



HAMILTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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This report features artwork created by Youth Center residents under the direction of Ms. Penny Harris, Cincinnati Public Schools Satellite Program's art teacher. The artwork decorates the Custody and Companionship Clinic on the first floor of the 800 Broadway building.





Judge John Williams Judge Melissa Powers

Hamilton County Juvenile Court Update

Dear Friends of Juvenile Court:

On behalf of Judge Powers and myself, we hope that you and your families are doing well throughout this pandemic. Because you support and value the work taking place at Hamilton County Juvenile Court, we want to update you on the steps we have taken to protect our community's most vulnerable children.

A few highlights include:

- **The Court is prioritizing hearings for cases where the safety and well-being of children are at risk.** The COVID-19 virus has not stopped our work protecting children. Every day throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Juvenile Court is holding hearings related to the safety and well-being of at-risk children. The Court quickly implemented precautions, including social distancing and remote access.
- **We worked hard to get many system-involved high-school seniors to the finish line with a high school diploma in these difficult circumstances.** This includes children in foster care who graduated from Cincinnati Public Schools and The Children's Home of Cincinnati through our Kids in School Rule! (KISR!) Program. In the last eight years, we have had a 95% KISR! graduation rate for eligible students. Our results remained strong throughout the pandemic. Additionally, students from the Northwest Local School District, Aiken High School, Oak Hills, and Winton Woods earned their diplomas with the support of their family, the Court's SAFE Council and our school-based diversion programs. These students were on the verge of dropping out, but persevered. Congratulations Class of 2020!
- **Our Court is using Zoom video conferencing to conduct critical hearings throughout this crisis to reduce the spread of the virus.** We successfully applied for and received a technology grant award from the Supreme Court of Ohio to expand the use of this remote technology to allow for greater remote hearing access.



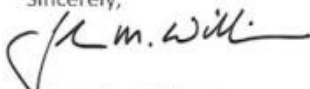
Judge John Williams and Judge Melissa Powers
Hamilton County Juvenile Court

Since March, we have worked innovatively and proactively to maintain the essential functions of the Court while taking action to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Our Court Team developed a Plan for Operation in collaboration with all key stakeholders, including: Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC); Hamilton County Public Health; Supreme Court of Ohio; ProKids; Public Defender's Office; Prosecutor's Office; Hamilton County Department of Job & Family Services; social service agencies; treatment providers and other local/state agencies.

We are proud of the responsiveness by Court staff and our system partners in the face of such an unprecedented, challenging situation. Judge Powers and I thank you for your interest in and support of the Court's efforts to improve the lives of the children and families that we serve.

All our best to you and your family. Stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,


Judge John Williams

ABOUT HAMILTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT



MISSION

WE STRIVE TO ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE
IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE
RESPONSIBILITIES OF 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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To Open in 2020*

OVERVIEW

Hamilton County Juvenile Court has the responsibility to hear and decide cases with children as the subject of legal complaints.

The Court administers programs and facilities providing for the custody, care and rehabilitation of youth under its jurisdiction. 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
- Educational supports
- Probation Services
- Pro-social connections
- 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.

THE YOUTH WE SERVE

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL YOUTH AND DUPLICATE ADULTS SERVED IN NEW FILINGS BY COMPLAINT TYPE



2,824 DELINQUENCY AND UNRULY

UNIQUE
YOUTH

5,300 new Delinquency complaints addressed juveniles charged with a violation of a law, which would be a crime if committed by an adult.

1,157 new Unruly complaints addressed juveniles alleged not to follow the rules of home, school or community.

1,823 JUVENILE TRAFFIC

UNIQUE
YOUTH

2,372 new Traffic complaints addressed a juvenile charged with a violation of a traffic law.

ABUSE, NEGLECT AND DEPENDENCY

572 new Dependency complaints addressed allegations that a child is abused, neglected or dependent.

1,034

UNIQUE
YOUTH

PATERNITY AND SUPPORT

243 new complaints and 2,091 new contempt motions for Paternity and Support actions for parentage, establishment and modifications of child support, and enforcement of non-support.

2,977

UNIQUE
YOUTH



1,581 CUSTODY AND COMPANIONSHIP

UNIQUE
YOUTH

1,243 new Custody and Companionship complaints addressed allocation of custody, parenting time or visitation for children of non-married parents or cases filed by third party, non-parent petitioners.

172 ADULT

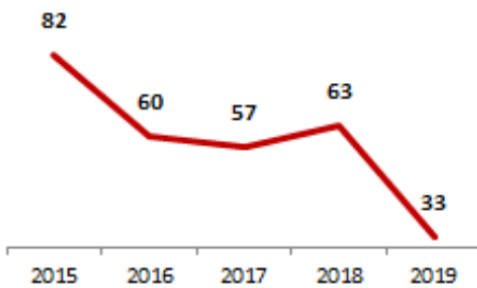
DUPLICATE
ADULTS

1,243 new Adult Complaints addressed adults charged with certain criminal offenses (misdemeanors) such as contributing to the delinquency or unruliness of a minor, child endangering and failure to send a child to school.

KEY DATA POINTS

A Focus on Trends in Hamilton County

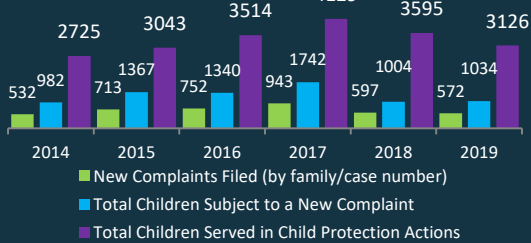
Firearm Specification Filings



JUVENILE GUN VIOLENCE

Since 2015, the number of complaints alleging the use or implied use of a firearm decreased by 33%. The 2019 filings total for firearm specifications is the lowest total in the last 5 years.

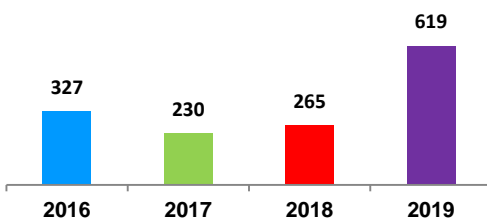
Child Abuse, Neglect and Dependency Cases



ABUSE, NEGLECT AND DEPENDENCY

The total number of abuse, neglect and dependency cases filed in Hamilton County peaked in 2017 during the Opioid Crisis. While the data demonstrates a 24% decrease in new complaints filed since 2015, it also shows a 3% increase in the total number of children served.

Diverted (Unofficial) Truancy Filings By Calendar Year



TRUANCY

Truancy cases filed and diverted to an alternative to adjudication through unofficial processing increased 139% from the 2018 to 2019 calendar year. This increase comes almost two years after the passing of Ohio House Bill 410 in December, 2016.

School Threat Complaint Filings By School Year

*Note that HCJC began tracking School Threat Cases after the tragedy at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14, 2018.



SCHOOL THREATS

Since the school shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14, 2018, HCJC began tracking complaints alleging that a youth made threats of school violence at school or online or brought a firearm to school. From February, 2018 until March, 2020, 66 youth were charged for alleged threats of school violence. 100% of the youth who were adjudicated on these charges were connected to services.

