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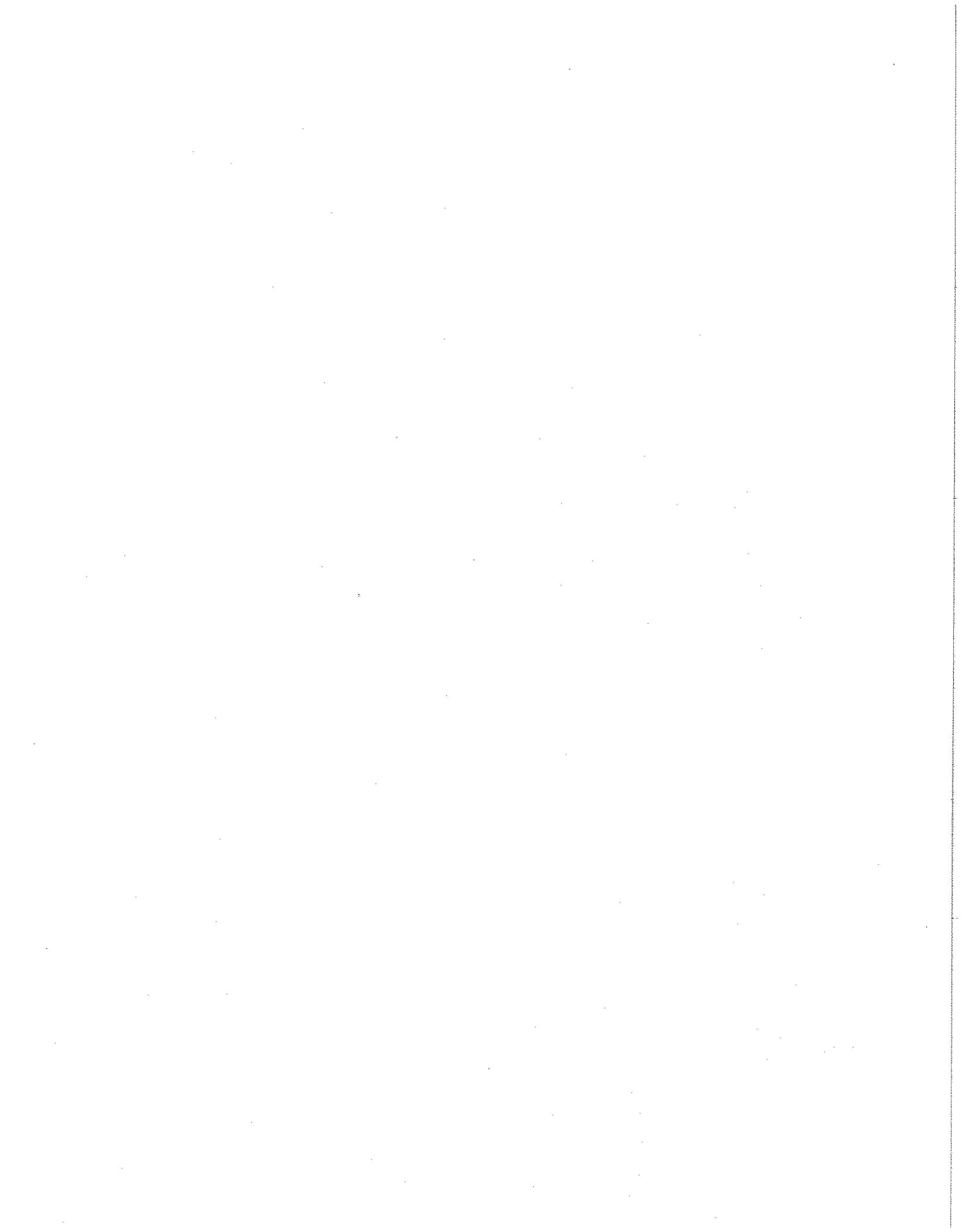
Please see the attached summary of the programs that counties initiated or continued during state fiscal year 2009 with their Community Intervention Program grants under s. 301.263, Stats. Counties have developed and expanded upon a range of community-based programs for both first time offenders and serious, chronic offenders. Counties have promoted the balanced and restorative justice approach in juvenile justice by offering programs that protect the public, hold juveniles accountable for their actions, incorporate families into treatment, involve community resources, and help juveniles gain skills and competencies to help them lead normal, law-abiding lives.

I hope that you find these summaries interesting and useful as you continue your efforts to provide effective community programs for at-risk and delinquent youth and their families in your local communities. Thank you for completing the program evaluations.

If you would like more information or wish to discuss any other issues related to juvenile justice, you may contact Silvia Jackson, Assistant Administrator at (608) 240-5902, or Michelle Buehl, Juvenile Services Specialist at (608) 240-5914. Thank you.

Attachment – Summary of County Programs

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Juvenile Justice Community Intervention Program

Summary of County Evaluations for SFY 2009

Authority: Section 301.263, Wis. Stats., authorizes the Department of Corrections to allocate \$3,750,000 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 2009 Program Results

The results of the state fiscal year 2009 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 2010, most 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> | <u>SFY 2009 Allocation</u> | <u>Contact Person/Phone</u> |
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| Adams County | \$5,780 | Mandy Stanley (608) 339-4511 |

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION. Adams County contracts to provide Intensive Supervision/Intensive Aftercare Services to delinquent youth who are on some type of supervision. Goals for the youth in receiving these services were to decrease the number of delinquent youth in out-of-home care, reduce recidivism rates of youth and ensure delinquent youth are in the least restrictive setting available to meet their needs while promoting community safety. The average number of delinquent youth in out-of-home care has dropped from 6.3 to 5.8 youth. Out of fourteen youth served, only three had additional law enforcement referrals and only 4 have been placed out of the home. One youth also successfully transitioned from group care to home. The reduction in out-of-home placements has resulted in a decrease of spending for out-of-home care.

