## **Juvenile Justice Community Intervention Program**

## **Summary of County Evaluations for SFY 2015**

<u>Authority</u>: Section 301.263, Wis. Stats., authorizes the Department of Corrections to allocate \$3,712,500 in general purposes revenue on a state fiscal year basis to counties for early intervention services to first-time juvenile offenders and intensive community-based intervention services for seriously chronic offenders. A statutory formula allocates grant funds based on each county's proportion of the statewide total of juvenile arrests for Part I violent offenses, placements of juveniles in state secured correctional facilities, and juvenile arrests for Part I offenses. To obtain funding, counties must submit plans for approval by the state, including measurable objectives for their programs. At the end of the grant period, counties must evaluate their programs and report the results to the Department.

## **SFY 2015 Program Results**

The results of the state fiscal year 2015 Community Intervention Program funds that supported programs and activities are summarized below. There are numerous model programs that have existed for many years under this funding. Counties have initiated and continued the following successful programs to serve youth and families. In FY 2015, many counties have continued these programs. Contact information for each county is listed for your convenience. We encourage you to utilize these contacts in the on-going development of the continuum of services to youth and families in your communities. Thank you all!

<u>County</u>	SFY 2015 Allocation	<b>Contact Person/Phone</b>
<b>Adams County</b>	\$9,260	Kelly Oleson (608) 339-4505

INTENSIVE PEER MENTORING. Adams County used these funds to help support an intensive peer mentoring program that the county is involved in along with two neighboring counties. The program serves youth ages 14-17 that are considered high risk. It is designed to reduce repeat offenders, target first time offenders, and youth at risk of out-of-home placement. The program was able to serve eight youth. One of the youth reoffended after receiving these services.

Ashland County	\$10,090	Terry Barningham
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INTENSIVE IN-HOME SERVICES / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. During the reporting period, program funds were utilized to provide intensive in-home family therapy to seven families. All of the juveniles involved were new to the juvenile justice system. All of the juveniles were residing in their parental home, with all youth at a significant risk of placement. Three youth received electronic monitoring services and were monitored via random drug screens as ordered by the court. All three youth showed significant compliance with his court order. No youth received mentoring services during this reporting period due to a lack of available mentors. One youth did receive an assessment and was provided with recommendations for follow-up services at home.

## **Barron County** \$12,990

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM. The intent of this program is to decrease the number of youth entering the juvenile justice system as a result of habitual truancy and at-risk behaviors, in addition to overcoming any barriers in the educational process. Four hundred fifty-two youth, in six school districts and one alternative school, were served during this reporting period. Eighty-three percent of the students served were diverted from entering the juvenile justice system. The ability to identify need and attempt interventions for families has increased due to the improved relationship between Barron Co. DHHS and the participating school districts.

**Bayfield County** 

\$1,940

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CASE MANAGEMENT / TEEN COURT PANEL. Bayfield County has implemented the evidence based Juvenile Assessment Inventory System (JAIS), to identify the criminogenic needs of the youth. This tool identifies appropriate supervision techniques and strategies for case management. Bayfield County workers use JAIS to assist workers in providing the best possible case management for each youth and prevent or reduce out-of-home placements. These youth are placed on either deferred prosecution agreements or consent decrees and given reward incentives for positive changes in their behavior. Sixty-eight youth were referred during this grant period. Nine of these youth were placed on a deferred prosecution agreement. The Teen Court Panel will provide positive peer support, pressure and mentoring to the delinquent youth during the Teen Court process. The Teens Court panelist will attend the monthly program and will provide a supportive atmosphere for changing the delinquent behaviors. Teen Court heard four cases.

**Brown County** 

\$100,540

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING. In Brown County, the Electronic Monitoring/Report Center program serves at risk youth and their families by providing direct accountability and structure and includes the electronic monitor device installed and monitored, EM groups, and UA screens to monitor AODA use. Goals of the Electronic Monitoring Program are to decrease out-of-home placements and have a reduction in AODA use. Programming includes weekly groups, individual sessions at the youth's current placement, and with collateral stakeholder contacts important to the youth's support system. The program also runs throughout the summer during day time hours for group/individual work, and family meetings. Monthly case reviews are conducted with the youth, family, and all assigned social workers to evaluate the youth's progress. Cases are also staffed in monthly team meetings. In most if not all cases, the referred youth are living in the community and not in out-of-home placement. The program is normally recommended by the case worker and then ordered by the Juvenile Court Judge per the dispositional order. Forty-two youth were served during this reporting period. Thirty-four of the forty-two youth were able to remain in their current placement, not needing a higher level placement. The concept continues to be a strong community based intervention for serving delinquent youth in Brown County as a strategy to target early intense delinquent behavior or as re-entry back into the community from an out-of-home placement.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE. Burnett County contracts with the Burnett County Restorative Justice Program to provide a variety of restorative justice programs to the youth of Burnett County. The programs are for all first time offenders to participate in restorative justice through one or more of the following: operation safe exchange program, victim impact panels, victim offender conferencing, and restorative community service projects. Two youth participated in the operation safe exchange program, sixteen youth participated in the victim impact panels, five youth participated in restorative community service projects and eighteen youth participated in AODA Education Programming. Restorative Justice has developed a positive reputation within Burnett County as working towards preventing criminal behavior within the communities through education, accountability, and developing empathy for the victims of crimes.

**Calumet County** 

\$5,810

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FAMILY TRAINING PROGRAM / ELECTRONIC MONITORING / EDUCATIONAL SERVICES. The purpose of these services has been to focus on strengthening a family's ability to address the needs of their child in their own home with community supervision. One family received services during this reporting period. Services to the family included family training, parenting skills education, and enhancing the family's ability to identify natural supports available to them within their own families and in the community. All of the children involved remained in their own home. In addition, five youth were put on electronic monitoring. All five youth were able to maintain their community placement. Eleven youth participated in the Choices 4 Change group. A survey was given at the end of the fourteen weeks and most youth rated the group high and expressed satisfaction with the information shared and gained by them.

**Chippewa County** 

\$18,250

Rose Baier (715) 726-7798

DELINQUENT SOCIAL WORKER POSITION. A Youth Support and Staff Services position was maintained to keep costs and caseloads at a manageable level. Workers provide supervision and services to youth and families. Without this funding, the county feels that they would not be able to maintain current staffing levels in the delinquency team and out-of-home placements would have continued to escalate. The smaller caseloads have also allowed workers to identify and develop resources that are evidence-based. Workers are using the Carey Brief Case Modules to enhance their practice, as well as the COMPAS Youth assessment tool.

**Clark County** 

\$3,260

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION AND SERVICES. Social Service Aides were used to provide intensive supervision and services to first time and chronic offenders placed on supervision, while also promoting positive thinking patterns with the juvenile population. The Social Service Aides provide regular contact with the youth and family to deter further delinquent activities. Funds were utilized to provide drug screens, electronic monitoring, assessments to the youth and family, in-home therapy, and other services to enhance the family's ability to meet the needs of their juvenile in the home and community. Two different drug screens options were purchased, with five youth being monitored through these screens. One youth was able to remain in the community due to electronic monitoring services. One youth received assessment services to

aid in their supervision and treatment. One youth was provided an incentive gift card for sustained improvement in behavior. Several families were provided transportation assistance and gas cards. Two families were provided additional services to enhance their ability to meet the needs of their youth while in the home.