2019 HCJC REPORTING DATA

HEARINGS DATA

Total Hearings	109,265
Hearings Conducted Per Day	437

NEW COMPLAINT FILINGS BY TYPE

Adult Misdemeanors	172
Delinquency	5300
Unruly	1157
Traffic	2372
Custody & Companionship	
New Complaints	1243
New Motions to Modify Dispositions	1223
Paternity, Support & Contempt	
New Complaints	243
New Modifications of Support	519
New Contempt Motions	2091
New Objections to Administrative Ord.	248
Abuse, Neglect & Dependency	
New Complaints	572
New Motions to Modify Dispositions	306
Other	167
Juvenile Protection Orders	52
Uniform Interstate Family Support Act	115

ADJUDICATIONS

*Includes cases filed in prior years

*Excludes Abuse, Neglect and Dependency Cases

Juv. Delinquency, Unruly , Traffic and Adult Misdemeanor

Adjudicated Delinquent	2149
Adjudicated Unruly	259
Adjudicated Juvenile Traffic Offender	1083
Guilty (Adult Misdemeanor)	85

HOUSE BILL 410 REPORTING DATA

Truancy Filings (Duplicate Youth)	2018	2019
Cases Diverted and Heard Unofficially	259	619
Diversion Cases Completed	224	479
Successfully Completed Diversion	121	139
Neutral Dismissal from Diversion*	NA	105
Cases Referred for Official Processing	103	235
Official Cases Resulting in an Adjudication of Unruly**	44	90
Truancy Filings by Complaint Totals		
Total Official Habitual Truancy Complaints Filed ***	95	241
Total Truancy Complaints Handled Informally (Does not include VCOs referred unofficially)	265	617

*Data tracked starting in 2019. A Neutral Dismissal finding pertains to cases in which a student may have marginally complied with unofficial orders, withdrawn from enrollment in a district or the Court no longer has jurisdiction.

**NOTE: Cases filed in one calendar year may conclude in a different calendar year.

***Data includes cases referred for official processing.

COMPLAINT FILINGS OF DELINQUENT CRIMES AGAINST THE ELDERLY OR DISABLED

Property	2
Theft	21
Violent	16

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES



New Court Administrator and Assistant Court Administrator Named

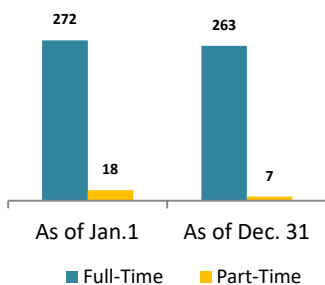
Carla Guenther, who formerly served as the Court's Chief Magistrate was named the new Court Administrator in 2019. Ms. Guenther brings 28 years' experience as an attorney and magistrate; specializing in abuse, neglect and dependency cases. She co-authored Ohio's Dependency Docket Benchcards, which were developed to support judicial officers in using best practices and providing comprehensive and timely judicial action in child welfare cases. Ms. Guenther received her Master's degree in Social Work from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Katie Woodside was named as the Assistant Court Administrator. Ms. Woodside has 10 years of experiences as both an attorney and magistrate specializing in abuse, neglect and dependency cases.

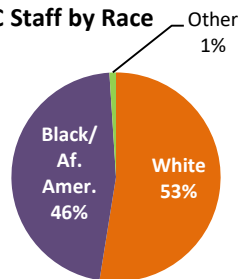
Pictured top: Court Administrator Carla Guenther and Assistant Court Administrator Katie Woodside. Pictured bottom left: Deputy Chief Probation Officer Felicia Rosemond and Specialized Court Coordinator Tiara Rivers attend the Probation Department's Annual Retreat. Pictured bottom right: Judge John Williams joins Behavioral Health Services Clinical Manager Kim Johnson at her retirement party. Ms. Johnson retired in 2019 after 30 years of service with Hamilton County Juvenile Court.



2019 HCJC Staffing Levels



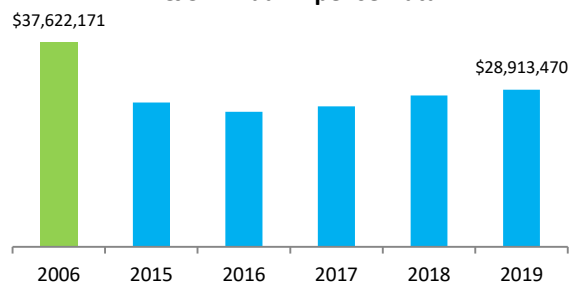
HCJC Staff by Race



By Gender

58% Female 42% Male

HCJC Annual Expense Data



Staffing Data and Public Service Recognition

Juvenile Court recognized 15% of the Court's employees for achieving milestone anniversaries. **43 employees were recognized for achieving the following milestones:** (13) 5 year; (5) 15 year; (14) 20 year; (5) 25 year; (5) 30 year; and (1) 35 year.

Financial Update

In 2019, Juvenile Court successfully operated a \$28,913,470 budget while overseeing \$10,465,956.93 in grant funding and \$7,845,825.95 of professional contracts. 64% of HCJC's budget is expended in court operations and services while 36% of the budget is expended for Youth Center operations and services.

SUPPORTING FAMILIES AND CAREGIVERS

Partnerships that Promote Stable Care and Relationships for
Local Youth

OCTOBER, 2019

Family Visitation Center

A Partnership with The Children's Home of Cincinnati

In 2019 Hamilton County Juvenile Court collaborated with the Children's Home of Cincinnati and attorney Randal Bloch to develop a supervised visitation program.

The Children's Home Family Visitation Center (FVC) provides a place where children are able to spend time with their parents in a private, safe, and nurturing environment. The FVC provides a supervised and safe environment for parents who have not had contact with their children for various reasons including criminal behavior, mental health concerns, history of violent behavior, and substance abuse issues.

Parents are able to utilize the FVC when a judge or magistrate orders supervised parenting time. The cost is income-based and many parents are able to visit for a \$25 refundable fee.

During visits, FVC's staff are available to support and connect families to community mental and behavioral health resources when needed.

The program commenced in October of 2019, and has served 10 families through supervised visitation. The Court looks forward to referring even more families to this program in 2020.

"The partnership with Hamilton County Juvenile Court is founded on a shared vision and collaboration to make our community a better place for children and families. The parent/child bond is absolutely critical. Working with the Court to ensure kids and parents maintain relationships (and hopefully enhance them) in a safe, neutral and nurturing environment fulfills on the mission of both of our organizations and most importantly benefits the parents and their children."

Pam McKie
Chief Operating Officer
The Children's Home of Cincinnati



Custody & Companionship Clinic Expansion

Providing Free Legal Services for Low-Income Families Seeking Safe, Loving and Permanent Homes for At-Risk Children



EXPANDED HOURS OF OPERATIONS AND ACCESSIBLE SPACE

DEDICATED SPACE AT 800 BROADWAY

After two years of successfully serving clients, the Custody and Companionship Clinic expanded its hours of operation to serve individuals three days a week thanks to support from a variety of contributors. Hamilton County Juvenile Court dedicated accessible office space on the first floor of the 800 Broadway building to accommodate self-filers seeking the clinic's services.

The space is decorated with colorful and educational artwork created by residents of the Hamilton County Youth Center, under the direction of Cincinnati Public Schools art teacher Ms. Penelope Harris. Girl Scout Troop 1756 of Highlands Middle School donated a reading library for the children who accompany parents and relatives.

The Custody and Companionship Clinic offers free, short-term limited legal advice and assistance to individuals who cannot afford traditional legal services. The clinic opened on September 25, 2017. It is staffed by volunteer lawyers and Legal Aid Society staff attorneys who answer questions and guide self-represented litigants through custody and visitation proceedings.

**FROM SEPTEMBER, 2017
TO MARCH, 2020:**

**1,690 FAMILIES HAVE
RECEIVED BRIEF LEGAL
ADVICE;**

**26 LEGAL AID AND
VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS
HAVE STAFFED THE
CLINIC; AND**

**62% OF THE POPULATION
SERVED ARE FEMALE AND
68% ARE PEOPLE OF
COLOR.**

Thank You to Our Partners

The Custody and Companionship Clinic is part of an ongoing collaborative effort with the following partners:

- Hamilton County Courts;
- Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati;
- Hamilton County Law Library;
- Cincinnati Bar Foundation;
- Volunteer Lawyers Project.

This partnership works to provide equal access to the civil justice system for individuals who cannot afford formal legal representation. The free legal clinic enhances the support available for low-income individuals filing on their own for changes in custody or companionship (visitation) matters.

Dedicated staff from the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office manage computer terminals for individuals to draft filings and coordinate appointments with the volunteer attorneys.

Legal Aid and volunteer lawyers staff the clinic to offer brief, on-the-spot legal advice, including explanations about court proceedings, guidance on the evidence they will need in court, and assistance in drafting agreements and pleadings.

