Overview of CSSD

- Established in 1999

- Division of Judicial Branch that manages services for offenders and respondents

- CSSD consists of Juvenile Probation, Juvenile Detention, Bail, Adult Probation, Alternative Sanctions, and Family Services

- Mission is behavior change and recidivism reduction
Juvenile Services

• Numbers
  • Approx. 10,000 youth referred annually
  • Ages 7 through 17; 50% ages 16 and 17
  • 4,000 under supervision

• Needs
  • Most significant risk factors: peers and family
  • Significant trauma history and behavioral health issues
  • Substantial learning challenges
Juvenile Services

• Programs & Services
  • Supervision and case management
  • Evidence-based in-home family treatment
  • Evidence-based outpatient treatment
  • Education supports
  • Child, Youth & Family Support Centers
  • Job Readiness and Soft Skills Curriculum
  • Mentors
  • Prosocial activities
Young Adult Services

• Numbers
  • Approx. 45,000 adults on probation
  • 26% between ages of 18-24; highest recidivism rate

• Needs
  • Most significant risk factors: companions & alcohol/drug
  • 67% history of suspension/expulsion
  • 45% of males have less than 12th grade education
  • 35% have GED
  • 63% unemployed
  • 45% never employed for more than year
Young Adult Services

• Programs & Services
  • Alternative Incarceration Centers
    • Job developer and individual employment plan
    • Employment services group
    • National Career Readiness Certificate
    • Customer service training

• UNITY Initiative
  • Capped caseloads
  • Cognitive self-change & employment services groups
  • Weekly team meetings
Challenges

- Chronic absenteeism
- Exclusionary discipline
- Lack of diploma or GED
- Focus and motivation
- Housing instability, drug use and other concerns
- Exclusion or employer disinterest
Opportunities

• Promising Approaches
  • Motivational interviewing and client engagement
  • Education case planning and support services
  • Individual employment plan & vocational opportunities
  • Adult Probation Unity Initiative
  • “Certificate of Employment”
  • Second Chance Society Initiative

• Partnerships
  • Providers
  • DCF, SDE, DOL, OWC, CBIA
  • JJPOC, CJPAC
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