**Columbia County** 

\$23,610

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IN-HOME THERAPY / MENTOR SERVICES. Columbia County's early intervention program objectives are to reduce referrals for truancy, behavioral problems, law violations, problems at home, and runaway incidents by strengthening the family's ability to cope with the youth's issues and resolve family problems. Twelve youth were served this reporting period. Three youth received in-home therapy services, as provided by Foundations Counseling Center, Inc. Nine youth received services from a mentoring program, as provided by Northwoods, Inc.

**Crawford County** 

\$1,230

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INTENSIVE IN-HOME SERVICES. Funding was used for the REPACK Program. This program is a collaborative effort with the Prairie du Chien Recreation Dept., Juvenile Court, and Crawford County DHS. The purpose of the program is to improve social skills, build friendships, improve self-esteem, learn team building and have fun thru participation in recreational and team building activities. Referral criteria is at risk males who are first time offenders or have had minimal contact with the juvenile system and may be experiencing difficulties at school with academics, behavior, and/or social program. Only two sessions were held this funding period due to the availability of the instructor. Twenty-one youth participated in the two sessions. Of the twenty-one youth, twelve completed the program and ten had sporadic attendance. None of the youth that completed the program had further contact with law enforcement. Funding was also used to provide in-home counseling for an at risk female for a full month and part of another.

**Dane County** 

\$371,360

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NEIGHBORHOOD INTERVENTION PROGRAM / INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM / REINTEGRATION SERVICES. The Neighborhood Intervention Program (NIP) includes services in the Right Track Plus and Right Track Second Chance Programs, and a Report Center. NIP serves primarily African-American youth at very high risk of residential or secure placements. Almost ninety-eight percent of the ninety-four youth served in NIP were diverted from correctional placement; 84% had no new law violation charges, and 79% showed dramatic improvement in school performance (grades, attendance and behavior). NIP also serves youth under a statutory ISP program. There have been 168 youth served since The Operation Fresh Start (OFS) program provided twenty delinquent youth with specialized employment, training, and educational services in addition to counseling and health services. This program has been highly effective in reintegrating youth returning to the community from residential and correctional placements. Eight-one percent of the youth served committed no new law violations. The Briarpatch Intensive Supervision Services (ISS) served 106 serious juvenile offenders through their intensive supervision program. They received court supervision, individual, group, and family services, and educational support. Eighty-three percent of youth served through ISS had no new referrals and 93% were diverted from institutional care. The Alternatives to Aggression Program served thirty-five aggressive delinquent youth through assessments and training on skills and attitudes. During this funding period,

SOPORT opened fourteen cases and closed twenty cases for youth with sexual offending behaviors. These services included assessments, individual therapy, family therapy and group therapy. Of the twenty cases closed, all were successful completions without engaging in a new sexual offense. A total of 4,396 staff hours were spent providing services to youth and their families. The Youth Gang Prevention/Intervention Services was created in response to growing community youth gang recruitment and violence problems. Thirty gang involved court supervised youth participated in specially designed summer employment options, which provided over 2,100 hours of work service experience. "Wrap Around" services were provided to one hundred one unduplicated youth to prevent institution placement or to reintegrate youth more effectively following institutional placement. Services included mentoring, intensive supervision, in-home therapy, private mental health and AODA therapy, respite care, and after school programs. These services were implemented in both emergency and pre-planned situations.

**Dodge County** \$19,530 Alyssa Schultz (920) 386-3492

CRISIS TEAM / EMERGENCY MEDIATION SERVICES. Referrals for families in crisis are made to the Intake Unit of the Human Services Department. The objectives of this service are to send in a crisis team as soon as possible to keep the child safely in the home, reduce continued minor infractions that could lead to more serious problems, and prevent out-of-home placements of the child throughout the three months of services. The team contacts families by phone and the therapist and social worker go to see the families immediately following the reported problems. Sixty-three families were served. This program has proven to be one of the most effective programs available to the Intake Unit and has led to a decreased need for placement outside of the home.

**Door County** \$1,330 Doreen Goddard (920) 746-2316

LEADERSHIP BY CHOICE. Door County partnered with the Leadership Center to implement the Leadership by Choice Program. This program was developed to address community protection, competency building and accountability. It is designed to physically and mentally challenge the youth in a team environment that creates an atmosphere of self-awareness, strengths/weaknesses, and how to overcome barriers to healthy relationships and community involvement. The Leadership by Choice Program had twelve participants. Three participants had a new juvenile referral. This program and youth participation have brought a different perspective in addressing juvenile justice and awareness to the numerous systems involved with juvenile justice and has provided an alternative to incarceration.

**Douglas County** \$12,500 Cindy Ellefson (715) 395-1487

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP), as defined in statute, provides services for up to ten youth at one time. Services include daily contact with the juvenile, weekly contact with the family and school officials, counseling, home detention, electronic monitoring, community service, and educational tutoring. The objectives are to reduce recidivism, achieve an education, hold youth accountable, and maintain the youth in the family home. During this reporting period, ten youth participated in ISP. Nine youth successfully completed the program. Four youth received one or more 72-hour holds as a consequence for rule violations. One youth was placed in residential treatment as a result of an unsuccessful discharge from ISP. Four youth completed court ordered community service hours and eight youth demonstrated improved school behavior and attendance. Schools, families and the community are supportive

of the program as a result of improved school behavior and attendance, supporting community safety, increasing youth's accountability, and enhancing the youth's competency.

**Dunn County** \$5,290 Carrie Anderson (715) 231-2751

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION. Funding was used to contract with a worker from House Calls, Inc. to provide intensive supervision services for high risk juvenile offenders. Twenty-five youth were served in a weekly group. The youth received skill building activities, including the BITS, participated in prosocial activities and community service projects. Of the total twenty-five youth served, one was briefly in an out-of-home placement, but worked with a mentor during that time. These services are critical to juvenile supervision staff in assisting in holding the youth accountable.

**Eau Claire County** \$53,580 Hannah Keller (715) 839-1658

THINKING FOR A CHANGE / AGGRESSION REPLACEMENT TRAINING. Both Thinking for a Change and Aggression Replacement Training groups target youth ages 12-18 with approximately 10-12 youth participating in each group. Youth may participate if they are chronic offenders or first time offenders. The youth involved in the groups include youth who are on court orders and voluntary cases open through Eau Claire County Department of Human Services for services. Youth receiving services through Juvenile Court Intake are also included (primarily youth on Deferred Prosecution Agreements). If necessary youth can and will be court ordered to complete the group. Goals for both programs include holding youth accountable as evidenced by successful completion of the group, increasing youth pro-social skills, as evidenced by active participation in group role-plays and measured by self-evaluation of accomplishments, and reducing juvenile participants' recidivism rates for crimes.

