

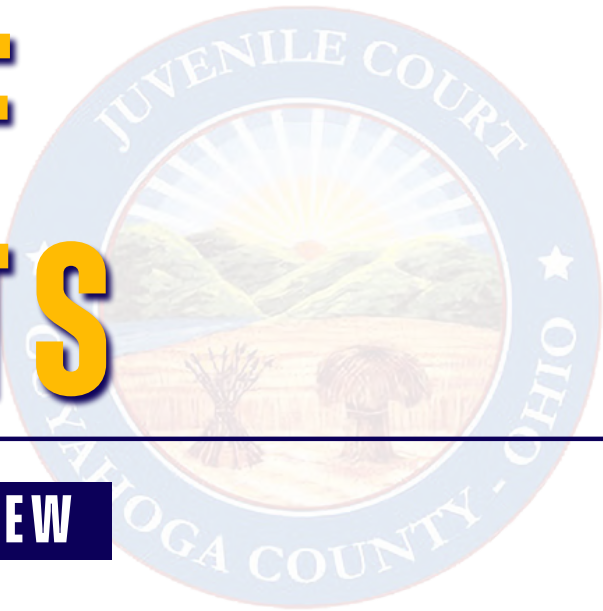
# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
JUVENILE DIVISION



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# MEET OUR JUDGES

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**HONORABLE ADMINISTRATIVE  
JUDGE THOMAS F. O'MALLEY**



**HONORABLE JUDGE  
KRISTIN W. SWEENEY**



**HONORABLE JUDGE  
ALISON L. FLOYD**



**HONORABLE JUDGE  
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**HONORABLE JUDGE  
ANNE C. MCDONOUGH**

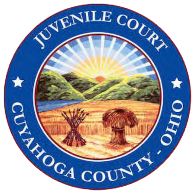


**HONORABLE JUDGE  
NICHOLAS J. CELEBREZZE**

## Mission Statement

***To administer justice, rehabilitate juveniles, support and strengthen families, and promote public safety.***





## CUYAHOGA COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

### JUVENILE DIVISION

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#### COURT ADMINISTRATOR

TIMOTHY McDEVITT

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#### CHIEF JUSTICE, THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

THE HONORABLE SHARON L. KENNEDY

#### CUYAHOGA COUNTY EXECUTIVE

CHRIS RONAYNE

#### PRESIDENT, CUYAHOGA COUNTY COUNCIL

DALE MILLER

#### DIRECTOR, OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES

AMY L. AST

Greetings,

The year of 2024 was filled with progress, first-time accomplishments, and continuance of momentum. Month after month, the Court achieved something extraordinary, and we worked to ensure that the public could see it firsthand. Transparency was a cornerstone of our mission, as we opened our doors and proudly highlighted the hard work being done in every department. That openness, combined with our progress, earned us recognition not just locally, but across the state and nation. This is something we can all be extremely proud of.

The Court achieved several historic milestones this year. Most notably, our Detention Center celebrating its first-ever college graduate, a remarkable accomplishment that symbolizes perseverance, opportunity, and the life-changing impact of education. During the summer, residents also engaged in another successful **Freedom School** program, supported by staff, volunteers, and community partners, providing enriching educational and cultural experiences while promoting and improving their literacy. This year, we launched new programming including the **Spread the Love Foundation's Interest to Income** program and the **Campaign Zero** speaker series. We also introduced a new co-parenting workshop, the **Moms First/Fatherhood** program, offering residents and families valuable resources, mentorship, and support.

Our Probation Department also continued to set the bar high. Staff worked tirelessly to provide youth with tools for success. These tools led to milestone achievements such as the graduation of eight youth from the **Nerve DJ Institute's** positive youth development class and 28 youth from the **Legacies Empowered** program. These accomplishments demonstrate the real-life impact of our rehabilitative approach.

The Court also advanced its commitment to rehabilitation and reintegration. In September, Re-entry Court was re-branded as the P.A.T.H.S. (Parole, Accountability, Transition, Holistic, Stability) docket. This specialized docket supports high-risk youth returning from ODYS facilities, providing intensive supervision, education, employment, and life skills to aid in successful reintegration into the community.

The Court's commitment to innovation and efficiency was equally evident in 2024. The Information Services Department provided responsive technical support to more than 1,500 users across our facilities, resolving over 11,000 help desk tickets and reducing the backlog of system issues by 75%. The team advanced the selection process for a new case management system, improved website usability, and expanded dashboards and reporting tools to strengthen data-driven decision-making and transparency.

Our Programming, Training and Quality Assurance (PTQA) Unit secured significant grants to support new initiatives, including funding for a Pre-Arrest Diversion Pilot with Cleveland Police, a Credible Messenger Model partnership with **Project Lift**, and a Care First Cuyahoga model to reduce racial disparities and expand diversion opportunities. The Court also received a \$2 million Juvenile Violence Intervention Program (VIP) Initiative grant that provides trauma-informed, community-based services to reduce gun violence. Collectively, these grants represent a major step forward in our commitment to building safer communities and creating pathways to success for our youth.

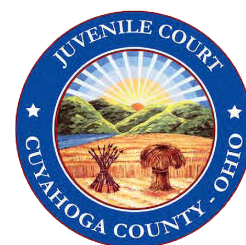
As I reflect on 2024, I want to express my deepest gratitude to every member of the Juvenile Court team. Your dedication, compassion, and professionalism have been the foundation of our successes. From courtrooms to probation, detention to support services; each person plays an essential role in shaping brighter futures for the young people and families we serve. These milestones could not have been achieved without the unwavering support from Judge Alison L. Floyd, Judge Kristin W. Sweeney, Judge Jennifer L. O'Malley, Judge Anne C. McDonough and Judge Nicholas J. Celebrezze.

As we move forward, let us continue to embrace innovation, collaboration, and transparency. Together, there is no obstacle that is too great and no goal too ambitious. I look forward to building on this momentum in the years ahead and to continuing our mission of administering justice, rehabilitating juveniles, supporting families, and strengthening communities.

Respectfully,



Thomas F. O'Malley  
Administrative Judge



# JUVENILE COURT LOCATIONS

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## JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER

9300 QUINCY AVENUE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 443-8400

## DETENTION CENTER

9300 QUINCY AVENUE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 443-3300

## METZENBAUM BUILDING

3343 COMMUNITY COLLEGE AVENUE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115  
(216) 443-3452

# DIVERSION OFFICE LOCATIONS

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## EARLY INTERVENTION & DIVERSION CENTER (EIDC)

3343 COMMUNITY COLLEGE AVENUE  
CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115  
(216) 443-5493; (216) 443-3494 (FAX)

## 5361 PEARL ROAD

PARMA, OH 44129  
(216) 443-5381  
(216) 749-2031 (FAX)

## 12650 DETROIT AVENUE

LAKEWOOD, OH 44107  
(216) 518-3332  
(216) 521-2216 (FAX)

# PROBATION OFFICE LOCATIONS

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## COMMUNITY BASED INTERVENTION CENTER (CBIC)

3343 COMMUNITY COLLEGE AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115  
(216) 443-3131; (216) 443-8046 (FAX)

## PHOENIX COURT

3343 COMMUNITY COLLEGE AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115  
(216) 443-3142; (216) 698-2053 (FAX)

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

9300 QUINCY AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 698-4727; (216) 443-3494 (FAX)

## PLACEMENT AFTER CARE UNIT

3343 COMMUNITY COLLEGE AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115  
(216) 443-3107; (216) 698-2053 (FAX)

## NORTHEAST

9300 QUINCY AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 698-4554; (216) 443-8035 (FAX)

## PLACEMENT PLANNING

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(216) 698-6578; (216) 698-2053 (FAX)

## INVESTIGATIONS TEAM I

9300 QUINCY AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 443-3573; (216) 698-2714 (FAX)

## PROBATION SUPPORT SERVICES

9300 QUINCY AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 443-3538; (216) 443-3476 (FAX)

## INVESTIGATIONS TEAM II

9300 QUINCY AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106  
(216) 698-4727; (216) 443-3494 (FAX)

## SOUTHEAST SUPERVISION

21100 SOUTHGATE PARK BLVD, MAPLE HEIGHTS, OHIO 44137  
(216) 443-5348; (216) 663-2351 (FAX)

## MULTI-SYSTEMIC THERAPY

3343 COMMUNITY COLLEGE AVENUE, CLEVELAND, OHIO 44115  
(216) 443-5938; (216) 698-2053 (FAX)

## WEST SUPERVISION

5361 PEARL ROAD, PARMA, OHIO 44129  
(216) 443-5379; (216) 749-2031 (FAX)

*The Clerk's Office is located on the 2nd floor of the Court. We accept walk-in customers and phone calls during normal business hours as posted. Under Local Rule 22, we also now accept email filings and online payments 24/7!*

## CLERK'S OFFICE MISSION STATEMENT

"The Clerk's Office is dedicated in performing all duties with integrity and professionalism at all times to provide excellent customer service. We will continuously pursue methods to maximize efficiencies while processing filings, maintaining records, accessing information and providing assistance to all."

## "THE HEART OF THE COURT"

Often called the "Heart of the Court," the Clerk's Office plays a vital role in supporting justice by handling case processing, filings, court correspondence, payments, and document preservation. Staff also assist the public and work with jurists in custody and child support courtrooms.

In 2024, The Clerk's Office processed 104,854 journal entries (a 2% increase from last year); processed 121,930 motions and pleadings (a 13% decrease from last year); initiated 10,905 new cases (a 9% increase from last year).

The Clerk's Office also houses the Cashiers Office and Court Resource Center. The Cashiers Office collects court fines and costs and offers a convenient location for in-person child support payments, collecting \ \$229,824 in 2024. The Resource Center assists pro se litigants with custody filings.

