



Clackamas County Juvenile Department 2014 Annual Review

Social Skills
Groups



Accountability



Divert Low Risk
Youth



Repairing
Victim Harm



Public
Safety



Risk
Assessments



Community Partners



Restorative Community Service Work

Mission

The Clackamas County Juvenile Department is dedicated to community safety. Youth offenders are held accountable through facilitation of victim and community restoration. We collaborate with community partners to assist in positive youth development and strengthening families.

Integrity ● Collaboration ● Excellence

Director's Message

Knowledge of what works in the field of juvenile justice is having results towards increased public safety in Clackamas County. Juvenile Justice Professionals have chosen a career they believe can make a difference in the lives of young people. They implement a Department philosophy fundamentally grounded in research and best practices. Through ongoing professional development, understanding the developmental stages of adolescents and most importantly, having a passion to assist youth to become productive members of our community, juvenile justice is successfully impacting the health and livability of our communities.



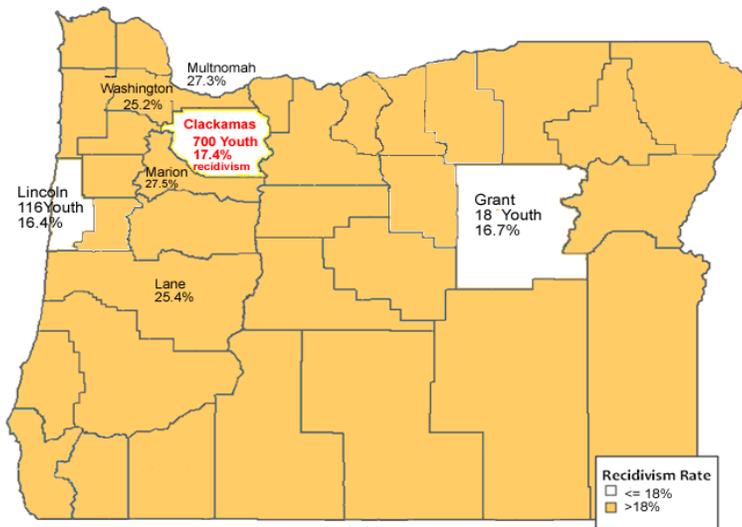
Juvenile justice must focus on meaningful accountability; however to be effective, the juvenile justice system must engage families, help youth develop proper social skills, encourage pro-social activities, support academic achievement and teach healthy peer and adult relationships.

This knowledge of “what works in juvenile justice” is put to practice by the juvenile justice staff in Clackamas County. Clackamas County Juvenile Department has achieved significant positive outcome data for the last six years. Recidivism has declined from 22.8% to 17.4%; chronic offenders (measured by youth committing three crimes within a 12 month period) have decreased from 34% to 17.2%; youth have increased the successful completion of community service hours from 86.5% to 92.6%; and youth have increased the percentage of court ordered restitution paid to victims in 2014 from 81.6% to 100%.

Through ongoing evaluation we will continue to strive to improve and implement best practices that keep our communities safer.

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Recidivism

Measuring Crime Reduction

17.4% Recidivism in 2014

In 1995, the Oregon Legislature required regular reporting on recidivism as a way to assess progress in juvenile crime reduction. Recidivism is measured when a youth has two or more criminal referrals that occur within one year of each other.

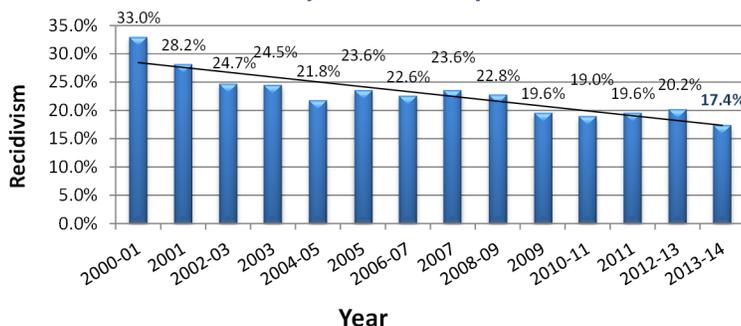
Clackamas County Recidivism:

Clackamas County is the only mid to large sized County with recidivism of less than 18%. In fact, Clackamas County recidivism is 8.6 percentage points less than the statewide average of 26%, (See map to left).

Recidivism Trend in Clackamas County:

Since 2000, Clackamas County Juvenile Department has shown a significant downward recidivism trend - a drop from 33% to 17.4%; a 47% decrease, (See chart to the left).

Clackamas County Juvenile Dept Recidivism



Quick Facts

Youth Population 10-17 yrs
43,024

Referrals to Juvenile Dept.
1,853 ←→

Juvenile Felony Crimes
274 ←→

Misdemeanor Crimes
848 ↓

Person Crimes
209 ↓

Property Crimes
604 ↑

Public Order Crimes
136 ←→

Sex Crimes
74 ↓

Possession of Alcohol
197 ←→

Marijuana
239 ↑

Other Drug
97 ↓

Runaway
596 ←→

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Detention Admissions
309

Community Supervision
(Probation)
266

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Male 61.9%

Female 38.1%

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African American 4.5%

Asian 1.8%

Caucasian 79.7%

Latino 11%

Native American 1.1%

Other 1.9%

(Note: Arrows indicate trend)

Doing What Works in Juvenile Justice

Clackamas County Juvenile Department has made significant strides towards community safety through implementation of “best practices” supported by research in the juvenile justice field.