Five youth completed the Thinking for a Change group. Of the five, only two have been referred to Juvenile Court for a criminal offense. This group has shown success with some of the more difficult youth. Four youth completed the Aggression Replacement Training group. Two of the five have received a new juvenile referral. Since implementing these programs in the school setting, the relationship between the school and the Department have improved and positive relationships have been formed between the facilitators and group participants.

**Fond du Lac County** \$48,200 Jamie Sigafus (920) 929-3080

INTENSIVE COUNTY AFTERCARE PROGRAM. Services to juveniles released from Juvenile Correctional Institutions and Type 2 RCC placements are provided with a "whatever it takes" service model philosophy to transition the youth back into the community. These services include, but are not limited to: Galow Group Home, electronic monitoring, report center, groups, independent living program, community service, restitution, AODA counseling, intensive in-home therapy, transitional living facility, and other educational services. Intensive Aftercare services (including transitional living programming, electronic monitoring, etc.) were coordinated for twelve youth in various placements. The agency continues to be involved in developing and implementing all intensive aftercare case and discharge plans for youth in all correctional and Type 2 RCC placements. None of the eleven youth receiving services reoffended. Recidivism was reduced among the youth by 100%.

\$3,460

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FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES. A variety of services are used in Grant County to target delinquent youth and their families. Services include: RESPITE or other services used to assist in reunification, educational and experiential learning opportunities, and tools and resources to enhance monitoring and compliance. The goal of these services are to both reduce delinquency based out-of-home and correctional placements and reduce the recidivism rates of young offenders. Equipment was purchased for one family to participate in an outdoor experiential learning camp. Six youth were able to avoid placement due to electronic monitoring. Fifteen families benefited from financial assistance related to assessing services.

**Green County** 

\$4,690

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING / INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM / DRUG SCREENS. Four youth received electronic monitoring services. Only one of the four youth required an out-of-home placement. None of the youth reoffended. Nineteen youth received drug screens. The Ron Glodoski Program was not held during this reporting period due to no referrals. Two youth received intensive supervision programming. Neither of these youth reoffended.

**Green Lake County** 

\$2,230

Susan Sleezer (920) 294-4070

SUMMER YOUTH GROUP / MENTORING / ROPES COURSE / ELECTRONIC MONTORING. Six youth engaged in the summer youth program and participated in Equine therapy through "Mihala's Hope." The youth also participated in group therapy activities, with a primary focus on prevention, group process, problem-solving and social skill development. Green Lake County contracts with Big Brothers Big Sisters for mentoring services. Twenty-two youth received this service. Six youth participated in the ROPES course offered through the Berlin School District. Eight youth were put on GPS monitoring for the period of the grant. One youth was placed in out-of-home care.

**Iowa County** 

\$3,880

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MENTORING PROGRAM. For this funding period, Iowa County chose to provide mentoring services using staff within the county. A focus continues on developing the volunteer side of the program and due to these efforts, three new mentors were added. Three youth were served in this program. The mentoring program focused on reducing delinquency and recidivism (100% success rate), improving academic performance (100% success rate), reduction of school dropouts (100% success rate), and reducing illegal substance abuse (100% success rate) within the year of service. The mentor-to-youth connections are strong and it is anticipated that the mentors will play a significant role in transitioning these youth back to their parental home. A significant benefit of the mentor is their ability to observe patterns of behavior in the youth served or issues within the family due to their high level of contact.

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EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES. Iron County utilized these funds to provided early intervention services for youth ages 12-17 who are at risk of a truancy referral from the schools. Iron County has long recognized the need to be more proactive with youth who are at risk of a truancy referral to the Juvenile Justice system. Community coordination includes the schools, courts, law enforcement and service providers. Prior to the referral or as part of the referral, the identified youth will be referred to a CST Team process. The CST team will provide a comprehensive assessment and develop an individualized plan utilizing a wraparound approach. Funds will be used for mentors to work with the youth, their families and the CST teams. Four youth were served during this funding period and made improvements in school, at home and in the community.

**Jackson County** 

\$5,930

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TURANCY PREVENTION PROGRAM / DRUG TESTING / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. Jackson County HHS collaborates with the Black River Falls School District to reduce the rate of truancy. The goal of the Truancy Prevention Program is to decrease absenteeism and truancy problems within the school by working closely with school personal to actively address unexcused absences and patterns of excessive absenteeism, excused and unexcused. Staff work to identify youth that have struggled with attendance in the past and provide them with incentives for maintaining good attendance or eliminating truancy issues. Six youth were served in this program. Four demonstrated improved attendance and had no new law enforcement referrals. The Juvenile Court utilizes AODA assessments to identify any AODA issues and the necessary level of treatment. Fifteen youth were given AODA assessments and drug tests. Six of the fifteen youth continued to test positive for drugs and one youth reoffended and was placed out-of-home. Electronic monitoring is used to keep youth in the least restrictive setting prior to need for an out-of-home placement. Ten youth were put on electronic monitoring and seven of the ten youth were able to remain in the community in their homes.

**Jefferson County** 

\$74,050

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JUVENIEL JUSTICE COMMUNITY OUTREACH / INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. Juvenile Justice Community Outreach Workers emphasize the balanced and restorative justice principles of accountability, competency development and community safety, and collaborate with the Restorative Justice Program to address the needs of first time offenders by making referrals to the "First Offenders Group" run by the Opportunities, Inc. Juvenile Justice Community Outreach Workers also provide co-facilitation of group activities and community outreach programming for first offenders. Juvenile Justice Community Outreach workers create goals with the youth and caregivers that strengthen and improve social skills, stabilize crisis, decrease negative behaviors, improve self-esteem and help youth make positive personal choices. The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) facilitates evidence-based programming, such as Aggression Replacement Training (ART) and Juvenile Cognitive Intervention Program (JCIP), and provides direct services to high level offenders with mental health, AODA or sexual offending needs. In addition to co-facilitating groups when necessary, ISP workers are instrumental in following up with high level youth receiving these programs to review the skills learned, complete/review homework with them and re-teach concepts that the youth may not have grasped in the formal class setting. Thirty-seven youth participated in ISP. Twenty-seven of these youth remained in their home. Behavior referrals in school and school suspensions decreased while youth received ISP services. Overall, youth truancy was reduced, academics

and relationships improved, youth displayed increased self-worth, and the use of community resources by families served increased. Eighteen youth participated in Aggression Replacement, AODA or social skills groups or individual counseling with transportation was provided.

**Juneau County** 

\$8,660

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WRAPAROUND SERVICES / TRUANCY INTERVENTION PROGRAM. One youth was served through the Family Partnership Initiative Program, which uses intensive case management, mentoring and therapeutic services. This youth remained in his current placement. The Truancy Intervention Program worked with eight youth and their families. None of their truancy referrals turned into delinquency referrals. All of these youth remained in their homes. Collaboration with schools, law enforcement, extended family members and other agencies in the treatment approach contributed to the success.

