

# 2005 ANNUAL REPORT

## JUVENILE DIVISION, COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

JUDGE NICK KUNTZ

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### FACILITY LOCATIONS:

#### **FAMILY COURT CENTER**

303 W. SECOND STREET  
DAYTON, OHIO 45422

#### **ABUSE, NEGLECT, DEPENDENCY, PARENTAGE, CHILD SUPPORT AND VISITATION COURTS**

14 W. FOURTH STREET, 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
REIBOLD BUILDING  
DAYTON, OHIO 45422

#### **JUVENILE PROBATION**

3501 MERRIMAC AVENUE  
DAYTON, OHIO 45405

#### **DORA LEE TATE CENTER**

581 INFIRMARY ROAD  
DAYTON, OHIO 45427

#### **CENTER FOR ADOLESCENT SERVICES**

333 ACCESS ROAD  
NEW LEBANON, OHIO 45345

#### **JUDGE FRANK W. NICHOLAS RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER FOR YOUTH**

5581 DAYTON-LIBERTY ROAD  
DAYTON, OHIO 45418



# TO THE CITIZENS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

The Montgomery County Juvenile Court saw a number of accomplishments and changes occurring in 2005. Some of these include:

## **New Court Administrator**

James D. Cole became the new Court Administrator in September 2005. He succeeded Lee E. Townsel who served in this capacity since 1995. Mr. Townsel will be engaged in part-time special projects until his retirement in April 2006.

Mr. Cole came to the Court from the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office, where he was an assistant prosecuting attorney for 24 years, with the last 10 years serving as Chief of the Juvenile Division. As the new Court Administrator, his responsibility will be to continue making Court programs more effective in helping the youth and families within this community.

## **New Juvenile Justice Center**

The Juvenile Justice Center (JJC) project is progressing. The outside structure is almost completed and the building has added its shape to the skyline. The Center will integrate all of the Court functions currently found at two buildings, the Reibold Building and the Family Court Center, into one Juvenile Justice complex. In addition to the physical relocation of these staffs, the new Center will increase the capacity of the Intervention Center and Detention Services (to be expanded from 66 detention and 24 correction beds to 144 beds) to better serve and protect the youth and the community. The tentative completion date for this facility is Spring of 2007.

## **Re-Entry Court Begins**

Beginning in December, the Judges began conducting re-entry hearings on all youth released on parole by the Ohio Department of Youth Services (ODYS). Court staff prepares a progress report on each youth. The parole

officer presents the proposed terms of release and secures the attendance of the parent or custodian. The Judges approve the plan, supplement the terms of the plan or deny the release of the youth. The Re-Entry Court is one of the first in Ohio and provides a unique opportunity to integrate offenders back into the community after their institutional sentences. This Court's goal is to address the needs and obligations of returning youth and their families and deal with the safety concerns of the community at the same time.

## **Opening of the Girls Unit at the Center for Adolescent Services (CAS)**

One major goal of this Court has been to increase the local services provided to girls involved with Juvenile Court. With the receipt of a supplemental grant award from the Ohio Department of Youth Services, the Court established a girls unit at CAS, the Court's community correctional facility, in January of 2005. The girls unit has a 10-bed capacity and allows low-level felony female offenders to stay in the community rather than to be sent to state institutions outside Montgomery County.

## **Expansion of the Juvenile Drug Court**

Under the administrative direction of Judge Anthony Capizzi, the Montgomery County Juvenile Drug Court has dramatically increased its youth population to approximately 100 girls and boys. Enhanced coordination of substance abuse services and treatment has been provided as well as the use of Natural Helpers (volunteers who provide support and encouragement to youth and families and connect them with opportunities and services to bring about positive life changes) from the Reclaiming Futures Program.

# MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Court of law dedicated to the task of upholding the Constitution and administering the laws of our land in a just and equal manner. We must strive to provide individualized justice for our children and protect our community, carefully balancing the interests of both. We believe there must be consequences for violation of the laws and that treatment begins with legal consequences. These consequences are intended to teach one responsibility and accountability for their actions; yet our goal is not to punish but to rehabilitate whenever rehabilitation can be effected without endangering the community.

## Goals:

We are a Juvenile Court and, although protecting children is everyone's responsibility, we must be the catalyst in rallying the entire community toward that end through the following:

Be a leader in the effective and cost-efficient utilization of community resources for the treatment of children and families;

Provide for the protection of the community through just and speedy consequences;

Be sensitive and responsive to individual victims and their families;

Provide individualized justice for the offenders;

Protect the abandoned, neglected and abused and assess and seek treatment for children in need;

Hold those accountable who fail to meet their obligations as parents, guardians or custodians;

Demand high professional standards for ourselves and make every effort possible to demand the same standards from other government agencies and service providers.

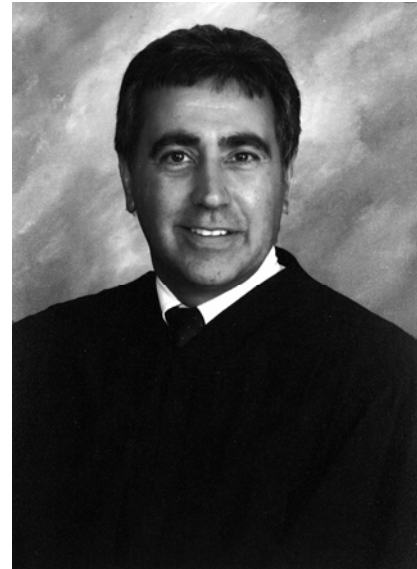
We must pursue these goals vigorously and honestly with the utmost respect for the rights of all our citizens.



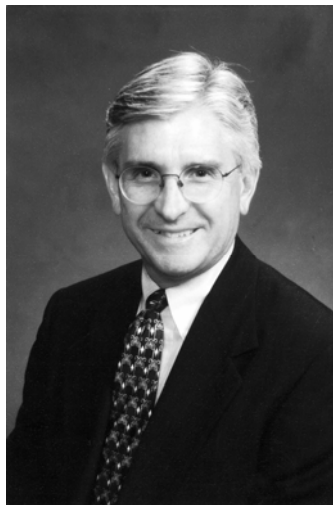
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# REFERRAL SOURCES

THE FOLLOWING OUTSIDE AGENCY REFERRAL SOURCE INFORMATION IS DERIVED FROM ALL COMPLAINTS ON CHILDREN EXCEPT TRAFFIC REFERRALS.

Law Enforcement Agencies	Number of Referrals	Law Enforcement Agencies	Number of Referrals
Sheriff	425	New Lebanon	45
Dayton	4,119	Oakwood	33
Ohio State Patrol	5	Perry Township	16
Brookville	46	Phillipsburg	2
Butler Township	14	Riverside	271
Centerville	181	Springboro	2
Clayton	106	Trotwood	631
Clay Township	13	Union	40
Englewood	99	Vandalia	127
German Township	11	West Carrollton	187
Germantown	78	Other Police Departments	8
Huber Heights	530	Five Rivers MetroParks	4
Jackson Township	2	Dayton Airport Police	10
Kettering Police	449	Sinclair Community College Police	6
Miami Township	571	U.S. Secret Service	1
Miamisburg	328	University of Dayton Police	13
Moraine	244	Wright Patterson Air Force Base Police	5

**TOTAL: 8,622**

Other Sources	Number of Referrals	Other Sources	Number of Referrals
<b>Agencies:</b>		<b>School Districts (Continued):</b>	
Transferred from Other Counties	444	New Lebanon	3
Children Services Board	767	Northmont	17
County Prosecuting Attorney	36	Northridge Local	55
Support Enforcement Agency	2,144	Trotwood-Madison	55
		Valley View	10
<b>School Districts:</b>		Vandalia-Butler	20
Brookville Local	2	West Carrollton	14
Centerville	8	Other Board of Education	20
Dayton Public Schools	778	Charter Schools	9
Jefferson Township Local	12		
Huber Heights	35	<b>Other Sources:</b>	
Kettering	14	Parents or Relatives	211
Mad River Local	12	Attorneys	311
Miamisburg	70	Other	34
Montgomery County	14	Pro Se	1,166

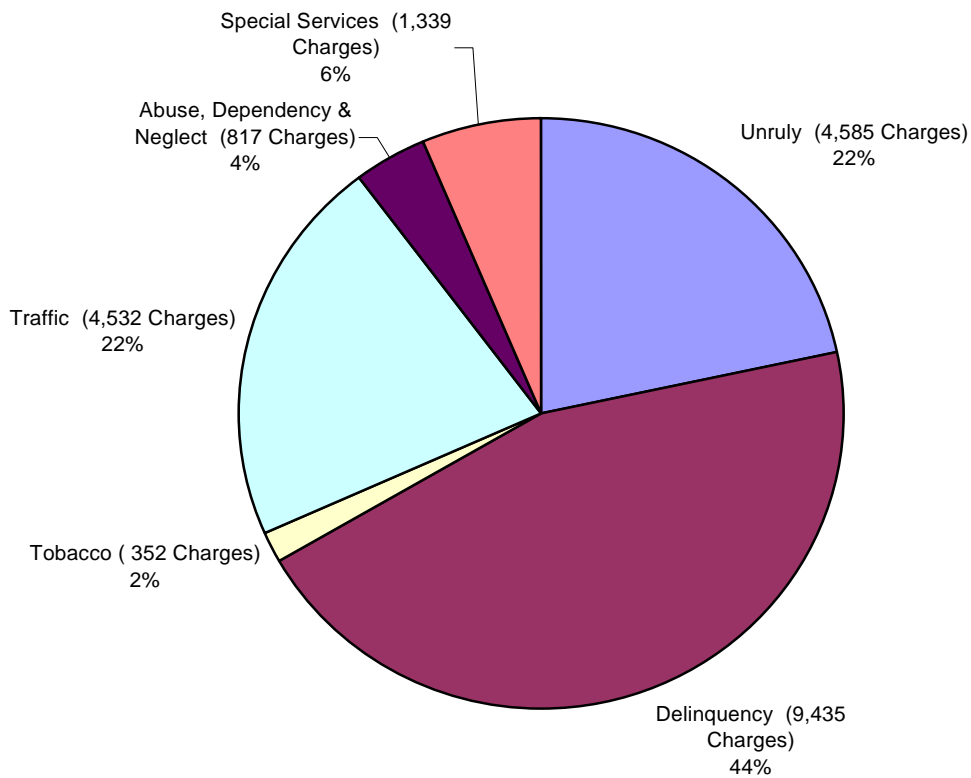
**TOTAL: 6,261**

# JUVENILE CHARGES

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, JUVENILE DIVISION IS CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF HANDLING CASES ON DELINQUENT AND UNRULY CHILDREN AS WELL AS THOSE CHARGED WITH TRAFFIC OR TOBACCO VIOLATIONS. THE COURT MUST ALSO MAKE JUDICIAL DETERMINATION RELATING TO DEPENDENT, NEGLECTED AND ABUSED CHILDREN.