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| Ashland County | \$18,470 | Judy Putnam (715) 682-7004, ext. 144 |
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TEEN COURT / FAMILY THERAPY / COMMUNITY SERVICE AND RESTITUTION COORDINATOR. The Teen Court continues its valuable role in diverting juveniles from the juvenile court system. Referrals were accepted through a variety of sources including: Law Enforcement, the District Attorney, Health & Human Services, school personnel and UW-Extension staff. The Teen Court heard fourteen cases in the reporting period. On average, the Teen Court Panelist had contact with the respondents three times per case. Twelve court sessions were held and ten of these were successfully diverted from the juvenile court system. The program has impacted both panelists and respondents in a positive way. Family Therapy was provided to four families. Two of the juveniles were in out-of-home care, while the other two were at a significant risk of placement. All four of the juveniles were able to live with their families. The Community Service and Restitution Coordinator position was filled and many youth were referred to the

program. This position provides on site supervision, guidance, instruction, transportation, and documentation of hours completed. Eight of the twenty-four youth referred have completed their obligations to the court. In addition, the Supervisor and a Juvenile Court Intake Worker were able to attend the Juvenile Court Conference, which provides immeasurable benefits to the agency.

Barron County

\$13,840

Stacey Frolik
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COMMUNITY OUTREACH WORKERS. 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. Two hundred forty-four youth, in six school districts, were served during this reporting period. As a result, 80% of these students 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

\$5,400

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING / AODA SERVICES. The youth and families are required to participate in the program services with the identified goals being placement prevention, enhanced family functioning, improved school attendance, and increased public safety. A total of seventeen youth were served. AODA testing was provided to all seventeen youth, with five of those youth also receiving electronic monitoring services. These services have provided an important component for the overall intervention with youth. In addition, these services have provided the entire family with structure and support in redirecting youth behavior.

Brown County

\$144,630

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REPORT CENTER & FAMILY RESOURCE SERVICE PROGRAM. Human Services funded the Family Resource Service Team (FRST) which is an intensive, needs-based, flexible service delivery system for at-risk juveniles and families with the goal of placement prevention, and for delinquent youth transitioning out of juvenile correctional institutions. FRST provides mentoring, advocacy, life skills education, recreational therapy, crisis intervention, parent education, community service and restitution monitoring. Forty-three youth and families were served during this reporting period. Thirty-one of the youth remained in the home during service provision. FRST and the Report Center Services has a 97% success rate in avoiding out-of-home placements and 97% of the Report Center participants did not run away while being involved in the program. FRST community projects included homeless shelter projects, assisting at food pantries, community clean-up projects; community based fundraising projects that targeted independent living skills and employment skills, and minority neighborhood activities. Parents and family members, including at-risk siblings, were provided with advocacy services, individualized behavior planning, education, and assisting with building better coping mechanisms. The continuum of resources and care through FRST includes the youth, parents, siblings, extended family, schools, mentors, service providers, community-based agencies, and agency personnel. The success of these programs are believed to be influenced by the intense supervision, accountability, relationships formed between client and staff, overall case management and the needs-driven, educational and life-skills programming that is provided.

Buffalo County

\$1,240

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INTENSIVE SERVICES PROGRAM. In home therapy that included individual and family therapy provided services to two juvenile delinquents and their families at risk of committing delinquent offenses and being removed from their home. One juvenile received intensive counseling that allowed him to maintain his placement in treatment foster care. He successfully completed the program and graduated from high school. The intensive counseling provided to this juvenile enabled him to exhibit appropriate social skills while out in the community. It also prepared him for a meeting with his victim. The other juvenile received some intervention services that have kept her out of the formal court system. The county has received no new referrals on this juvenile.

Burnett County

\$4,240

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RESTORATIVE JUSTICE. Burnett County contracts with the Burnett County Restorative Justice Program to provide a variety of restorative 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: shoplifting prevention program, victim impact panels, victim empathy program combined with restorative circle sessions, victim offender conferencing, and restorative community service projects. Two youth participated in the shoplifting prevention program, eleven youth participated in the victim impact panels, twenty-two youth participated in victim offender conferencing and forty youth participated in restorative community service projects. Of the above mentioned, only five of the youth were placed out-of-home on delinquency orders during the reporting period.

Calumet County

\$8,000

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FAMILY TRAINING PROGRAM. 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. Six children and four families received services during this reporting period. Services to the families 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. Of the six children, two had been in out-of-home placements previous to this funding period, and were successfully returned to their parental home during the last year. All other families were successful in maintaining their children in the home. Additionally, two youth were provided electronic monitoring for a combined total of 131 days.

Chippewa County

\$30,530

Michelle Grambort
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DELINQUENT SOCIAL WORKER POSITION. A delinquency staff unit 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.

Clark County

\$5,100

Glenda Cooper
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CORRECTIVE THINKING GROUPS / STAFF EDUCATION / IN-HOME SUPERVISION WORKER. Two Corrective Thinking Group sessions were conducted in 2009 with thirteen youth referrals. Seven youth were referred to the first group. Of these seven referrals, three youth completed the program successfully, one youth failed, three youth did not attend. Six youth were referred to the second group. Of these six referrals, only one youth completed the program successfully, one youth failed, four youth did not attend. Of the six youth that participated in the program only two of these youth received an additional referral to Juvenile Court and five of the six are living at home. Expectations of the group included experiential activities, in class and homework assignments, group discussion, and daily self-evaluation of thinking patterns. Families are reporting seeing positive outcomes as a result of their child attending the groups. They reported that their child had significantly improved behaviors. The youth participating in the group were able to educate themselves on positive interactions with their peers versus the negative interactions that they had experienced prior. Four staff were able to attend the educational JCI Reality program offered at the Jackson Correctional Institution. Clark County also implemented an in-home supervision worker to provide intensive supervision/services to youth under a Deferred Prosecution Agreement. Three youth were referred for these services, but only one youth was provided with supervision/services.

Columbia County

\$30,960

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IN-HOME THERAPY / MENTOR SERVICES / WRAPAROUND PROGRAM. This early intervention program's 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. Eight youth received in-home therapy services. Four of these eight had a prior AODA history. Only two of these youth were reported to be actively using. Four of the eight youth were reported as doing better in school. Four youth received services from a mentoring program. All four youth remained in their homes and two of the four had minor law violations. An increasing problem that is being faced by workers in this program is the increased number of youth who have significant mental health issues in addition to their parents. Engaging youth and families in the change process is increasingly challenging. However, families have continued to benefit from in-home therapy and dealing with the problems in the home seems to be more effective with the families.