**Kenosha County** 

\$115,210

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION. The Intensive Supervision Youth Competency Program is designed to address the needs of youth adjudicated by juvenile courts, whose problematic behavior put them at risk for an out-of-home placement. This program uses the concepts of positive youth development to provide services to help youth successfully complete their supervision, commit no new delinquent acts, improve decision making, and assist parents in establishing clear, consistent rules and age appropriate expectations. Goals include decreasing involvement in negative activity, improving functioning in home or substitute care, improving behavior in the school setting, ensuring compliance with court orders and involvement in pro-social activities. One hundred twenty-five youth were served during this funding period. All of the six goals within the four desired outcomes were achieved.

**Kewaunee County** 

\$2,440

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING. Electronic monitoring is used as an alternative to secure detention either pre or post dispositional, and as a condition of the dispositional order. Four youth were placed on electronic monitoring for a total of 749 hours. Three of the four youth successfully completed the EM Program. Electronic monitoring is well accepted by all members of the Kewaunee County Juvenile Justice System, as well as by law enforcement, the Department of Human Services, the District Attorney's Office, and the Court.

La Crosse County

\$45,890

Mandy Bisek (608) 785-6216

ACUTE PROTECTIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. Acute Protective Supervision Program (APSP) is a multi-faceted intensive tracking program which combines monitoring and tracking services with the aid of GPS monitoring bracelets, with skill building and cognitive restructuring through the use of one-on-one EPICS sessions and Carey Guides tools, as well as participation in the Thinking for a Change group. Program goals include reducing recidivism, providing consistent accountability, and exposing youth to cognitive behavioral skills to assist them in making positive life changes. Fifteen youth participated in APSP. La Crosse County has seen a reduction of referrals for those fifteen youth, with five of the fifteen remaining

crime free. Eight youth were discharged from the program this reporting period. Five of the eight successfully completed the program. The fifteen youth involved received 2,408 face-to-face contacts. A total of two hundred thirty-eight cognitive behavioral interventions were provided to youth, including Thinking for a Change and EPIC.

**Lafayette County** 

\$2,760

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INTENSIVE MONITORING SERVICES / CORRECTIVE THINKING GROUP. The target group for monitoring services includes youth on deferred prosecutions and adjudicated delinquents. The program components consist of sporadic unscheduled curfew calls to juveniles under court ordered rules of supervision, face-to-face contact, in-home counseling services, and a step system response process for rule violations. Goals of this service include a compliance of rules, no further delinquent acts, taking responsibilities for one's behavior, and the juvenile and family working to improve anger management skills, parenting skills and participation in positive family activities. Thirty-three youth received monitoring services. Twenty-six youth complied with the rules of supervision and twenty-eight youth did not commit further delinquent acts while participating in the program.

The Corrective Thinking group targets adjudicated delinquents and voluntary clients. Program components include group sessions, individual work in workbooks, and information presented in written, oral, and video fashion. There were ten youth that participated in this group. Seven youth complied with their rules of supervision, eight youth did not commit further delinquent acts while participating in the group and five youth were able to internalize the concepts of the group and make responsible pro-social day-to-day decisions.

**Langlade County** 

\$10,080

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING. The Electronic Monitoring Program provides community-based accountability and delinquency prevention. It allows the county to hold youth accountable, but also keep the youth in the community to receive counseling, succeed in school and maintain or gain employment. The Electronic Monitoring Program also provides another alternative to sanctions, rather than using detention facilities which will reduce cost of placements. Goals of the program include preventing further delinquencies from adjudicated and pre-adjudicated youth, including a decrease in violations of supervision, and reducing or prevention adolescent drug use. Twenty-seven youth participated in the program for a total of 1,302 days of monitoring. Only one juvenile absconded from the program. Cost savings totaled over \$195,300. Eighty-eight drug screens were given.

**Lincoln County** 

\$28,520

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ADOLESCENT DRUG TESTING PROGRAM / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. A drug testing program was used for monitoring formal and informal delinquent and JIPS cases for offenders with drug offenses and/or who are at risk for drug abuse. Counseling and corrective thinking training was offered to most juveniles who tested positive for illegal drug use. Sixty-six drug tests were administered to thirty-three youth. Sixteen drug tests were positive for illegal drugs. The juveniles who produced the positive drug tests were all immediately held accountable. The drug testing program helps to enhance the working relationship between

the agency workers, the juvenile, and the juvenile's family. Nine juveniles were placed on electronic monitoring. None of the nine juveniles required an out-of-home placement.

**Manitowoc County** 

\$38,580

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. The objectives for the Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) include placement prevention, eliminating further delinquent behavior, increased school attendance, an improvement in grades, completing court ordered community service or restitution payment, and a demonstration of positive behavior in the community. To meet these objectives, the ISP workers maintain daily contact, use electronic monitoring, provide counseling, find recreational activities, and individualize treatment as needed. During this reporting period, thirteen juveniles were involved in the program. Eighty-four percent of the youth had a new referral to juvenile court. Ninety-two percent were not placed outside of the home. Seventy-two percent completed their restorative justice obligations. The ISP Coordinator also works with local schools to deter truancy and behavioral problems while increasing early intervention and accountability.

**Marathon County** 

\$54,420

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION / INTENSIVE AFTERCARE PROGRAM. Intensive Supervision Services (ISS) provides daily contact with youth, both in the home and within the school setting. Treatment plans are created and work with the identified criminogenic needs. Staff also model and teach pro-social behaviors. Services through SHOCAP, the intensive aftercare program, are provided for youth who are either being discharged from Lincoln Hills or as an intervention prior to having a youth go to Lincoln Hills or into residential placement. This is a highly structured program that is provided by a contract provider in collaboration with the Department of Social Services and the police departments located in Marathon County. As part of each of these programs, random urine analysis is completed and the electronic monitor can be used as both a sanction and or a tool to provide structure to limit the possibility of further delinquent behaviors. The goal of this service is to reduce delinquent acts and help youth make better choices. Seventytwo youth were referred to the ISS program. Thirty-eight of the seventy-two youth had a new law enforcement referral while receiving services. Twenty-eight of the sixty youth who were administered UAs and a negative result. Fifty-five youth participated in the electronic monitoring program for twenty-one days or more. Of the fifty-five, twenty-three had a new law violation. Thirty-seven of the fifty-five youth completed the program. As a result of these programs, many positive relationships have been established with other agencies including the school system and mental health facilities. The Intensive Supervision and Aftercare Programs have been able to offer evidence based education groups to the youth they work with.

**Marinette County** 

\$9,650

June Kruse (715) 732-7738

SPECIALIZED SUPERVISION. This program focuses on juvenile delinquents who need specialized supervision, placement on electric monitoring and intense weekly contact with a social worker. In addition, electric monitoring will be used for habitual runaways at risk for secure/correctional placement. Eight youth utilized electronic monitoring for a period of time and all eight were able to remain in the community through the use of electric monitoring and specialized supervision services. Twelve different youth were able to be reintegrated into the community and family homes after utilizing the county's group home and specialized supervision services. No youth were placed at Lincoln Hills School.