## 2005 JUVENILE CHARGES (REFERRALS)

Total Referrals: 21,060



# UNRULY YOUTH

## FAMILY STATUS OF UNRULY YOUTH BY RACE AND SEX

	BLACK		WHITE		OTHER		UNKNOWN		TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Both Parents	51	33	138	100	6	6	0	1	195	140	335
Mother Only	600	429	337	261	8	11	8	8	953	709	1662
Father Only	64	33	102	60	3	3	0	1	169	97	266
Mother & Stepfather	39	18	62	36	0	0	1	0	102	54	156
Father & Stepmother	13	6	14	13	0	1	0	0	27	20	47
Stepfather Only	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Stepmother Only	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Foster Home, Relative or Non-Relative	114	111	55	58	0	1	0	0	169	170	339
Group Home	16	10	7	6	0	0	0	0	23	16	39
Guardian	48	40	27	25	1	0	0	1	76	66	142
Other	4	5	2	3	0	0	0	0	6	8	14
Unknown	33	31	36	31	0	0	1	3	70	65	135
<b>Total</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>716</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>1,345</b>	<b>3,137</b>

## UNRULY CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY AGE AND GENDER

	11 & Under		12-13		14-15		16 & Over		TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Truancy	15	21	126	104	354	269	474	309	969	703	1,672
Runaway	4	2	32	42	101	121	168	227	305	392	697
Curfew	3	5	46	9	157	65	352	143	558	222	780
Other Unruly Behavior	40	12	108	73	249	237	368	349	765	671	1,436
<b>Total</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>861</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>1,028</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>4,585</b>

## UNRULY CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY RACE

Referral Reason	Black	White	Other	Unknown	Total
Truancy	1,039	595	22	16	1,672
Runaway	468	220	8	1	697
Curfew	367	403	9	1	780
Other Unruly Behavior	678	741	11	6	1,436
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>1,959</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>4,585</b>

## NON-JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS IN UNRULY CHARGES



<b>DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Admonished	365
Work Program Diversion	172
Dismissed Without Prejudice	1,414
Fast Forward Program Referral	4
Restitution/Community Service	9
Other Community Service/Restitution	85
Parent Enforced House Arrest	2
Power Club Referral	11
Probation Referral for Appropriate Action	411
Ordered to Attend School	170
Refer to Mediation	296
Write a Letter of Apology	107
Write an Essay	127
<b>Treatment:</b>	
Mental Health Assessment	19
Counseling	64
Firesetters Program	5
Residential Alternative Program (RAP)	12
Urinalysis Ordered	37

These are the principal non-judicial dispositions made on unofficial charges (referrals) in case reviews. A charge can have more than one disposition.

## JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS IN UNRULY CHARGES

<b>DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Admonished	365
Application Rights or License Suspension	4
Dismissed	260
Dismissed Without Prejudice	459
Court Costs	10
Fines	3
Restitution/Community Service	171
Other Community Service/Restitution	20
Ordered to Attend School	274
Transfer to Another County	11
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Write a Letter of Apology	34

<b>DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
Write an Essay	25
<b>Treatment:</b>	
CrisisCare Mental Health Assessment	181
CrisisCare Alcohol/Substance Abuse Assessment	107
Counseling	315
Probation for Supervision	440
Urinalysis Ordered	96
Dora Tate Youth Center, Suspended Commitment	131
Dora Tate Youth Center	67

This table includes the principal final dispositions ordered by the Court on official charges (referrals). A charge can have more than one disposition.

## DELINQUENT YOUTH

### FAMILY STATUS OF DELINQUENT YOUTH BY RACE AND SEX

	BLACK		WHITE		OTHER		UNKNOWN		TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Both Parents	98	44	343	142	20	3	1	1	462	190	652
Mother Only	766	420	541	309	16	8	4	4	1,327	741	2,068
Father Only	82	33	175	78	7	1	6	0	270	112	382
Mother & Stepfather	49	23	108	40	0	1	0	0	157	64	221
Father & Stepmother	15	6	26	9	0	1	0	0	41	16	57
Stepfather Only	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Stepmother Only	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Foster Home, Relative or Non-Relative	187	131	112	72	2	0	2	0	303	203	506
Group Home	35	14	18	5	0	0	0	0	53	19	72
Guardian	61	48	42	21	0	0	1	1	104	70	174
Other	11	7	10	12	0	0	0	0	21	19	40
Unknown	38	38	80	39	3	0	6	1	127	78	205
<b>Total</b>	1,345	764	1,456	727	48	14	20	7	2,869	1,512	4,381

### DELINQUENCY CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY AGE AND GENDER\*

CHARGE CATEGORIES	11 & UNDER		12 - 13		14 - 15		16 & OVER		TOTAL MALE	TOTAL FEMALE	GRAND TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F			
<b>HOMICIDE</b>											
MURDER	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	4
MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
<b>ASSAULT &amp; MENACING</b>											
FELONIOUS & AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	2	0	6	2	10	4	32	9	50	15	65
ASSAULTS (FELONY)	3	1	4	16	20	9	29	11	56	37	93
ASSAULTS (MISDEMEANOR)	24	4	59	30	121	82	175	120	379	236	615
OTHER RELATED ASSAULTS	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	2
MENACING & STALKING	13	0	16	5	63	23	102	33	194	61	255
<b>KIDNAPPING &amp; EXTORTION</b>											
KIDNAPPING & RELATED OFFENSES	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	1	8	1	9
EXTORTION	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<b>SEXUAL OFFENSES</b>											
RAPE	9	0	31	1	31	0	16	0	87	1	88
SEXUAL ASSAULTS (FELONY)	1	0	8	1	17	2	17	0	43	3	46
SEXUAL ASSAULTS (MISDEMEANOR)	2	0	2	0	9	0	8	0	21	0	21
PROSTITUTION	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	8
OBSCENITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	3
<b>ARSON &amp; RELATED OFFENSES</b>											
ARSON	5	1	16	2	18	2	22	2	61	7	68
RELATED VANDALISM OFFENSES	4	0	12	0	18	3	22	2	56	5	61
RELATED CRIMINAL DAMAGING OFFENSES	12	1	49	12	107	19	254	49	422	81	503
<b>ROBBERY, BURGLARY &amp; TRESPASSING</b>											
ROBBERY	0	0	1	0	22	2	81	10	104	12	116
BURGLARY	11	5	32	5	112	10	166	15	321	35	356
TRESPASSING	4	0	16	5	40	24	119	25	179	54	233
SAFECRACKING	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	4	0	4
<b>THEFT &amp; FRAUD</b>											
GRAND THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	0	0	3	0	39	1	45	2	87	3	90
THEFT	22	7	69	64	188	190	368	362	647	623	1,270
PASSING BAD CHECKS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARDS	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	4	6
FORGERY	0	0	0	0	4	5	9	23	13	28	41
FRAUD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (FELONY)	0	0	4	0	39	7	155	12	198	19	217
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (MISDEMEANOR)	2	0	4	2	20	1	47	9	73	12	85

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## DELINQUENCY CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY AGE AND GENDER (CONTINUED) \*

CHARGE CATEGORIES	11 & UNDER		12 - 13		14 - 15		16 & OVER		TOTAL MALE	TOTAL FEMALE	GRAND TOTAL
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F			
<b>GAMBLING</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	2
<b>AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE</b>											
INCITING, RIOT & RELATED OFFENSES	0	0	0	0	2	4	4	1	6	5	11
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	7	2	23	20	77	48	171	81	278	151	429
HARASSMENT	0	1	1	2	8	8	12	29	21	40	61
FALSE ALARMS	0	0	1	1	15	3	15	3	31	7	38
CROWD SAFETY	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	2
<b>AGAINST FAMILY</b>											
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (FELONY)	1	0	9	5	12	9	16	21	38	35	73
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (MISDEMEANOR)	18	3	35	23	90	71	165	97	308	194	502
OTHER OFFENSES AGAINST THE FAMILY	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	9	1	11	12
<b>AGAINST JUSTICE &amp; PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION</b>											
BRIBERY & INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	5	2	7
PERJURY	0	0	1	1	5	12	17	19	23	32	55
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE RELATED OFFENSES	1	0	11	12	55	31	189	74	256	117	373
<b>WEAPONS CONTROL</b>											
CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS	0	0	2	0	13	0	57	5	72	5	77
POSSESSING CRIMINAL TOOLS	0	0	1	1	18	3	44	22	63	26	89
OTHER WEAPONS CONTROL OFFENSES	2	0	11	2	31	0	54	5	98	7	105
<b>DRUG OFFENSES</b>											
DRUG TRAFFICKING	0	0	0	0	2	1	17	3	19	4	23
DRUG ABUSE	0	0	2	6	60	27	373	84	435	117	552
DRUG THEFT/DRUG SAMPLES	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	0	8	0	8
<b>FEDERAL OFFENSES</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>LIQUOR VIOLATIONS</b>	0	0	1	2	21	20	215	93	237	115	352
<b>OTHER DELINQUENCY OFFENSES</b>	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	1	5	1	6
<b>LOCAL ORDINANCES</b>	5	1	16	9	103	25	336	61	460	96	556
<b>VIOLATIONS OF COURT ORDER</b>	15	1	136	71	537	234	608	238	1,296	544	1,840
<b>TOTALS</b>	164	27	583	301	1,933	885	4,002	1,540	6,682	2,753	9,435