Legal Aid has worked with Hamilton County Juvenile Court to create an online sign up and training system to recruit and guide the volunteer attorneys.



"LEGAL AID DEEPLY APPRECIATES THE EFFORTS BY JUDGE WILLIAMS AND HIS EXTRAORDINARY STAFF TO MAKE THIS CLINIC POSSIBLE. LEGAL AID'S LAWYERS AND OUR GREAT VOLUNTEERS NOW HAVE A VERY WELCOMING, FUNCTIONAL SPACE TO HELP LOW-INCOME PEOPLE ADDRESS LEGAL ISSUES CONCERNING THEIR CHILDREN."

KELLY MALONE
MANAGING ATTORNEY, FAMILY AND IMMIGRATION PRACTICE GROUP
LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF GREATER CINCINNATI

An Emphasis on Diversion + Intervention

A CHANCE FOR CHANGE

**Continuous Improvement Initiatives in Addressing
Delinquent and Unruly Behavior**

AN EMPHASIS ON DIVERSION + INTERVENTION

Under the leadership of Judge John Williams, Hamilton County Juvenile Court continues to positively engage youth using innovative strategies. This report discusses the newest initiatives adopted by the Court in 2019 that provide informed and meaningful services, both traditional and non-traditional, to youth and families to prevent entrenchment in the juvenile justice system. Evidenced-based, informed approaches in providing diversion and intervention services promote:



Prudent Use of Detention

Research demonstrates that a youth's exposure to a juvenile detention facility directly correlates with his/her likelihood of committing additional offenses. HCJC's newest initiatives emphasize the prudent use of detention for youth charged with the most serious offenses.



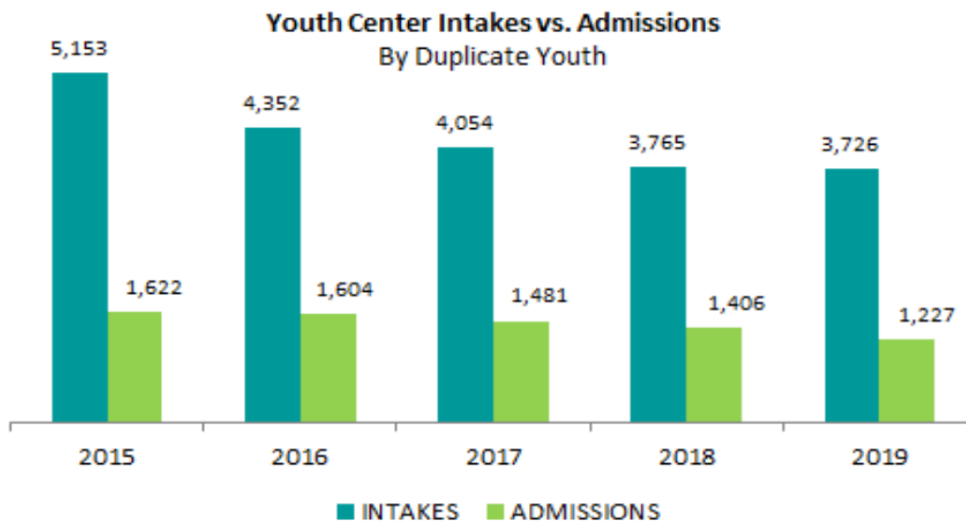
Accountability to the Community

Expanded connections to community-based services and agencies in HCJC's diversion and intervention programs give youth the opportunity to engage with and be held accountable to the neighborhoods in which they live.



Smarter Resource Management

Commitment to data-informed approaches and delivery of enhanced screening and assessment services to Court-involved youth. Proven approaches to identifying needs guide and inform service connections that effectively address behaviors brought to the attention of the Court.



In 2019, HCJC diverted 295 youth with misdemeanor offenses or violations from detention to shelter care services through the Lighthouse Crisis Center when the Court could not contact a parent, guardian or custodian or could not identify a suitable caregiver for release.

JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES INITIATIVE (JDAI)

A SUCCESSFUL APPROACH TO COMPREHENSIVE REFORM

In 2019, Hamilton County Juvenile Court applied to join fourteen other Ohio counties and the Ohio Department of Youth Services as part of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI). HCJC was unanimously accepted into the program in 2020 largely based on its history of implementing the eight core strategies promoted by JDAI. JDAI, established by the Annie E. Casey Foundation, is designed to address the efficiency and effectiveness of juvenile detention by using research, data and evidence informed practices.

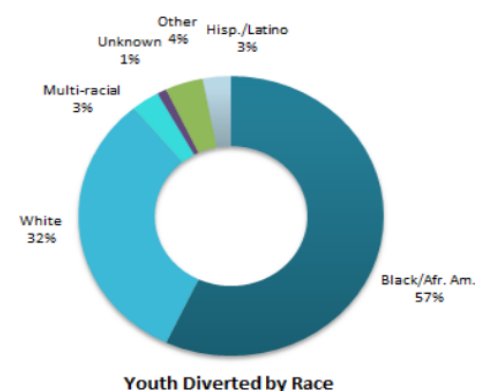
While JDAI helps jurisdictions make prudent use of secure detention by promoting efficiency and supporting public safety, some of the broader work of the initiative is aimed at diverting youth from entering the formal juvenile court system. In Hamilton County these efforts include: long standing school and community-based diversion; non-traditional support through community based programs; and the establishment of an Assessment Center. Opening in 2020, the Assessment Center will provide children and families with pretrial access to community services. HCJC partners with local school districts; neighborhoods such as Price Hill, Avondale, Madisonville, Montgomery, and Harrison; and service providers to provide diversion programming for youth charged with non-violent, low level offenses. Diversion enables youth to engage in services with the goal of dismissal of the charges upon successful completion. Other service-intensive programs, such as the Individual Disposition Docket, are designed to prevent high-risk offenders from further entrenchment in the juvenile justice system. In 2019, HCJC diverted 2,198 youth to services in lieu of traditional sanctioning, which is a 37% increase from the number of youth diverted in 2018.

Detention Diversion

Consistent with this work, the Court makes use of an objective detention screening instrument developed in partnership with community stakeholders to ensure that only youth that must be detained are admitted to detention. Other youth are diverted to a variety of non-secure alternatives including, house arrest, Remote Reporting, Electronic Monitoring, and alternative placement at Lighthouse Youth Services. Once admitted to detention, all residents are subject to a weekly administrative review to determine whether or not the youth might be safely served in a less restrictive environment. Additionally, during the onset of the Coronavirus pandemic, HCJC initiated a remote reporting program to release youth with lower-level felonies from detention.

1 YOUTH IS DIVERTED FOR EVERY 2.75 YOUTH FORMALLY CHARGED WITH A DELINQUENCY OR UNRULY COMPLAINT.

HCJC Diversion Program Data



Youth Diverted by Race



55% Male



45% Female

Youth Diverted by Gender

The Hamilton County Juvenile Court **ASSESSMENT CENTER**

The Hamilton County Assessment Center is opening in the summer of 2020. The Assessment Center will serve youth diverted from detention with low-level charges and their families with the goal of promoting positive community interventions to prevent entrenchment in the juvenile justice system. The Center's operations will be a culmination of best practices used in the juvenile justice field including employing smarter resource management, detention diversion, early use of community-based programs, individualized interventions derived by screening and assessments, and unofficial diversion programming. Assessment Center staff will also assist in arranging respite care and referring youth charged with domestic violence and their families to services provided by Lighthouse Youth Services that address family violence.

The new Hamilton County Assessment Center is a family friendly space centrally located in Hamilton County at 264 William Howard Taft, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45219 (Mt. Auburn).

Description of Operations

Youth charged with low-level offenses will be received at the Assessment Center in lieu of processing through the juvenile detention facility at the Youth Center. Each youth will undergo a series of screenings to assess risk level, mental health, physical health, education, homelessness and housing instability as well as vocational interests.