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YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM. Marquette County Department of Human Services provides the Youth Mentoring Program to juveniles, aged 13-17, considered at-risk for juvenile justice involvement. These youth receive one-on-one mentoring services, along with opportunities for social, recreational and community service activities with the mentor and one or more of their peers. Group-based activities are viewed as having many skill-enhancing effects for youth in the areas of decision-making, anger management, and communication. The Youth Mentor also worked with the parents of these youth to promote positive interactions and parental involvement. Twenty-eight group activities were offered during this reporting period. Twenty-two youth were served in the Youth Mentoring Program. Of the fourteen youth that completed the pre/post survey, all showed some improvement in their social skills, their ability to follow guidelines, their general behavior and their willingness to participate in the activities provided.

**Menominee County** 

\$8,230

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FIRST-TIME OFFENDER PROGRAM / SERIOUSLY CHRONIC OFFENDER PROGRAM. The First-Time Offender Program components include outpatient substance abuse and/or mental health assessments and counseling services to youth referred to the agency for juvenile court intake services as "First Offenders" who have been identified as having substance abuse issues as well as school attendance/truancy concerns and/or are displaying behavioral problems in the school setting. Five youth were provided with services, with sixty percent actively participating in the recommended services. Supportive services are provided to serious chronic offenders. Three of these youth received services, with twenty-three actively participating in the services provided. These programs remain an integral part of the continuum of services available to juveniles in this county.

**Milwaukee County** 

\$1,621,720

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FIRST TIME JUVENILE OFFENDER PROGRAM / FOCUS / SUPERVISION ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM / COMMUNITY ACCOUNTABILITY PANELS. This highly successful First Time Juvenile Offender Program (FTJOP) continues to target youth ages 10-16 who are encountering their first referral to court for a criminal offense, have had a prior petition dismissed without adjudication, or are referred as a juvenile in need of services. Support and counseling services are provided with the primary goal of elimination of further criminal behavior. The program staff coordinates and monitors completion of community service and letters of apology to victims. The program received one hundred sixty-eight initial referrals, which are then screened for appropriateness. FTJOP served one hundred seventy youth this year (sixty-five from the previous year, one hundred five new). Youth are screened and evaluated for needed services within the FTJOP network that would most benefit them. Families are actively involved in program planning and play a critical role in reporting academic achievements and attendance. FTJOP services range from tracking and monitoring services, AODA, family counseling and support, mentoring, life skills education, recreation, and restitution completion. Seventy-six of the one hundred sixteen youth that were discharged this reporting period successfully completed the program.

The FOCUS Program provides intensive community-based intervention services for serious chronic offenders. FOCUS is one of three accountability-based programs administered by the Delinquency Division to service our serious chronic offender population. The program can serve males from ages 12-17 who are at

the point of being committed to a DOC juvenile correctional facility. Seventy-six youth were served. Ten of the seventy-six youth discharged successfully completed the program.

The Supervision Engagement Program (SEP) was implemented as a response to improving the engagement of youth and their families in their treatment and case plan. Youth who are the subject of a supervision order with the courts will be referred to one of two community agencies in order to engage them in their court order services, or those services deemed as necessary to address their criminogenic needs as part of their treatment or case plan. The goal of this program is to engage the youth as soon as possible while their motivation and commitment is high. Thirty-four youth were referred to the SEP with five youth completing the program.

The Community Accountability Panels (CAP) model was initiated for first-time juvenile offenders as a diversion effort for low risk offenders. This program is to provide dispositional alternatives to the judiciary who have to deal with increasing numbers of juvenile offenders. The Community Accountability Panels concept encompasses the three tenets of the Balanced Approach to Juvenile Probation – Community Protection, Youth Accountability, and Competency Development. The goal of the program is to reduce the number youth referred to the juvenile justice system while holding them accountable for their actions. Ninety-one youth were referred to CAP with twenty-nine youth participating in the program. Twenty-one of the twenty-nine were discharged successfully.

**Monroe County** 

\$11,430

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) is designed to have daily face-to-face contact, provide immediate feedback to the youth and family, provide programming structure, provide immediate consequences to the adjudicated youth and facilitate positive decision-making. The ISP liaisons work closely with the parents, school, and the county agency. Successful completions in the program can lead to early discharge from supervision, which lowers juvenile services caseload numbers. ISP has expanded so more youth can be served at one time. Twenty-three youth participated in the program and accounted for a cumulative total of 5,101 program days. Eighty-nine of the youth successfully completed ISP. Fourteen youth remain on supervision. School attendance continues to increase significantly, along with grade point averages and credits earned. One hundred percent of ISP participants met the school requirements and completed their community service hours during this reporting period.

**Oconto County** 

\$4,870

Greg Benesh (920) 834-7018

IN-HOME SERVICES. In-home services are provided to juveniles new to the juvenile justice system and who are at-risk of further crisis and possible out-of-home placements. Oconto County contracted with Macht Village Programs for activity therapy, crisis interventions and crisis respite. Two youth were served during this reporting period. One of the two youth had no further delinquent behavior and no new truancy referrals were made on either of the two youth.

**Oneida County** 

\$16,540

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COMPREHENSIVE AFTERCARE PROGRAM. This program uses a team approach to provide intensive aftercare services, such as AODA, mental health, education, family and individual contact, career options

and recreational programming. The goals of this program are to reduce the recidivism rate, reunite families, reduce length of placement stays, and reduce costs for placement. Staff begins aftercare and transition planning within thirty days of placement and are active in decision-making and planning throughout the length of placement. Upon release, youth are seen at least three times per week for supervision for at least ninety days, and at least one face-to-face contact and one phone call per week with parents/caretakers and school personnel. Oneida County served four youth and their families during this reporting period. Three youth were successfully discharged from Aftercare, although two have reoffended, and one youth was receiving aftercare services while in placement. Three youth were discharged from a facility and returned to their families. This program has been responsible for immeasurable gains in improving communication with schools, families, and other providers.

**Outagamie County** 

\$101,930

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INTENSIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES. Services are provided to serious chronic offenders in need of more intensive services, such as electronic monitoring, or who are returning to the community from a Juvenile Correctional facility. The focus is on community protection, accountability, competency development, and reintegration into the home. Twenty-seven families were served during the year with a fifty-two percent success rate for deterring higher level placements. As a result of participating in the program, thirty-seven percent of the youth demonstrated improved school behavior and attendance and fifty-nine percent demonstrated a moderate to significant decrease in their number of police contact and charges. Schools expressed satisfaction with the level of services and collaboration, and forty-eight percent of parents expressed satisfaction with case planning and implementation of services. Agency staff identified a range of benefits from the program including accountability, improved family connections, and increased community protection.

