

2021 Youth Service Commission Meetings (meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month listed) Meeting Cancellations and Changes will be reflected on the Gloucester County website calendar

February 17, 2021

April 21, 2021

June 16, 2021

August 18, 2021

October 20, 2021

December 15, 2021

Gloucester County Youth Service Commission recommended 2021 programs

Glassboro Public Schools

Afterschool Prevention Program

\$12,000 Prevention Glassboro Public Schools

Referral Sources: School Teacher/Counselors/Administrator

TARGET POPULATION: Glassboro Public Schools will service students that attend the Intermediate school grade 7th and 8th in need of additional academic support because of behavior, social emotional or school motivate needs.

GOALS: To provide a safe afterschool outlet and additional academic support to ensure students referred are successful. Additional goals are to increase positive social interaction and attendance as well as decrease out of school time (suspension) and absenteeism.

Woodbury Board of Education

Afterschool Prevention Program/Cognitive Behavior Therapy

\$50,000 Prevention

Referral Sources: School Teacher/Administrator

TARGET POPULATION: Students attending Woodbury Public School grade 3- 5, in need of social/emotional life skills development.

GOALS: To provide safe afterschool outlet. Additional goals will be to provide female youth grade 3-5 social skills, mentoring and cultural experiences to allow them to feel more connected with their school and community.

Paulsboro Board of Education

Alternative Evening Program

\$21,000 Prevention

Referral Sources: School Teacher/Coach/Administrator

TARGET POPULATION: Students attending Paulsboro Public Schools grade 7-12, who are at risk of dropping out or receiving extended out of school time due to suspension, because of academic, behavior, and/or social issues while attending traditional day education.

GOALS: To place students in a small group setting with limited distractions, increased individual attention, and reduce suspensions. An education coach provides support, resources, and life skills education to students attending the program to combat roadblocks currently keeping youth from attending traditional day education

Borough of Clayton Board of Education

Counseling/Life skills Support for Alternative Education Programming

\$7,000 Prevention

Referral Sources: School Teacher/Administrator

TARGET POPULATION: Students actively attending Clayton Public High-school and are enrolled in the afternoon/evening alternative program.

GOALS: This funding will provide the Clayton High-School Evening Alternative Education program with dropout prevention services specifically for Clayton High School grades 9-12. These youths have been referred to the alternative afternoon/evening program for reasons that put them at risk for extended time out of school through suspension and/or dropping out. Circumstances regarding the need center around reasons such as behavior issues, multiple absences, social emotional needs or other circumstances that do not allow them to be successfully involved in the traditional day program.

Gloucester County Students United for Respect and Equality Summit

\$5,000 Prevention

TARGET POPULATION: Youth grades 9-12 with the Gloucester County School District

GOALS: This project is a collaboration with Gloucester County Youth Service Commission and Prosecutors Office as well as Gloucester County Public Schools. Through a vigorous multi meeting, five-

month planning process, the SURE Summit is a cumulating training that has taken place at Rowan University annually for the last 19 years. This event is in place to address issues of concern in County schools and to promote the topics of respect and equality. This is a student-driven event in which local students form a planning committee to select a theme, workshop subjects, guest presenters, and take-away accessories. The Gloucester County Division of Human and Disability Services and the Gloucester County Prosecutors Office provide coordination along with students and student advisors from participating county high schools. This event is part of a large multi-agency commitment which includes the Gloucester County Government, the Gloucester County Prosecutors Office & Youth Service Commission, Rowan University, and Gloucester County High Schools.

Stationhouse Adjustment

Provider: Center for family Services

Funding: \$58,000 Diversion

Referral Sources: Local police departments in Gloucester County, Family Court Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) / Intake Service Conference (ISC)

TARGET POPULATION: Youth referred by local police departments in Gloucester County and are at-risk of further involvement with Gloucester County Family Court.

GOALS: To provide stabilization of youth in their family and community. Additional goals are to diminish the behavior that caused client to be referred to the program and prevent future court involvement, allow the youth, through a Restorative Justice component, to satisfy the victim and community with accountability for actions and to provide youth and family with appropriate linkages to education, job training, social services, recreational opportunities, etc.