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## DELINQUENCY CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY RACE\*

CHARGE CATEGORIES	Black	White	Other	Unknown	Total
<b>HOMICIDE</b>					
MURDER	4	0	0	0	4
MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	1	1
<b>ASSAULT &amp; MENACING</b>					
FELONIOUS & AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	36	28	0	1	65
ASSAULTS (FELONY)	75	18	0	0	93
ASSAULTS (MISDEMEANOR)	338	268	3	6	615
OTHER RELATED ASSAULTS	2	0	0	0	2
MENACING & STALKING	130	122	3	0	255
<b>KIDNAPPING &amp; EXTORTION</b>					
KIDNAPPING & RELATED OFFENSES	5	3	1	0	9
EXTORTION	0	1	0	0	1
<b>SEXUAL OFFENSES</b>					
RAPE	44	37	3	4	88
SEXUAL ASSAULTS (FELONY)	6	36	4	0	46
SEXUAL ASSAULTS (MISDEMEANOR)	9	12	0	0	21
PROSTITUTION	6	2	0	0	8
OBSCENITY	0	2	1	0	3
<b>ARSON &amp; RELATED OFFENSES</b>					
ARSON	25	41	2	0	68
RELATED VANDALISM OFFENSES	19	41	1	0	61
RELATED CRIMINAL DAMAGING OFFENSES	152	342	8	1	503
<b>ROBBERY, BURGLARY &amp; TRESPASSING</b>					
ROBBERY	90	26	0	0	116
BURGLARY	159	197	0	0	356
TRESPASSING	103	128	2	0	233
SAFECRACKING	0	4	0	0	4
<b>THEFT &amp; FRAUD</b>					
GRAND THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE	62	27	1	0	90
THEFT	634	616	11	9	1,270
PASSING BAD CHECKS	0	1	0	0	1
MISUSE OF CREDIT CARDS	3	3	0	0	6
FORGERY	19	19	3	0	41
FRAUD	0	0	0	0	0
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (FELONY)	151	63	2	1	217
RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (MISDEMEANOR)	33	51	1	0	85

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## DELINQUENCY CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY RACE (CONTINUED)\*

REFERRAL REASON	Black	White	Other	Unknown	Total
<b>GAMBLING</b>	1	1	0	0	2
<b>AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE</b>					
INCITING, RIOT & RELATED OFFENSES	9	2	0	0	11
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	207	215	5	2	429
HARASSMENT	24	36	1	0	61
FALSE ALARMS	13	25	0	0	38
CROWD SAFETY	2	0	0	0	2
<b>AGAINST FAMILY</b>					
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (FELONY)	47	26	0	0	73
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (MISDEMEANOR)	209	280	11	2	502
OTHER OFFENSES AGAINST THE FAMILY	8	3	1	0	12
<b>AGAINST JUSTICE &amp; PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION</b>					
BRIBERY & INTIMIDATION	5	2	0	0	7
PERJURY	28	26	1	0	55
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE RELATED OFFENSES	210	160	3	0	373
<b>WEAPONS CONTROL</b>					
CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS	46	30	1	0	77
POSSESSING CRIMINAL TOOLS	48	41	0	0	89
OTHER WEAPONS CONTROL OFFENSES	44	58	3	0	105
<b>DRUG OFFENSES</b>					
DRUG TRAFFICKING	9	11	1	2	23
DRUG ABUSE	172	368	10	2	552
DRUG THEFT/DRUG SAMPLES	6	2	0	0	8
<b>FEDERAL OFFENSES</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>LIQUOR VIOLATION</b>	17	326	4	5	352
<b>OTHER DELINQUENCY</b>	3	3	0	0	6
<b>LOCAL ORDINANCES</b>	348	201	6	1	556
<b>VIOLATION OF COURT ORDER</b>	1,118	694	28	0	1,840
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>4,679</b>	<b>4,598</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>9,435</b>

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## NON-JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS IN DELINQUENT CHARGES

<b>DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Admonished	293
Work Program Diversion	220
Dismissed Without Prejudice	225
Restitution/Community Service	14
Other Community Service/Restitution	170
Ordered to Attend School	6
Homework/Chores Ordered	27
Parent Enforced House Arrest	0
Referred to Mediation	322
Refer to Better Business Bureau's "Stop Shoplifting Program"	268
Refer to Better Business Bureau's "Life Rules Program"	58
Power Club Referral	20
Transferred to Another Jurisdiction	7
Write a Letter of Apology	248
Write an Essay	345
<b>Treatment:</b>	
Mental Health Assessment	16
SOAP Assessment	7
Counseling	35
Urinalysis Ordered	46
Residential Alternative Program (RAP)	2
Fire-setters Program	14

Non-judicial dispositions are made on unofficial charges (referrals). A charge can have more than one disposition.

## JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS IN DELINQUENT CHARGES

<b>DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Admonished	863
Application Rights or License Suspension Until Further Notice	392
Dismissed	1708
Dismissed Without Prejudice	829
Fines	133
Court Costs	212
Work Program (Community Service/Restitution)	1,068
Other Community Service/Restitution	299
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<b>DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
Ordered to Attend School	282
Modified Driving Privileges	4
Refer to GED	36
Dayton Mediation Center Victim Offender Mediation Referral	18
Transferred to Another Jurisdiction	150
Emancipation of Child	5
Write a Letter of Apology	544
Write an Essay	116
<b>Commitment:</b>	
Center for Adolescent Services	73
Ohio Department of Youth Services (DYS)	172
DYS Revocation	81
DYS Suspended Commitment	511
<b>Placement:</b>	
Legal Custody	51
Temporary Custody	112
Temporary Custody to Children Services Board	17
Termination of Legal Custody	2
Termination of Temporary Custody	76
<b>Treatment:</b>	
Crisis Care Mental Health Assessments	728
Crisis Care Alcohol or Drug (AoD) Assessments	636
Drug Court	102
Counseling	1,769
Dora Lee Tate Youth Center	646
Dora Lee Tate Youth Center, Suspended Commitment	1,044
Nicholas Residential Treatment Center	11
Fisher Chemical Abuse Program (F-CAP) Screening	196
Urinalysis Ordered	475
RAP (Residential Alternatives Program)	2
Probation Supervision	2,274
Continued on Probation	571
Sexual Offender Assessment	58
Fire-setters Program	5

This table represents the principal final dispositions ordered by the Juvenile Court on official charges (referrals). A charge can have more than one disposition.



**YOUTH COMMITMENTS TO  
THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES (DYS)  
AND  
THE CENTER FOR ADOLESCENT SERVICES (CAS)**

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>DYS COMMITMENTS</b>	<b>DYS REVOCATIONS*</b>	<b>DYS RE-COMMITMENTS**</b>	<b>CAS COMMITMENTS</b>
<b>2005</b>	111	80	18	77
<b>2004</b>	132	57	11	56
<b>2003</b>	101	49	15	52
<b>2002</b>	107	56	17	37
<b>2001</b>	117	45	25	15
<b>2000</b>	146	55	23	-
<b>1999</b>	141	33	27	-
<b>1998</b>	101	28	32	-

\*Youth who are on parole with DYS after their release from a DYS institution and are found guilty on a technical violation and returned to DYS for one to three months.

\*\*Youth who are on parole with DYS after their release from a DYS institution and are found guilty of a new felony offense and committed to DYS for a term of six months or longer.

**MOTIONS TO TRANSFER DELINQUENCY CASES  
TO ADULT COURT**

The Prosecutor's Office initiates the motions, which request the transfer of delinquency cases to the adult court for prosecution. A case can include more than one referral on a youth.

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>BINDOVER MOTIONS FILED</b>	<b>MOTIONS GRANTED</b>	<b>MOTIONS DENIED OR WITHDRAWN</b>
<b>2005</b>	29	11	18
<b>2004</b>	23	6	17
<b>2003</b>	40	17	23
<b>2002</b>	38	11	27
<b>2001</b>	36	16	20
<b>2000</b>	43	19	24
<b>1999</b>	32	12	20
<b>1998</b>	25	11	14
<b>1997</b>	32	20	12
<b>1996</b>	34	19	15

# SCHOOL DISTRICT ATTENDING BY TYPE OF YOUTH\*

SCHOOLS	Delinquent		Unruly	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
<b><u>PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS</u></b>				
BROOKVILLE	24	12	4	6
CENTERVILLE	100	44	26	17
DAYTON CITY SCHOOLS	1,162	620	960	730
HUBER HEIGHTS	172	76	92	67
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP	19	6	16	5
KETTERING	142	60	65	47
MAD RIVER	115	56	50	30
MIAMISBURG	134	76	70	50
NEW LEBANON	25	12	7	6
NORTHMONT	81	50	33	24
NORTHRIDGE	49	32	43	28
OAKWOOD	15	6	2	2
TROTWOOD MADISON	129	76	86	69
VALLEY VIEW	31	10	19	4
VANDALIA-BUTLER	60	17	27	15
WEST CARROLLTON	124	63	49	43
<b><u>PRIVATE SCHOOLS</u></b>				
CHARTER SCHOOLS	210	157	127	104
OTHER SCHOOLS	7	3	2	2
<b><u>VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS</u></b>				
MIAMI VALLEY CAREER TECHNOLOGY	12	6	10	4
ISUS	40	9	28	6
OTHER VOCATIONAL	1	1	1	1
<b><u>OTHER</u></b>				
OVER 18	2	0	1	0
NO DISTRICT	7	6	7	5
OUT OF COUNTY	152	96	49	52
UNKNOWN	56	18	18	28
<b>MALE/FEMALE TOTALS:</b>	<b>2,869</b>	<b>1,512</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>1,345</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	<b>4,381</b>		<b>3,137</b>	

\* This table for 2005 has been revised to reflect the number of delinquent and unruly youth per school district rather than the number of charges (referrals) per school district, as seen in the 2004 Annual Report and previously. If a youth had both delinquent and unruly charges during 2005, the youth would be counted in each column.