Crawford County

\$1,030

Sandy Drobnick
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INTENSIVE IN-HOME SERVICES. Crawford County contracts with Alternative Treatment Associates of Postville, Iowa to provide these intensive services. Two therapists work individually with parents and the youth, and then jointly with the family. In addition to the in-home services, the family gets referred to other community resources as needed. One family with four children was served during this reporting period. The focus remained on preventing referrals, improving school performance, and compliance with rules and expectations of the parents in the home. The family received individual and family counseling as well as consistent structure. The workers and schools worked very closely together to provide services and maintained good communication. As a result of these services, all of the children remained in the home without any further law enforcement referrals. The family continues to utilize the in-home counseling.

Dane County

\$318,540

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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. Ninety-nine percent of the 179 youth served in NIP were diverted from correctional placement; 86% had no new law violation charges, and 81% showed dramatic improvement in school performance (grades, attendance and behavior). NIP also serves youth under a statutory ISP program. There have been 141 youth served since 1999. The Operation Fresh Start (OFS) program provided thirty-six 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. Eighty-nine percent of the youth served committed no new law violations. The Community Adolescent Programs (CAP) served 118 serious juvenile offenders through their intensive supervision program. They received court supervision, individual, group, and family services, and educational support. Ninety-one percent of youth served through CAP had no new referrals and 96% were diverted from institutional care. The Alternatives to Aggression Program served one hundred two aggressive delinquent youth through assessments and training on skills and attitudes opposed to violence with a 72% success rate in deterring them from a referral to court one-year post service completion. "Wrap-around" interventions were provided to 213 youth to prevent institutional placement or to reintegrate the youth back into their homes. 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 in pre-planned situations. Forty-six youth with sexual offending behaviors received community based services. These services included assessments, individual therapy, family therapy and group therapy. Twenty-four youth successfully completed the program and 100% had no other sexual offences.

Dodge County

\$32,710

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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. Forty-seven families were served resulting in twenty-two children/youth remaining in their home as a result of immediate intervention by the crisis team. Four cases remained open with undetermined outcomes at the time of this report. Because this program has proven to be one of the most effective programs available to the Intake Unit, the county has increased programming funds to provide services to more families.

Door County

\$7,200

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IN-HOME COUNSELING / BOYS & GIRLS CLUB / SUMMER CAMPS / CURRICULUM. Intensive in-home counseling was provided by Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin. These services were provided to one family to address concerns of out of control behavior by their teenage daughter. The juvenile had four juvenile justice referrals within thirty-two days. Upon initiation of in-home counseling, this juvenile did not have any more referrals over the summer months and the youth and family have made tremendous progress

in communication, parenting skills and overall family functioning. The Jim Larsen Boys and Girls Club of Door County has been instrumental in providing a multitude of prevention/intervention services for at risk youth. They also provide mentoring and targeted outreach to youth and their families. The Boys and Girls Club has served one hundred thirty members, forty-four of those through Target Outreach Programs. Summer camps were provided to one youth to attend a camp through Team Leadership Center that focuses on building self-esteem, enhancing communication, and leadership skill development. A portion of the funds were used to purchase curriculum and videos through CESA 7 to be used as a prevention/early intervention tool for youth referred for delinquent acts.

Douglas County

\$9,100

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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, twenty-one youth participated in ISP. Fourteen youth successfully completed the program. Fourteen youth received one or more 72-hour holds as a consequence for rule violations. Two youth were placed in residential treatment as a result of an unsuccessful discharge from ISP and two youth were placed in a group home as a result of an unsuccessful discharge from ISP aftercare services. No youth were placed in corrections. Fourteen youth were able to remain in their homes. 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

\$13,760

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. Funding was used to purchase a non-statutory intensive supervision program called PASS (Positive Alternatives Support and Services). PASS serves adjudicated JIPS and delinquent youth with a special emphasis on school attendance. Dunn County's Truancy Court regularly orders truant youth into the program. Services provided to the juveniles include community supervision, mentoring, and on site supervision at Positive Alternatives and focus on meeting the individual needs of each client. Interventions are aimed at addressing criminogenic need. A full-time PASS coordinator oversees the program. Forty referrals were made for this program. The PASS Program continues to be a critical service available to juvenile supervision staff in assisting in holding the youth accountable.

Eau Claire County

\$73,420

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) targets youth at risk of out-of-home placements due to delinquent behavior. Program components included: three case managers to provide direct services with additional supervisory support, electronic monitoring, and urine screens. ISP staff work as part of a multi-disciplinary team serving the juvenile and family. During this reporting period, ISP served twenty juveniles, nineteen of which were able to remain in their homes. Of the nineteen that remained in their homes, all nineteen showed an overall improvement in their school, to include attendance,

behavior and performance and all nineteen showed an overall improved functioning at home. Good relationships with the schools and an increased element of teamwork continue to be an indirect benefit of the program. Additionally, ISP staff work to follow best practice by being family-based, strength-based, outcome-based, and team-based. Staff act as role models to other workers and have increased the knowledge and skills of the youth service workers.

Florence

\$2,620

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CHILD & FAMILY SOCIAL WORKER POSITION. The funding from the 2009 CIP grant was used to partially fund the unit's three person children and family social work staff. This staffing team works in all areas of children and family social work including child protective services, foster care, and juvenile justice. This level of staffing enables the workers to engage in a higher level of case management services for out-of-home care. In addition, they are able to continue to work collaboratively with the school system, law enforcement agencies, the local UW Extension faculty, circuit court, treatment foster care providers, service providers, and the families of the youth they serve.

Fond du Lac County

\$49,210

Jamie Sigafus
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INTENSIVE COUNTY AFTERCARE PROGRAM. Services to juveniles released from Juvenile Correctional Institutions and Type RCC 2 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 eleven youth released from Juvenile Correctional facilities and Type 2 RCC placements. Of these eleven youth, three were placed in Type 2 RCC placements, one returned home, one was placed in a group homes, two transitioned from a Type II CCI to a group home and four transitioned from a Type II CCI to home. 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. Recidivism was reduced among the youth by 82%.