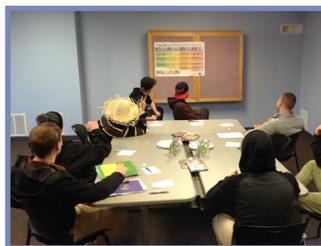
What Works:

- Implementing risk assessments for all youth.
- Providing a continuum of interventions for low, medium and high risk youth.
- Developing individualized case plans.
- Decreasing risk factors; increasing protective factors.
- Teaching specific social skills.
- Providing restorative community service work.
- Repairing harm to victims and communities.



Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center (JIAC): A holding center for youth who are taken into police custody. Provides accountability and assessments for the immediate needs of youth focusing on community safety. There were 696 youth taken to JIAC in 2014.

Probation: Providing supervision of high risk youth. Juvenile Counselors develop a case plan, provide community supervision, accountability, address school needs and assure compliance with probation. There were 266 youth supervised in 2014.



Diversion Panels: First time youth offenders can be diverted as an opportunity to hold youth meaningfully accountable and give back to the community. There were 234 youth diverted in 2014.

Skills Groups: Skills groups include evidence based curriculums to facilitate pro-social development.

Anger management, empathy expansion, and gender specific services are examples of the classes provided. There were 181 youth who completed.

Community Connections/Green Corps: An avenue for youth to address the harm caused by their actions. Youth contributed 9,753 hours of restorative community service last year.



Project Payback: Provides short-term employment and vocational training for youth to support the fulfillment of their financial obligations to their victims. Youth contributed 4,490 youth hours back to the community.

Victim Impact Program: Responding to the needs and concerns of victims. Youth earned \$39,919 toward victim restitution and fines.

Drug Court: Provides the highest level of outpatient treatment and supervision available to youth with substance abuse addictions. The program has graduated 101 youth since inception.



Juvenile Department

Performance Measures 2014-2015

Countywide Area of Focus: Keep Our Residents Safe, Healthy and Secure.

Goal 1: Reduce Incidents of Repeat Juvenile Offenders and Reduce the Level of Risk of Juvenile Offenders.

Activity to Further Goal: Utilize Evidence-Based Principles in Juvenile Justice focusing on youth's risk and protective factors.

	FY 13-14	FY 14-15	Target FY 15-16
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A1)	Increase the percent of youth without a new crime w/in 1 year of case closing.	79.8%	82.6%	83%
A2)	Percent of youth who had one (or more) risk factors reduced upon case closing.	65.4%	61%	65%
A3)	Percent of youth with one (or more) protective factors increased upon closing.	40.4%	43%	45%

Activity to Further Goal: Increase community supervision of youth identified as "High Risk" to re-offend.

B1)	Percent of Tracker Services which are dedicated to "High Risk" youth.	57%	71.6%	72%
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Activity to Further Goal: Identify youth who are at-risk of being "Chronic Offenders".

C1)	Reduce the percent of juvenile recidivists who become "Chronic Offenders".	29.4%	17.2%	17%
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Goal 2: Hold Youth Accountable.

Activity to Further Goal: Youth will complete assigned community service hours.

A1)	Percent of completed community service hours relative to amount ordered.	89.9%	92.6%	93%
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Activity to Further Goal: Youth will complete assigned restitution payments.

B1)	Percent of restitution collected relative to amount ordered.	93.5%	100%	95%
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Goal 3: Increase the Success of Juvenile Department Dispositions.

Activity to Further Goal: Youth will successfully complete formal probation.

A1)	Percentage of youth successfully completing formal probation.	65%	64.3%	67%
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Activity to Further Goal: Youth will successfully complete Formal Accountability Agreements (FAA).

B1)	Percentage of youth successfully completing FAAs.	71%	78.2%	80%
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Activity to Further Goal: Youth will successfully complete City Diversion Panel Agreements.

C1)	Percentage of youth successfully completing City Diversion Panel Agreements.	94%	96.7%	95%
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Goal 4: Increase Public Safety Through the Utilization of Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center (JIAC).

Activity to Further Goal: Juveniles in custody will be taken to JIAC for screening.

A1)	Percentage of youth referred to Juvenile Dept. who were initially taken to JIAC.	48%	45%	50%
A2)	Youth with a "Safety Risk" will be held, cited or placed on a Safety Contract.	77%	91.8%	93%

Countywide Area of Focus: Create a Network of Vibrant Communities.

Goal 1: Attend to Victim's Needs.

Activity to Further Goal: Communicate with victims to address their rights and needs (Victim Impact Program).

A1)	Percent of cases whose victims were contacted (or a good faith effort made).	98%	94%	96%
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Goal 2: Establish Youth Related Partnerships Between the Community and the Juvenile Department .

Activity to Further Goal: Develop/maintain partnerships with community organizations to develop/facilitate projects for youth.

A1)	Number of community organization partnerships.	97	86	85
A2)	Youth hours contributed to projects.	8,830	14,243	14,000
A3)	Adult volunteer hours contributed to projects.	3,155	1,229	1,500