**104,854**  
Journal Entries

**121,930**  
Motions & Pleadings  
Processed

**10,905**  
New Cases Initiated

## DEPARTMENT IMPROVEMENT & GOALS

Improvements made to the Clerk's Office in 2024 to enhance the user experience include:

**Docket Merger:** The Court undertook a merger plan combining the Support and Custody dockets under a single assigned jurist. This will serve the public better because it will eliminate confusion of appearing on multiple dockets. One expected impact to the office will be a decrease in call volume as a result of a less confusing docket assignment. The Clerk's office was also involved in designing clerk staffing structure system as well as developing a way to reassign new cases as a result of the upcoming merger. The equal distribution of cases among all Court Magistrates is expected to stabilize in June of 2025.

**Text Message Reminder Program:** The Court secured a grant from the Supreme Court of Ohio to create and implement a court-wide text message reminder program.

The Clerk's Office and IT completed the build and structure for this program. Some minor adjustments were outstanding and delayed the go-live date to the first quarter of 2025.

**Staffing:** With the assistance of Human Resources Department, the Clerk's Office has been able to stabilize and fill a significant number of staff vacancies. The large number of hirings that are taking place at the same time have caused us to see new weakness in our training programs that we continue to update and improve.

**Case Management System acquisition:** Worked in collaboration with other departments to score all RFPs and select a potential vendor. After the selection project was complete, the Clerk's Office participated in sessions to help write the contract and user agreements that will be presented to County Council in 2025.

Goals for the Clerk's Office into 2025 include continuing moving forward with acquiring and implementing a new vendor-based case management system. If we secure County Council approval, the next step would be to review and start to process data conversion for the system so that there are no delays in the future for this project when that stage arrives. The Office will need to commit some of the workforce to this project and needs to staff for both the day to day items as well as the special project without delay to both. The office is also rolling out new training for the Case Management Clerks in response to the docket merger.



## 2024 HUMAN RESOURCES RECAP

In 2024, Human Resources focused on talent acquisition, employee development, and improving the overall employee experience to support the Court's mission.

### TALENT ACQUISITION & RECRUITMENT

- We received approximately 4,604 applications—a significant increase from the previous year.
- HR processed 506 candidates, resulting in 131 new hires.
- To expand outreach, the team participated in multiple job fairs, boosting visibility, application volume, and candidate diversity.



## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATION

- **Strategic Partnership:** In 2024, we partnered with Tri-C to expand learning opportunities and professional development.
- **Tuition Reimbursement Program:** We enhanced our tuition reimbursement program, making it more accessible and comprehensive to support employees pursuing higher education.
- **Job Shadowing Program:** We launched a job shadowing program to support career growth and internal mobility.

EMPLOYEE  
BENEFITS &  
WELLBEING

Parental Leave

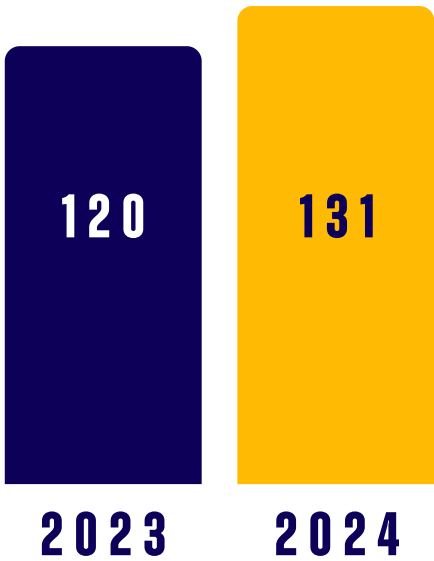
We solidified a new paid parental leave program, promoting work-life balance and supporting employees during critical family milestones.

LOOKING FORWARD: OUR COMMITMENT

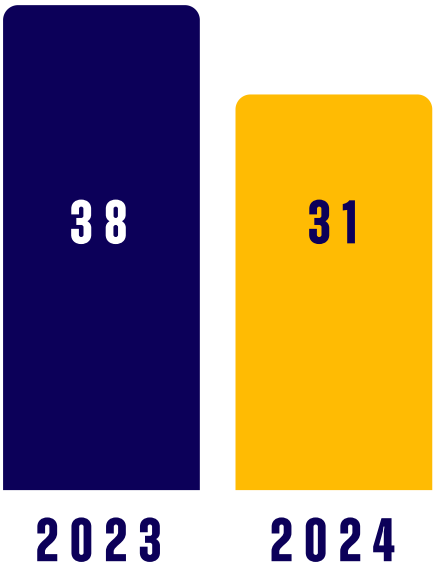
As we move ahead, our goals remain centered on enhancing the employee experience, promoting a culture of inclusion, and maintaining our unwavering support for the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court and its mission. We are committed to cultivating a workplace that attracts, develops, and retains exceptional talent.

2024 EMPLOYMENT COMPARISON DATA

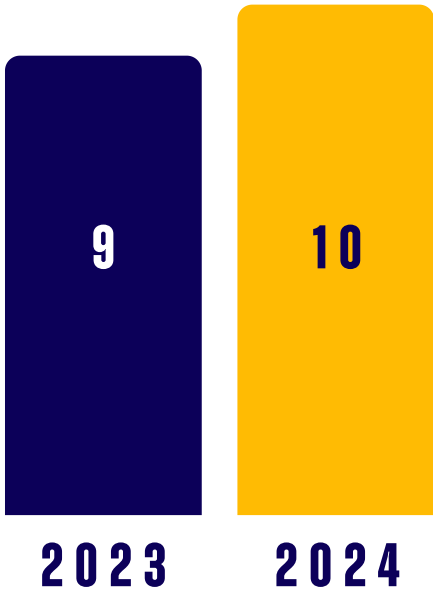
NEW HIRES



PROMOTIONS



RETIREES



## WHAT IS THE DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC?

The Diagnostic Clinic is comprised of forensic psychologists and other mental health professionals who conduct evaluations for use in the juvenile justice system. Findings are communicated to judges and magistrates through written reports and expert testimony. Case types are described below:

### **1) Transfer of Jurisdiction (Bindover)**

- Identifying youth offenders' risk of violence and treatment needs

### **2) Competency to Stand Trial**

- Evaluating the capacity of youth to understand and participate meaningfully in the court process and to assist defense counsel

### **3) Dispositional (Post-Adjudication)**

- Determining any mental health needs and recommending interventions to improve functioning and reduce recidivism

### **4) Child Protective Services (Adult Diagnostic Assessments)**

- Ascertaining any psychiatric needs of parents/guardians to lower the likelihood of child maltreatment

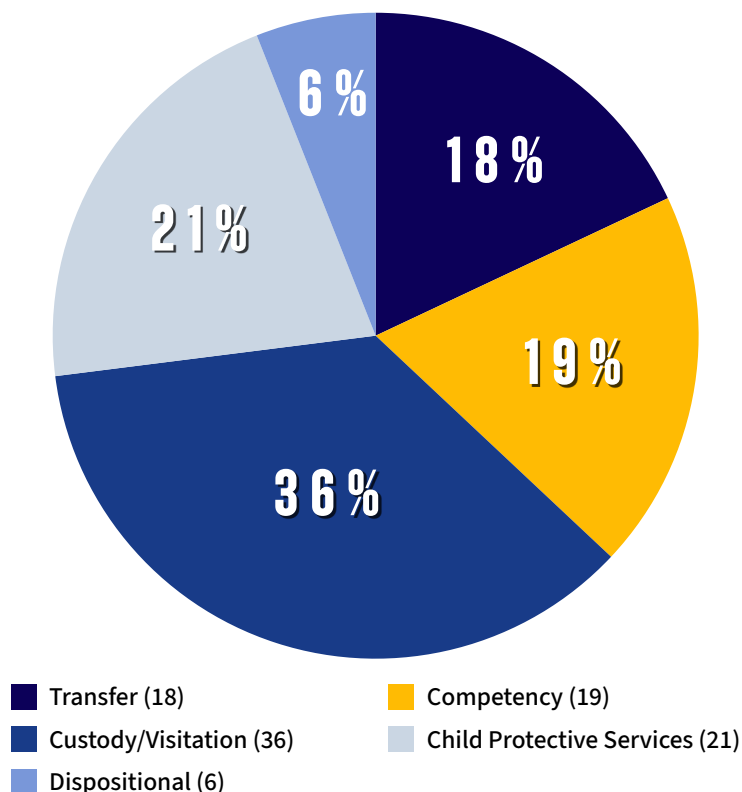
### **5) Custody/Visitation**

- Assessing families who are court involved in order to promote the best interests of the children

**The Diagnostic Clinic administers a Competency Remediation Program for youth adjudged incompetent to stand trial in the juvenile justice system. This educational process aims to promote the effective engagement of youth in the legal process. Eleven individuals were served in 2024.**

**Diagnostic Clinic personnel also provide training for graduate students through affiliation with a local university. Additionally, staff members regularly conduct research that advances understanding in the field of forensic assessment.**

## CASE TYPES



## TOTAL EVALUATIONS

In 2024, the Diagnostic Clinic conducted a total of 238 clinical evaluations, which represents an increase of 11% from the previous year.

- The number of custody/visitation evaluations for families requesting the establishment or revision of parenting agreements continued to represent the largest area of need for the Juvenile Court.
- Transfer or jurisdiction (bindover) and competency to stand trial cases were slightly reduced.
- Child protective services (adult diagnostic) assessments increased slightly.
- Dispositional (post-adjudicatory) reports remained consistent.