Forest County

\$5,220

Chuck Sekel
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PARENT AIDE PROGRAM. The Parent Aide Program continues to target early school truancy and the parenting deficiencies in identified families. The Parent Aide worked with six families who needed assistance in getting their children to school in the morning. The aides focused on role modeling, support, and teaching new parenting skills by use of videos and programs purchased with additional funds. Less than 25% of the cases resulted in court referral. The agency continues to meet with law enforcement, court personnel, and schools regarding truancy and mentoring in an effort to keep everyone involved and educated on the process and services that are available.

Grant County

\$9,740

Shane Schuhmacher
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FAMILY AIDES CONTRACTING / INTENSIVE IN-HOME SERVICES & EDUCATION. Services are targeted at delinquent youth and their families so youth can remain in the community and complete the terms of their court order. Services include parenting services, seminars and workshops, independent living skills, family support, therapy, and psychological assessments. No program funds were utilized for respite or family aid services. Attachment therapy and psychological assessments were provided to one family. Aside from brief instances of temporary physical custody and a sanction to secure detention, the youth remains in the community.

Green County

\$5,560

Dee Jaye Miles
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ELECTRONIC MONITORING / TEEN GROUPS / INTENSIVE COMMUNITY PROGRAM / DRUG SCREENS. Ten youth received electronic monitoring services. The use of electronic monitoring was successful in preventing eight out-of-home placements for seriously out of control juveniles. The Ron Glodoski Program, created for youth and their parents, was held during this reporting period. Seventeen youth and fifteen parents participated in the programs. Twenty-four youth completed drug screens. Seventy percent of the youth demonstrated sobriety as confirmed in clean drug screens. Two youth received intensive supervision services. One youth received adult charges after completing supervision. The other youth did not re-offend and was able to remain in his home.

Green Lake County

\$3,390

Susan Sleezer
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SUMMER YOUTH GROUP / ROPES COURSE / GPS MONITORING. The county contracted with an MSW and an adventure agency to facilitate the summer youth group for ten youth in 2008 and twelve youth in 2009. Seven of the ten youth successfully completed the program in 2008 and seven of the twelve successfully completed the program in 2009. Participants learned alternative ways of thinking to promote self-control and develop self-responsibility. The youth participated in outdoor challenge activities and spent numerous sessions at an equine assistance program in addition to participating in comedy sports. Parental involvement is encouraged when their children attend any of the programs.

Iowa County

\$3,070

Dan McWilliams
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MENTORING PROGRAM. Iowa County continues to contract with Lutheran Social Services to provide mentoring services. The mentoring program serves a few youth with a paid mentor and serves other children with volunteer mentors. The focus continues on developing the volunteer side of the program. Fourteen youth were served in this program. The mentoring program focused on reducing delinquency and recidivism (100% success rate), improving academic performance (30% success rate), reduction of school dropouts (100% success rate), and reducing illegal substance abuse (93% 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.

Iron County

\$2,700

Carolyn Kolson-Janov
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MENTORING SERVICES / ASSESSMENTS AND SERVICE PLANS. The mentoring program focuses on youth ages 12-17 who are at risk of receiving a truancy referral from their school. Identified at-risk youth were referred to the Coordinated Services Team for a comprehensive assessment and an individual service plan. Four youth received mentoring services which included one-on-one and group mentoring. In addition, the four youth received a comprehensive assessment and had an individual service plan developed. Case management services were provided to the youth and families. Parents felt as though they were part of a team effort and played a positive role in the development of their child's individual service plan.

Jackson County

\$10,700

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. The Community Service Program focuses on juveniles ages 10-17 who are under court order or deferred prosecution agreements to resolve law violations ranging from ordinance violations to criminal offenses, as well as violation of court supervision orders. This program has a restitution component in addition to community based worksites for youth. Supervised work opportunities are developed to give youth opportunities to enhance job skills, work ethics, and a sense of self-worth under the guidance of a Community Service Coordinator. During this reporting period, the Community Service Program had one hundred twenty-four participants. Ninety-one of the youth completed their work. A total of 1,778 hours of service were completed. Learning new skills, completing the tasks, and receiving positive outcomes from community members have left a positive impact on the youth who participated in the program. Some of the youth request to continue to work even when their obligations have been completed.

Jefferson County

\$58,300

William Reichart
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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. Thirty-four youth participated in the Intensive Supervision Program (ISP). Ten of these youth completed the program and remained in their home. Eight youth were placed out of the home, five were removed from the program, ten remained on ISP, and one youth was waived into the adult system. Thirteen youth were enrolled in the Electronic Monitoring Program. ISP workers assisted the youth in job searching skills and obtaining employment in their communities. ISP workers also advocated on behalf of the youth for school programming, participated in IEP meetings, and helped with learning appropriate study skills. The use of respite and electronic monitoring as consequences for ISP violations significantly reduced the number of secure detention holds. In addition, youth truancy was reduced, academics and relationships improved, youth displayed increased self-worth, and the use of community resources by families served increased.

Juneau County

\$17,200

Larry Walls
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IN-HOME TREATMENT / WRAPAROUND SERVICES. In-home therapy services are contracted with Northland Community Service, Inc. The primary goal for youth served through this program is the remediation of behavior and/or emotional problems, which impact the home, school and/or community, and strengthen the family unit to ensure permanency. The treatment team provides psychotherapy to members of the family addressing issues of family conflict, relationship dysfunction, stress management, parenting problems, and crisis management. They also provide education on parenting, hands-on role modeling of

appropriate parenting responses, and developing problem solving skills. Four youth and their families were served. All four youth remained in their parental home. Collaboration with schools, law enforcement, extended family members and other agencies in the treatment approach contributed to the success.

