

Dane County Youth Justice Services

Intake/Ongoing Services – Youth Justice (YJ) social workers are charged with accessing youth and families who are referred by law enforcement for violations of state statutes. The YJ social worker decides, based on the use of an evidence based risk and needs assessment (COMPAS) and Dane County's own Youth Justice Assessment, whether to recommend a formal referral to Juvenile court or if a Deferred Prosecution Agreement (DPA) can meet the needs of the youth and family. Based on the outcome of the assessment youth are supervised through one of the formal units or the Court Diversion Unit.

Court Diversion Unit (CDU) – If a youth can be served through a DPA then he/she will be supervised in the CDU. The CDU was formed in 2011 in order to provide improved services for youth under informal supervision and as an attempt to impact the poor DMC numbers that exist in the YJ system in Dane County. Programs such as ADDS 2 and Metro are a part of the CDU and are used to hold youth accountable, provide community protection and assist in developing competencies in the youth that they serve.

Neighborhood Intervention Program (NIP) – NIP is spread across 2 YJ units and it provides a variety of services and interventions for youth who are primarily under formal YJ supervision.

- **Intensive Supervision Services** – Services including school and home checks, EM, UA testing, competency groups, family meetings, curfew monitoring and monthly reports to the courts
- **Gang Response Intervention Team (GRIT)** – Is a group of 4 (soon to be 6) Program Leaders who provide street/neighborhood outreach, school based groups and intervention around gang issues.
- **Replay** - Alternative Middle School for 7 – 10th grade boys from MMSD who are under YJ supervision.
- **WRC/Weekend Supervision Program** – Programming for youth on weekends to ensure compliance with home restriction or requirements of their visits from out of home care.
- **Electronic Monitoring Programming** – Program for high risk youth who need additional monitoring in the community.
- **Sex Trafficking Supports** - Provides a half-time program leader who can help support youth who have been or at risk of sex trafficking (expanding in 2019 to full-time).
- **Skills Through Sports** – Summer program based in Madison parks for at-risk and YJ involved youth
- **Right Track Work Crew** - Subsidized summer work crews for YJ involved youth
- **Competency Groups** – a variety of groups facilitated by NIP staff that work on thinking errors, decision making, homework assistance and other topics. These groups utilize the JCIP curriculum and work with the Bubbler and CEOs of Tomorrow programs.

Restorative Justice Programming

- **Dane Restorative Justice Coalition** – A group consisting of people from the County, City, MMSD, MPD, and a variety of non profits with a goal of collaboration around Restorative Justice. The different POS agencies such as YWCA, Timebank and Briarpatch receive County and City funding to provide restorative interventions in the community.

Funding Supporting YJ/RJ Programming

- **Dane County** – This funding supports the development of community based peer courts and restorative circles as well as employment opportunities for youth. Through a collaboration with the City of Madison (MPD) we divert 12-16 year olds who receive a municipal citation from the municipal court. These youth are given the opportunity to participate in a restorative intervention prior to the point where it would count as an arrest. The hope is that we can impact the disparity issues that exist at point of arrest and provide a more meaningful response.
- **Innovation Grant** – This funding is new in 2019. It is in the area of School Justice Partnerships. This grant funds Technical Assistance (TA), Truancy Services, RJ programming, RJ Training and Social Entrepreneurial programming
- **DOJ – DMC Grant** – This funding Supports two initiatives (DMC report update and Zeidler Center) The DMC funds will result in an update report that examines where our YJ system is and what recommendation we can make in order to positively impact DMC. Zeidler Center will be working in a couple communities around police community interaction in the hope of improving it. Communities of color will be the primary target audience.
- **Community Intervention Program (CIP)** – Funding through the state based on Dane County juvenile arrest numbers. These funds provide for slots in the Intensive Supervision Services (ISS) through Briarpatch and a variety of programming through the Neighborhood Intervention Program.

Purchase of Service Agencies (POS)

- **Briarpatch** – Provides a variety of services including youth employment, restitution and community service monitoring, crisis and runaway services and Intensive Supervision.
- **Common Wealth** – Provides youth employment training and support.
- **Operation Fresh Start (OFS)** - Provides youth employment training as well as HSED support.
- **SOPORT** – Provides sex offender services.
- **YWCA** – Provides restorative circles in school and community settings.
- **Timebank** – Provides community based peer courts.
- **Mentoring Positives** – Provides group and individual mentoring opportunities.
- **Wisconsin Family Ties** – Provides parent support programming including coaching and skill development.
- **Boys and Girls Club** - Provides Recreational alternatives for youth at risk or involved in the JJ system.
- **CEOs of Tomorrow** – Provides Social Entrepreneurial support and programming for youth including work toward an Employability Skills Certificate
- **1800 Days** – Provides truancy support and services
- **Zeidler Center** – Provides training and support for facilitated community/LE listening sessions
- **Judge Teske's TA Team** – Provide Technical assistance for School Justice Partnership