**11%**  
INCREASE  
VS. 2023



# PROBATION DEPARTMENT DATA OVERVIEW

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## SPECIALIZED DOCKETS

### SAFE HARBOR

- 13 YOUTH ADMITTED
- 2 YOUTH ACTIVE
- 7 YOUTH SUCCESSFUL

### JUVENILE DRUG COURT

- 13 YOUTH ADMITTED
- 5 SUCCESSFUL YOUTH GRADUATED

### FAMILY RECOVERY COURT

- 42 PARTICIPANTS SERVED

### PROMISE TEAM

- 17 YOUTH ADMITTED
- 8 YOUTH SUCCESSFUL

### PHOENIX COURT

- 16 YOUTH ADMITTED
- 6 YOUTH SUCCESSFUL
- 2 YOUTH ACTIVE

## PROBATION SERVICES

### CBIC

- 57 YOUTH SERVED
- 10-12 WEEKS - AVG. PROGRAM LENGTH

### MULTI-SYSTEMIC THERAPY

- 36 FAMILIES SERVED
- 65.7% OF YOUTH W/ NO NEW ARREST

### HOME DETENTION

- 754 ACTIVE YOUTH

### ODYS

- 91 YOUTH COMMITTED TO ODYS

### CCF

- 32 YOUTH PLACED

### INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

- 1,136 ACTIVE YOUTH

### PROBATION SUPERVISION

- 1,248 ACTIVE YOUTH

## EARLY INTERVENTION AND DIVERSION (EIDC)

*Launched in February 2019, the EIDC expands diversion opportunities and screens all youth for behavioral health needs early in the justice process. Working with mental health clinicians, the EIDC connects youth to services that reduce re-offending and, when safe, diverts them from formal court processing.*

In 2021, the EIDC launched 24/7 triage, allowing police-involved youth to be screened at Applewood as an alternative to detention and connected to immediate services. The EIDC also improved diversion outcome tracking by developing a comprehensive data collection process with support from partner agencies.

**1,828**

**Diversion  
Eligible  
Referrals**

**1,492**

**Official Cases  
Referred for  
Screening**

## HOME DETENTION

The Home Detention unit provides 24/7 supervision as an alternative or step-down from secure detention, allowing youth to stay home under strict monitoring. Using GPS technology from SCRAM Systems, officers track location, speed, and stops, with real-time communication capabilities.

Trained officers support youth and families through the court process and collaborate with initiatives and units like JDAI, Population Management, and CBIC to promote safe community reintegration and rehabilitation.

The unit also has a Car Theft Program, placing youth on home detention pending arraignment to ensure court attendance and connect them to services through EIDC while awaiting proceedings.

**754**

**Total Youth  
Active on  
Home Detention**

## PROBATION SUPPORT SERVICES

Probation Support Services helps youth and families understand and follow court orders, working closely with courtroom staff and Probation Officers. The unit collects and submits DNA and fingerprints to BCI as required, prepares documentation for ODYS commitments, and conducts family interviews. It also handles probation-related inquiries, manages social history records, and oversees record destruction in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code.

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## INVESTIGATIVE PROBATION

Investigative Probation conducts initial risk assessments using the Ohio Youth Assessment System (OYAS) to gauge recidivism risk. Officers prepare detailed social history reports covering charges, family, academics, and mental health or substance abuse issues. They may recommend further evaluations and provide informed recommendations to the jurist to support dispositional decisions, balancing community safety and youth rehabilitation. The Probation Department has two investigative teams: Team I and Team II.

**1,136** ACTIVE YOUTH  
IN INVESTIGATIONS

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## PROBATION SUPERVISION

The Court operates three probation supervision units across the county. Supervisory Probation Officers oversee youth in the community, conducting assessments and working with families to create individualized case plans that reduce reoffending and meet identified needs. Trained in EPICS and Motivational Interviewing, Probation Officers engage youth through home and school visits, court participation, and coordination with community partners. They collaborate with schools, law enforcement, and local organizations to connect families with resources and support. Using the Ohio Youth Assessment System (OYAS), officers monitor progress and adjust plans as needed, applying a balanced approach of incentives and sanctions. The goal is to strengthen youth and family supports and promote lasting positive change.

## P.A.T.H.S PROGRAM (RE-ENTRY COURT)

In 2024, Re-entry Court was re-branded as the P.A.T.H.S. (Parole, Accountability, Transition, Holistic, Stability) docket, dropping the term "court." It supports high-risk youth returning from ODYS facilities, providing intensive supervision, education, employment, and life skills to aid successful reintegration.

Juvenile Court, ODYS, and partners like ADAMHS, Catholic Charities, and CMSD formed the Judicial Release Committee to review eligible youth at the midpoint of their ODYS sentence. Youth demonstrating positive progress may be recommended for early release, with final approval by the committing jurist. If released, youth and families must engage in services such as counseling, education, and P.A.T.H.S. programming.



## PHOENIX COURT

Phoenix Court supports probation youth with mental health and substance use disorders at risk of deeper justice involvement. It diverts them from detention into community-based treatment, including case management, intensive probation, and in-home therapies like MST and ICT. Participants attend court regularly, engage in treatment, and meet weekly with their therapist and the Phoenix Court Coordinator. The program uses graduated rewards and sanctions as youth progress through phases.

## PROMISE TEAM

Launched in 2020, the Promise Team serves probation-involved girls with trauma and behavioral health needs who also have current or recent DCFS involvement. The program diverts youth from detention into comprehensive, community-based care, including case management, intensive probation, evidence-based therapies (MST, ICT, TF-CBT), and supportive services like mentoring, education, and prosocial activities. Graduated rewards and sanctions guide progress, and each participant receives an aftercare plan before completion.



## JUVENILE DRUG COURT

Established in July 1998, Juvenile Drug Court is a pre-adjudication diversion program for moderate to high-risk youth with substance abuse or co-occurring disorders. The program includes court hearings, individualized treatment, weekly case management, and random drug screens. Youth and families receive services like Intensive Outpatient Programming (IOP), Integrated Co-Occurring Treatment, and Multi-Systemic Therapy. Graduated responses guide behavior management across three program phases.



## SAFE HARBOR DOCKET

The Safe Harbor docket supports survivors and at-risk youth of human trafficking through trauma-informed, wrap-around services. All referred youth receive a Human Trafficking Victim Assessment (HTVA) and may be served pre- or post-adjudication. Pre-adjudicated youth are confirmed victims or have trafficking-related cases; post-adjudicated youth receive preventive probation. Participation is voluntary and requires youth and family consent. In 2024, Safe Harbor served 23 youth.

## FAMILY RECOVERY COURT

Family Recovery Court, formerly Family Drug Court, was established in August 2001. It serves parents at risk of losing custody due to substance abuse, aiming to reduce children's time in out-of-home placement while parents receive treatment. To participate, cases must involve a CCDCFS complaint of abuse, neglect, or dependency, be assigned to the S.T.A.R.T. Unit, and be approved by the team.

## SYSTEMS PLANNING COORDINATION UNIT

The Systems Planning Coordination Unit supports youth, families, and community partners through case review, service coordination, and placement management. The team—comprising a manager, assistant manager, and two Assessment Specialists—facilitates the ODYS and ACP committees, which review high-risk cases to recommend services in lieu of out-of-home placement. In 2024, the ACP committee reviewed 30 cases and ODYS reviewed 17.

The Unit also coordinates residential placement referrals, transportation, and all Service Coordination Team (SCT) and Onsite Service Coordination (OSSCT) meetings. SCT brings together county agencies, including Juvenile Court, CCDCFS, ADAMHS, and CMSD, to support families involved with multiple systems. OSSCT assists jurists in identifying services to help safely release youth from detention. In 2024, SCT liaisons held 21 family team meetings and 48 OSSCT meetings/consultations.

Additionally, the Records Coordinator ensures timely access to accurate youth case records for clinical evaluations, acting as a liaison between court departments and mental health agencies while maintaining confidentiality and compliance standards.

### SYSTEMS PLANNING COORDINATION UNIT NUMBERS

17

CASES REVIEWED  
DURING ODYS  
COMMITTEE

30

CASES REVIEWED  
DURING ACP  
COMMITTEE

21

FAMILY TEAM  
MEETINGS HELD  
BY SCT LIAISONS

48

OSSCT MEETINGS  
/ CONSULTATIONS  
HELD

## PLACEMENT AFTERCARE

Residential placement provides 24/7, out-of-home intensive therapeutic care for youth needing the highest level of support after community-based services have been exhausted. Used as a last resort, these licensed, staff-secure facilities offer structured environments with intensive treatment. The Court prioritizes the least restrictive options and only recommends residential placement when no other alternatives remain.

The goal of residential placement is to stabilize and support youth so they can return to their families and communities better prepared for long-term success. Services include individual and group therapy, anger management, sex offender and chemical dependency treatment, family counseling, mental health care, psychological and psychiatric evaluations, medication management, and educational support such as special education, GED prep, and vocational training.

When a youth is nearing completion of an out of home placement, the Placement/Aftercare Coordinator works in tandem with involved parties to create a community-based plan that will assist the youth and family in successful reintegration once they return home. This would include referrals for educational/vocational, substance abuse, mental health, and positive youth development needs.

**22**

**New Youth Placed in  
Residential Facilities**

**76**

**Youth Placed in  
Aftercare Supervision**

## COMMUNITY SERVICE/RESTITUTION PROGRAM

**The Probation Department's mission is to provide effective programming and interventions that drive meaningful behavior change, reduce recidivism, and divert youth at the earliest appropriate stage. To support this, the department focuses on recruiting and retaining qualified staff, as well as streamlining documentation processes to improve efficiency, enhance report quality, and better support jurists in decision-making.**

The Court's Community Service/Restitution Program, established in 1986, connects youth with nonprofit service opportunities to fulfill court orders and promote accountability. Coordinators place, monitor, and track participants through year-round projects. Since 2006, the Victims Assistance Restitution Program (VARP) has allowed youth to earn up to \$400 per case toward restitution.