Kenosha County

\$153,730

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BRIDGES PROGRAM / BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB / GANG PREVENTION PROGRAM. Kenosha County continues to serve hundreds of youth and families in a range of community based programs. The Bridges Program serves students who have been expelled or unsuccessful in other educational settings and was created as a prevention program to decrease the number of out-of-home placements and as an intervention program to reach out to students at-risk. Treatment components include comprehensive treatment planning, truancy programming, parental involvement, clinical services, as well as individual and group counseling. Eighty-seven students were served. Ninety-eight percent of participants under juvenile supervision were not referred for a new school related offense during the program participation. Ninety percent of participants maintained, or did not have an increase of more than three days of truancy compared to the previous quarter. The Boys and Girls Club served forty-three of the seventy-nine unduplicated Community Service Work (CSW) referrals received. The seventy-nine referrals were court ordered a total of 2,784 CSW hours. Of those hours, nine hundred eighteen were successfully completed. Of the \$5,303.30 assigned in restitution, \$1,847.19 has been restored. The Boys and Girls Club Gang Prevention program has accepted forty-six unduplicated participants. Of the forty-six participants, forty-two successfully completed, two were noncompliant, and two exited the program for some 'other' reason. Gang Risk Assessments were conducted pre and post program participation. Gang risk scores decreased an average of two points, with an average pre-gang risk score of twelve and post-risk score of ten. Fifty-four percent of scores decreased, 33% did not change, and 15% increased. Seven of the forty-six youth committed a new delinquent offense.

Kewaunee County

\$2,090

Bob Mattice
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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. For the first time since the county began using electronic monitoring in the 1990's, no juveniles were referred. Funding was used to cover the cost for a county staff member to attend a meeting with other counties and municipalities that have electronic monitoring programs.

La Crosse County

\$74,420

Wayde Anger
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COMPETENCY BUILDING PROGRAM / THINK AHEAD PROGRAM. Tough Choices is a competency building program designed to help at-risk youth learn how to hold themselves accountable for their criminal behavior. This program is designed to break down current thinking patterns and look at the errors behind their current thought process. In addition to the group sessions, there is a family consultation where the Tough Choices group facilitator meets with the parent(s) to help establish contracts and/ or house rules for the group member to follow. These sessions could also include life style skills that they can use out in the community. Families of youth who participate in this program report improved family relationships, reduced dependency on the court and county system to parent these youth, parents' ability to develop supports and networks, crime prevention, etc. The Tough Choices program served eight youth. Seven of these eight were able to remain in their home. The Think Ahead Program (TAP) is designed to help youth

think and manage their emotions, including anger in more productive ways. This group is for youth aged 10 through 14 who are just beginning to demonstrate behavior problems in the home, community, and/or school setting. The group is appropriate for children who are having difficulty expressing their emotions, whether they externalize their feelings (e.g. yell, scream, hit) or internalize them (appear isolated and sad). This curriculum provokes the awareness needed to look inside and be honest about the areas of their life that are not working and it encourages them to find a reason to want to change their behavior. This group engages in exercises that teach accountability and understanding of how their behaviors affect others. Youth discover their part in the problems and take responsible steps to change their behaviors. The program fosters solid self decision-making skills, how to separate feelings from facts, intellectual integrity, courage and more. In addition to the group sessions, there is a family consultation where the group facilitator meets with the parent(s) to help establish contracts and/or house rules for the group member to follow. These sessions could also include life style skills that they can use out in the community. TAP served fourteen youth. Ten of these fourteen were able to remain in their home.

Lafayette County

\$5,330

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INTENSIVE MONITORING SERVICES / VICTIM/OFFENDER CONFERENCING. The target population for Intensive Monitoring Services includes first time offenders, repeat offenders, juveniles returning from out-of-home placement, juveniles in threat of out-of-home placement, and short term out-of-home placement juveniles. The agency conducts unscheduled curfew calls, in-home counseling, face-to-face contact, and a step system in response to rule violations. In addition, the development of a Victim/Offender Conferencing Program was developed and staff training completed. A Board of Committee Members, comprised of Law Enforcement, Human Services, School District Personnel, and Community Representatives was established. Measurable objectives included deterring further delinquent behavior, rule compliance, improvement in family relationships, displaying anger management skills, and preventing out-of-home placement. Forty-three juvenile delinquents were served. Sixty-three percent complied with rules of supervision; 88% did not recidivate during the program and 98% have remained crime free for six months after the program. Of the two juveniles that were referred to the Victim/Offender Conferencing, 50% who participated did not commit further delinquent acts; 100% reported feeling accountability for their behavior and 98% of the victims had a feeling of justice and closure to the incident. This program has resulted in favorable relations with the community, law enforcement, and schools. By involving victims in the process, there can be closure on both sides of the criminal act. Twenty-six juvenile delinquents attended the Corrective Thinking groups. Ninety-five percent complied with their rules of supervision; 100% did not commit further delinquent acts and 98% reported feeling accountability for their behavior.

Langlade County

\$6,780

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ELECTRONIC MONITORING / DRUG TESTING. The Electronic Monitoring Program allows for community-based accountability and delinquency prevention. Twenty-six youth participated in the program for a total of eight hundred fifty-nine days of monitoring. No juveniles were adjudicated delinquent for a crime while placed on the monitor. Cost savings totaled over \$100,000. Sixty-one drug screens were administered. These drug screens were administered at home or in the schools as a tool to assess AODA patterns of the juveniles. The juveniles admitted that the randomness and frequency of the drug testing has helped them, in most cases, stop their drug use.

Lincoln County

\$16,410

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ADOLESCENT DRUG TESTING PROGRAM / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. A drug testing program was used for monitoring formal and informal delinquent and JIPS for offenders with drug offenses and/or who are at risk for drug abuse. The service was provided by any of the seven juvenile social workers, including the social worker supervisor. Counseling and corrective thinking training was offered to most juveniles who tested positive for illegal drug use. One hundred forty-two drug tests were given to fifty-two juveniles. Forty-nine drug tests were positive for illegal drugs, while ninety-three were negative. 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.

Manitowoc County

\$ 44,360

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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, twelve juveniles were involved in the program. Four youth had no new referrals to juvenile court, twelve youth remained in their home, and six out of seven youth completed all court ordered community service. The ISP Coordinator also works with local schools to deter truancy and behavioral problems while increasing early intervention and accountability.

