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Updates

Alternatives to Detention Committee Update

- ATD Committee submitted a joint community based aid application with the Juvenile Assessment Center to make Alternatives to Detention available to youth who come to the attention of Probation Intake but who are not supervised by Probation and the funding has been approved.
- ATD co-chairs met with Probation to address barriers in accessing Alternatives at the point of intake to increase utilization of Alternatives in 2017.
- The Committee will continue to monitor success of ATD's as defined by JDAI (no new law violations and no failure to appear while placed in the Alternative program), but will also dig deeper into other reasons for discharge including technical violations and non-compliance with program rules.
- ATD Committee will be working with the Case Processing Committee on looking at different pieces of data and will also be working on developing a training for stakeholders.

Youth Impact! Subcommittee Report:

Thursday December 8th the Youth Impact! Brown Bagger Series was held in Civic Center room 702. Madeline Walker and staff from the Women's Center for Advancement presented on the Batterer's Intervention Program (BIP). Approximately 25 local stakeholders attended.

Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC):

The DMC committee has identified system points in the juvenile justice system from which data is needed in 2017 to look at the whole picture of youth entering our system. The committee will be making official requests for specific data from each of these points in the coming months. The committee is also planning the third part of their training series "Moving the Dial on DMC". The team is excited to host an event in January for community members to be informed regarding DMC, implicit bias, how to talk about race, and the importance of culturally responsive programming. Increasing community awareness of these issues is one strategy in the DMC work plan, as well as growing an understanding of DMC, and its impact on the community among youth and families of color. Stay tuned for more details regarding this training opportunity!

DATA:

The data committee has added a new co-chair, Tyree Sejkora with OPS. The team will look into juvenile justice indicators for Douglas County in 2017. The data team will also be determining how to track data

related to case processing time in Douglas County as well as making the data more user friendly. The QRS data memo will continue in 2017 with possible updates for clarity and the team will continue to review and discuss the DMC data memo to ensure that information is properly collected, analyzed and distributed to stakeholders. Youth with warrants and the disproportionate rate at which youth of color enter the system will continue to be the targets for 2017.

Case Processing:

The team continues to prepare to work with the Annie E Casey Foundation to receive technical assistance with Case Processing reform. The group has determined that they will review data related to motions to revoke (MTR) probation, violations of probation (VOP) and the request for evaluations of youth in Douglas County. The group has requested from the Casey Foundation assistance on how to track for possible over-reliance on evaluations for Douglas County youth. They will be looking into the number of providers used to complete evaluations, as well as use of collateral information, how evaluations are scheduled, the purpose of the evaluation as well as the recommendations of providers.