## COMMUNITY-BASED INTERVENTION CENTER (CBIC)

***The Community-Based Intervention Center (CBIC) is an evidence-based, intensive day treatment program serving pre-and post-adjudicated youth. Expanded in 2017 to a full-day schedule, it helps participants improve behavior and build skills before disposition, increasing their chances of successfully remaining in the community on probation.***

**The CBIC program serves moderate-to high-risk youth, addressing criminogenic thinking and behaviors to promote pro-social choices and reduce recidivism. Based on the University of Cincinnati's Cognitive-Behavioral Intervention curriculum, it combines cognitive restructuring with social skills training to build problem-solving abilities. Program length varies but typically lasts 10-12 weeks.**



## MULTI-SYSTEMIC THERAPY (MST)

The Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court's Multisystemic Therapy (MST) Program has operated for over 15 years, offering intensive, evidence-based, community-based treatment for youth with complex behavioral, emotional, and academic needs. In 2024, despite hiring challenges, the program added one therapist, bringing the team to three full-time therapists. When fully staffed with eight therapists, MST can serve up to 120 families annually.

MST provides 24/7 support in the home, school, and community, with therapists maintaining small caseloads (4–6 families) for 3–5 months of treatment. The increasing complexity of family needs has made engagement more difficult, impacting outcomes despite therapist efforts.

Each team is supervised by a clinical supervisor and expert consultant from CWRU. MST helps reduce antisocial behavior, recidivism, substance use, and negative peer associations while improving parenting skills, school performance, and prosocial engagement. Therapists focus on identifying root causes, strengthening family support networks, and promoting long-term, sustainable change.

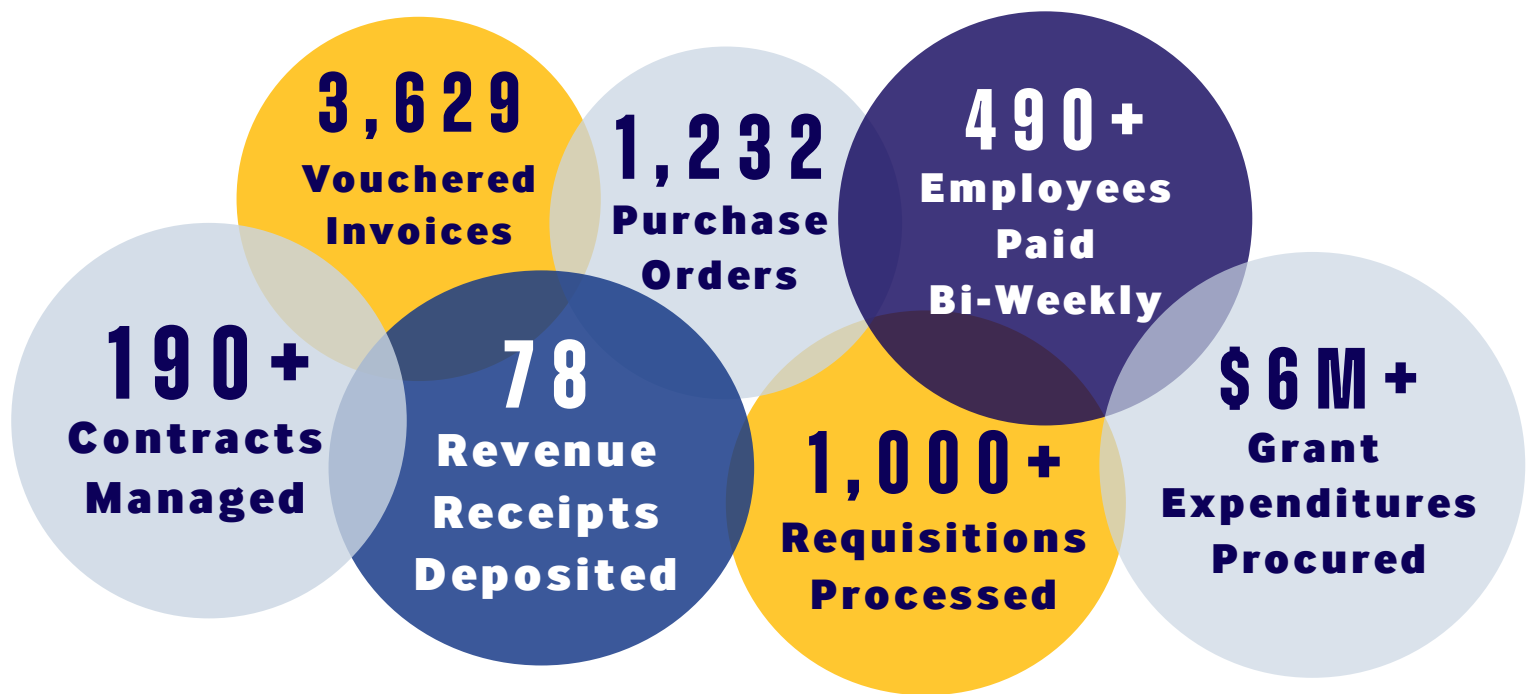
**36** Families  
Served

**65.7%**  
Had No New Arrest

**The Fiscal Resources Department manages all aspects the Court's budget, payments, payroll, purchasing, reporting, and account reconciliation. It also oversees requests for proposals, vendor negotiations, contract development, and procurement processing.**

The Fiscal Resources unit collaborates with county partners to procure goods and services. The Office of Budget and Management and the Office of Procurement and Diversity help issue purchase orders, contracts, and RFPs, while the Accounts Payable Department processes vouchers and creates checks to pay the Juvenile Court's invoices.

**Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court's Fiscal Office worked diligently throughout 2024 to provide great customer service and build new relationships. In 2024, the Fiscal Resources Department:**



The Court's Fiscal Department continuously strives to strategically increase the Court's revenues as well as investigate ways to decrease our expenditures, all the while utilizing a variety of funding resources. Combined, these efforts assist the Court and County to ensure fiscal accountability and integrity.

2024 General Fund Expenditures	Administration	Legal	Child Support	Detention	Totals
Salaries	\$3,185,196.72	\$6,445,999.76	\$2,256,764.19	\$13,805,820.54	\$25,693,781.21
Fringe Benefits	\$1,213,234.18	\$2,553,768.97	\$973,893.08	\$4,486,939.66	\$9,227,835.89
Commodities	\$23,073.00	\$101,424.68	\$4,064.70	\$901,070.92	\$1,029,633.30
Contracts/ Services	\$314,332.12	\$3,576,272.49	\$75,513.41	\$2,054,768.21	\$6,020,886.23
Controlled Expenses	\$1,427,595.51	\$2,303,541.51	\$861,429.28	\$1,505,769.78	\$6,098,336.08
Other Expenditures	\$75.00	\$2,865.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$2,940.00
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	\$6,163,506.53	\$14,983,872.41	\$4,171,664.66	\$22,754,369.11	\$48,073,412.71

2024 Levy Fund Expenditures	Probation Services	Detention Services	Legal Services	Intervention Services	Totals
Salaries	\$4,662,519.94	\$1,159,235.31	\$818,736.47	\$653,805.59	\$7,294,297.31
Fringe Benefits	\$1,939,689.08	\$404,023.60	\$317,011.07	\$271,912.77	\$2,932,636.52
Commodities	\$111,379.80	\$ -	\$1,499.39	\$ -	\$112,879.19
Contracts/ Services	\$1,202,716.89	\$3,207,356.27	\$2,080,945.75	\$ -	\$6,491,018.91
Controlled Expenses	\$2,769,812.70	\$ -	\$471,060.84	\$ -	\$3,240,873.54
Other Expenditures	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	\$10,686,118.41	\$4,770,615.18	\$3,689,253.52	\$925,718.36	\$20,071,705.47

2024 General Fund Expenditures	Totals
Salaries	\$2,035,113.07
Fringe Benefits	\$877,155.71
Commodities	\$ -
Contracts/Services	\$5,464,194.84
Controlled Expenses	\$ -
Other Expenditures	\$ -
Capital Outlay	\$1,104,452.00
Total	\$9,480,915.62

Funding Source	Totals
General Fund	\$48,073,412.71
Levy Fund	\$20,071,705.47
Grant Fund	\$9,480,915.62
Grand Total	\$77,626,033.80



The Legal Department functions as in-house counsel for the court and addresses all legal matters with the court outside of judicial orders and decisions. The department assists departments like HR, DH, Probation, the Clerk's Office, and PTQA with the legal ramifications of their jobs. The department assists with contracts, agreements, public record requests, case transfers, case law updates, investigations, training, etc. The Legal Department also helps with legal questions, legal procedures, and assists with forming policy.

## DEPARTMENT GOALS

The Legal Department will continue to assist all other departments in the court to streamline processes and ensure legal compliance, address legal issues, and assist the judges and magistrates with policy and legal questions.

## PERFORMANCE DATA

The Legal Department continues to assist other departments in the court with contracts, including reviewing and helping execute over 50 contracts in 2024. The Legal Dept. also processed over 300 cases being transferred into our court from other jurisdictions and processed 4,293 public records requests in 2024.

**50+**

**Contracts  
Reviewed &  
Assisted With**

**300+**

**Cases Processed  
Into Our Court  
from Other  
Jurisdictions**

**4,293**

**Public Records  
Request  
Processed In  
2024**

## PROGRAM & ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTS

### FREEDOM SCHOOL

In summer 2024, CCJDC launched a pilot Freedom School program with support from the Children's Defense Fund and Say Yes. This educational and cultural enrichment program aims to boost reading motivation, foster positive attitudes toward learning, build self-esteem, and connect families to community resources.

Each day began with Harambe, a spirited session featuring chants, songs, and guest read-alouds to highlight the importance of reading. Afternoon "meet & greet" sessions brought in community members to engage youth through activities like games, STEM projects, fitness, and career talks.



### UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL PARTNERS WITH CASE CARES PROGRAM

Volunteers from the Antifragility Initiative at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Detention Center deliver education and activities based on Seeking Safety, an evidence-based, flexible treatment model adapted for adolescents with co-occurring PTSD and substance use disorders.

### CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY STUDENT PROGRAMS

#### ART FORWARD

Youth demonstrate their creative skills while practicing in therapeutic theme-based art activities of various mediums.

#### HOPE4 MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS

Weekly 1-on-1 workshops facilitated by CWRU medical students in roles as near-peer facilitators. Sessions focused on interactive activities for youth to re-analyze everyday situations from a new perspective.

## OUR FIRST EVER COLLEGE GRADUATE

**A CCJDC resident earned an Associate of Arts degree through virtual Tri-C classes, becoming the first in his family to graduate college. He found psychology courses especially helpful and gained valuable skills for overcoming challenges.**



## LABARBERIA INSTITUTE OF HAIR

Barber students in training bi-monthly visits to CCJDC provide hair cut services for Detention residents while perfecting their skills to earn service hours.



## MOMS FIRST/FATHERHOOD PROGRAM

We launched a co-parenting workshop for residents with children, offering resources and referrals to support partners like mothers, grandmothers, or caregivers. The Moms First Fatherhood Program, led by certified Community Health Workers, hosts monthly peer sessions on self-esteem, relationships, substance abuse prevention, bullying, social media, sexuality, and contraception.

## GROWING CLEVELAND HEALTHY GARDENING PROGRAM

CCJDC partners with the "Growing Cleveland Healthy" project to promote pro-social skills, self-expression, and urban farming. Youth engage in indoor and outdoor lessons, including planting and garden maintenance, to maximize use of CCJDC's outdoor space.

## JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR SERVICE-LEARNING AND SOCIAL ACTION

Residents joined weekly basketball and creative writing sessions led by JCU student volunteers, using writing prompts to build confidence, self-expression, and social-emotional skills.

### WRITERS-IN RESIDENCE WORKSHOP

In partnership with John Carroll University, Case Western Reserve University & Cuyahoga Community College student volunteers inspire creativity in youth.

CCJDC Residents shared their writing experiences from their interaction with college students and guest speakers.

***"I learned how to write the proper way"***

***"It helped expand my vocabulary"***

***"Cool to express yourself"***

***"Something I can explore"***

***"I can be more open to them;  
I don't feel embarrassed  
when I talk to them"***

### PERCUSSION DRUM CLASSES

Following the instructions of music teacher, CCJDC residents participated in beginning-level classes to master techniques of the bongo drums.



### OBERLIN COLLEGE STUDENTS SERVICE DAY

Prospective student volunteers spent half a day at CCJDC learning about the Writers-in-Residence program to include a Q & A and tour of our secured facility.



## LITERACY TUTORING PROGRAM

**Research shows a strong link between academic failure and delinquency. Trained volunteer tutors at CCJDC support struggling readers through weekly sessions, helping to break that cycle.**

## ANNUAL HALLOWEEN EVENT

Teachers, students, community partners and CCJDC staff participation in annual Halloween "Trick or Treat" promoting a fun, friendly atmosphere for CCJDC residents to visit classrooms and fill their bags with sweets.



## "FREEWAY" RICK ROSS VISITS

Formerly incarcerated and once sentenced to 20 years to life, Rick Ross shared his journey from illiteracy to becoming a published author and regaining his freedom—offering wisdom to help others learn from his experience.

## BOOKS FOR BRUISES: LEARNING OVERCOMING VIOLENCE EVERYDAY

Founded by Louis Fields, Books for Bruises is a literacy program that uses guided reading and Socratic questioning to inspire growth. As Louis shared, "Over fifty books found their way into eager hands, each one a window, a door, or a mirror of possibility."



## SPREAD THE LOVE FOUNDATION

Under the guidance of Spread the Love Foundation staff focus on instructing residents in the development of song writing skills and cultivate their interest in music careers.



## RELIGIOUS SERVICES VOLUNTEERS

In addition to chaplains from True Freedom Ministries, local church volunteers lead weekly small group sessions on Bible study and life skills, offering hope and encouragement.

Faith-based groups support residents during major holidays with visits, meals, and treats. The annual "Youth for Christ End-of-Year Cookout" features games, speakers, and meals for residents, staff, and volunteers.

## CCJDC COLLEGE INTERNS

**College interns from local universities earn credit while supporting CCJDC programs in their of study. They engage youth in educational activities such as art, life skills, wellness, and yoga.**

## HOLIDAY DONATIONS

Father Gary Chmura, in partnership with Edwin's Restaurant, sponsors annual Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas dinners for CCJDC youth and staff.

Other generous supporters include:

- Former Chaplain Rae Borders, donating items for female residents
- Brother Keith Jefferson of Benevolent Love Ministries, supporting younger males
- "Secret Santa Pete," fulfilling CCJDC's recreational wish list
- Deacon John Travis and St. Ladislav Church, hosting a yearly Christmas meet & greet with caroling, prayers, and cookies for residents and staff.

## INFORMATION SERVICES 2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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In 2024, the Information Services Department supported over 500 internal staff and 1,000+ external users with responsive technical assistance across the Juvenile Justice Center, satellite offices, and partner agencies. The JJC Help Desk resolved 3,874 tickets, while the iCase Help Desk completed 7,227 tickets related to the Court's case management system, including regression testing and system improvements.

The team handled over 120 data requests to support reporting, performance tracking, and grant efforts. Significant progress was made toward selecting a new case management system, while also reducing the current system's issue backlog by 75%.

Development efforts included updates to the Juvenile Court website for better usability, and the expansion of dashboards and reporting tools to enhance data-driven decision-making and transparency across the organization.

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## INFORMATION SERVICES BY THE NUMBERS

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**7,227 TICKETS  
COMPLETED BY  
ICASE HELP DESK**

**3,874 TICKETS  
COMPLETED BY  
JJC HELP DESK**

**SYSTEM ISSUES  
BACKLOG REDUCED  
BY 75%**

## JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES INITIATIVE (JDAI)

Our JDAI Coordinator leads efforts to reduce the reliance on secure detention for cases that did not jeopardize community safety by facilitating committees on Alternatives to Detention, Race Equity and Inclusion, and Conditions of Confinement.

### JDAI IN 2024

We maintained active roles in Cleveland Thrive, the Crisis Intervention Training, and the Youth Justice Collaborative. Internally, we restructured our population management team to better include child and family services, mental health providers, and CMSD.

We supported grassroots providers through targeted training and celebrated milestones with programs like Nerve DJs, Legacies Empowered, Project Lift, and Sports Spine. We collaborated with the ACLU on youth discussions centered around community safety.

Throughout the year, we welcomed visitors from across Ohio and the U.S., including Ramsey County, MN, to share best practices. The year concluded with our staff serving as panelists for Georgetown University's Transforming Juvenile Probation Certificate Program.

**23 RESIDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEES WERE CONDUCTED.**

**104 POPULATION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES WERE CONDUCTED RESULTING IN 73 SUCCESSFUL STEP DOWN RECOMMENDATIONS**

## TRAINING AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

PTQA provided court-wide training to assist staff in addressing the needs of youth involved in the juvenile justice system. To bolster this effort we implemented a new social history report format. This enabled more concise and accurate family history collection making it easier to identify true family needs and protective factors. Additionally all Probation staff completed OYAS recertification training to ensure we are identifying risk levels and potential barriers correctly.

**42 HOURS OF DIRECT EPICS TRAINING AND COACHING**

**ONBOARD TRAINING FOR 24 INDIVIDUALS**

## TRAINING AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

### PREA TRAININGS

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was implemented for Detention Staff in July 2024. This training included understanding professional boundaries, working with LGBTQ+ youth, and identifying proper prevention and reporting practices.

### DETENTION QUALITY ASSURANCE

Conducted 728 hours of CCTV camera reviews, supporting safety, compliance, and incident verification across facility operations.

## MENTAL HEALTH JUVENILE JUSTICE

120

HOURS OF TRAINING  
DELIVERED TO COURT  
AND DETENTION STAFF

- Training topics explored:
  - Prevalence of mental health disorders
  - Impact of substance use on brain development
  - Effects of childhood trauma on youth, especially those involved in the juvenile justice system.
  - Working with Youth- What You Can Do Before, During, and After a Crisis.

## COMMUNICATIONS & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Under PTQA, the Communications & Community Outreach Specialist serves as the primary liaison for external media, onsite coordination, and public messaging about the Court's youth-focused initiatives. In 2024, the role prioritized creating and sharing juvenile justice content across social media, including collaborative posts with local partners like the **Cuyahoga County Board of DD, Spread the Love Foundation**, and national partners such as **Campaign Zero**.

A big focus was highlighting the successes of court-involved youth, staff, and community partners via videos, news articles, and press releases.

With a refreshed brand and emphasis on transparency, the Court remains committed to sharing its rehabilitative, youth-centered approach and fostering continued community collaboration.

551 FOLLOWERS GAINED ACROSS  
OUR SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.

## GRANTS

In 2024, the PTQA Unit upheld strong grant management practices, ensuring compliance and improving utilization across the Court. The Unit oversaw the Ohio Department of Youth Services (ODYS) RECLAIM and BHJJ funding and secured two Competitive RECLAIM grants, starting in 2025. One will fund a Pre-Arrest Diversion Pilot with Cleveland Police, placing a Support Specialist in two districts to connect youth to community oriented services. The other will support a Credible Messenger Model led by Project Lift and trained by CM3.

The Court also received a \$450,000 OJJDP grant to implement a Care First Cuyahoga model, intended to build a county-wide support system for at-risk youth through asset mapping, gap analysis, and a community plan to reduce racial disparities and promote diversion.

A \$2 million Bureau of Justice Assistance grant will fund a Juvenile Violence Intervention Program (VIP), with \$695,000 supporting a team-based approach for 15–18 year olds, providing trauma-informed, community-based services to reduce gun violence and support behavioral change.

PTQA also helped the Detention Center secure ODYS funding for grief support training and continues managing OHMHAS grants for Family Recovery and Juvenile Drug Courts. The Court also submitted a proposal to DYS to establish a Community Correctional Facility (CCF) in Cuyahoga County.