Marathon County

\$64,580

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION / INTENSIVE AFTERCARE PROGRAM. Marathon County DSS continued their contract with Professional Services Group (PSG) to provide intensive supervision and aftercare services. Services include strengths-based family assessments, 24-hour crisis intervention, individual and family problem solving sessions, intensive supervision, structured activities, and transportation. Fifty-seven youth were referred to the program. Ninety-three percent of the youth were not referred to juvenile court during their participation in the program. Forty-nine of the fifty-six youth served in the intensive aftercare program remained placed within the community at discharge. As a result of this program, many positive relationships have been established with other agencies including the school system and mental health facilities.

Marinette County

\$18,270

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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. Five youth were reintegrated into their family homes following placement episodes. Eight youth were able to remain in

the community in their family's homes through the use of electric monitoring and specialized supervision services. The rest remained in their homes with services provided by Marinette County.

Marquette County

\$2,580

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CHILD AT RISK PROGRAM. The Child-at-Risk Program (CAR) is an early intervention program for children (K-8) who are academically underachieving and who have conduct problems. CAR serves up to nineteen children and their families on a voluntary basis to increase academic performance, reduce behavior problems in school, reduce negative relationship patterns in the family, and increase the level of cooperation between parents and the school. The CAR team meets in each school district monthly to review status of children in the program. Twenty children and families were served in the program over this reporting period. Performance measures in all categories were positive. The children and families showed positive gains in all of the identified program outcome areas. This program emphasizes successful collaboration between the agency and schools. The CAR program objectives are accepted philosophically by staff in both systems and by families because it is presented as a voluntary service and it offers concrete assistance to parents in addressing the needs of their children.

Menominee County

\$13,150

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FIRST-TIME OFFENDER PROGRAM / SUPERVISION & SUPPORT SERVICES. The First-Time Offender Program components include assessments, individual and family counseling, and parenting education focused on reducing recidivism. Thirty-one youth and their parents were referred to the First-Time Offender Program, with twenty-two participating in the offered services. The Supportive Services and Serious Chronic Offender Supervision Program components include assessments, counseling, and parental support and education. The program emphasizes personal interaction, communication and relationship skills, and the impact of anti-social behaviors on oneself, their family and the community. Four youth received services and two of them followed through with the recommended services. This program remains an integral part of the continuum of services available to juveniles in this county. Since 1996, when the program began, the community has taken a more aggressive and serious response to juvenile crime including ordinance violations (curfew and truancy).

Milwaukee County

\$1,305,190

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FIRST TIME JUVENILE OFFENDER PROGRAM / FOCUS. 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, as well as monitors school attendance and academic achievement. The program received six hundred seven initial referrals, which are then screened for appropriateness. FTJOP served four hundred twenty-two youth this year. Seventy-nine percent of youth completed the program. 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, as well as other services including educational support, AODA, family counseling and support,

mentoring, life skills education, recreation, and restitution completion. The FOCUS Program is intensive community-based intervention services for serious chronic offender. 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. Eighty-one youth were served with an overall decrease in commitments by thirty-nine percent.

Monroe County

\$34,210

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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 works 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 that thirty-four youth can be served at one time. Twenty-nine of the thirty-four youth (85%) either successfully completed or are in the process of completing ISP. School attendance continues to increase significantly, along with grade point averages and credits earned.

Oconto County

\$13,090

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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. Components to the program include intensive in-home therapy, respite care and social/family interaction. Goals of the program include preventing out-of-home placements, preventing delinquent behaviors, reducing truancy and improving family relationships. Five youth and their families were served. All five families were provided intensive in-home treatment. No families were provided respite care. One of the five families successfully completed the program. None of the other four families had further delinquencies. Three families improved family relationships.

Oneida County

\$21,940

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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 fourteen youth and their families during this reporting period. All youth that participated in this program were returned to their families upon discharge from placement. This program has been responsible for immeasurable gains in improving communication with schools, families, and other providers.

Outagamie County

\$130,660

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INTENSIVE COMMUNITY / AFTERCARE PROGRAM. 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. Forty-three families were served during the year with a 58% success rate for deterring higher level placements. As a result of participating in the program, 69.8% of the youth demonstrated improved school behavior and attendance and 67% 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 over 72% 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

\$14,440

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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. No specialized assessments were purchased. Mentoring services were purchased for two youth who both completed their goals. In addition, therapeutic wilderness trips were purchased for eight youth. Five cases were successfully closed while the other three are on course for successful termination. Specialized in-home counseling was purchased for one youth. The county was able to provide unique collaborative efforts and expanded intervention options that fit the needs of each family served.

Pepin County

\$2,310

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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. Pepin County is able to provide STATUS for one youth, with any remaining funds going towards the Buffalo/Teen Court. The Teen Court seeks to work with first time offenders, and divert them from committing further delinquent acts.

Pierce County

\$10,470

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM. Community service sites are located within sixty days of referral to the program and/or once they are eligible for participation. The majority of referred youth complete their community service work at sites located and recommended by the Department. Twenty-two youth were supervised through the Community Service Program. Ninety-seven percent of the youth completed the community service hours as ordered by the court. Sixteen of the twenty-two 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.

Polk County

\$12,340

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INTENSIVE IN-HOME SUPERVISION. This program has been going since 1995 and continues to operate successfully. Intensive supervision and services were provided to fifteen 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. The peer groups were able to benefit from a new AODA adolescent counselor. Law enforcement and schools report improved communication, collaboration, and appreciation for the program.

Portage County

\$50,830

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INTENSIVE MONITORING SERVICES. The primary objectives of Intensive Monitoring Services are to aid in the completion of such objections, reduce involvement in the juvenile justice system and avert out-of-home placements. Monitoring services were provided to twenty-nine seriously chronic delinquents at risk of out-of-home placement. Each youth was provided with supervision to monitor school attendance, grades, curfew, community service hours, restitution, and employment. Eleven cases remain active, one youth has been placed in a formalized treatment facility, three have been referred for more intensive services, two have been referred to inpatient AODA treatment programs, and twelve youth have successfully completed terms and conditions of supervision. Implementation of the program has increased accountability, augmented collaborative efforts among various private and professional organizations, and provided the means to foster the individual growth and success of involved youth. Community organizations, parents, and colleagues are very supportive and pleased with the success of this program and the ability to hold these youth accountable for their actions and decisions.