**Ozaukee County** 

\$17,470

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SPECIALIZED & WRAP-AROUND SERVICES. Intensive in-home and wrap-around services are purchased for youth and families with significant special needs. Goals include preventing out-of-home placements, no further law enforcement referrals, and satisfactorily completing supervision conditions. Psychological evaluations were purchased for one youth which helped to identify treatment needs. Mentoring services were purchased for one youth who successful completed supervision. CST services were purchased for ten youth. All ten youth were successful in meeting their supervision conditions. Counseling services were purchased for three youth. Two of the three youth were successful in meeting their supervision conditions. Therapeutic services were purchased for one youth who did receive a new referral. Respite care was purchased for one youth, who did receive a new referral leading to an out-of-home placement. Restitution fees were paid for three youth. All three youth completed their supervision. A camp program was purchased for one youth.

**Pierce County** 

\$10,700

Joy Lynn George (715) 273-6773

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. Within sixty days of referral to the program and/or once the youth is eligible for participation in the program, community service sites are located. The majority of referred youth complete their community service work at sites located and recommended by the Department. Eight youth were supervised through the Community Service Program. One hundred percent of the youth

completed the community service hours as ordered by the court. Seven of the eight youth who participated in the Community Service Program did not commit any new offenses during their time in the program. Youth are experiencing positive relationships with adult role models and have been involved with ongoing projects in which they can see the results of their involvement.

**Pepin County** \$920 Phil Kaufman (715) 672-8941

INTENSIVE SUPRVISION / TEEN COURT. Pepin County contracts with Positive Alternatives in Menominee, on a needed basis, to provide Intensive Supervision programming. This program, called STATUS, is a non-statutory, 90-day intensive supervision program that serves adjudicated JIPS and delinquent youth. These services are aimed at providing needed supervision that will help the youth to achieve their goals.

**Polk County** \$5,600 Rachel Anderson (715) 485-8452

INTENSIVE IN-HOME SUPERVISION. This program has been going since 1995 and continues to operate successfully. Intensive supervision and services were provided to ten youth and their parents, relatives, or foster parents with goals to keep the juvenile in their home or foster home and without further legal involvement. The youth all received one-on-one meetings at least once weekly at home or in school. In addition, at least once a week the youth and their parents participated in a Peer Education and Issues Group. The youth's portion of the group focused on employment, AIDS, AODA issues, anger management, date rape, independent living, nutrition, child abuse, grief, and healthy recreation. The parent's portion of the group dealt with effective parenting, transportation, getting to counseling and other meetings, and making restitution payments. Six of the ten youth discharged successfully or moved back to standard supervision, and the remaining youth continue to be served in the program. Only two of the ten youth received new adjudications during this reporting period. Law enforcement and schools report improved communication, collaboration, and appreciation for the program.

**Portage County** \$28,410 Jodi Petersen (715) 345-5840

DELINQUENCY WORKER POSITION. Throughout this reporting period, Portage County has used the Community Intervention Program funds to support a delinquency worker position in their juvenile justice unit. This has provided a reduction in caseload size which has allowed workers to concentrate on more intensive case management services and spend more direct and individual time with juveniles and their families. The additional delinquency position has created a more manageable workload which has allowed the delinquency workers to provide more intensive supervision, greater and more consistent accountability, and a more efficient approach in working with youth. The workers have been able to work more effectively and collaboratively with the school system, law enforcement agencies, services providers, and families of our youth. It is anticipated this additional position will assist in reducing out of home placements for delinquent youth by focusing on and addressing their primary needs and decreasing their overall involvement in the juvenile justice system.

Sarah Socha (715) 339-2158

COMMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM / ON THE RIGHT TRACK PROGRAM / HOME DETENTION PROGRAM. Six youth were identified as needing enhanced accountability and competency building, in addition to being ordered to complete community service hours. The youth were matched with an adult mentor to assist. All six youth completed the community service hours and demonstrated a positive work ethic. The "On the Right Track" program was held for seven youth and nine parents. The program had an eighty-six percent success rate of completion and preventing recidivism. Parents report that they learn something new at every meeting and that they really enjoy the interactions with other parents and the instructors. The mentoring program enhances the youth's level of responsibility and provides increased self-esteem to assist them in everyday life skills. One youth was served in the home detention program and was able to remain in the home.

**Racine County** \$153,400 Kerry Milkie (262) 638-6511

SUPERVISION PROGRAM FOR YOUTH. Racine County serves both first-time offenders and serious chronic offenders in the Supervision Program for Youth. Sixty-nine youth participated in the program. Fifty-two of the sixty-nine youth remained in a non-secure setting during their involved with the program. Sixty-six of the sixty-nine youth discharged remained free of new delinquent offenses during their involvement with the program. This program continues to provide Racine County with a continuum of services utilizing the "Balanced Approach" of community safety, youth accountability, and skill development.

**Richland County** \$2,240 Amanda Coorough (608) 649-5710

THRIVE / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. THRIVE works on independent skills building and community service programming with three primary groups of youth: pre-adjudication juveniles, adjudicated offenders with court order community service, and juveniles subject to JIPS orders. The intent of THRIVE is to increase youth accountability, so staff emphasize the use of community service, written apologies, victim recompense and youth attendance at various appointments. This is achieved through group activity, which is centered around a planned set of community service activities, to help juveniles improve community inclusion and integration. Nineteen youth successfully completed THRIVE. Electronic monitoring is used to help reduce out-of-home placement for behavioral and truancy problems. Four youth were put on electronic monitoring. All four youth were in compliance with curfew and other court ordered conditions. One youth that was off electronic monitoring was re-referred for services.

**Rock County** \$130,650 Lance Horozewski (608) 758-5823

INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT. The Intensive Case Management Program (ICM) provides daily face-to-face contact with high risk youth and families using the Functional Family Case Management Model. The program works closely with parents and schools, and collaborates with in-home service providers as well. Mental health professional help to review the case plans and aftercare services are provided for youth returning to the community following out-of-home placements. All of the youth participating in this program receive a risk and needs assessment to determine their treatment/case plan. During this reporting period, thirty-nine juveniles were referred to the program. Eighty-three percent of youth received a YASI

assessment and customized treatment/case plan. Eighty-two percent of the youth did not re-offend while in this program. A positive benefit of this program is the increased focus on engaging families in the case management process of using the Functional Family Case Management Model. This program is experiencing higher levels of parent engagement in treatment services and less offenses occurring in the home.

Rusk County \$5,420 Sue Selzler

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RUSK RESTORATIVE YOUTH PROGRAMS / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. The Rusk Restorative Youth Programs targets first time offenders, moderate-high risk youth and youth identified by the school district as being disruptive and who currently or have had experience with law enforcement. One program often used is Teen Court, which has been a wonderful asset to the community. Juvenile offenders going through Teen Court tend to take more accountability when a peer jury decides their consequences. It has also provided a way for first time and low risk offenders to have an option other than juvenile justice services through the Department. The program focuses on youth accountability and development and provides an effective alternative to the juvenile justice system. Also, juvenile cases addressed by these courts are handled in a timely basis and free up time and funds for the Circuit Court system to handle more serious cases. Teen Court has also improved collaboration with law enforcement and the local school district, as it continues to be a key component of getting involved with a family early in an attempt to help prevent future referrals. Teen Court was successful this past year and recidivism rates continue to be as low as in previous years. In addition, two youth were put on electronic monitoring. Both youth maintained placement during this time. Relationships between the school, youth and county department have continued to improve and school truancy rates continue to be low.

