

Court Services - Youth Services

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Youth Services

Part of Juvenile Court, Youth Services offers various classes, counseling, and programs for children and families. Montgomery County Youth Services/County Probation of Juvenile Court divides all duties and services into two categories:

Prevention / Diversion Program - Supervision and services to Montgomery County Juveniles to improve family relationships, enhance school participation and avoid further involvement within the judicial system.

Court Administration Program - Intervention and adjudication services such as taking minutes, filing and scheduling cases for attorneys and judges; hearing cases; ensuring files and orders are completed and filed.

Prime for Life class - Satisfies the requirement of the Drug Free Youth Act. Offered to juveniles charged with drug or alcohol offenses.

FOCUS program - Challenges offenders to make appropriate value judgments.

Youth Education Awareness (YEA): A two-hour seminar offered to juvenile offenders and their parents who have been referred to the juvenile court for the first time.

Drug Testing - Youth Service and Probation staffs offer drug testing to juveniles ordered to be tested by the court.

Crisis Intervention - Parents and children are encouraged to seek counseling when a family is experiencing problems with their children at home; at school or if there is suspected involvement in chemical abuse or delinquent behavior.

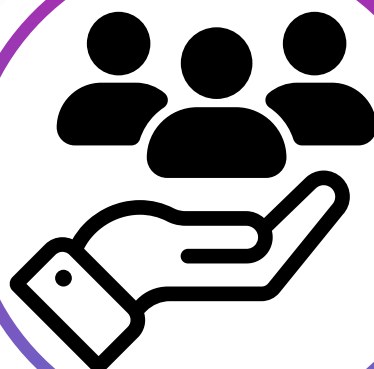
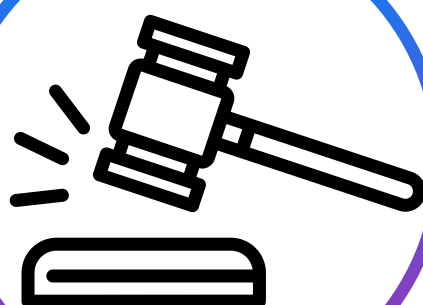
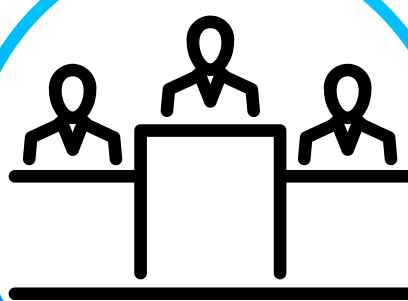
Diversion Programs - First offenders who do not contest the allegations in a petition are offered to contract with the court in the form of an informal adjustment.

Juvenile Detention - Montgomery County contracts other Tennessee counties because there is no local juvenile detention center. The purpose of detention is to protect the citizens from the juvenile and to protect the juvenile from themselves.

Youth Services Officers - Advises the Juvenile Court judges on availability of programs; screens petitions and complaints; advises law enforcement on availability of detention placements; initiates court orders issued by the judges; counsels families in crisis and other duties prior to an adjudicatory hearing.

Probation Officers - : Insures juveniles in the adjudicatory process obey the court orders issued by the judges. Duties include, monitoring curfews, completing drug screens, facilitating family meetings, completing assessments, referrals to community services, public service work, monitoring school attendance, teaching court classes and counseling.

Foster Care Facilitator - Oversees foster care review boards to insure juveniles in state custody are accounted for and working the plan created by the Department of Children's Services. Appoints attorneys required for indigent families.



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None

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