# JUVENILE TRAFFIC OFFENDERS

## TRAFFIC REFERRALS BY AGE AND GENDER

11 & Under		12-13		14-15		16 & Over		TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
3	0	9	1	51	18	2,953	1,497	3,016	1,516	4,532

## TRAFFIC REFERRALS BY RACE

Black	White	Other	Unknown	Total
1,331	3,083	103	15	4,532

<b>JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
Admonished	485
Application Rights or License Suspension	658
Application Rights Suspended Until Further Notice	231
Defensive Driving School	48
Driving Course Required	55
Weekend Intervention Program	1
Attitude Adjustment Driving Program	1
Dismissed	392
Dismissed Without Prejudice	219
Fines	3,061
Court Costs	2,780
License Suspended to Parent	12
License to Be Suspended by Bureau of Motor Vehicles	156
Temporary Driver's Permit Suspended	18
Modified Driving Privileges	378
Juvenile Court Work Program	8
Other Community Service/Restitution	3
Transfer to Another Jurisdiction	70
Fisher Chemical Abuse Program (F-CAP)	29
Probation for Supervision	34
Counseling	27
Dora Tate Program	3
Dora Tate Program, Suspended Commitment	5
Continued in Drug Court Program	14

This table represents the principal final dispositions ordered by the Juvenile Court. A charge (referral) can have more than one disposition.

# TOBACCO CHARGES (REFERRALS)

In 2001, the Tobacco Bill (Ohio Revised Code Section 2151.87) was enacted. This law expanded the offense of illegal distribution of cigarette or other tobacco products to children.

## TOBACCO CHARGES BY AGE AND GENDER

11 & Under		12-13		14-15		16 & Over		TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
0	0	0	0	16	6	255	75	271	81	352

## TOBACCO CHARGES BY RACE

Black	White	Other	Unknown	Total
165	182	2	3	352

<b>JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
Admonished	29
Application Rights or License Suspension Until Further Notice	2
Write an Essay	2
Work Program Community Service	11
Other Community Service	2
Dismissed	36
Dismissed Without Prejudice	100
Fines	84
Fine Suspended	9
Court Costs	45

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# ABUSED, DEPENDENT AND/OR NEGLECTED CHILD

REFERRAL REASON	TOTAL
Abuse	14
Abuse & Dependency	71
Abuse & Neglect	0
Abuse, Dependency & Neglect	38
Dependency	511
Dependency & Neglect	175
Neglect	8
<b>Total:</b>	<b>817</b>

<b>JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Dismissed	102
Dismissed Without Prejudice	76
Emancipation of Child	154
Motion Granted	294
Motion Denied	53
Motion Dismissed	18
Protective Supervision	265
Termination/Suspension of Child Support	52
Visitation According to Case Plan	280
Visitation Granted	167
Visitation Denied	26
Visitation As Agreed by Parties	157
<b>Placement:</b>	
Custody Remain With Parent	122
Permanent Custody	21
Temporary Custody	193
Legal Custody	137
Termination of Legal Custody	14
Termination of Temporary Custody	20
Temporary Custody to Children Services	163
Planned Permanent Living Arrangement Granted	6
Shared Parenting	2

This table represents the principal final dispositions ordered by the Juvenile Court. A charge (referral) can have more than one disposition.

# SPECIAL SERVICE REFERRALS

The term "special service" pertains to matters brought before the court, which ordinarily do not involve offenses. These matters include various types of motions, record expungements, writs, and certifications from other courts. It also includes "Custody Related" cases, which pertains to permanent custody, change of custody, temporary custody, visitation, protective supervision, out-of-home placements and foster care.

REFERRAL REASONS	TOTAL
Custody Related	1,307
Other	32
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,339</b>

<b>JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Dismissed	227
Dismissed Without Prejudice	275
Emancipation of Child	96
Motion Granted	660
Motion Denied	231
Motion Dismissed	140
Protective Supervision	234
Termination of Protective Supervision	13
Termination/Suspension of Child Support	203
Visitation According to Case Plan	335
Visitation Granted	492
Visitation Denied	30
Visitation Suspended	10
Referred to Mediation	22
Shared Parenting	69
<b>Placement:</b>	
Custody Remain With Parent	25
Permanent Custody	5
Temporary Custody	96
Legal Custody	799
Termination of Legal Custody	116
Termination of Temporary Custody	345
Temporary Custody to Children Services	80
Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (PPLA) Granted	47
Termination of PPLA	33

This table represents the principal final dispositions ordered by the Juvenile Court. A charge (referral) can have more than one disposition.

# ADULT COMPLAINTS

## CIVIL COMPLAINTS ON ADULTS

The Court also has jurisdiction over certain civil complaints and motions on adults. This authority includes determining the parentage of and the establishment, modification, enforcement and termination of support for a child. This also includes U.I.F.S.A. (Uniform Inter-State Family Support Act), which pertains to out-of-state support collections.

<b>TYPE OF REFERRAL</b>	<b>NEW COMPLAINTS FILED</b>	<b>MOTIONS FILED</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Parentage</b>	182	724	906
<b>Support</b>	461	2,801	3,262
<b>U.I.F.S.A.</b>	2	23	25
<b>Total:</b>	645	3,548	4,193

# ADULT MISDEMEANOR COMPLAINTS

Lastly, the Court deals with misdemeanor complaints involving adults in offenses against a juvenile or with a juvenile. This can include such reasons as incest, physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, contributing to unruliness or delinquency, failure to send to school, contributing to the neglect of a child charges, etc.

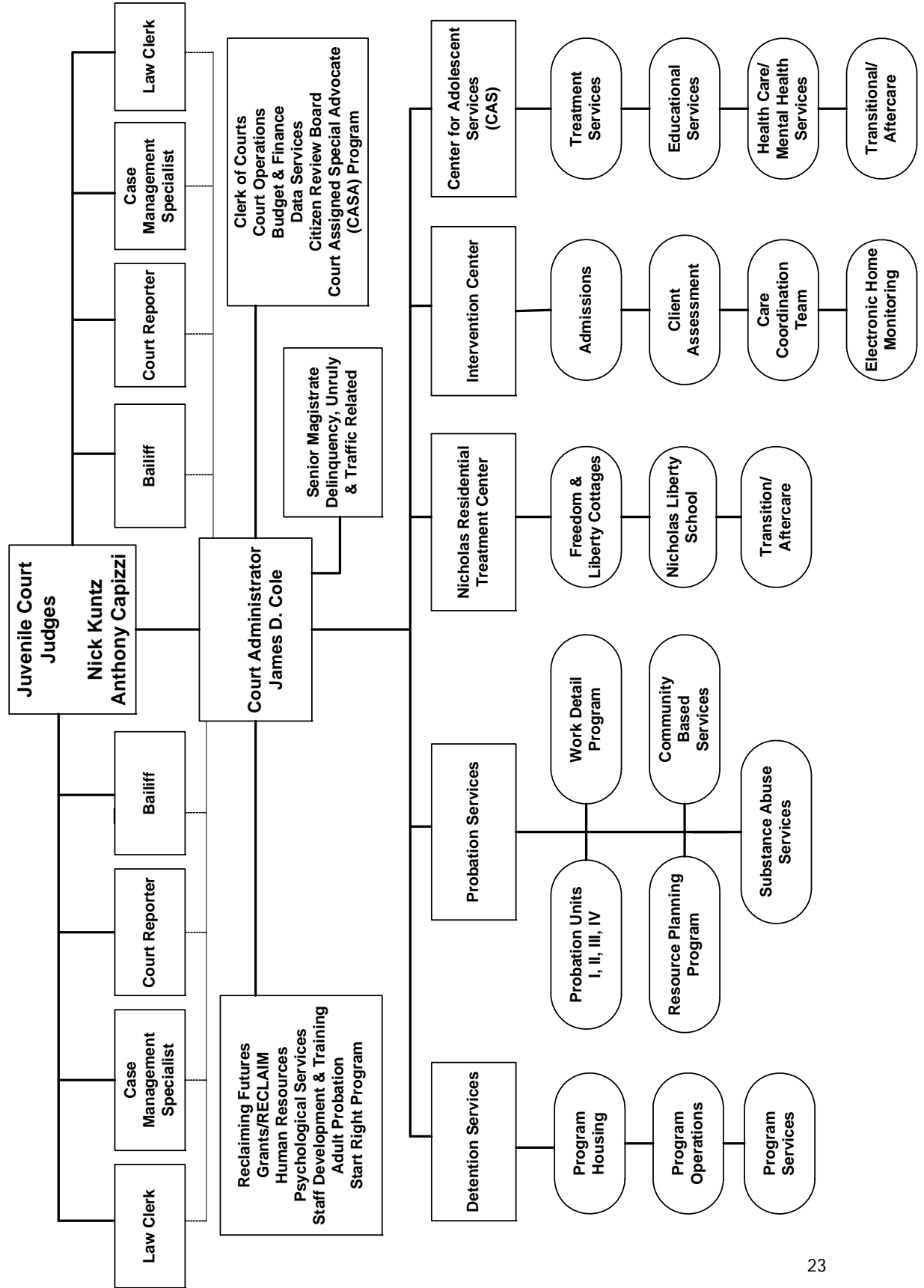
## ADULT CHARGES (REFERRALS) BY TYPE OF CHARGE