**St. Croix County** \$12,800 Julie Krings (715) 246-8238

COMMUNITY TRACKING PROGRAM. St. Croix County works with a private individual who is supervised under St. Croix County Family and Children's Services Department to provide community tracking, truancy tracking, electronic monitoring and Independent Living Skills for select juvenile justice clients. The target group includes first time offenders and seriously chronic offenders. Goals of services provided include decreasing both secure and non-secure detention holds, improving school attendance and decreasing supervision violations. Twenty-two juveniles were referred to the Community Tracking Program. All of the twenty-two referred received electronic monitoring services. Secure detention was used for a total of ninety-three days for the juveniles on supervision. This program has increased collaboration and communication between juvenile justice professionals, service providers and families.

**Sauk County** \$27,060 Tim Green (608) 355-4261

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION SERVICES (ISS) PROGRAM. Program services are formatted around a four phase series that includes rules and standards for each phase, and specified criteria for movement to a lesser restrictive phase. Services include heightened supervision, drug testing, electronic monitoring, 72-hour holds, and pager monitoring. Sanctions and other consequences are incorporated into the supervision program. The service also offers family intervention, counseling and AODA services, in addition to educational, vocational, and employment assistance. As part of ISS, the county created a collaborative effort between ISS staff, agency staff, and professional providers to increase family participation within a solution focused team approach. This program has provided increased community safety, skill building opportunities

for the youth, and youth accountability, resulting in an overall reduction in recidivism rates. Twenty youth received these services.

**Sawyer County** 

\$3,960

Dave Bauer (715) 638-3325

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM. The Supported Employment Program provides opportunities for chronic offenders to have limited term employment to earn money to pay fines, restitution, and for personal use while building an employment resume. The programming identifies the need juvenile justice clients have for jobs in a climate where few jobs are available. Participants will also be provided training in budgeting and family living. The Supported Employment Program was able to provide assistance to five youth looking for summer employment. These five youth worked a total of over 800 hours at \$9 an hour. Youth were also able to pay restitutions and fines with the help of this program.

**Shawano County** 

\$19,250

Vicki Heling (715) 526-4700

INTERNET SAFETY & SOCIAL SKILLS GROUP / COUNSELING / TRUANCY PROGRAM. The internet safety and social skills group (which included anti-bullying education) ran two sessions this reporting period. A total of sixteen youth participated in the two groups. All but one youth successfully graduated from the program. A total of four participants received new charges. The groups included speakers from DSS to speak to internet safety, Shawano County Sheriff's Deputy regarding how they investigate internet crime, trends and dangers and a community counselor regarding mental health implications in regards to misuse and bullying on the internet. The first group viewed a 20/20 episode entitled, "Steubenville: After the Party's Over" and participated in an active discussion regarding the video with the juvenile court group leaders. Intensive Services were delivered to twenty-one families. Eight families were determined to be high risk for out-of-home placement. Seven of the eight juveniles were able to remain in their home. The Truancy Program in Shawano County was established with the input of Shawano County DSS, School Administrators, the District Attorney, Judges and Tribal Social Services. The truancy program includes an emphasis on targeting the parents of younger children. The objective is to stop the truancy at a younger age and hopefully improve school attendance during the middle school and high school years. Seventy-two warning letters were sent out. No children were formally referred for truancy, but a number of parents were cited for not sending their children to school. This program continues to be effective.

**Sheboygan County** 

\$58,610

Barbara Kultgen (920) 459-3231

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. The agency continues to contract with Intensive Supervision Services to operate the Intensive Supervision Program (ISP), which is a statutory ISP program. This program has been successful in reaching the goals of reducing the number of juveniles in state correctional facilities, reducing recidivism, increasing participation in education or vocation/employment for youth, preventing out-of-home placements, and reducing costs associated with correctional and out-of-home placements. During this evaluation period, ISP served fifteen youth for a total of 2,336 program days. Three youth successfully completed the program, four were unsuccessful discharged and eight youth are currently still in the program. All fifteen were at risk of out-of-home placement and only three youth were placed out of the home. During this reporting period, there was a significant reduction in the number of charges that youth received while participating in the program compared to six months prior to ISP participation. The youth that have been successful with the program have also attended school regularly. ISP continues to be an

important program that enables youth to remain at home while modifying their behaviors. ISP is an important component of Sheboygan County's services to curtail spending on costly out-of-home placements.

**Taylor County** \$5,480 Liza Daleiden (715) 748-3332

INTENSIVE IN-HOME COUNSELING. Five youth and their families participated in the intensive in-home therapy program. Counseling and teaching occurred in the family home, which makes this treatment approach unlike most traditional counseling services that take place in a more formal clinical setting. In addition, intensive and numerous contacts with the youth and family frequently occurred. As a direct result of their participation in this program, all five youth were able to remain in their parental homes. In additional, reducing or eliminating further delinquent behaviors was also successful in all five youth. Family functioning and behaviors of the youth who participated in the program were improved. This program addresses the issues associated with having a family that doesn't always function as a healthy unit. By addressing those issues and improving structure and accountability, the youth's behavior stabilizes while risk decreases.

Trempealeau County \$4,160

Wayne Opichka (715) 538-2311 x290

JUVENILE ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION SYSTEM. Funds were used to provide gender specific assessments and evidence-based supervision strategies through the COMPAS risk and needs assessment too. COMPAS works with the social worker's judgment to provide information as to why a juvenile is engaging in certain behaviors and provides guidance to best respond to these behaviors to create positive changes for the juvenile. The assessment reports provide recommendations on what attitudes and behaviors to expect from the youth, strategies for juvenile supervision which emphasize public safety, rehabilitation, accountability and focus on criminogenic needs. Housing recommendations are also provided for youth in placement. This information provides the basis for collaborative case planning. Goals include implementing COMPAS to all juveniles on court ordered supervision, decreasing a juvenile's recidivism rate/risk rating to re-offend, increasing accountability in juveniles on court ordered supervision and reducing truancy. Each juvenile referred for court ordered supervision received a COMPAS assessment within the first thirty days of supervision along with an integrated case plan. Only six of the forty-three juveniles served re-offended. Even with six re-offenses, there was a decrease in truancy, an increase in school performance and a decrease in criminal activity. Ninety-five percent of juveniles on formal supervision had an increase in juvenile accountability. Five juveniles were served in the truancy program. Four of the five have not had any unexcused absences. The other juvenile had a decrease in the number of truancies. The juvenile court judge is very supportive of this process and takes the assessment information into consideration when making supervision, sanction and placement orders.

**Vernon County** \$1,430 James Lee (608) 637-5210

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM / IN-HOME SERVICES. Funds were used for a community service program for youth on juvenile court supervision. Six youth participated in the program. Youth were held accountable to court orders requiring community service. Although the youth were unable to have a community garden, they were able to maintain the site and also take care of the local playground. In-home services were provided to two families to address juvenile justice concerns. These families did not receive any further delinquency referrals.