Youth may be referred for further assessments, if needed, by on-site staff from Mental Health Access Point (MHAP). Staff will work with youth and their families to engage in services that work toward improving the quality of life and behavior of youth at school, in the community and at home. Service connection will occur prior to the official or unofficial processing of the youth's complaint through the juvenile justice system. Each complaint will be screened for diversion opportunities available through the Court and in the community.

Partners

The following agencies have committed to participating in the initial planning phases of the Assessment Center: Hamilton County Offices of the Prosecuting Attorney and the Public Defender, Hamilton County Job & Family Services, Hamilton County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board, Mental Health Access Point, National Alliance on Mental Illness, Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati, Northwest Local School District, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center's Mayerson Center for Safe and Healthy Children, and Colerain Township Police Department.

Grant Funding

The Ohio Department of Youth Services awarded the Court \$600,000 in Competitive RECLAIM Funding in 2019 to fund initial planning and operations for the Assessment Center, as well as an initial program to keep youth charged with domestic violence and their families in services provided by Lighthouse Youth Services.

DELIVERING...



THE RIGHT APPROACH



TO THE RIGHT YOUTH



AT THE RIGHT TIME

"Lighthouse Youth & Family Services has a long-standing, successful partnership with the Hamilton County Juvenile Court. We are excited for and fully supportive of the new Assessment Center, which will provide early-stage intervention and help many young people avoid long term consequences. Lighthouse is proud to offer domestic violence treatment programming as part of this effort. We thank Judge Williams and the court for their leadership in bringing it to Hamilton County."

Paul Haffner
Chief Executive Officer
Lighthouse Youth & Family Services

PROBATION TRANSFORMATION

A VISION FOCUSING ON ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT AND BEHAVIOR, ENGAGEMENT, RACIAL EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Sponsored by the Ohio Department of Youth Services, the Annie E. Casey Foundation held a training series to promote its vision for transforming juvenile probation into a focused intervention that promotes positive behavior change, personal growth and long term success for youth who are at risk for re-offending.

Probation Department staff attended including all management, supervisors and numerous officers. The training consisted of four sessions over a period of five months addressing the following topics:

Probation Transformation Overview

The Annie E. Casey Foundation presented its vision for transforming probation practices away from traditional monitoring practices to an approach that encourages engagement and diversion.

Adolescent Development

Experts on adolescent development discussed its impact on youth's functioning on probation, changing youth behavior through strategic use of incentives and sanctions/interventions, and tailoring probation's response to youth's needs.

Race, Equity, Poverty and Inclusion

The third segment of training focused on historical context and the impact of structural racism on youth of color today, effects of ethnic and socio-economic factors, and building effective community partnerships.

Engaging Youth and Families

Presenters shared techniques for better improved engagement with families and discussed the impact of trauma on family engagement.

Probation supervisors ensure the strategies are used by reviewing the information presented during the Probation Transformation training in monthly team meetings and while discussing case planning for youth active with the Probation Department.

PROBATION IN THE COMMUNITY



On July 31, 2019, Great American Ball Park Commissioner's Community Initiative program provided tickets to juveniles served by Hamilton County Juvenile Probation. Juvenile Probation's "Spirit Committee" organized an event to take youth who have overcome adversity in their lives and shown positive changes while on probation. Probation Officers attended the game with the youth to help build rapport and encourage positive changes in their lives. For some of the youth, this was their first time watching baseball or attending a Reds game.



HCJC Probation Officers, Security Officers and Behavioral Health Services staff worked with local youth through the Dive Right program. This leadership program partners with the Cincinnati Bengals, Cincinnati Police Department, Cincinnati Recreation Commission and Youth at the Center to equip young people with the skills to build positive team culture, develop self-awareness and practice diversity and inclusion.

YAP is recognized as a "promising practice" for providing its wrap-around advocacy program by agencies such as the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. YAP received the Gloria J. Jenkins Award from the Annie E. Casey Foundation for "Outstanding Contributions to Detention Reform by a Community Provider."

Services Provided by YAP

- Case management
- Skill development
- 24/7 crisis intervention services
- Educational and vocational work
- Connection to social and professional supports developed through individual service planning.

Core Principles

YAP advocates work with identified professional and community supports to develop individualized plans using eight core principles:

- Individualized service planning
- Cultural competence
- Partnership with parents
- Focus on strengths
- Team work
- Community-based care
- Unconditional caring
- Restorative justice
- Corporate and clinical integrity.



YOUTH ADVOCATE PROGRAM (YAP)

NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PROGRAMMING COMES TO HAMILTON COUNTY

The Youth Advocate Program is a national not-for-profit organization with a promising practice curriculum designed to:

- Reduce institutional placement for system-involved youth;
- Redirect money expended for the care of these youth back into their communities; and
- Promote positive interventions for these youth and their families.

In 2019, Georgetown University's Center for Criminal Justice Reform awarded Hamilton County Juvenile Court \$400,000 to bring this unique program to southwest Ohio.

Who is Involved in YAP?

The YAP Program serves Court-involved youth who live in the neighborhood of Westwood and Fairmount. YAP specializes in serving high risk youth and their families who have complex needs.

YAP recruits, employs and trains local advocates with a variety of professional and educational experiences- from a GED to a Ph.D- to work with youth and families to build and sustain community connections. These advocates are available 24/7 to those they serve.



EDUCATION AS A PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

2019

Educational Partnerships & Programming Report

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY'S CENTER FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM'S SCHOOL-JUSTICE PARTNERSHIPS AND DIVERSION PATHWAYS CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Hamilton County was chosen as one of three sites nationally to participate in Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform's 2019 School-Justice Partnerships and Diversion Pathways Certificate Program. The program's design aims to develop effective partnerships among child-serving partners, promote engagement with at-risk youth at school, improve academic outcomes for all students and develop diversion pathways to disrupt juvenile justice involvement.

In September, 2019, teams from systems partners engaged in interactive training featuring national experts in juvenile justice, education, behavioral health, and law enforcement. Participating agencies include: Hamilton County Juvenile Court, Cincinnati Public Schools, Northwest Local School District, Princeton City School District, the Hamilton County Educational Services Center, Hamilton County Job & Family Services, the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati and the Mayerson Center for Safe and Healthy Children of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

All partners have committed to continue working together, across systems, to improve education outcomes for all Hamilton County students, while expanding diversion opportunities for youth referred from schools to the justice system and developing more effective ways to work with at-risk youth in our community. As part of the certificate program, teams from these agencies will collaborate on a capstone project that will address three areas identified during training: trauma-informed practices, school threat protocols, and disparities in school discipline practices. Georgetown University staff will provide technical assistance throughout the duration of the project.



"We were delighted to have the cross-system team from Hamilton County participate in our 2019 local School Justice Partnership and Diversion Pathways Certificate Program. Their strong application to the program was matched by a committed and energized cohort made up of representatives from the Cincinnati, Northwest, and Princeton School Systems, as well as representatives from the Legal Aid Society of Cincinnati, the Hamilton County Educational Services Center, Job and Family Services, and Juvenile Court. These partners engaged in a collaborative, week-long curriculum designed to improve outcomes for youth in the three represented school districts. We have no doubt that the thoughtful reform effort they have designed to better address issues around racial equity, understand and respond more cohesively and collaboratively to the adverse childhood experiences many children bring with them into school every day, and improve their ability to conduct threat assessments and provide appropriate responses in their schools, will result in better education and long-term outcomes for the children of Hamilton County."

Shay Bilchik, J.D.
Founder and Professor Emeritus
Georgetown University's Center for Juvenile Justice Reform
McCourt School of Public Policy

ASSESSING THREATS OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE

After the school shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14, 2018, Hamilton County Juvenile Court began to track complaints alleging that a youth committed a violent act at school, threatened school violence or possessed a weapon at school. The Court continues to engage with its partners to identify and implement best practices in the assessment, case processing and dispositional planning of school threat cases to ensure that students and staff feel safe and supported in school communities.