### GRANTS DEPARTMENT MILESTONES

**SECURED A  
\$450,000  
OJJDP GRANT**

**A \$2 MILLION  
BJA GRANT  
SECURED**

**SUBMITTED A  
PROPOSAL TO  
DYS FOR A CCF**



# SUMMARY OF CASE FILINGS

Case Type	Cases Filed	For Additional Information Visit
Delinquency	9,819	(Pages 36-40)
Unruly/Status	452	(Page 36)
Abuse, Dependency, Neglect	1,299	(Pages 41-42)
Parentage	1,612	(Page 43)
Custody	552	(Page 43)
Support	773	(Page 44)
Traffic	2,043	(Page 45)
Adult	48	(Page 45)
Other	71	(Page 45)
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,669</b>	

## OFFICIAL DELINQUENCY AND STATUS INFORMATION

### CHARGES BY CATEGORY

Person Offenses		Total
Homicide		128
<i>Aggravated Murder Specific Intention</i>	17	
<i>Murder</i>	75	
<i>Involuntary Manslaughter</i>	6	
<i>Aggravated Vehicular Homicide</i>	7	
<i>Attempted Murder</i>	23	
Assault		1,085
<i>Felony</i>	646	
<i>Misdemeanor</i>	439	
Kidnapping and Extortion		64
Sex Offenses		414
<i>Gross Sexual Imposition</i>	133	
<i>Rape</i>	133	
<i>Other Sex Offenses</i>	148	
Robbery		1,354
Domestic Violence		340
Menacing		333
Harassment		89
<b>Total Person Charges</b>		<b>3,807</b>

Property Offenses		Total
Arson		23
Burglary		280
Fraud/Forgery		133
Receiving Stolen Property		673
Theft		1,184
Trespassing		214
Vandalism		816
<b>Total Property Charges</b>		<b>3,323</b>

Drug Offenses		Total
Possession		25
Trafficking		10
Other		12
<b>Total Drug Charges</b>		<b>47</b>

Public Order Offenses		Total
Disorderly Conduct		453
Liquor Violations		67
Obstruction of Justice		926
Resisting Arrest		62
Riot/Inducing Panic		168
Weapons		786
<i>Felony</i>	741	
<i>Misdemeanor</i>	45	
Possessing Criminal Tools		155
Other Public Order		18
<b>Total Public Order Charges</b>		<b>2,635</b>

Other Offenses		Total
Cruelty To Animals		6
Other		1
<b>Total Other Charges</b>		<b>7</b>

Status Offenses		Total
<b>Total Status Offense Charges*</b>		<b>452</b>
*Includes Unruly and Truancy		

Habitual Truancy		Total
Filed		449
Diverted		449



## OFFICIAL DELINQUENCY AND STATUS INFORMATION CASES FILED BY RESIDENCE - CLEVELAND

\*INCLUDES UNRULY & TRUANCY

	Total Juveniles	Total Cases	Total Charges	Person Offenses	Property Offenses	Drug Offenses	Weapon Offenses	Public Order	Other Offenses	*Status Offenses
Cleveland	1,189	1,819	6229	2,335	2,159	32	522	944	7	232
Suburbs	1,055	1,461	3505	1,251	1,039	14	206	782	0	213
Out of County	110	168	537	221	125	1	55	126	0	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,354</b>	<b>3,448</b>	<b>10271</b>	<b>3,807</b>	<b>3,323</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>1,852</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>452</b>

CLEVELAND										
Statistical Planning Area	Total Juveniles	Total Cases	Total Charges	Person Offenses	Property Offenses	Drug Offenses	Weapon Offenses	Public Order	Other Offenses	*Status Offenses
Archwood Denison	15	21	40	12	21	0	0	6	0	1
Buckeye Shaker	33	59	172	50	64	1	18	33	0	6
Central	56	100	357	113	152	1	37	47	0	17
Clark Fulton	49	76	374	172	110	0	34	50	0	8
Cleveland (Unknown SPA)	84	123	389	147	101	3	36	79	0	23
Corlett	41	69	287	106	108	0	26	39	0	8
Cudell	31	40	98	35	26	5	5	13	2	12
Detroit Shoreway	16	25	142	74	41	0	12	13	0	2
Downtown	5	6	17	3	6	0	0	7	0	1
Edgewater	4	5	7	2	3	0	0	1	0	1
Euclid Green	11	18	98	45	39	0	7	2	3	2
Fairfax	44	67	262	116	80	0	26	34	0	6
Forest Hills	42	57	143	48	47	0	10	23	0	15
Glenville	78	125	314	92	119	1	23	57	0	22
Hough	48	70	244	89	83	1	25	38	1	7
Industrial Valley	9	9	16	4	6	0	4	1	0	1
Jefferson	27	30	75	22	24	0	3	21	0	5
Kamms Corner	9	11	23	9	8	0	1	5	0	0
Kinsman	33	46	173	57	56	0	24	27	0	9
Lee Miles	37	50	169	70	47	0	13	27	0	12
Mount Pleasant	52	70	245	85	89	1	27	33	0	10
North Broadway	18	26	80	39	22	0	6	11	0	2
North Collinwood	38	71	345	72	207	2	20	41	0	3
Ohio City	11	13	33	9	14	0	1	8	0	1
Old Brooklyn	43	53	181	97	58	0	5	18	0	3
Payne Kirtland Park	99	192	593	283	189	0	24	94	1	2
Puritas Longmead	21	30	65	19	10	11	4	15	0	6
Riverside	12	19	46	15	11	6	4	9	0	1
South Broadway	37	44	144	78	27	0	10	23	0	6
South Collinwood	48	92	323	113	114	0	40	50	0	6
St. Clair Superior	29	43	278	81	122	0	43	25	0	7
Tremont	6	8	28	14	7	0	2	4	0	1
Union Miles	38	54	144	56	32	0	11	28	0	17
University	3	3	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
West Boulevard	49	74	254	104	94	0	19	43	0	4
Woodland Hills	13	20	49	4	20	0	2	19	0	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,189</b>	<b>1,819</b>	<b>6229</b>	<b>2,335</b>	<b>2,159</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>944</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>232</b>



## OFFICIAL DELINQUENCY AND STATUS INFORMATION CASES FILED BY RESIDENCE - SUBURBS

\*INCLUDES UNRULY & TRUANCY

Suburbs										
Statistical Planning Area	Total Juveniles	Total Cases	Total Charges	Person Offenses	Property Offenses	Drug Offenses	Weapon Offenses	Public Order	Other Offenses	*Status Offenses
Bay Village	6	6	13	11	0	0	0	2	0	0
Beachwood	9	12	40	18	8	0	10	4	0	0
Bedford	33	44	98	28	25	0	9	32	0	4
Bedford Heights	6	11	40	18	7	0	3	12	0	0
Berea	27	40	97	28	27	0	10	22	0	10
Brecksville	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brookview Heights	18	19	38	20	11	0	2	5	0	0
Brooklyn	7	13	29	11	9	0	1	8	0	0
Brookpark	36	39	65	11	12	2	0	25	0	15
Chagrin Falls	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Cleveland Heights	125	181	430	169	118	3	13	82	0	45
East Cleveland	34	65	183	74	66	0	9	32	0	2
Euclid	104	137	410	153	121	1	48	79	0	8
Fairview Park	6	11	31	5	20	0	2	4	0	0
Garfield Heights	96	128	316	107	91	0	30	69	0	19
Highland Heights	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Highland Hills	14	24	61	25	20	0	7	8	0	1
Independence	2	5	9	5	2	0	0	1	0	1
Lakewood	37	44	64	14	11	0	1	18	0	20
Lindale	6	9	26	14	7	0	1	4	0	0
Lyndhurst	8	11	30	1	12	0	5	12	0	0
Maple Heights	91	130	345	122	110	0	26	64	0	23
Mayfield Heights	17	21	36	15	3	1	0	16	0	1
Mayfield Village	3	3	5	2	2	0	0	1	0	0
Middleburg Heights	13	19	32	10	10	0	0	6	0	6
Newburgh Heights	3	4	14	3	5	0	4	1	0	1
North Olmsted	32	41	63	20	23	1	1	10	0	8
North Royalton	23	29	59	27	11	0	1	17	0	3
Olmsted Falls	6	9	20	5	4	0	1	9	0	1
Olmsted Twp	6	22	59	23	23	0	0	13	0	0
Orange	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Parma	86	105	189	74	58	4	2	26	0	25
Parma Heights	25	43	95	19	41	0	2	27	0	6
Pepper Pike	1	1	2	1		0	0	0	0	1
Richmond Heights	14	21	38	16	6	0	1	15	0	0
Rocky River	20	21	40	5	21	0	1	8	0	5
Seven Hills	4	4	11	5	5	0	0	1	0	0
Shaker Heights	28	35	116	54	29	0	5	28	0	0
Solon	5	5	10	4	2	0	2	2	0	0
South Euclid	35	66	189	62	54	1	4	68	0	0
Strongsville	19	23	40	8	18	1	0	12	0	1
University Heights	12	18	47	17	9	0	4	12	0	5
Valley view	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Warrensville	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Warrensville Heights	19	21	58	25	24	0	0	9	0	0
Westlake	11	13	47	16	14	0	0	16	0	1
Total	1,055	1,461	3505	1,251	1,039	14	206	782	0	213

## SECURE DETENTION

Secure Detention			
Admissions	Male	Female	Total
Black	489	129	618
White	32	12	44
Hispanic	13	4	17
Asian	1	0	1
Other	10	7	17
Unknown	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>546</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>698</b>
Average Length of Stay, Non-Bindovers	57.5	39.8	53.2
Average Length of Stay, Bindovers	310.5	634	315.6
Average Daily Population	128.4	17.9	146.3

### DATA SNAPSHOT

146.3

AVERAGE DAILY  
POPULATION

53.2

NON BIDOVER  
AVG. LENGTH OF STAY

315.6

BIDOVER  
AVG. LENGTH OF STAY

## HOME DETENTION

Home Detention			
Admissions	Male	Female	Total
Black	439	127	566
White	46	14	60
Hispanic	15	3	18
Asian	1	0	1
Other	8	4	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>657</b>
Average Length of Stay	53.1	42	50.7
Average Daily Population	75.9	16.9	92.8

### DATA SNAPSHOT

92.8

AVERAGE DAILY  
POPULATION

50.7

AVG.  
LENGTH OF STAY

566

TOTAL  
YOUTH ADMISSIONS



## BINDOVERS

Bindover Dispositons	Male	Female	Total Youth*	Total Cases
Bindover - Mandatory	51	1	52	68
Bindover - Discretionary	23	0	23	32
Total Bindovers	68	1	69	100
Total Reverse Bindovers	5	2	7	8

\* Six youth had both a discretionary and a mandatory bindover.