<b>CHARGE REASONS:</b>	
Child Endangerment	77
Contributing to Unruliness/Delinquency of a Minor	0
Contributing to Neglect	1
Parental Failure to Send to School (Grades K – 4)	207
Parental Contributing	54
Contributing to Education Neglect of a Minor	22
False Report of Child Abuse/Neglect (Adult)	1
Giving Liquor to Minor	0
Corruption of a Minor	0
Show Cause Motion	32
<b>Total:</b>	<b>394</b>

<b>JUDICIAL DISPOSITIONS ORDERED:</b>	
<b>Ordered:</b>	
Fines	2
Fines Suspended	178
Court Costs	2
Probation Supervision	50
Dismissed	64
Dismissed Without Prejudice	40
Jail Sentence	11
Jail Sentence, Suspended	74
Performance Bond	165
Referred to Children Services Board	10
Referred to Project Impact	51
Urinalysis Ordered	2



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY JUVENILE COURT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS

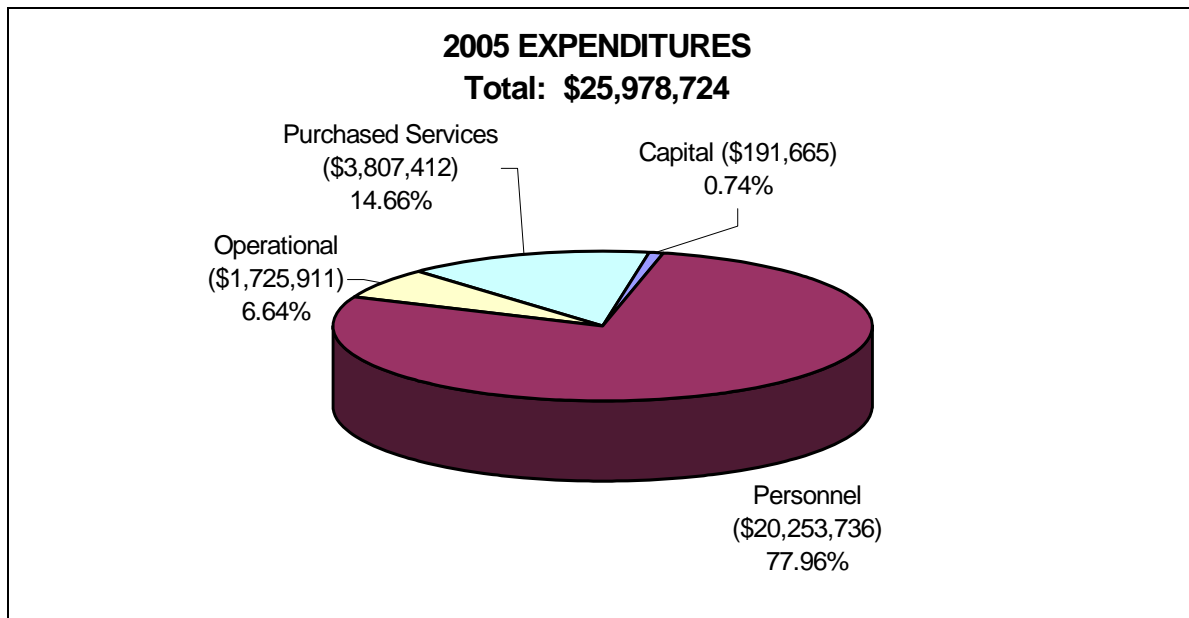
## COURT ADMINISTRATION

**JAMES D. COLE, COURT ADMINISTRATOR**

The Juvenile Court Division has 2 judges and their bailiffs, court reporters, case coordinators, 13 magistrates and 1 senior magistrate, judicial technicians, the Court Administrator and court administration staff. The Judges and Magistrates are responsible for the judicial processing of cases (delinquency, unruly, dependency, abuse, neglect, traffic, custody, parentage, child support, etc.) through their final disposition.

Court Administration is responsible for overseeing the operation of 5 major departments (the Center for Adolescent Services, Detention Services, the Intervention Center, the Nicholas Residential Treatment Center, and Probation Services). It also provides direct supervision over Budget and Finance, the Clerk's Office, Data Services, Human Resources, staff development and training, grants coordination, Adult Probation, Psychological Services, Start Right, the Court Appointed Special Advocates Program, the Citizen Review Board, the local Reclaiming Futures Initiative and facility operation.

Presented below are the Court's 2005 yearly expenditures:



## **ADULT PROBATION**

The Adult Probation Officer is responsible for all adult cases involving an adult in an offense against a juvenile or with a juvenile. This officer conducts pre-sentence investigations, monitors the progress of adults placed on probation by the Court and links those adults with needed community services. Such services can include drug and alcohol counseling, sexual abuse counseling, parenting classes, etc.

<b><u>2005 Investigations:</u></b>	
Beginning Number of Cases	445
New Investigations	32
Closed Investigations	26
Show Cause	0
Active at End of Year	451

<b><u>2005 Probation Supervision:</u></b>	
Beginning Number of Probation Cases	9
New Probation Cases	52
Probation Completed	36
Probation Revoked	0
Active at End of Year	25

In 2005, the Adult Probation Officer also conducted 453 Web (criminal background) checks. 74% (336) of these background checks were for Pro Se filings. The remainder was for employment, volunteers and interns.

## **COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE (C.A.S.A.)**

The Court Appointed Special Advocate Program trains and supervises adult volunteers to serve as Guardians Ad Litem (GAL) for neglected, dependent and abused children. These volunteers conduct independent investigations, provide written reports to the Court and monitor the child's case as long as it remains in the court system.

Number of Children Served	455
Number of Cases Closed	172

<b><u>Outcome of Closed Cases</u></b>	
Returned to parent	64
Legal custody to relative/non-relative	69
Dismissed	14
Adopted	13
Emancipated	8
Transferred out of County	3
Committed to the Ohio Department of Youth Services	1
<b><u>C.A.S.A. Volunteers</u></b>	
Active Volunteers	99
Attorneys Providing Pro Bono Services	8

## **CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD**

The mission of the Citizen Review Board is to monitor permanency planning efforts for children who are in foster care and children who are under protective supervision with Children Services. These periodic case reviews are independent and confidential and provide recommendations for a safe, permanent environment for the child. The Citizen Review Board conducts Formal Reviews and Annual Permanency Planning Reviews and Semi-Annual Reviews (court cases only) to ensure that methods are in place to achieve targeted goals for the best outcome of each child.

Total Number of Children Served	2,146
Number of Reports Reviewed by Board	4,040
<u>Total Number of Formal Reviews Held</u>	
Formal Reviews	47
Annual Permanency Planning Reviews	401
RPP and CAS Semi-Annual Reviews	<u>117</u>
Total:	565
<u>Board Volunteers</u>	
Volunteers	13
Volunteer Hours Provided	2,496

## **CLERK'S OFFICE**

### **JENNIFER A. PETRELLA, CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK**

Under the charge of the Montgomery County Juvenile Court Clerk of Courts, Administrative Judge Nick Kuntz, the Clerk's Office is responsible for processing all official filings for the Court.

The Clerk's Office has several responsibilities to complete prior to the first hearing of many cases and must maintain the Court docket and hard copy files throughout the retention period of all official cases. In processing official cases, Deputy Clerks file the initial documentation of the case. This includes time stamping and journalizing documents in the official Court Docket. Service (including summons, subpoenas, warrants, capiases and restraining orders) is prepared to 1) assure legal notification to parties of upcoming hearings; 2) notify persons of required documentation of mandatory appearance at a hearing and 3) restrain or detain a person in order for justice to be served. Additionally, the Clerk's Office mails the majority of official case documents for the Court and acts as Court cashier for the receipt of payments. Deputy Clerks are also responsible for record check requests, the reporting of traffic violations and fingerprints collected to appropriate agencies, as well as the destruction of expunged cases or proper storage of sealed cases.

In 2005, Deputy Clerks began working in teams with 5 different daytime shifts to better assist clients and process documentation for the Court. All were completely cross-trained internally, with 6 of the staff participating in the inaugural Ohio Supreme Court training for Juvenile Clerks. Clerks also participated in training with other Court departments and are partners working with the Drive Alive and Kinship programs within our community. On a state level, the Chief Deputy Clerk serves as a representative for metropolitan counties on both the Ohio Supreme Court Juvenile Clerks Education Committee and Best Practices Committee.

## **PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES**

### **DR. LAURA E. FUJIMURA, COURT PSYCHOLOGIST**

The department is responsible for providing psychological evaluation services to referred youth to aid Court staff in selecting the best possible dispositional alternatives. Clinical interview as well as cognitive and personality testing results serve as a solid basis, from which treatment recommendations can be made.

