

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY JUVENILE COURT FOUNDATION

The Montgomery County Juvenile Court Foundation was initiated in the Fall of 1998 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to support programs within the Juvenile Court.

Contributions are used to supplement activities which support and enrich the children that the Montgomery County Juvenile Court serves.



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The Foundation's primary purpose is to solicit contributions and to disburse these funds to established Juvenile Court programs for supplementing their activities and events to enrich the children and families that the Court serves. These contributions ensure that youthful offenders receive a variety of recreational, educational and enrichment services that could not otherwise be provided under the Court's regular budget.

Youth benefiting from the Foundation include the youth involved in the Probation Services Department, the Drug Court/Treatment Alternatives to Street Crime (T.A.S.C.), the Center for Adolescent Services (C.A.S.), the Detention Services Department and the Judge Frank W. Nicholas Residential Treatment Center. (N.R.T.C.). Funding is also provided for supportive programs such as the Court's Appointed Special Advocate (C.A.S.A.) program, the Citizen Review Board and Reclaiming Futures.

The Foundation limits its benefits and services to children and families involved with the Montgomery County Juvenile Court.

Court Programs Receiving Contributions

These programs include:

C.A.S., the Court's secure community correction/treatment facility This highly structured program provides a safe and secure learning environment for over 35 youth daily.

Probation Services, which supervises over 1,000 youth using strength-based case management. This is also true for **Drug Court/T.A.S.C.** which works with approximately 100 youth yearly. Both staff provide the close monitoring of the youth while attempting to expose them to various cultural, educational and recreational activities and events as a positive factor to broaden their horizons.

Reclaiming Futures Program, a grant funded program through the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. This program works to find a community solution for youths involved with the juvenile justice system who have substance abuse problems. This is accomplished through a coordinated seamless system of care that includes Natural Helpers (volunteers who provide support and encouragement to youth and families) and pro-social opportunities.

N.R.T.C., the Court's residential treatment program designed to daily serve 24 boys who have had increasing involvement with the Court.

Detention Services, the Court's secure holding facility for youth who are being held while awaiting the disposition of their cases. Over 2,000 youth are detained yearly.

- ◇ **C.A.S.A.**, a program which trains and supervises volunteers who act as advocates for neglected and dependent children in the Juvenile Court. Over 80 advocates are appointed as the children's guardians-ad-litem and are involved with these children throughout the court process.
- ◇ The **Citizen Review Board**, which coordinates 20 trained volunteers who monitor local child welfare case planning and family reunification services for children in foster care.

Examples of what the Foundation contributions fund:

- ◇ Provided resources for programs to take its youth on outings and field trips (e.g., bowling activities, basketball team workouts, the National Freedom Center in Cincinnati, etc.)
- ◇ Funded annual events (e.g., an annual Black History Program Event and a "Back to School Extravaganza" Event) for Court youths and their families.
- ◇ Purchased bus tokens, school clothing, school supplies and other personal items for youth whose families cannot afford such items.
- ◇ For C.A.S.A. and Citizen Review Board, funds were used to recruit, train and recognize the volunteers' efforts for ensuring the quality of services provided to abused, neglected and dependent children.