## DATA SNAPSHOT

100

TOTAL  
BIDOVERS

68

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## ABUSE, DEPENDENCY, NEGLECT CASE INFORMATION

Abuse, Dependency, Neglect Filings: Youth, Cases and Charges	Total
Youth	1,159
Cases	1,299
Charges	2,750

Abuse, Dependency, Neglect: Filings - Youth By Race and Sex	Male	Female	Total
Black or African American	354	371	725
White	140	149	289
Hispanic	4	5	9
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0	1
Asian	0	2	2
Other	52	39	91
Multiracial	6	1	7
Unknown	17	18	35
Total	574	585	1,159

Abuse, Dependency, Neglect: Filings - Cases By Sub-Type	Total
Standard Abuse, Dependency, Neglect	2,714
Complaint for Permanent Custody	25
Application for Permanent Surrender	5
Abuse	4
Bridges Jurisdiction Transfer	2
Total	2,750

Abuse, Dependency, Neglect Filings : Charges	Total
Abuse	469
Dependent	958
Neglect	1,315
Agreement for Temporary Custody or Perman	6
Bridges Program	2
Support/Custody	
Total	8

## ABUSE, DEPENDENCY, NEGLECT CASE INFORMATION

Abuse, Dependency, Neglect - Dispositions	Total
Case Dismissed	571
CFSEmergency	84
CFSPermanent	248
CFSPPLA	48
CFSTemporary	576
Continue Custody With Review	1,443
CustodyApplication Granted	245
CustodyOrder	9
Mediation Agreement	1
Parent Visitation	107
Pay Arrears	42
Protective Supervision	353
Recusal	12
Review	348
Self	30
SharedCustody	10
SharedParenting	26
SoleCustody	776
Support Awarded	109
Support Modified	115
Support Suspended	1
Support Terminated	29
Terminate Custody	206
Terminate Protective Supervision	143
Transfer	12
Transfer to Drug Court	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,545</b>



## PARENTAGE, CUSTODY, SUPPORT CASE INFORMATION

### PARENTAGE CASES

Parentage Filings - Cases By Sub-Type	Total
Establish the Parent Child Relationship	529
Parentage Same Sex	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>552</b>

Parentage Dispositions	Total
Case Dismissed	451
Parent Child Relationship Established	111
Parent Visitation	31
Transfer to Other County	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>594</b>

### CUSTODY CASES

Custody Filings - Cases By Sub-Type	Total
Application for Parenting Time or Visitation	151
Application to Determine Custody	731
Certification Custody	13
Power of Attorney	151
Register a Foreign Decree	9
Standard Custody	523
CAA Caretaker Authorization Affidavit	33
Writ of Habeas Corpus	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,612</b>

Custody Dispositions	Total
Case Dismissed	620
CFSTemporary	2
Custody Application Granted	675
Custody Order	3
Mediation Agreement	188
Parent Visitation	405
Power of Attorney	1
Refer to Mediation	1
Self	2
SharedCustody	17
SharedParenting	333
SoleCustody	501
Transfer to Other County	38
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,786</b>

PARENTAGE, CUSTODY, SUPPORT CASE INFORMATION

SUPPORT CASES

Support Filings - Cases By Sub-Type	Total
Administrative Order	629
Application to Determine Support	144
Total	773

Support Dispositions	Total
Case Dismissed	133
Pay Arrears	659
Support Awarded	375
Support Modified	926
Support Suspended	8
Support Terminated	162
Transfer to Other County	4
Total	2,267



## ADULT, TRAFFIC, OTHER CASE INFORMATION

### ADULT CASES

Adult Filings - Cases By Sub-Type	Total
Contribute to Delinquency	7
Contributing to Neglect	1
Contributing to Unruly	14
Interference with Custody	13
Violation Compulsory Attendance Law	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>

Adult Case Dispositions	Total
Case Dismissed	39
Pay Court Costs /Fines	6
Waive Court Costs	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>46</b>

### TRAFFIC CASES

Traffic Filings - Cases By Sub-Type	Total
Moving Violation	1,742
Non-Moving Violation	109
Tobacco Violation	192
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,043</b>

Traffic Dispositions	Total
Case Dismissed	613
Costs Ordered	1,953
Costs Waived	185
Driving Program	179
Fine Ordered	910
Suspended	255
Transfer to Other County	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,098</b>

### OTHER CASES

Other Case Filings	Total
Protection Orders	65
Interstate Compact	3
Application to Marry	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>

## ROADMAP DEFINITIONS

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**CASES FILED OFFICIAL:** Cases formally filed with the Juvenile Court through the Clerk's Office and sent official. These cases are heard by a Judge or Magistrate.

**CASES REFERRED TO COURT:** Cases referred to the court regardless of whether they were diverted or sent official.

**COURT ORDERED DIVERSION:** Cases where the case was filed official, but the courtroom diverts the case back to the EIDC prior to adjudication (legal ruling or judgement).

**JUSTICE-REFERRED DIVERSION:** Cases where the case was filed official but the courtroom holds the adjudication (legal ruling or judgement) in abeyance (temporary hold) while the youth completes a program or court orders.

**PROSECUTOR-REFERRED DIVERSION:** Cases referred to the EIDC by the Prosecutor's Office for an opportunity for diversion.

**EIDC:** Early Intervention and Diversion Center – The Juvenile Court's program for diversion services.

**YOUTH OF COLOR:** Any person who lists their race as any category other than white.

**RECEPTION/ASSESSMENT CENTER DIVERSION:** Cases referred directly to the EIDC. These cases are not seen by the Prosecutor's Office. All Unruly cases are processed in this manner.

**SPECIALTY DOCKETS:** Juvenile court has several specialty dockets and programs that target specific needs of the youth we serve. These dockets allow for additional treatment of special circumstances that may have contributed to the offense. These factors include, but are not limited to mental health and substance abuse concerns, risky sexual behaviors, and trauma.

## ROADMAP DEFINITIONS

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**PROBATION:** Community supervision of youth who are subject to terms and conditions that are to be adhered to, to avoid further Court action. Youth also have an individual case plan created to support and address risks and needs to reduce risk of recidivism.

**OUT OF HOME PLACEMENT:** When youth are placed to live outside of their parent/guardians' residence. This can be a residential facility and/or another's home in the community.

**COMMITMENTS TO STATE CUSTODY:** Youth ordered to the care and custody of the Ohio Department of Youth Services to be placed in an institution (ODYS) or community correctional facility (CCF).

**CRIMINAL COURT:** The Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, which is the adult court of law that tries and determines the outcomes of someone that has allegedly committed a crime.

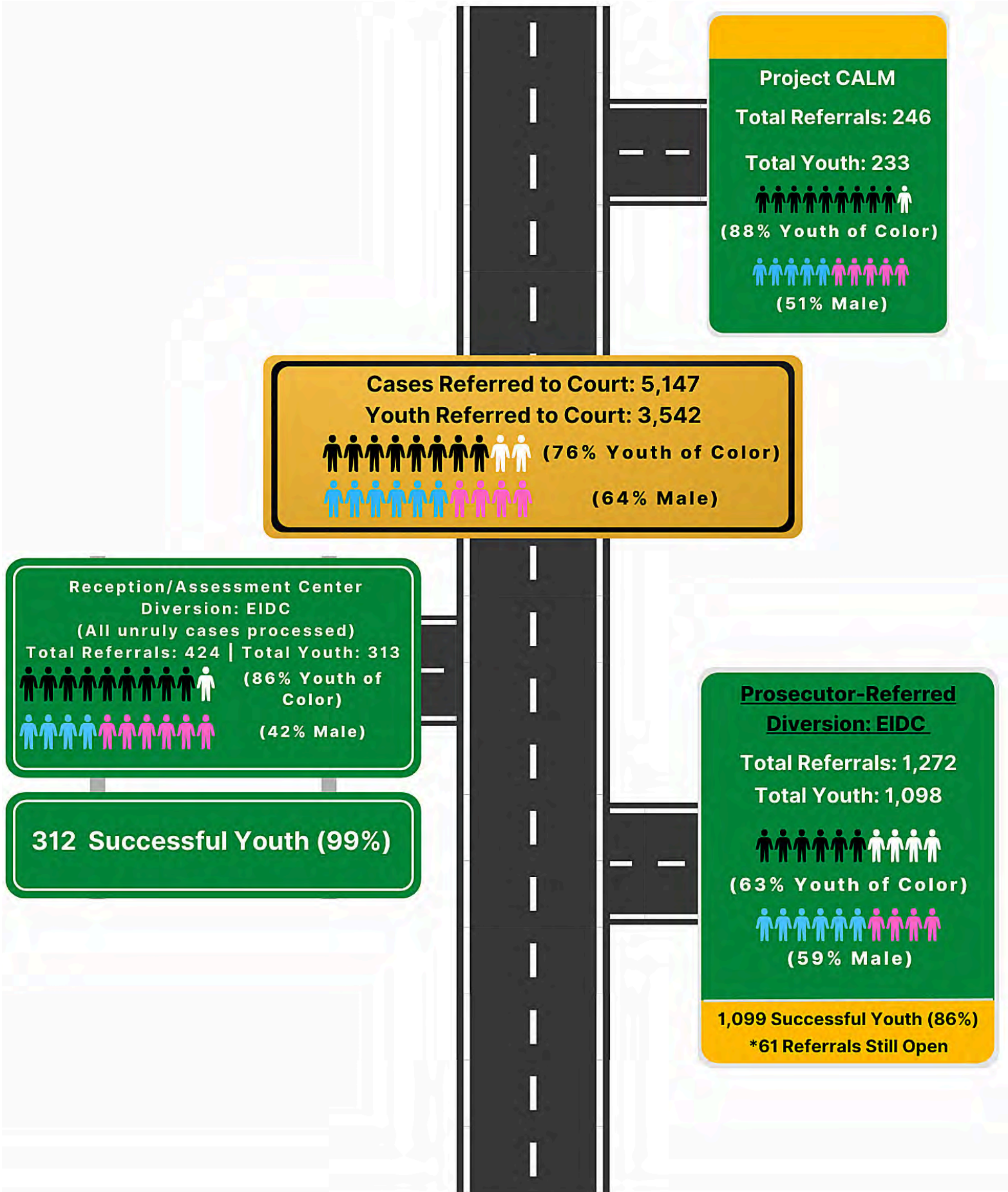
**MANDATORY BINDER:** The Juvenile Judge is required to send the youth to adult court based on their age and charges.