Price County

\$5,680

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM / ON THE RIGHT TRACK PROGRAM / HOME DETENTION PROGRAM. Twelve 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. Eight of the twelve youth (67%) completed the community service hours and all eight demonstrated a positive work ethic. The "On The Right Track" program was held for ten youth and eighteen parents. The program had a 80% 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. Seven serious chronic offenders were provided with a home detention mentor to stabilize them in their home, and five of the seven youth remained stable within their home. The mentoring program enhances the youth's level of responsibility and provides increased self-esteem to assist them in everyday life skills.

Racine County

\$133,050

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SUPERVISION PROGRAM FOR YOUTH. Racine County serves both first time offenders and serious chronic offenders in the Supervision Program for Youth. The program served 174 youth. One hundred sixty-two youth (or 93%) discharged from the program remained in a non-secure setting during their involvement in the program. One hundred seventy-one of the 174 youth (98.5%) discharged from the program 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

\$4,520

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DEFERRED PROSECUTION AGREEMENTS / ELECTRONIC MONITORING. Funds were used to support a position in the juvenile justice unit to provide personalized attention to youth on Deferred Prosecution Agreements. The primary purpose of DPA monitoring is to connect first time offenders and their families to needed resources, and to monitor the effectiveness of these resources through frequent contacts with the youth and their family, and with school and mental health/AODA providers. Fifteen juveniles were placed on DPAs. Ten of the fifteen juveniles (67%) reached successful completion. Electronic Monitoring is used to help reduce out-of-home placement for behavioral and truancy problems. No youth participated in electronic monitoring.

Rock County

\$122,080

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION / AFTERCARE PROGRAM. The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) targets serious, chronic offenders at risk of out-of-home placement or in need of aftercare services following an out-of-home placement. The ISP plan of care is reviewed by the staff psychiatrist within the first thirty days of admission to the program, in addition to forty-five days of electronic monitoring during the initial stages of programming. During this reporting period, forty-nine juveniles were referred to the program. Forty-five percent of the forty-nine juveniles showed marked improvement in their school attendance and 57% of the juveniles did not re-offending while on ISP. There was also an overall reduction in correctional placements. A positive outcome of this program has been the beneficial relationship that ISP workers have developed with school personnel. The increased visibility of the workers in the school has created a calming effect on classroom behavior.

Rusk County

\$15,360

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MENTORING / IN-HOME SERVICES. Rusk County continued their mentoring program in collaboration with the Bruce Public School after-school program. The mentoring program focuses on first time offenders and juveniles at risk of placement (per the Wisconsin Delinquency Risk Assessment and police reports). Goals of the mentoring program include reducing recidivism, improving school attendance, and the reduction of out-of-home placements. No families were identified as needing services through the Kinship Mentoring and after-school program. Three juveniles and their families were identified as needing in-home services. Two of the three families remained intact with the intensive programming, while efforts continue to reunite the third juvenile with the family.

St. Croix County

\$12,390

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POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM. St. Croix County contracts services with Positive Alternatives 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. An average of 12.7 juveniles participated in the tracking program with an average of 40.1 hours of service for these juveniles each month. An average of 3.2 juveniles were placed on an electronic monitor per month. An average of 5.7 juveniles received ILS services on average per month. Both the number of juveniles and days in secure detention decreased. The number of juveniles in need of non-secure detention was reduced by forty percent. Increased collaboration between juvenile justice professionals, service providers and families continues to be a benefit.

Sauk County

\$36,840

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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.

Sawyer County

\$8,640

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HOME DETENTION / ELECTRONIC MONITORING / TRUANCY PROJECT / RESTITUTION PROGRAM. Twenty youth were placed on home detention and eighteen youth were placed on electronic monitoring. Ninety-five percent of the youth on home detention were not placed out-of-home as a result of the program. Through the continuing grant, the Sheriff's Department was able to provide a county-wide truancy officer. Seventy-nine students were referred to Juvenile Court for habitual truancy. There is a Truancy Committee in place and the officer attends the intensive supervision staff meetings. Ninety-seven truancy citations were issued by law enforcement. A total of \$3,465.00 of court ordered restitution was collected by fourteen youth. There is a lot of community support from families, court staff and the general public for this program. Judges, DAs, and social workers are very appreciative of having designated community service placements. Court staff, victims and parents are appreciative of the youth accountability that this program instills.

Shawano County

\$21,240

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BULLY GROUP / COUNSELING / TRUANCY PROGRAM. Shawano County has created a group that provides individual and group services to children who have been bullied, and who now bully others. These children tend to get in trouble at home, school and in the community. Seven youth participated in the fall 2008 group and nine youth participated in the spring 2009 group. Of the children who participated in the group, all showed an improvement in school behaviors, in school attendance and in legal compliance. Specialized individual counseling was provided to twenty-seven parents of "at-risk" children in the areas of parenting, communication, marital issues and mental health. Of the twenty-seven parents who participated in the individual counseling, none were referred to Social Services for further CPS issues during or after receiving services. All twenty-seven parents also stated that they believed the service was beneficial and that the information and counseling improved their ability to parent, thus improving home conditions, family communication and less contact with law enforcement. 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. With this program in place, truancy issues are dealt with more immediately and more effectively. There has been a significant decrease in the number of children being referred to truancy court.

Sheboygan County

\$87,590

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. The agency continues to contract with Family Youthworks 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 eighteen clients for a total of 2,819 program days. Ten youth successfully completed the program, five youth were unsuccessful, and three youth are currently still in the program. 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 juveniles that have been successful with the program have also attended school regularly. ISP continues to be an important program that enables juveniles 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

\$6,800

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INTENSIVE IN-HOME COUNSELING. Two families of first time offenders at risk of placement 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 juvenile and family frequently occurred. As a direct result of their participation in this program, both youth were able to remain in their parental homes. Family functioning and behaviors of the juveniles who participated in the program were noticeably 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 juvenile's behavior stabilizes while risk decreases. None of the two juveniles re-offended.

Trempealeau County

\$9,070

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INTENSIVE TREATMENT PROGRAM. Intensive Treatment Services will be provided to high-risk chronic offenders as a final intervention before out-of-home placement. Goals include decreasing juvenile delinquency, reducing the recidivism rate, increasing community safety, promoting parental responsibility, and increasing accountability in juveniles. Due to a severe reduction in the juvenile justice staff during the program year, the Intensive Treatment Program did not serve any juveniles.

