments	4	5	0	0	4
Parole Revocations	6	8	6	6	2

Bind Overs to Adult Court (By Youth)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total Bind Overs	35	16	24	29	33

Commitment and Recommitment Totals by Felony Offense Level

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Murder/Aggravated Murder	0	1	1	0	0
Felony 1	6	8	20	24	19
Felony 2	4	8	14	25	13
Felony 3	6	6	8	7	5
Felony 4	1	6	6	12	5
Felony 5	3	2	3	1	2
Totals	20	31	52	69	44

^{**}Data reflective of the implementation of Senate Bill 337.