**DISCRETIONARY BINDER:** Prosecutors can request that a juvenile court judge send a child 14 or older to adult court if accused of a felony.

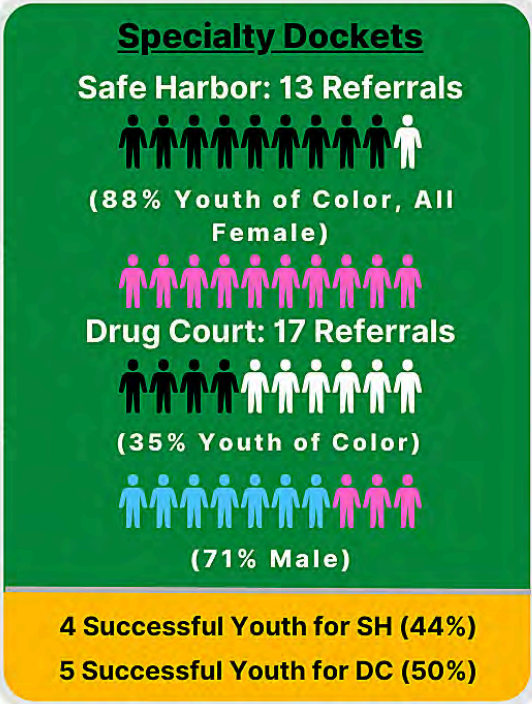
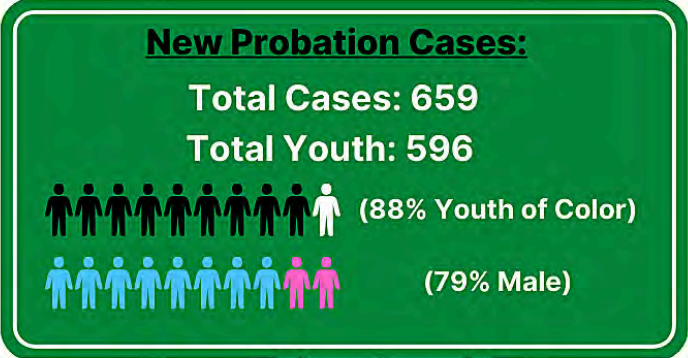
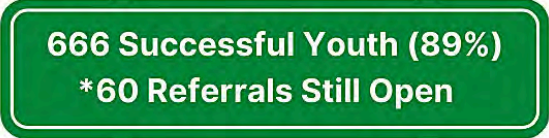
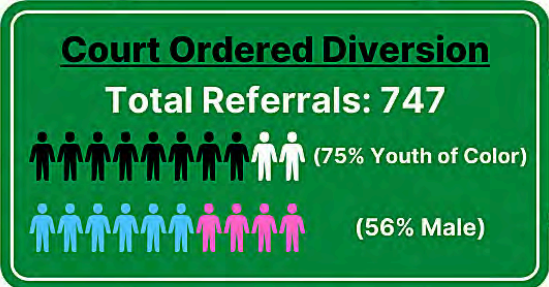
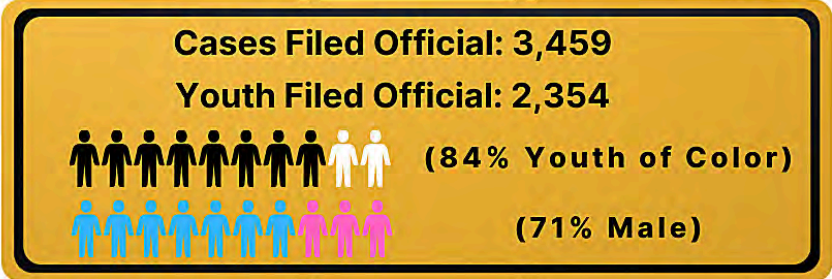
**PROJECT C.A.L.M:** Coordinated Approach to Low-risk Misdemeanors: Provides appropriate placement and case management for low-level and domestic violence offenders, in lieu of Detention.

**CBTC:** Community Based Treatment Center. Our current CBTC is at Applewood. Curriculum based on theoretical underpinnings of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Social Learning Theories is utilized to address criminogenic risk factors with the use of cognitive-behavioral interventions, such as substance abuse, antisocial values and beliefs, temperamental and personality factors, family issues, low achievement in educational or vocational settings, and leisure activities.

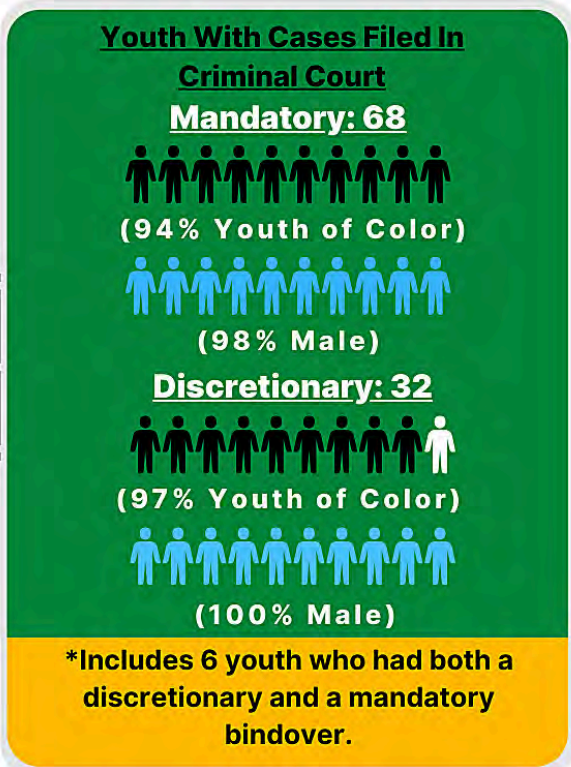
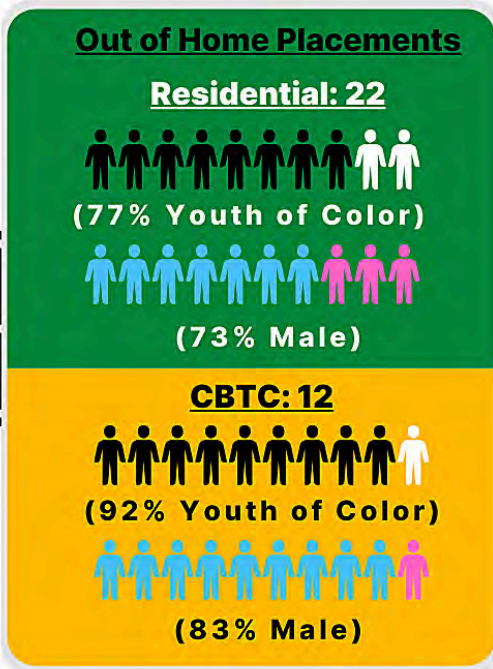
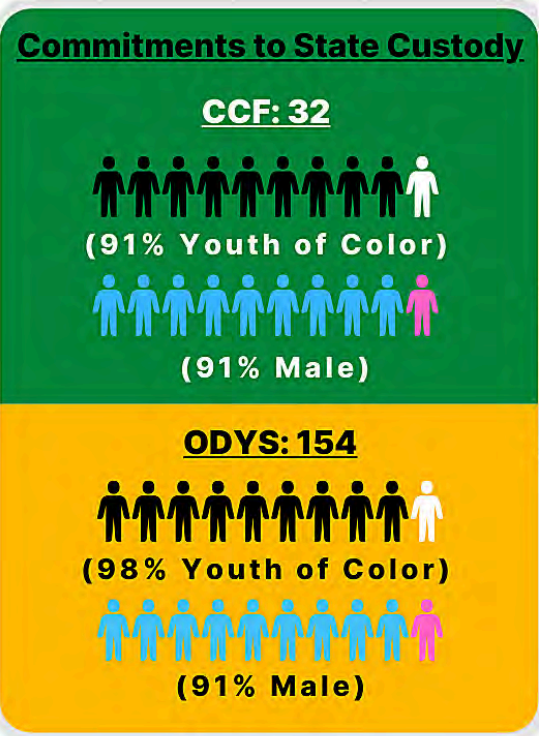
**RESIDENTIAL:** A placement in which a youth lives 24/7 for a period of time.











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