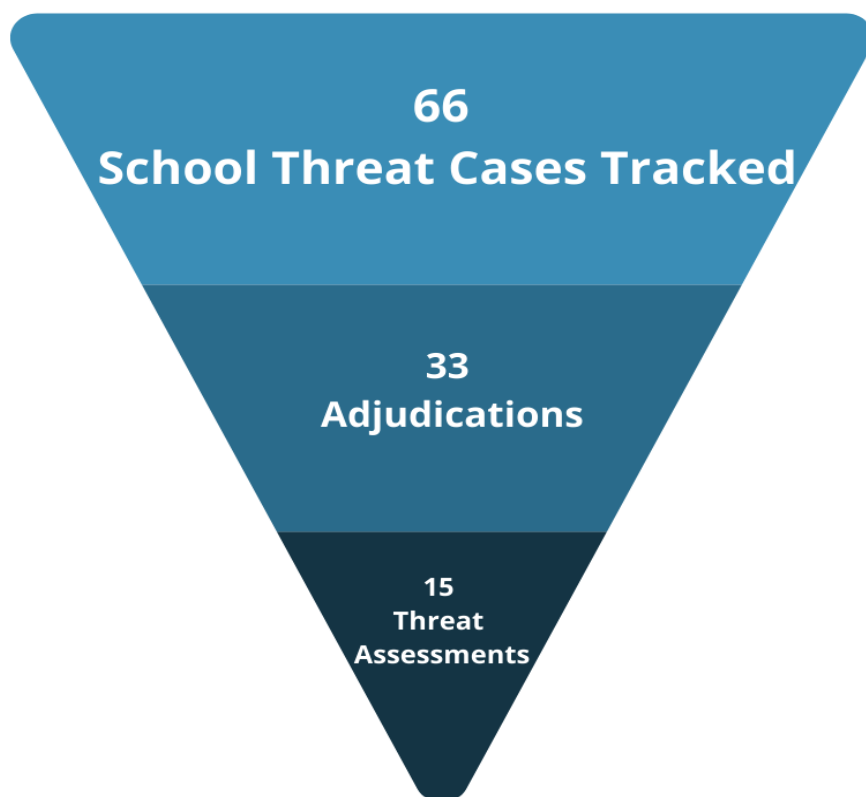
Between February, 2018, and February, 2020, HCJC tracked 66 complaint filings alleging that a youth made a threat of school violence or brought a weapon to school.



Of the 33 youth who were adjudicated on a charge related to a threat of school violence:

100%

were connected to services.



THREAT ASSESSMENT & PROTOCOL

Hamilton County Juvenile Court worked with its Chief Clinical Consultant, Dr. Nicole Leisgang, to develop a specialized psychological evaluation to assess the validity and scope of threats of school violence made either at school or online. Upon adjudication of a charge that involves a threat of school violence, the assessment is used as a tool to identify services and treatment options to aid in disposition. Relying on research published by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Secret Service, this assessment evaluates a youth's social, behavioral and mental health history while identifying factors that could contribute to the likelihood that the youth could carry out the threat.

As part of the School-Justice Partnerships and Diversion Pathways Certificate Program capstone project, Dr. Leisgang and Hamilton County Juvenile Court staff are working with staff from Princeton City Schools, Cincinnati Public Schools and the Northwest Local School District to develop an informed protocol to investigate and assess threats of school violence and determine appropriate pathways for diversion, services and Court-involvement for youth who make these threats.

TRUANCY AND SCHOOL-BASED DIVERSION

Hamilton County Juvenile Court partners with local school districts to divert youth from formal processing in the juvenile justice system through school-based diversion dockets. HCJC hearing officers work with referred youth, their families, school staff and service providers to address barriers to school attendance and positive behavior. These diversion teams then develop a plan to build skills and capacities in students. Referrals address complaints alleging truancy; school-based discipline issues, such as disorderly conduct charges as a result of school fights; and Failure to Send a Child to School charges filed on adult parents. Youth and families are referred to identified services and/or issued restorative sanctions to complete, such as community service, in lieu of formal processing.



"The partnership between Oak Hills Local Schools and the Hamilton County Juvenile Court has been a tremendous asset to our community. The relationship and partnership built this year between the entities have enabled both systems to work together to collaborate and resolve issues with student attendance and behavior that prevent students from receiving the education vital to their academic and future success."

Jeff Brandt, Superintendant
Oak Hills Local School District

New Dockets for the 2019/2020 School Year

Hamilton County Juvenile Court implemented two new school-based diversion programs with Winton Woods City School District and Oak Hills Local School District.

The Winton Woods Diversion Program worked with 67 youth and families referred for complaints of habitual truancy, failure to send a child to school and school-based offenses. The program also provided supportive services for two high school seniors to improve their school attendance, recover credits and graduate with the Class of 2020.

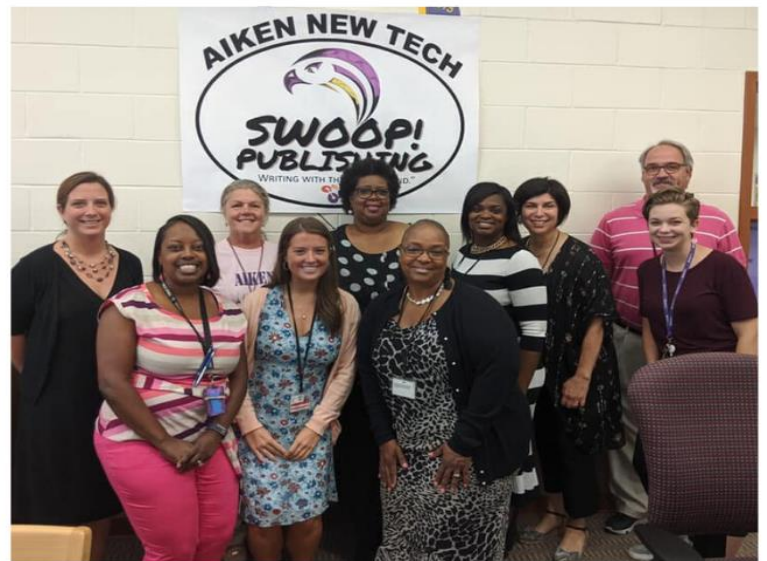
The Oak Hill Diversionary Court also worked with 67 youth and families who were referred to the program. One high school senior referred to the docket successfully completed courses and graduated from high school in the 2019/20 school year. Justice Patrick Fischer of the Ohio Supreme Court observed dockets this spring (pictured left) to learn more about this unique school-justice partnership.

Aiken Diversion Program Expands

The Aiken Diversion Program added new programming to enhance services provided to students referred to the program and expanded its referral process to include 17 complaints referred from Pleasant Hill Elementary School.

Aiken High School created the Flight Program to provide interventions for students with mental health diagnoses who struggle to maintain good behavior in the classroom. The program provides intensive mental health treatment and smaller classroom instruction with the goal assimilating back into a regular classroom in the future.

Students Working On Occupational Pathways, or SWOOP (pictured right), allows Aiken students to earn credits toward graduation through a wage-earning internship. SWOOP offers students the opportunity to earn key requirements for graduation, earn nationally recognized industry credentials through internships, and have the opportunity to secure full-time employment after graduation.



Members of the Aiken Diversion Program; including HCJC Hearing Officer Megan Taylor, Case Manager Tiffany Smith, Aiken High School Principal Lisa Votow, and Aiken Social Worker Cherise Johnson; have worked with over 100 students and their families from the program's start in the 2017/18 school year to improve attendance and academic performance.

KIDS IN SCHOOL RULE!

PROMOTING EDUCATIONAL STABILITY AND SUCCESS FOR STUDENTS IN FOSTER CARE

Kids In School Rule! (KISR!) is a partnership between Hamilton County Juvenile Court, Cincinnati Public Schools, The Children's Home of Cincinnati, Hamilton County Job and Family Services and the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati. The program seeks to promote school success for KISR! students in foster care 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. Since its creation in 2008, the program has served over 1,600 Cincinnati Public Schools and the Children's Home students who are either in the custody of or under the supervision of Hamilton County Job & Family Services.