<b>SERVICES</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Initial Studies Completed	6	2
Certifications	4	0
Competency Evaluations	31	7
Educational Assessments	2	4
Consultations	22	4
Personality Testing	0	0

## **START RIGHT**

The Start Right Program, under the direction and administration of Judge Nick Kuntz, is designed to facilitate and monitor all cases referred to the Court for Parental Failure to Send and the more serious Contributing to Educational Neglect. Parental Failure to Send cases arise out of excessive absenteeism of children in grades, kindergarten through fourth grade. In addition, parents who fail to enroll a child in school, regardless of the grade, are now getting charged with Contributing. Start Right staff prepare these cases for court and complete follow-up work which may include home or school visits to ensure a positive change. Parents are plugged into community programming to help solve the problems these families are facing.

Out of the 242 cases received in 2005, the Start Right Program served 409 children. The Start Right Program closed 277 cases, of which 89% were closed successfully. (A case is closed successfully when the student has shown improvement in his or her attendance.) Over 103 referrals were made to community agencies for assistance. The

Start Right Program is committed to connecting families to service providers who can help parents deal with the issues that are affecting their ability to send their children to school.

## **RECLAIMING FUTURES – MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO**

### **CHARLOTTE D. MCGUIRE, PROJECT MANAGER**

Montgomery County was one of only 10 sites in the nation chosen for a 5-year, 1.25 million dollar grant to help teens overcome drugs, alcohol and crime. The Montgomery County Juvenile Court became the lead agency for this initiative in June 2004. Reclaiming Futures, with the active leadership of Judge Nick Kuntz and Judge Anthony Capizzi, has been bringing together court staff, treatment providers, families and community partners and volunteers to address the needs of court-involved youth with substance abuse challenges.

The Reclaiming Futures model combines systems reform, treatment improvement and community engagement to ensure no substance abusing, court-involved youth or their family slips through the cracks. This is accomplished through a coordinated seamless system of care that includes Natural Helpers and positive activities. Natural Helpers are caring volunteers who provide support and encouragement to youth and families and connect them with opportunities and services to bring about positive life changes. While Drug Court youth are the current target group for the Reclaiming Futures service design, the goal is to expand this approach to all court populations.

The 2005 highlights include but are not limited to:

- Trained trainers in Strength-based Case Management as an on-going staff development resource for court staff.
- Conducted cross-system professional training in Motivational Interviewing.
- Improved coordination between treatment professionals and Court staff.
- Conducted cross-system professional training in Family Support Network therapy that was implemented by the Center for Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services. This is a family-centered, home support model for adolescent treatment.
- Trained 20 new Natural Helpers for a total of 53.
- Linked 26 Drug Court youth with Natural Helpers for a total of 47.
- Strengthened partnerships with state and national leaders on behalf of the court.
- Partnered with the United Way of Greater Dayton for volunteer recruitment.

# CENTER FOR ADOLESCENT SERVICES

**RICHARD R. HAMNING, DIRECTOR**

The Center for Adolescent Services (C.A.S.) was completed in the fall of 2000 and was officially dedicated on May 16, 2001. The facility is located in the Village of New Lebanon, Ohio and is a co-educational secure residential correctional/treatment facility. Currently, the facility is funded to serve a maximum of 34 boys and 10 girls, ranging in ages from 12 through 17 years of age. The girls' unit opened at CAS the beginning of 2005. During 2005, C.A.S. served 105 youth (85 boys and 20 girls).

This highly structured program provides a safe and secure learning environment for the adjudicated, low-level felony youths in its care. These youths receive a behavioral management and treatment program stressing pro-social skills, self-discipline, and law-abiding principles in an active learning environment. A cognitive-behavioral approach is used to reduce and/or eliminate their delinquent behavior. Available services include individual, group and family counseling, a year-round educational program, medical and health services, activity/recreational services, food services, maintenance/custodial services, administrative services and a required program of aftercare services.

The length of treatment averages 7 months and can extend significantly beyond that if a youth has extreme needs that require more treatment time or if a youth presents a high level of resistance to the efforts of the treatment staff. Prior to release from the program there is a period of time during which staff focus on the youth's impending transition back into the community. When released, all youths are required to participate in the CAS' Aftercare component for a minimum period of 9 weeks.

Below are the statistics for 2005:

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total Admitted	57	20	77
Total Days of Care	10,632	2,472	13,104
Average Daily Population	30.48	7	37.48
Average Length of Stay (Days)	187	124	170

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>
Age Range:		
12 – 14	4	1
15 – 16	27	6
17 – 18	26	13

# DETENTION SERVICES

**JIMMIE L. CARTER, DIRECTOR**

Detention Services provides a safe and secure 24-hour environment for youth who are placed in its facilities for their protection or the protection of the community. The youth range from 8 to 18 years of age and are held pending court disposition or transfer to another jurisdiction or agency. During the youth's stay, staff assists the youth in developing appropriate coping skills in order to better deal with daily life situations. Detention Services consists of the 66-bed secure detention facility and the Dora Lee Tate Center, a staff-secure 24-bed corrections residential facility. Overcrowding at the Juvenile Detention Center will continue to be an ongoing concern until the completion of the new Juvenile Justice Center (JJC). JJC will have a capacity of 144 beds for detention and corrections.

Below are the housing statistics for the Detention Center during 2005:

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total Detained	1,820	624	2,444
Total Days of Care	21,047	4,666	25,713
Average Daily Population	57.66	12.78	70.44
Average Length of Stay	11.56	7.47	10.52

The Dora Lee Tate Youth Center serves adjudicated youth in need of a short term, high impact intervention program. Its behavioral intervention program is based on a "no excuse" approach and focuses on the present behavior. Below are the housing statistics for the Dora Lee Tate Youth Center during 2005:

	<b>BOYS</b>	<b>GIRLS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Total Admissions	418	264	682
Total Days of Care	4,331	2,764	7,095
Average Daily Population	11.86	7.57	19.43
Average Length of Stay	10.36	10.46	10.40

Academic education is provided at both sites through Detention's chartered educational program. The academic program includes reading, math, social science, science, life skills, physical education and health. In addition, specialized tutoring for youth functioning significantly below grade level is provided through the Court's Title One program.



# **INTERVENTION CENTER**

**GREGORY T. SCOTT, DIRECTOR**

The Intervention Center (IC) is the 24-hour, 7-day a week centralized intake, screening, assessment and processing department for all children referred to the Court for delinquency and unruly behavior. Referrals come from a variety of sources including law enforcement, schools and parents. The IC assists law enforcement by providing a place to bring juveniles who may not be released outright and allows the police officers to return to duty more quickly. Regardless of how youths arrive at the IC, services are immediately available.

If a youth's case is to be filed officially, IC staff gathers more detailed information in a timely manner. This can include a CrisisCare Behavioral Health Screen (BHS), any Montgomery County Children Services (MCCS) information, a Dispositional Investigation Report (DIR), a risk/needs assessment (YoLSI), home visit, drug test results and hearing recommendations. Throughout this process, referrals for services can be made.

The same information gathering is available for cases handled unofficially. Such cases may be referred out for services including diversion programs, mental health or drug and alcohol counseling and/or treatment, work groups, individual and family counseling and mediation. An IC Case Screening, usually scheduled within 7 to 14 days of referral to the Court, or mediation handles most unofficial cases. The service provider to which a youth and family is referred, reports back to IC as to the cooperation, success or failure of the child and family so that the case may be closed or moved on for further action, as appropriate. In addition, CrisisCare conducts Behavioral Health Screens on all youths admitted to Secure Side IC, and on others when appropriate, after which they may refer the child and family for a full diagnostic mental health and/or AoD (Alcohol or other Drug) assessment. Starting in 2006, the IC will conduct a uniform AoD Questioning on all face-to-face contacts with youth having unruly or delinquency referrals. Based upon the responses, a BHS and diagnostic assessment may follow.

The IC also prepares the official delinquency and unruly complaints and case jackets, the sealing of records, and marriage and by-pass requests. It can conduct voluntary drug screenings, and is responsible for the Electronic Home Monitoring Program (EHMP). The IC is also home to the Care Coordination Team (CCT) and the DSO (Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders) Emergency Foster Care Project (DSO/EFC). The CCT is designed to address the needs of unruly and delinquent youth 10 years of age or younger, while the DSO/EFC Project is designed to avoid secure detention of status offenders and non-injury/non-weapon involved first time domestic violence cases while providing these youth a safe residential placement where necessary services can

be implemented until they can return home.

The Intervention Center continues to be a successful working model, demonstrating how system and community wide collaboration coupled with openness to positive system change serves the best interests of the children and the community.

**IC PROGRAMS & PARTNERSHIPS:**

- Intake/Admissions
- Care Coordination Team
- Children Services
- CrisisCare
- DSO Emergency Foster Care Project
- Electronic Home Monitoring

**INTAKE/ADMISSIONS**

Referrals to the Court for alleged delinquent or unruly youth all come through the IC. All IC services, including but not limited to Case Screenings, CrisisCare assessments, drug test sampling, counseling, mediation and work program referrals may be available to any youth depending upon the nature of the referral and the particular case. A new case may start with a youth being physically brought in by the police to the Secure Side of IC. Other Secure Side Admissions are for warrants or youths detained from hearings. The IC "Red-Flag" screening is provided for CrisisCare counselors and MCCS staff. CrisisCare interviews and conducts a BHS on all Secure Side IC youth, those who "flag" on the AoD Questions and any others upon request. Other cases may begin with a police report being "mailed-in" when a youth is released to their parent or guardian or a "walk-in" or phone-in by an interested party.

Case Screenings	3,494
DIR/YoLSI Interviews	1,907
Non-Secure Side "Mail-In" Cases	8,393
Non-Secure "Walk-In" Cases	381
Secure Side Admissions	2,815

**CRISISCARE**

CrisisCare is an Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services (ADAMHS) Board funded branch of Samaritan Behavioral Health, Inc. (SBHI) established to provide crisis services to the residents of Montgomery County. CrisisCare provides a multitude of services to youth seen through the Intervention Center. These youth typically have a variety of identified needs that may include mental health, drug, alcohol, and abuse/neglect and dependency issues. If an initial screening identifies a need, a therapist conducts an interview and obtains collateral information from many sources including family, school, past treatment providers and court records. Based upon these findings, CrisisCare may refer the child for a full diagnostic mental health and/or AoD assessment. In certain cases, these assessments are done at the Court, Probation or in Detention. This expedites the youth being linked to services and provides additional

information for Judges and Magistrates hearing the case.

