

Introduction

The 2010 Needs Assessment Update marks the third year of utilizing a Results Based Accountability format for the Needs Assessment. Though the Needs Assessment will have a new look and a new focus next year, the three year journey has proven itself to be a valuable tool in looking at the most pressing issues facing children in Alabama. Action plans have been put into place, results have been realized, and new plans have been made. Documenting accomplishments has provided a time to reflect on how much has been achieved and plan for the future.

The 2010 Alabama Children's Needs Assessment Update once again reflects the effort at the county level to insure that children and families have access to needed services and programs. The County Children's Policy Councils should be justifiably proud of their many accomplishments and the steps that have already been taken to improve the lives of Alabama's children and families.

Last year at this time, Judge Jim Kramer from Shelby County offered us this quote. It is a fitting way to introduce this year's Needs Assessment Update.

"Getting agencies, associations, treatment providers, and representatives to meet bi-monthly....\$0

Having association with agencies and representatives that care about children.... \$0

Talking about the needs of children in my community and ways to address the needs....\$0

Having an annual report of the most pressing needs facing children in my county, as determined by the people most involved with children, together with a plan to address those needs....Priceless!"



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ALABAMA'S CHILDREN

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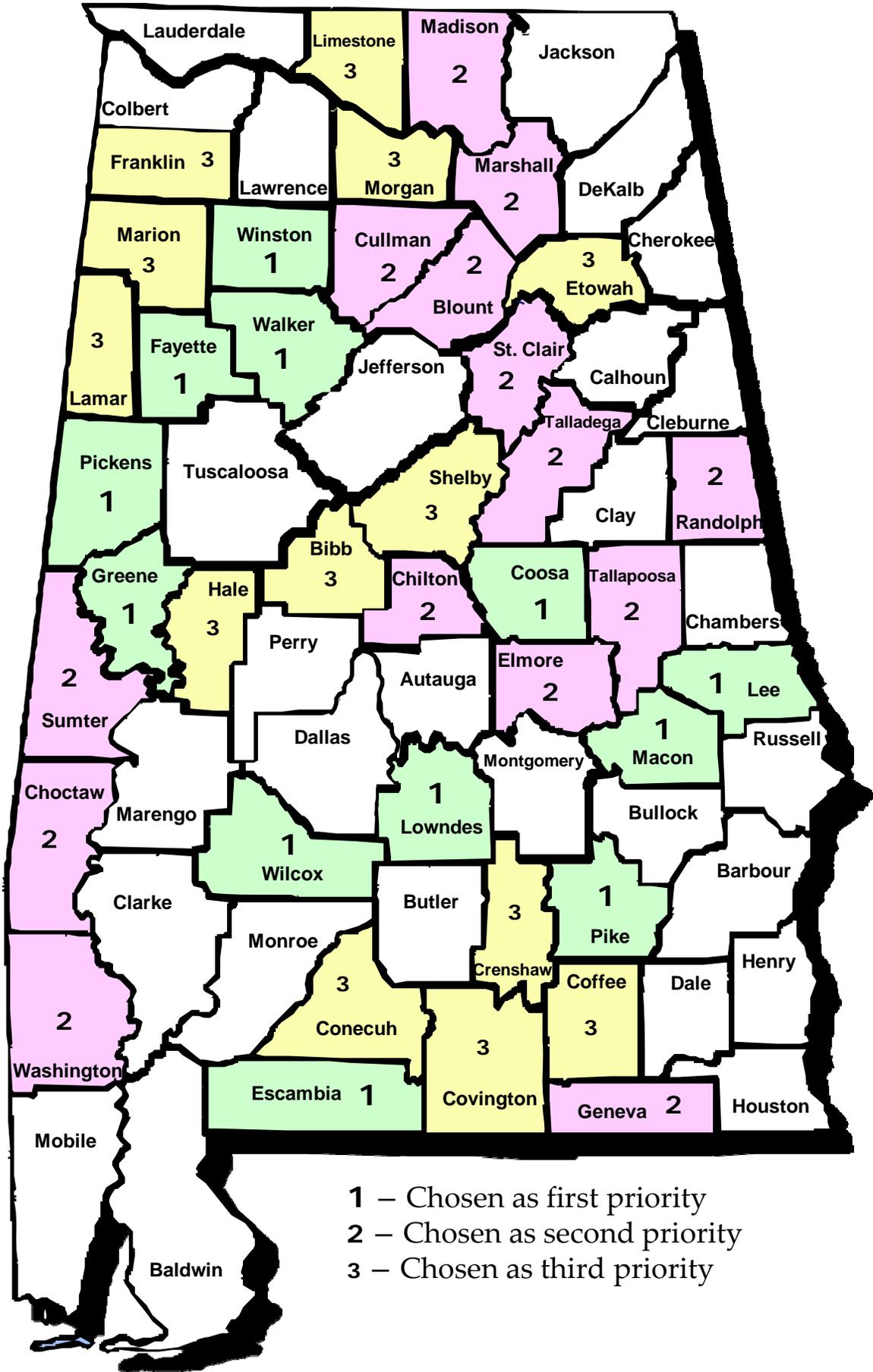
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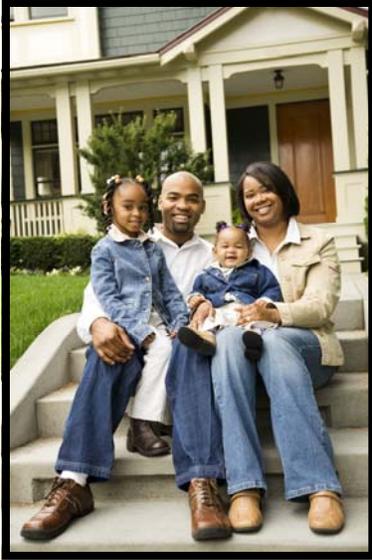
Families are Strong and Stable