98%

Percentage of KISR! students who have met Ohio's 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee.

95%

Graduation rate for KISR! seniors in 2017. The national 4-year graduation rate for youth in foster care is between 40% and 63%.

The graduation rate for KISR! seniors also exceeds the CPS district-wide graduation rate.

91%

Grade promotion rate for KISR! students as of 2017.

86%

Percentage of KISR! students who had an attendance rate of 90% or higher during the 2016/17 school year.

74%

Percentage of KISR! students who experienced no school moves.



"KISR! is an exemplary program, that has been a strong example of the kind of collaboration that is necessary to make an impact on the education outcomes of students in foster care. The participation of the Juvenile Court in this unique collaboration (along with JFS, CPS, Legal Aid and other key community partners) demonstrates the Court's long-standing commitment to the issue of education as a critical component of the well-being of children in foster care. Our hope is that more courts around the country will follow the lead of Hamilton County Juvenile Court and make this kind of commitment to address education needs and collaborate across systems-actions that will ultimately impact the lives of children in care."

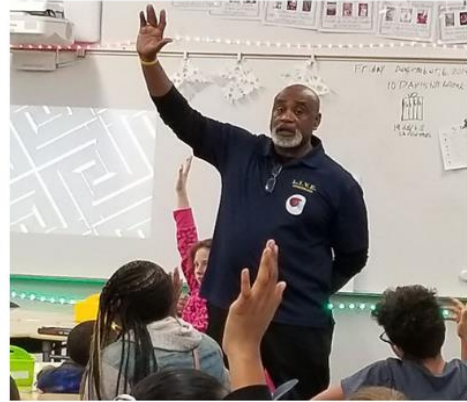
Kathleen McNaught
Law Director, Education Programs
American Bar Association's Center on Children

L.I.V.E. CINCINNATI

CREATING A SAFER COMMUNITY THROUGH A GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM

Under Judge Williams' leadership in 2012, the Court formed a partnership to plan a prevention and early intervention project known as L.I.V.E. Cincinnati to address juvenile involvement in local gun violence. L.I.V.E. Cincinnati strives to promote safety awareness and prevent gun violence by teaching fifth and sixth graders what to do if they encounter an illegal gun. The initiative provides an interactive presentation that guides children through the basic action steps when finding an illegal weapon: **L**ease the area; **I**nvolve an adult; **V**ictim-don't be; and **E**ducate your friends.

In 2019, the L.I.V.E. Cincinnati team presented to over 4,000 students and 700 adults. The program was named as a Cincinnati Public Schools' Learning Partner. It also presented to all of Northwest Local School District's elementary and middle schools. Pictured right: The L.I.V.E. Team presents at an elementary school and at National Night Out.



Pictured above: TOP Behavioral Health Services Family Counselor Greg Mason talks to students in the Northwest Local School District during a L.I.V.E. Cincinnati presentation. BOTTOM Judge John Williams and L.I.V.E. Cincinnati presenters talk about the program with parents in the Northwest Local School District.

A Salute to the Class of 2020

High school graduation is the pinnacle of the educational programs and partnerships that work to support the academic achievement of Court-involved youth. In the spring of 2020, partners celebrated the hard-earned accomplishments of the high school seniors who overcame adverse situations to earn their diplomas through virtual congratulatory messages. The Class of 2020 includes participants from the following programs:

- Kids In School Rule!;
- Aiken High School's Diversion Program;
- Northwest Local School District's S.A.F.E. Council;
- Lighthouse Individualized Docket Services (L.I.D.S.) program, supporting students with mental health diagnoses;
- Winton Woods City School District's Diversion Program;
- Oak Hills Local School District Diversionary Court;
- The Team Child Partnership with the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati and the Court's community diversion programs.



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.

New Filing Totals

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New Complaint Filings					
Delinquency & Unruly	9,987	8,622	7,326	6,353	6,458
Traffic	2,648	2,709	2,707	2,482	2,372
Paternity & Support	297	296	125	200	243
Abuse, Neglect & Dependency	674	752	943	605	572
Custody & Visitation	1,346	1,524	1,555	1,415	1,243
Adult Misdemeanor	1,102	936	726	78	172
Other	143	113	110	124	167
Other Filing Totals					
Admin. Modification Order	853	788	639	400	683
Contempt Motions (Support and Visitation)	1,903	2,622	2,288	2,445	2,368
Investigative Report	3,504	4,093	3,979	3,512	3,605
Modification of Support	440	425	411	518	519
Obj. To Magistrate Dec./Set Aside Order	427	483	542	505	516
Objection to Administrative Order	236	230	222	228	248
Registration of Administrative Order	2,157	1,959	2,066	2,073	2,196
Registration of Foreign Order	22	33	20	23	6
All Filings	27,450	27,430	26,272	24,004	23,923

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Delinquency, Unruly and Traffic Dispositions

	2018	2019
Adjudications		
Adjudicate Delinquent	2,194	2,149
Adjudicate Unruly	216	259
Adjudicate Juv. Traffic Offender	1,297	1,083
Guilty (Adult Misdemeanor)	94	85
Dismissals		
Dismissed for Want of Prosecution	707	901
Dismissed per Plea Agreement	1,128	1,357
Dismissed without Prejudice	355	506
Dismissed Req. of Pros. Wit.	563	855
Dismissed- Heard Unofficially	114	83
Dismissed as in Child's Best Interest	96	88
Dismissed on the Merits	118	58
Other Orders		
Court Costs	1,345	1,123
Costs Remit	3,017	2,830
Work Detail	263	169
Probation Investigations (By Youth)	334	345
Official Probation (By Youth)	222	274
Bound over to Grand Jury (By Youth)	33	19
Permanent DYS Commitment (By Youth)	46	40
Residential Placements	83	80
Restitution Orders	30	2
Stayaway Orders	997	1,062

Dispositions of Delinquent Crimes Against the Elderly or Disabled

2019 Filings	Property	Theft	Violent
Total Complaints	2	21	16
Adjudications	0	11	9
Adjudications with Restitution	0	5	3
Committed to an Institution	0	1	0
Transferred for Criminal Prosecution	0	1	0

Delinquency Complaints by Type

PERSONAL CRIMES	2018	2019
HOMICIDE		
Attempted Murder	2	2
Murder-Purposely	0	3
Involuntary Manslaughter	0	1
Reckless Homicide	1	1
Vehicular Homicide	1	1
Vehicular Manslaughter	0	1
Totals	4	9
ASSAULT		
Aggravated Assault	1	1
Aggravated Assault- Person Harmed	1	0
Aggravated Vehicular Assault	0	2
Attempted Aggravated Assault	0	1
Assault	508	580
Assault Corrections Officer	3	1
Assault Peace Officer	16	24
Assault- Child Serv./Placing Agency	3	0
Assault, Teacher, Admn., Bus Driver	16	29
Attempt Felonious Assault	1	0
Attempt Assault	0	2
Complicity Assault	0	1
Felonious Assault	69	74
Totals	618	715
MENACING		
Aggravated Menacing	85	82
Menacing	73	71
Menacing-Officer	5	7
Totals	163	160
KIDNAPPING		
Kidnapping-No Risk of Harm	2	0
Kidnapping-Facilitate a Felony/Flight	1	2
Kidnapping-No Harm, Ment. Incomp	1	0
Kidnapping-Risk of Physical Harm	2	1
Kidnapping- Risk Harm, Ment. Incomp	1	0
Abduction-Removal	0	6
Abduction-Restraint	0	1
Attempt Abduction	1	0
Unlawful Restraint- Sexual Motivation	0	1
Totals	8	11
EXTORTION		
Extortion	0	7
Totals	0	7
SEXUAL OFFENSES		
Attempt Rape	3	2
Rape	47	42
Attempt Gross Sexual Imposition	0	1
Gross Sexual Imposition	29	15
Sexual Imposition	5	11
Importuning	0	3
Public Indecency	8	8
Totals	92	82