CrisisCare also provides case management services to overcome barriers families may face when trying to engage in treatment, as well as crisis services to any youth demonstrating emotional disturbance while detained and coordinates with the Detention therapist on how best to stabilize the youth.

Behavioral Health Screens Conducted	3,114
Family/Professional Contacts	3,980
Assessment Completed (Mental Health and AoD)	797
Psychiatric Appointments	97
Mental Health Referrals	563
Chemical Dependency Referrals	299
Dual Diagnosis Referrals	361
Continued Treatment Referrals	777

## **MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES**

The Montgomery County Children Services (MCCS) is committed to providing staff to handle referrals coming through IC. Referents include CrisisCare, Probation, Judges and Magistrates, the CCT, as well as IC. MCCS intake staff interviews all detained juveniles identified as being in need of their services at the Court, Monday through Friday, and are available by telephone at all other times for active agency involvement and for alerts about juveniles needing service. For non-detained juveniles, an in-depth investigation is initiated on the first business day following a referral from the IC. This allows MCCS referrals to be investigated and acted upon more quickly. MCCS handled 499 referrals through IC during 2005.

## **ELECTRONIC HOME MONITORING PROGRAM**

The Electronic Home Monitoring Program (EHMP) provides an alternative to secure detention for appropriate youth. The youth is constantly monitored, subject to urine sampling to monitor drug use and managed via telephone and personal contact, as well as by agreement with certain school systems.

Number of Youths Served	629
Number of Successful Completions	559
Number of Unsuccessful Completions	139

## **CARE COORDINATION TEAM**

The Care Coordination Team (CCT), also known as the "10 & Under/Pre-Teen Program, is a specialized intervention/prevention program designed to keep non-adjudicated youth under the age of ten from penetrating further into the juvenile justice system. The CCT consists of an IC Assessment Specialist and a Care Coordinator Specialist (CCS), as well as representatives from MCCS and CrisisCare. The Team meets with the

youth and their family, develops a multi-agency plan of intervention and monitors the progress through case management. The Team's pro-active approach takes full advantage of the processes already established since the opening of the IC and enhances the ongoing inter-agency collaboration. It also affords the best opportunity to see that each child and family is engaged in appropriate programs and services with ongoing follow-up for as long as it takes to get the job done. In a sampling of cases served by CCT since 2001, less than 20% of these youths had a subsequent delinquency (misdemeanor or felony) adjudication.

Number of Referrals in 2005: 175

### **DSO EMERGENCY FOSTER CARE PROJECT**

The DSO Emergency Foster Care Project [DSO/EFC] identifies status offenders and first time domestic violence offenders, where no weapon was involved and no injuries occurred, who are physically brought to the IC and are not in need of and/or not appropriate for secure detainment. This process allows immediate (within six hours) release of these youth to appropriate emergency foster care or therapeutic intervention placements, or home with in-home service referrals. Court "detainment" hearings are held within twenty-four hours. On the rare occasion a child is detained prior to the hearing, this project initiates the release of the child into an alternative placement within twenty-four hours of admission to the IC. This process allows the Court to comply with Federal guidelines for status offenders as to detention. These placement services include emergency foster care and therapeutic intervention placements, which provide more intense services dealing with problems from drug alcohol to mental health to dysfunctional family situations, as well as in-home services when returned home. Of the 224 youths brought to Secure Side IC during 2005 on unruly only matters, none were held more than 24 hours and, after assessment, 145 were released home, 17 were released to MCCA and 54 were placed in EFC.

# THE JUDGE FRANK W. NICHOLAS RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTER FOR YOUTH

**WANDA MILLS, SUPERINTENDENT**  
**DEDRICK HOWARD, SUPERINTENDENT (Effective January 2006)**

The Frank W. Nicholas Residential Treatment Center (N.R.T.C.) is a 24-hour non-secure residential facility (24-bed capacity) that provides behavioral interventions for boys, 11 through 17 years of age. Its mission is to provide diverse comprehensive treatment and rehabilitative services to the youth and his family and to end the youth's involvement in the juvenile justice system. Each youth upon admittance to N.R.T.C. and his family are engaged in individual, group and family counseling. The youth additionally has an individualized educational program, participates in work and recreational therapy and is monitored continuously for the effectiveness of all behavioral interventions.

Number of Boys Served in 2005	46
Carried over from 2004	18
New Placements	28
Number of Boys in Program at End of Year	22
Number of Successful Program Discharges	12

In September 2005 Wanda Mills announced her retirement plans for early in 2006. Replacing Wanda Mills will be Mr. Dedrick W. Howard who is currently the Deputy Director at Nicholas. Mr. Howard has been with the Court and Nicholas for 15 years.

# PROBATION SERVICES

**ERIC J. SHAFER, DIRECTOR**

The primary mission of Montgomery County Juvenile Court Probation Services is to provide effective, quality services to both youth and families of Montgomery County, as well as, to protect the citizens of Montgomery County by providing effective case management to youthful offenders placed on probation supervision.

Our department prides itself in delivering effective programming and excellent customer service. In 2005 we improved upon our hours of operation as a result. All staff members are available during evening hours in order to better serve our youth, families, and the community.

Our department operates from a strength-based perspective in providing case management services. The strength-based approach to case management demands a different way of looking at individuals, families and the community. As a result of this strengths-based philosophy, staff is also viewing youths in the light of their capacities, talents, competencies, possibilities, visions, values and hopes. As a result of this focus on strengths, Probation staff participated in a series of trainings throughout 2005. The trainings included the Strengths Based Perspective as well as Motivational Interviewing. Probation staff has also developed a strengths committee that received advanced Strength-Based training for trainers. This committee assisted the department in planning and implementing ongoing activities and programming to ensure sustainability and fidelity to the strengths philosophy.

In 2005, Probation Services continued to collaborate with community partners in order to provide a broad range of services. A number of community agencies continued to provide services to youth assigned to Probation at the Merrimac site. Daybreak Inc. continued to provide anger management services through their Power Club Program. UMADAOP continued their prevention programming to a wide variety of youth and Unified Health Solutions offered their Project Empower program for parenting and pregnant teens.

Throughout 2005, Probation Staff continued efforts to serve youth and families in their communities. Probation Officers have set up satellite offices throughout the county in an effort to better serve probationers and their families. Probation Officers have also established liaisons with schools to better facilitate information and services for youth.

## 2005 DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICS

**INVESTIGATIONS**- are defined as post adjudicated/pre-dispositional cases that are referred to probation services for the purpose of preparing a social history report and appropriate recommendations for disposition.

### Investigations

Delinquency		Unruly		Juvenile Traffic		New Investigations in 2005
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
291	69	13	13	0	0	385

**SUPERVISIONS**- are defined as post-dispositional cases that are referred to probation services for ongoing probation supervision.

### Supervisions

Delinquency		Unruly		Juvenile Traffic		New Supervisions in 2005
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
601	303	167	150	15	9	1,245

**AVERAGE DEPARTMENTAL SUPERVISIONS\***  
**AVERAGE DEPARTMENTAL INDIVIDUAL CASELOAD**

**1,388 YOUTH**  
**37 YOUTH**

\* THIS FIGURE INCLUDES NEW SUPERVISIONS RECEIVED IN 2005 AND SUPERVISION CASES CARRIED OVER FROM 2004.

## DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE

Probation Services is organized into eight units: Geographical Units I, II, III, and IV, Community Based Services (CBS), Resource Planning Program (RPP), Drug Court/Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities (TASC) and the Juvenile Court Work Program (JCWP).

### GEOGRAPHICAL UNITS (Units I, II, III, and IV)

The Probation Services Department continues to be anchored by 4 geographic units. On the average, these units provided supervision to 90% of youth during 2005. In addition to involving the youth and families in a wide variety of community resources, many of the units link parents to appropriate programming. The average caseload per

probation officer working in a geographical unit in 2005 was 40.06.

**New Supervisions Assigned To Geographical Units**

Delinquency		Unruly		Juvenile Traffic		New Supervisions
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
587	288	167	150	15	9	1,216

**COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES**

The Community Based Services Unit (CBS) is designed to provide services to youth who are in need of a higher level of supervision. CBS provides casework, work therapy, group-centered activities, job placement, and recreational programming. CBS is able to provide a higher level of supervision as a result of smaller caseloads, which are limited to 25 clients per Probation Officer. CBS collaborates with a number of community and youth serving agencies. The strongest link is with Building Bridges Inc., which provides work therapy and a number of other pro-social opportunities for youth. Work therapy consists of groups of about 3-5 youth who work in different areas of the community. Examples of these groups are as follows: feeding the homeless, working with animals, landscaping, playing bingo with nursing home patients, interacting with the mentally challenged individuals, and delivering furniture to the needy. The youth are paid a small stipend to perform this type of work, which is designed to give back to the community. Work groups are running 6 days a week. C.B.S. operates approximately 30 work groups per week.

**Youth Referred to CBS in 2005**

Delinquency		Unruly		Total Youth
Male	Female	Male	Female	
30	7	0	0	37

A second component of the Community Based Services unit is the Residential Alternatives Program (RAP). RAP employs 4 therapists that work hand-in-hand with Probation Officers to provide home based therapy and interventions with youth and their families.