Juvenile Conference Committee/Intake Service Conference Diversion Program

Provider: Acenda Integrated Health

Funding: \$35,000 Diversion

Referral Sources: Family Court Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) / Intake Service Conference (ISC)

TARGET POPULATION: Youth referred by Family Court Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) / Intake Service Conference (ISC) for deeper-end adjustments as the youth were cited by local police departments in Gloucester County. Youth referred are at-risk of further involvement with Gloucester County Family Court. In addition, this program will service youth who may have committed additional minor offenses that precede the reason for referral making them ineligible for a stationhouse adjustment.

GOALS: To provide stabilization of youth in their family and community environment. Additional goals are to diminish, through intensive in home case management/coaching, the behavior that caused client to be referred to the program and prevent future court involvement, to allow the youth the opportunity, through a case management/coaching component, to understand action consequences. In

completing these goals, a Resolution Plan will be developed based on Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) / Intake Service Conference (ISC) recommendations with accountability measures. To provide youth and family with appropriate linkages to therapeutic support, education, job training, social services, recreational opportunities, etc.

Family Assistance Home Supervision Program

Provider: United Advocacy Group

Funding: \$15,000 (Pre-Disposition)

Referral Sources: Juvenile Family Court, Juvenile Detention Unit

TARGET POPULATION: Youth on JHED (Juvenile Home Electronic Device) and HD (Home Detention)

GOALS: Service allow youth to remain in their home and including support for both youth and family. This service will aid with reducing the number of admissions to detention due to alternative and/or court order non-compliance.

Gloucester County Juvenile Probation Cognitive Life Skills Group Counseling

Provider: Acenda Integrated Health

Funding: \$20,000 Disposition

Referral Sources: Juvenile Probation

TARGET POPULATION: Youth, age 13-18, who are adjudicated delinquent, in danger of recidivating, and can benefit from a group model to attain life skills. Gloucester County Probation will be the only referral source for this program.

GOALS: To keep youth, age 13-18, who have already been adjudicated delinquent from further recidivism by using cognitive life skills training to improve their social skills, means-ends problem solving, critical reasoning, moral reasoning, cognitive thinking, self-control, impulse management and self-efficacy.

Evaluation and Treatment Services for Juvenile Sex Offenders

Provider: Center for Family Services

Funding: \$54,348 Disposition

Referral Sources: Family Court, Juvenile Probation

TARGET POPULATION: Youths, ages 10-18, who are referred by the Family Court (includes Detention, Probation, JJC Parole/Re-Entry, and JETs) that have been adjudicated and are in need of sexual behavior/offender education/treatment.

GOALS: To provide evaluation services to determine youth in need of sexual behavior/offender education/treatment by providing individual and / or group therapeutic counseling as necessary as an intervention to prevent re-offending, to promote healthy behaviors, diminish contact with the court, symptoms, and presenting problems which caused the client to be referred initially, and provide stabilization within family structure for client, thus avoiding out-of-home placement.

Juvenile Probationer Employment/Education Advocacy Program

Provider: Hopeloft

Funding: \$17,400 Disposition

Referral Sources: Juvenile Probation

TARGET POPULATION: Gloucester County Juvenile Probationers, ages 12-18, in need of employment, education advocacy, and life skills.

GOALS: To connect juvenile with appropriate employment opportunities facilitated by community outreach to specific employers willing to engage youth in a supportive work program. Additional goals will be to connect juvenile with educational services with the outcome being a high-school diploma or GED, to provide youth with job skills workshops (e.g. resume writing, interviewing, dressing for success, showing up on time every time, respecting employer, co-workers and clients, etc., provide stabilization within family structure and society for the juvenile and prevent recidivism and to satisfy the conditions of Probation / Parole.

Gloucester County Probation Enrichment and Transportation Program

Provider: Center for Family Service/Gloucester County Probation

Funding: \$98,405 Disposition

Referral Source: Juvenile Probation

TARGET POPULATION: Youth supervised or in jeopardy of being supervised by Gloucester County Juvenile Probation

GOALS: Programming consist of providing appropriate support to encourage probationers to successfully complete their Court ordered conditions of probation, including reducing the number of violations of probations (VOPs) filed and in turn decrease the number of youth admitted to detention for VOPs.

Gloucester County Mentoring Program

Provider: Youth Advocate Program (YAP)

Funding: \$15,000 Disposition

Referral Source: Juvenile Probation/Family Court

TARGET POPULATION: Youth both pre and post disposition, age 12-18, in need of mentoring services to support and maintain court compliance, increase positive behavior and family/peers relationships.

GOALS: Programming will provide appropriate support to encourage youth to positive set goals, receive community linkages that will assist both youth and family and improve peer and family relationships.

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