	2018	2019
OBSCENITY		
Disseminate Material Harmful to Juv.	3	2
Pandering Obscenity-Prod. Material	2	0
Pandering Sexual Matter Inv. Minor	8	5
Pand Obscenity Inv. Minor-Matter	4	1
Ill. Use of Minor In Nudity/Perf.	0	2
Totals	17	10
PROPERTY CRIMES		
ARSON AND RELATED OFFENSES		
Aggravated Arson-Person	23	6
Aggravated Arson-Property	7	3
Complicity Aggravated Arson	0	2
Arson-Private Property	1	1
Arson- Public Property	1	6
Making Terroristic Threat	4	3
Totals	36	21
DISRUPTION, VANDALISM, DAMAGE		
Distrupt Transportation/Utility Serv.	1	1
Vandalism- Occupied	8	4
Vandalism-Unoccupied Structure	11	40
Complicity Vandalism	0	1
Attempt Vandalism	1	1
Criminal Damaging/Endangering	240	247
Criminal Mischief-Tampering	26	48
Criminal Mischief-Tear Gas	4	1
Criminal Mischief-Safety Device	3	1
Criminal Mischief- Fire	1	0
Vehicular Vandalism	3	2
Railroad Vandalism/Trespass	0	3
Totals	298	349
ROBBERY		
Aggravated Robbery	147	89
Aggravated Robbery- Law Officer	1	0
Complicity- Aggravated Robbery	5	3
Complicity-Robbery	2	1
Complicity-Att. Aggravated Robbery	2	0
Robbery	51	75
Totals	208	168
BURGLARY		
Aggravated Burglary	23	14
Burglary	108	65
Attempt Burglary	2	5
Breaking and Entering	47	69
Attempt Breaking and Entering	2	3
Complicity Breaking and Entering	0	1
Totals	182	157
TRESPASS		
Criminal Trespass	162	160
Aggravated Trespassing	3	9
Totals	165	169

	2018	2019
SAFE cracking		
Safecracking	0	3
Tamper with Coin Machine	3	0
Totals	3	3
THEFT AND FRAUD		
Identity Fraud	1	0
Totals	1	0
THEFT		
Aggravated Theft- Over \$150,000	0	1
Theft of Drugs	2	0
Grand Theft-Over \$7500	1	11
Grand Theft- Firearm/Dang. Ord.	6	18
Grand Theft- Over \$1000	13	17
Grand Theft Motor Vehicle	58	38
Attempt Grand Theft	0	1
Attempt Theft Under \$1000	6	9
Complicity- Grand Theft	3	1
Complicity- Theft Under \$1000	4	7
Theft-Elderly Person/Disabled Adult	3	5
Theft	493	448
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle	26	24
Unauthorized Use of Property	1	6
Telecommunications Fraud	0	1
Totals	616	587
PASSING BAD CHECKS		
Passing Bad Checks	0	1
Totals	0	1
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARDS		
Misuse Credit Card	10	22
Complicity Misuse Credit Card	0	1
Totals	10	23
FORGERY		
Forgery	7	0
Criminal Simulation	3	2
Totals	10	2
RECEIVING		
Receiving Stolen Property Under \$1000	29	21
Receiving Stolen Property- Ck, CC	6	7
Receiving Stolen Prop- >\$1k, Drug, Auto, Fire	144	133
Totals	179	161
PUBLIC ORDER CRIMES		
GAMBLING		
Gambling	0	1
Totals	0	1
CRIMES AGAINST PEACE		
Dissemination of Private Sexual Images	0	1
Inciting to Violence	5	0
Aggravated Riot	13	14
Riot- Four or More Others	2	2
Disorderly Conduct	363	366
Disorderly Conduct-Intoxicated	2	7
Misconduct at an Emergency	2	0
Telecommunications Harassment	18	22
Inducing Panic	43	40
Complicity-Inducing Panic	1	0
Making False Alarm	22	18
Totals	471	470

	2018	2019
CRIMES AGAINST FAMILY		
Endangering Children	2	7
Domestic Violence	267	299
Domestic Violence- Felony	8	11
Domestic Violence- Imminent Harm	48	49
Violation of a Protection Order	4	6
Totals	329	372
CRIMES AGAINST JUSTICE		
Failure to Disclose Personal Information	18	17
Initimidation	1	5
Falsification	75	61
Tampering with Evidence	16	12
Obstructing Official Business	340	326
Obstruction of Justice- Misdemeanor	0	1
Obstruction of Justice- Felony	0	1
Resisting Arrest	77	100
Resisting Arrest- Harm Officer	3	8
Resisting Arrest-Deadly Weapon	0	1
Failure to Comply with Police	6	7
Failure to Comply with Police- Felony	14	19
Fleeing, Eluding Police	13	13
Attempt Escape	1	0
Escape	15	8
Convey Weapon/Drug into Detention	4	1
Harassment by an Inmate	5	8
Totals	588	588
CONSPIRACY, ATTEMPT, COMPLICITY		
Attempt	7	5
Complicity	2	4
Totals	9	9
LIQUOR CONTROL LAW		
Possession of an Open Flask	1	3
Misrepresentation to Obtain	0	3
Consumption in a Motor Vehicle	0	1
Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor	1	2
Permitting Underage Alcohol Cons.	0	1
Poss., Consumption or Under Influence	40	57
Totals	42	67
MISCELLANEOUS CRIMES		
Fictitious License, ID Card	3	1
Stopping After Accident-Delinquency	0	1
Littering	2	0
Totals	5	2

	2018	2019
WEAPONS CONTROL		
Carry Concealed Weapon	58	55
Carry Concealed Weapon-Felony	3	4
Attempt Carry Concealed Weapon	0	1
Illegal Poss. Obj. Indistinct from Firearm	6	3
Poss/Con Weap /Ord School Safety	4	6
Weapon Under Disability	17	12
Use Weapon While Intoxicated	1	0
Improp. Handling Firearm in Mot. Veh.	4	2
Transport Loaded Firearm	12	10
Transport Unloaded Firearm	1	1
Improp. Disch. Firearm into School/Hab	1	1
Disch. Firearm on/near Prohib Premises	2	1
Disch. Firearm on/near Pub. Road/Hwy.	1	2
Possession of Dangerous Ordance	0	1
Underage Purchase of Firearm	2	3
Totals	132	115

DRUG OFFENSES		
Aggravated Trafficking Drugs	0	2
Trafficking Drugs	1	3
Trafficking Drugs near School	2	0
Trafficking Marijuana	5	2
Trafficking Marijuana near School	1	1
Trafficking Heroin	5	7
Trafficking Heroin near School	4	2
Trafficking Counterfeit Controlled Sub.	1	1
Possession of Hashish	2	1
Possession of Cocaine	12	8
Aggravated Possession of Drug	5	5
Drug Possession	13	30
Possession of Dangerous Drug	1	0
Possession of Heroin	5	8
Possession of Marijuana (<100 grams)	309	222
Possession of Marijuana (>100 grams)	1	4
Possession of Drug Abuse Instrument	1	0
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	35	42
Marijuan Drug Paraphernalia	64	33
Possession of Counterfeit Control Sub.	3	1
Drug Abuse Permitted in Vehicle	0	1
Illegally Processing Drug Document	1	0
Totals	476	380

	2018	2019
MISCELLANEOUS LOCAL CODES		
Aggravated Menacing- CMC	1	0
Spitting in a Public Place-CMC	1	2
Littering in a Public Place-CMC	3	3
Dangerous Drug Possession- CMC	0	1
Discharge of Firearm-CMC	0	3
Interfering with Traffic-CMC	0	1
Cruelty to Animals	0	1
Animals at Large	2	0
Improper Solicitation	0	1
Park Board After Hours (Rule 21)	0	2
Soliciting- Viol. State, Township	1	0
Totals	8	14

VIOLATIONS		
False Info-Underage Tobacco	1	3
Violation of Court Order (VCO)	6	20
Delinquency	3	2
VCO Curfew	94	78
VCO Incurrigible	91	115
VCO Placement	146	174
VCO Runaway	241	239
VCO Truancy	21	11
VCO Tobacco	1	3
Totals	617	645