**Youth Referred to RAP for Supervision in 2005**

Official		Unofficial		Total Youth
Male	Female	Male	Female	
6	9	15	11	41



## **RESOURCE PLANNING PROGRAM (RPP)**

RPP is responsible for the probation supervision of all youth placed in out-of-home treatment facilities, group homes, and out-of-county foster care homes. On the average there are approximately 80 youth placed in non-county residential placements. One of our many goals is to better understand the family dynamics relevant to the behaviors exhibited by the youth that may have directly or indirectly caused the youth's Court involvement. RPP is committed to working with families in order to facilitate the transition of youth into placement, ensuring the youth receives the appropriate treatment, and assisting in the transition of youth back into the community. RPP is responsible for monitoring the milieu and programming component of each individual placement facility. RPP staff members visit these facilities on a monthly basis to meet with the youth, to monitor the youth's progress in treatment, and to inspect each facility.

Every effort is made to maintain youth within the community prior to being placed in a treatment facility. As a result, Probation Services utilizes a centralized Formal Review process that is facilitated by Probation Administration. The Formal Review Process serves as the central location for referrals of youth needing specialized services including, but not limited to out-of-home placement. This type of integrated review and treatment planning approach encourages early identification of higher risk offenders in order to develop treatment plans that will impact a youth's criminogenic behavior with a graduated response, as well as meeting their specific treatment needs.

### **Youth Referred to RPP for Supervision in 2005**

Delinquency		Unruly		Total Youth
Male	Female	Male	Female	
125	45	0	0	170

Statistics	
Number of Youth Screened for Out-of-Home Placement	591
Number of Youth Placed Out of the Home	189
Type of Placement:	
Residential (Mental Health)	34
Residential (Sex Offender)	27
Residential (Substance Abuse)	58
Specialized Group Homes	64
Treatment Foster Homes	6
Number of Referrals for Sex Offender Assessments	57
Community Agency Collaboration Involvement:	
Cases reviewed by the Inter-Agency Clinical Assessment Team (ICAT) for planning and funding approval	195
Families served by the Family and Systems Team (FAST)	35
Families served by the Diversion Team	240

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

This section contains two programs, Drug Court and F.C.A.P. (Fisher Chemical Abuse Program).

### **Drug Court:**

T.A.S.C. (Treatment Alternatives to Street Crime) is the case management component working with youth who are placed in the Montgomery County Juvenile Court's Drug Court Program. Judge Anthony Capizzi presides over the Drug Court program. On average, Drug Court provides services to approximately 85 youth and families. The typical length of the Drug Court Program is 9 months. Youth and their families participating in the Drug Court Program are afforded the opportunity to work with both case managers and drug specialists. Drug Specialists focus on the actual substance abuse and treatment of the youth. Case managers focus on the major life areas impacted by the youth abusing drugs (i.e., school, family dynamics, etc.). The collaborative efforts between the case managers and the drug specialists allow youth and families to receive maximum services, which increases the likelihood of success.

All youth in the Drug Court/TASC program are exposed to a formalized treatment that may be standard, intensive outpatient or residential treatment. The determination as to what level of care the youth receives is based on his or her individualized alcohol and drug assessment. In addition, youth receive aftercare (ongoing services) upon completing formalized treatment. These aftercare services include but are not limited to AA meetings, NA meetings, etc.

As a result of the Reclaiming Futures Program, these youth have the unique opportunity to connect with mentors in the community called Natural Helpers, who support and encourage each youth in his or her daily struggles. These mentors are linked with each participant in the Drug Court Program. During 2005 the Drug Court grew from 60 youth to 100 youth involved in the program.

### **Youth Referred to Drug Court for Supervision**

Delinquency		Unruly		Total Youth
Male	Female	Male	Female	
52	23	0	0	75

Number of Youth Accepted:	75
Number of Youth Graduated:	29
Number of Youth Who Achieved GED or Vocational Certification While In Program:	13
Number of Youth Employed At Graduation:	21
Number of Youth Linked to Natural Helper:	42

**Fisher Chemical Abuse Program (F-CAP):**

F-CAP is the Court's substance abuse unit. Services include: Screening, referral and urinalysis monitoring.

Number of Youth Screened	254
Number of SASSI Assessments Conducted	254
Number of Urinalysis Tests Run	22,290
Number of Individuals Tested	8,915

**JUVENILE COURT WORK PROGRAM (JCWP)**

JCWP serves youths between the ages of 12-19. This program provides the opportunity for youthful offenders to learn accountability for their behavior and responsibility to the victims and community, while learning positive work values and habits. JCWP facilitates work groups 6 days a week, providing day and night opportunities. There are 4 components: Diversion, Restorative, Restitution, and the Student Alternative Program (S.A.P.).

The Diversion component involves first-time, non-adjudicated (unofficial) offenders. Youth are directed by Judges, Magistrates, and Intervention Center staff to complete 8 to 24 hours of community service in lieu of more severe, official consequences. Program staff and parents develop a supervision plan to complete assigned hours. Successful and timely completion of the assigned community service hours results in the youth's offense being closed unofficially with no further Court intervention. Thus, the diversion component serves as an effective means of preventing youth from further penetrating the juvenile justice system.

The Restoration component serves all youth adjudicated on official delinquent and/or unruly charges. Judges and magistrates order youth to complete 8 to 24 hours of community service instead of, in many cases, paying court costs and fines.

The Restitution component provides youth with the opportunity to repay his/her victim(s) for damages or losses sustained as a result of a youth's actions. This component empowers youth who cannot afford to pay the restitution to complete community service hours and receive credit at a set hourly rate. Youth are assigned to work details and are ordered to pay up to \$500.00 per offense. JCWP will repay the victim(s) based on the number of hours completed by the youth.

The S.A.P. Program involves the option of probation officers referring either suspended or expelled youth to complete community service hours until the youth returns to school. The maximum allowable time for each occurrence is 80 hours.

**Youth referred to JCWP for Supervision**

Delinquency		Unruly		Total Youth
Male	Female	Male	Female	Supervised
43	6	0	0	49

JCWP Statistics		
	Restitution	Community Service
Referrals Received	310	1,277
Cases Terminated Successfully	306	1,065
Cases Terminated Unsuccessfully	239	287

Average Length Of Time In Work Program	5 WEEKS
Community Service Hours Provided	23,771
Restitution Collected For Payment	\$16,986.32
Restitution Paid From Program Funds	\$49,255.86
Total Restitution Paid	\$66,242.18
Average Restitution Paid	\$220.81
Number Of Victims Compensated	300

# JUVENILE COURT PHONE NUMBERS

A recorded job-line is maintained to allow 24-hour access to employment opportunities available within the Juvenile Court. The Job Line phone number is (937) 496-6882.

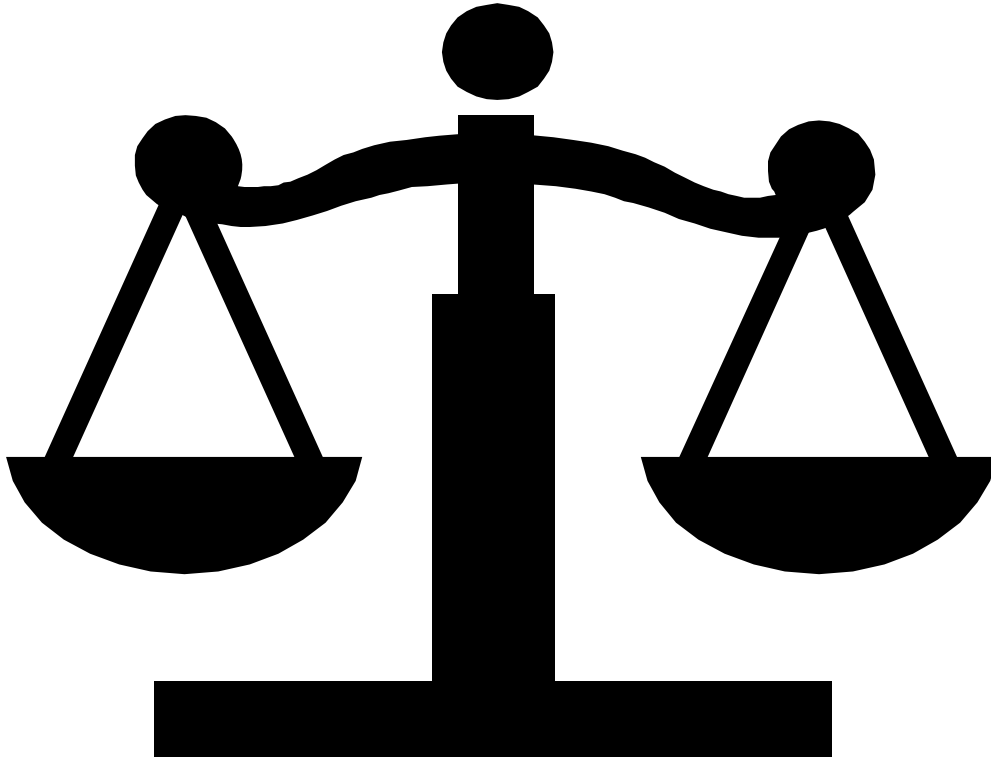
Other important Court numbers include:

Judge Nick Kuntz . . . . .	(937) 225-4125
Administrative Judge	
Judge Anthony Capizzi . . . . .	(937) 496-6602
Court Administration . . . . .	(937) 225-4267
Clerk's Office . . . . .	(937) 225-4198
	(937) 225-4199
Ancillary Services/Legal . . . . .	(937) 225-4250
Center for Adolescent Services .	(937) 687-9427
Detention Services . . . . .	(937) 496-7324
Intervention Center . . . . .	(937) 225-4141
	(937) 496-6559
Nicholas Residential Treatment Center . .	(937) 496-7196
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