Eric Swanson (715) 479-3645

ELECTRONIC MONITORING. The Electronic Monitoring Program is largely implemented through the Vilas County Juvenile Intake Office which is attached to Vilas County Circuit court. The primary goal of the program is to either reduce or help hold constant substitute care costs. Other goals include preventing out-of-home placement and reducing delinquent acts. Twenty-eight youth were served through the Electronic Monitoring Program. Twenty-two were able to remain in their home.

**Walworth County** 

\$32,350

Patricia Weeden (262) 741-3429

FUNCTIONAL FAMILY CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES / FUNCTIONAL FAMILY THERAPY / MENTORING. Functional Family Case Management (FFCM) is an evidence-based model of case management practice. It is a family focused, strength-based, and recovery-focused model of case management. The model involves three phases across the family sessions: Engagement and Motivation, Support and Maintenance, and Generalization. The target population includes Hispanic juveniles and their families associated with Walworth County Department of Health & Human Services because of some court involvement including consent decrees, deferred prosecution agreements, or dispositional orders. The target population also includes both first time offenders and chronic offenders. Fifty-five youth were assigned to FFCM for a total of 1,528 hours. Eighty-eight percent of these youth had no new court action. Twenty-three youth and their families were referred to Functional Family Therapy (FFT). Twenty families completed FFT and reported positive outcomes. Eighty-seven percent of these youth were violation free. Nineteen youth received mentoring services. Each of these nineteen youth also participated in the Prevention of Infant Traumatic Brain Injury Seminar offered by the Department.

**Washburn County** 

\$1,830

Joan Fischer (715) 468-4763

MENTORING. Washburn County had begun this reporting period working with Kinship Inc. to provide mentoring services, but after several staff changes a decision was made to work with Lakeland Family Resource Center to connect youth with mentoring services. This change affected the number of youth served in the program throughout the funding period. This new service has more staff resources to work with youth.

**Washington County** 

\$85,060

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. This statutory Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) serves delinquent youth in the most restrictive community-based dispositional alternative available in the county. One full-time caseworker serves youth countywide. The program focuses on deterring recidivism and reducing placements, in addition to the statutorily based services. Seven youth were served during this reporting period, with seven cases closing. Seven youth accounted for three days in Shelter Care, five days of secure detention, and two hundred twenty days with an Electronic Monitoring bracelet. The average length of time in the program was eight days. One youth was placed in out-of-home care. ISP had a one hundred percent success rate of deterring recidivism and a forty-three percent success rate of deterring recidivism within six months of completion of the program.

\$85,250

Peter Slesar (262) 548-7226

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM / MEDIATION. Youth with a history of serious, chronic delinquent behavior work one-on-one with an Intensive Tracker staff person through Wisconsin Community Services to develop constructive behavior and appropriate peer relationships, in order to avoid continued delinquency. The Intensive Tracker works in conjunction with a case plan developed with the assigned Waukesha County DHHS social worker, meets several times per week with the youth, and also offers support and assistance to the youth's parents, to reinforce household rules and hold the youth accountable. The Intensive Tracker provides direct support to the youth, assisting them in making prosocial choices. The Intensive Supervision Program served nineteen youth with the goal of placement prevention, competency building, and accountability measures. Eighteen of the nineteen youth were successfully maintained in the community and diverted from correctional or residential care placements.

All youth referred for delinquency are referred to the WCS Mediation Center for screening regarding the most appropriate response to the delinquent behavior. That response includes either a referral for face-to-face mediation with the victim provided by WCS or through a referral for participation in a Youth Accountability Group intervention. Face-to-face mediation provides the opportunity for youth to have direct contact with their victim and to learn first-hand the effects of their actions. Youth who have the necessary maturity and take responsibility for their actions, meet with their victim and a mediator to process together the effects of this behavior. If these factors are not present, the youth participates in the Youth Accountability Groups. These Accountability Groups occur throughout the year and include a group of youth who participate together in a group meeting, listening to and responding to a crime victim who shares their story and the effect the crime had on the victim's life. Youth participants work with volunteer mentors to process group exercises that assist the youth in learning about the effects their behavior had on their victim and the community. Nine youth were referred to participate in victim-offender-conferencing with two youth completing the victim-offender-conferencing with one hundred percent agreement between the victim and offender. Two youth did not participate due to various reasons and five cases are still pending at the end of this reporting period.

**Waupaca County** 

\$33,380

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FAMILY AIDE WORKER / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. Funds were used to help support the Family Aid Worker position and place youth on electronic monitoring. The integrated service team program, in conjunction with the Children and Family Aide worker targets children at risk of out-of-home placement due to delinquent or disruptive behavior within the family or the community, with a goal of placement prevention. The worker facilitates case plans and crisis plan development, court supervision, assessments, and electronic monitoring. Intensive, integrated, wrap around programs in the county have a very significant impact in supporting healthy family decision making, and reducing delinquency and out-of-home placements. Seven youth were placed on home detention with electronic monitoring. All seven youth were able to remain in their homes and communities.

**Waushara County** 

\$5,100

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COORDINATED COMMUNITY SERVICE. Coordinated community service is programming provided for juvenile offenders receiving juvenile services under a DPA, Consent Decree or Adjudication. The Community Service Coordinator is employed as a Mentor/Monitor within the Juvenile Justice Service array

provided by the department. The coordinator works closely with schools, clinical services and other service providers and organizations to address youth needs, support relationships with youth, develop youth social competencies and establish meaningful community service worksites. The role of Mentors in providing clinical, child welfare and juvenile justice services is highly regarded by area schools, law enforcement, courts and consumers as an effective strategy to meet the needs of system involved children/youth. A total of three hundred forty-five community service hours were completed. Eighteen cases were closed successfully, with fifteen cases still open.

Winnebago County

\$73,160

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING. The Electronic Monitoring Program targets youth that present safety risks to the community and are at risk of out-of-home placement. The goal is to keep the targeted youth in the community while making every possible assurance for community safety. Twenty-four youth participated in the program and three successfully completed the program. Five youth are still on electronic monitoring. Of the twenty-four youth that received services during this funding period, eight did not have any new referrals to juvenile court intake. The program allows for a continuance of positive communication between the agency, schools, court staff, and law enforcement. As a result of the program, there continues to be a high level of cooperation between all service providers.

**Wood County** 

\$18,700

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HOME DETENTION PROGRAM. This program was designed to be a team approach to services in the home for juvenile offenders and serious chronic offenders and their families. It addresses various levels of system involvement to prevent recidivism, decrease use of secure detention and prevent out-of-home placement. Sixteen youth were served under the program. Of these sixteen, eight were able to successfully complete the program, eight youth received new referrals and five remain in the Home Detention Program. Only one youth was placed out-of-home while involved in the program. The program continues to be effective in providing assistance leading to behavioral stabilization and parental empowerment while maintaining the youth in their home. The Home Detention Program makes many positive improvements to the family's overall ability to function.

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