MOTIONS FOR PROBATION/PAROLE VIOLATIONS (BY FILING)		
Pre-Trial Release (EMU)	104	152
Probation Violations (EMU Included)	572	499
Community Control (Adult PV)	10	1
Parole Violations	25	21
Work Detail Violations	43	15

MOTIONS FOR PROBATION/PAROLE VIOLATIONS (BY Unique Youth)		
Pre-Trial Release (EMU)	70	97
Probation Violations (EMU Included)	311	263
Community Control (Adult PV)	10	1
Parole Violations	21	17
Work Detail Violations	37	14

Unruly Complaints by Type

	2018	2019
Habitual Truancy	95	241
Incorrigible	153	137
Runaway	584	568
Tobacco	2	2
Unruly	47	26
Totals	881	974

Curfew Violations

Anderson Twp	0	0
Blue Ash	0	0
Cheviot	2	0
Cincinnati	72	58
Colerain Twp	16	8
Deer Park	0	1
Delhi Twp	12	1
Elmwood Pl	1	6
Forest Park	10	4
Greenhills	0	1
Harrison	2	3
Loveland	3	7
Madeira	0	1
Montgomery	0	0
Mt. Healthy	3	11
Newtown	0	2
North Bend	0	0
North College Hill	2	20
Norwood	4	12
Reading	4	4
Springfield Twp.	6	1
St. Bernard	1	7
Sycamore Township	0	0
Wyoming	2	0
Totals	140	149

Daytime Curfew Violations

Cincinnati	29	27
Greenhills	2	0
Mt. Healthy	0	1
North College Hill	1	0
Norwood	1	3
Reading	1	1
Springfield Twp	6	3
Totals	40	35

Juvenile Traffic Complaints by Type

	2018	2019
Licensing of Motor Vehicle	47	32
Certificate of Motor Veh. Title Law	1	0
Drivers License Law	53	51
Driver License Suspension	18	17
Driving Under Suspension	20	24
Financial Responsibility	0	1
Operating Vehicle w/o Valid License	307	302
Operation of Motor Vehicle	1540	1548
Equipment, Loads	147	111
Registration Required	0	1
Motor Vehicle Crimes	56	49
Traffic Violations	4	6
Traffic Signals	24	36
Pedestrian Violations	4	9
Changing Course of Vehicle	51	45
Local Ordinance	210	230
Total	2482	2462

Adult Misdemeanor Complaints by Type

	2018	2019
Aid, Abet, Contribute to Del./Unruly	11	5
Endanger Child-Adult	6	6
Failure to Send Child to School	52	148
Tending to Cause- Fail. To Send	6	13
Interfere w/Custody Under 18-Adult	3	0
Total	78	172

Behavioral Health Services Data

	2018	2019
Assessments & Evaluations		
Amenability	35	27
Competency	159	197
Psychological	89	114
Threat Assessment	11	31
Risk Assessment (Sex Offender) Diagnostic	31	4
Youth Center Crisis Response	3182	1808
Priority 1	137	168
Priority 2	200	108
Priority 3	1131	936
Priority 4	1568	478
On Call Responses	146	118
Competency Attainment Plans	223	308
Outpatient Individual and Family Counseling Cases	776	567

Probation Referral Statistics

REFERRING OFFENSES	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Felony	332	381	316	253	351
Misdemeanors*	284	238	260	212	201
Violation of Court Orders	27	26	15	7	5
Unruly	11	7	7	3	3
Traffic	4	5	6	8	2

*NOTE: This data can include youth with prior felony adjudications from a previous year.

TERMINATIONS VS. TRANSFERS	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Unique Youth who Term. at P.I.	158	118	127	134	89
Total Unique Youth who Transfer into Prob.	286	336	283	222	269

REFERRALS TO PROBATION BY OFFENSE	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Arson	3	2	7	7	10
Assaults	58	57	70	44	68
Attempt, Complicity, Conspiracy	23	32	46	33	2
Burglary	103	115	74	44	61
Disruption, Vandalism, Damaging, Endangering	10	13	9	6	24
Drug Offenses	31	36	21	13	20
Forgery/Fraud	0	0	0	1	1
Habitual / Chronic Truancy	9	3	0	0	2
Homicide	1	0	1	2	1
Kidnapping	0	1	0	2	1
Liquor Control	3	3	1	0	3
Menacing	12	9	5	11	10
Miscellaneous Offenses	0	0	0	0	0
Misuse of Credit Cards	1	0	1	1	2
Nonsupport and Child Endang.	0	0	21	9	3
Obscenity	0	2	0	2	6
Offenses Against Family	35	29	15	19	48
Offenses Against Justice	13	33	39	18	37
Offenses Against Peace	28	28	23	26	27
Prostitution	0	0	0	0	0
Receiving*	21	36	64	0	0
Robbery	63	86	54	46	55
Safecracking	2	0	0	0	0
Sexual Offenses	18	30	25	22	30
Theft and Theft Misc.	45	53	59	58	87
Traffic Related Offenses	2	8	7	11	4
Trespass	8	2	4	7	2
Violations of Court Orders	35	26	33	16	6
Weapons Offenses	44	46	55	30	46
Cruelty to Animals	2	0	0	0	0
Interstate Compact Supervision	11	11	15	11	8

*Receiving referrals now counted in "Theft and Theft Misc." categories for 2018.

AGE AT REFERRAL	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
8	0	0	0	0	2*
9	1	0	0	1	5*
10	4	0	0	2	9
11	8	7	6	8	19
12	24	20	30	31	12
13	50	44	57	46	13
14	93	101	72	65	96
15	124	115	95	73	100
16	123	142	122	99	100
17	134	130	136	100	118
18	75	76	73	65	0
19	3	4	4	5	0
20 and over	19	18	27	11	5

*Youth were referred to Probation for a competency evaluation.

Youth Center Detention Data (Duplicate Youth)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
INTAKES	5,153	4,352	4,054	3,765	3,726
ADMISSIONS	1,622	1,604	1,481	1,406	1,227
DIVERTED	3,531	2,748	2,573	2,359	2,499
AVG. LENGTH OF STAY*	18.75	19.54	28.61	26.79	24.31
Without SB 337 Youth	11.69	14.04	18.62	18.01	17.36
AVG. DAILY POPULATION*	81	101	109	98	88.00
Without SB 337 Youth	67	76	84	78	71.75

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

Probation Residential Placement Totals

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Total Residential Placements for Probation-referred Youth	90	118	123	75	80

5-Year DYS Commitment Data

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
TOTAL COMMITMENTS					
By Unique Youth	61	42	47	46	40
Mandatory Gun Spec.	41	18	25	23	15
Discretionary Gun Spec.	8	6	6	5	6
Gun Spec. Totals	49	24	31	28	21
By Case	116	94	124	146	91
Mandatory Gun Spec.	53	26	35	35	22
Discretionary Gun Spec.	9	7	9	5	9
Gun Spec. Totals	62	33	44	40	31
RECOMMITMENTS					
By Unique Youth	3	4	3	4	0
By Case	3	6	3	4	0
PAROLE REVOCATIONS					
By Unique Youth	6	1	6	6	4
By Case	9	1	7	7	7

DYS Commitment and Recommitment Totals by Felony Offense Level

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
BY CASE					
Murder/Agg. Murder	0	0	0	0	0
Felony 1	24	19	29	20	14
Felony 2	25	13	9	13	10
Felony 3	7	5	8	9	9
Felony 4	12	5	4	5	6
Felony 5	1	2	0	1	1
Totals	69	44	50	48	40

Total Bindovers (Transfers to Adult Court)

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
By Unique Youth	24	17	30	33	19
By Case	39	60	124	96	48

*NOTE: Annual data is updated to reflect changes in the transfer dates of cases after State vs. Aalim, 150 Ohio St.3d 463, 2016-Ohio-8278. Data may change from year to year dependent on final finding of a case. Cases and unique youth totals are counted by the year in which the case decision was made.