Vernon County

\$4,820

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COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM / IN-HOME SERVICES. Funds were used for a community service program for youth on juvenile court supervision. Seventeen youth participated in the program. Youth were held accountable to court orders requiring community service. They were able to produce hundreds of pounds of vegetables while completing their community service. In-home services were provided to three youth to address delinquent behaviors.

Vilas County

\$6,430

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MENTORING / ELECTRONIC MONITORING / TEEN COURT. Vilas County utilizes the services of Northwood's Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS). The goals for the BBBS group are to use caseworkers to provide unique service and to work with at-risk families to prevent child abuse and neglect, and pre-delinquent behaviors, as well as expulsion and help create stability. BBBS was serving twenty-two school based matches at the time of this report. This is a great experience for both the mentor and the youth. BBBS is also facilitating twenty-two community matches for Vilas County kids. 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 our substitute care costs. Other goals include preventing out-of-home placement and reducing delinquent acts. In the program year, electronic monitoring did help to reduce substitute care costs and allowed many youth to stay in their homes. Vilas County Teen Court has been serving the youth and their families in Vilas County since June 1999. The mission statement of Vilas County Teen Court is to benefit youth and the community by providing an alternative method of adjudicating first time juveniles offenses given youth the opportunity to become accountable for their actions. Fifteen Teen Court sessions were held with fourteen successful completions.

Walworth County

\$71,730

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IN-HOME FAMILY SERVICES / MENTORING. In-home family services, provided by a bilingual case manager and a bilingual psychotherapist, focused on maintaining the family unit, developing skills for behavioral modification, parenting, and assisting the juvenile in demonstrating responsible and appropriate behavior. The bilingual in-home therapist provided therapy to thirteen juveniles and their families. Delinquent Hispanic youth that are first-time offenders or are being returned home from a placement, are provided with electronic monitoring and home detention services. These services included accountability measures, assessment of needs, client-centered treatment plans, and frequent visits to home and school to monitor their behavior. Thirty-six youth and their families were assigned to a bilingual case manager and

received numerous services to assist in the goal of maintaining youth safely in the community and identifying appropriate services. Seventeen seriously chronic offenders, under court supervision and at risk for out-of-home placement, were placed at home with electronic monitoring. Twelve of these offenders were able to successfully remain in their homes as a result of the services received. Lad Lake was contracted to provide mentoring services to nine juvenile offenders in the target population. Lad Lake provides ongoing groups, including social skills, anger management, and errors in thinking. Four offenders were referred to the Errors in Thinking Group and all successfully completed it. Three offenders successfully completed the Anger Management Group. A Foster Care Coordinator provided an eight session Independent Living Skills course to four offenders and three offenders received outpatient AODA therapy. Four offenders completed the Firearm Safety group and four offenders actively participated in the Juvenile Cognitive Intervention Program (JCIP). All four offenders are scheduled to complete JCIP in January 2010.

Washburn County

\$10,180

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EDUCATION / INCENTIVE PROGRAMS / FLEX FUNDING / DRUG SCREENS. The agency targets first-time offenders, at-risk youth, and those that commit more serious offenses. Family members are involved in the programming when appropriate. Programs include a five week anger management course with parental participation during the final week. Two rounds of anger management classes were completed for a total of sixteen youth and their families. Three of the youth re-offended. Compliance with supervision requirements allowed twelve youth and their family to receive a certificate, a silver dollar and a gift certificate to local businesses. Fifteen youth and their families were served with Wraparound/Flex Funding services. Youth were removed from a waitlist for intensive in-home counseling and served. Funding was also used to assist families with unmet needs. By assisting families with these expenses they were more equipped to focus on participating in the services ordered for their child. Thirty youth received random drug screens, increasing youth accountability.

Washington County

\$48,030

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INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. This statutory Intensive Supervision Program serves delinquents 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. Twenty-seven delinquents (20 males and 7 females) were served during this reporting period. Twenty-seven youth accounted for thirty days in Shelter Care, one hundred three days of secure detention, and four hundred twenty-two days with an Electronic Monitoring bracelet. The average length of time on the program was one hundred thirty-three days. Eight youth were placed in out-of-home care situations, but no youth were placed in correctional facilities. ISP had a 74% success rate of deterring recidivism and a 73% success rate of deterring recidivism within six months of completion of the program. Ninety percent did not re-offend the second six months after completing the program.

Waukesha County

\$96,170

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VICTIM OFFENDER MEDIATION / INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM. This county continues its effective programming focused on restorative justice in the juvenile justice system. Twenty-two first time offenders and serious chronic offenders completed victim-offender mediation, with nine cases still pending at

the time of this report. All twenty-two cases were successfully closed with an agreement between the victim and offender. The Intensive Supervision Program served twenty-three youth with the goal of placement prevention, competency building, and accountability measures. Twenty-two youth were successfully maintained in the community and diverted from correctional or RCC placement.

Waupaca County

\$17,480

Alan Stauffer
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FAMILY AIDE WORKER. Funds were used to help support the Family Aid Worker position. 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. Twenty-four youth were served. Of the twenty-four, twenty-two were successfully maintained in the community.

Waushara County

\$4,820

Jan Novah
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YOUTH AND FAMILY STRENGTHENING COURSES / EMPLOYMENT SERVICES / INCENTIVE PROGRAM. Five elementary school aged students and eight middle school aged students successfully completed "Chill Skills," a ten week anger management program utilizing the evidence based *Second Step* program curriculum. Ten youth participated in the Juvenile Incentive Program which supports individualized plans for at-risk and serious chronic offenders. Seventy-five percent of community service orders were successfully completed regarding a total of sixty-one dispositional orders.

Winnebago County

\$116,680

Leo Podoski
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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. Thirty-one youth participated in the program and three successfully completed the program. Eight youth are still on electronic monitoring. 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

\$21,560

Diane Cable
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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. Thirty-three youth were served under the program, with sixteen discharged during the fiscal year. Of these sixteen, 31% had successful discharges from the program; two juvenile referrals were generated during this reporting period, and 97% of youth had no out-of-home placement 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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