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Families Are Strong and Stable

Families today are feeling pressure from many different fronts. Many have been hard-hit by a downturn in the economy that impacts the ability to provide basic necessities. When a family has a strong foundation, it can overcome many threats. Strong families show commitment, care for and appreciate one another, communicate regularly, and remain flexible and open to change. It was readily recognized by the Children's Policy Councils that families are truly the building blocks of society.



Thirty-nine of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Families Are Strong and Stable" as one of their top three results. "Families Are Strong and Stable" was the **most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result also **ranked 1st out of the ten results.**

A clear theme that emerged during the discussion of this result is that it is very closely intertwined with the other nine results. Consequently, it is nearly impossible to consider it separate and apart from them.

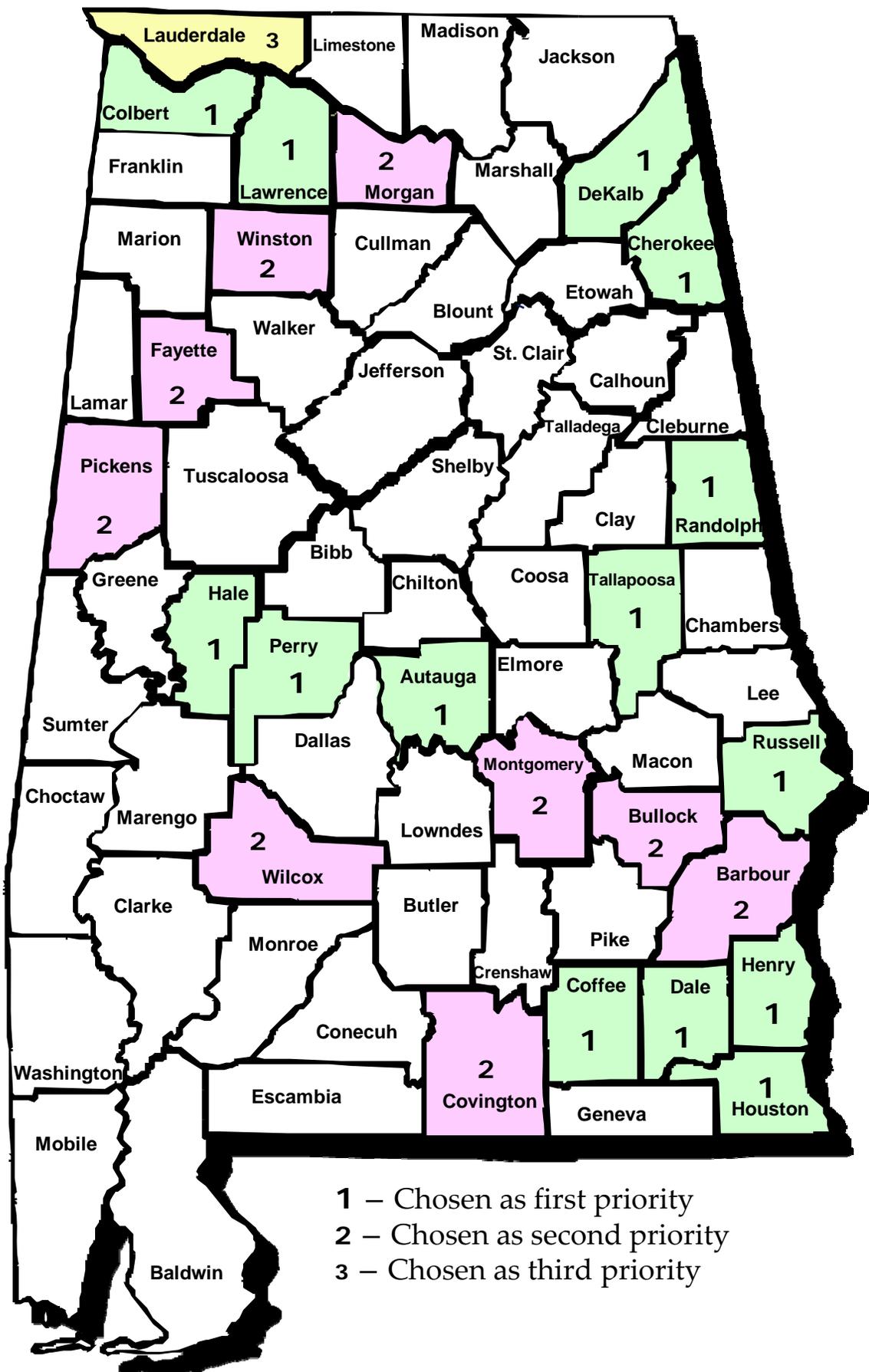
"The family. We were a strange little band of characters trudging through life sharing diseases and toothpaste, coveting one another's desserts, hiding shampoo, borrowing money, locking each other out of our rooms, inflicting pain and kissing to heal it in the same instant, loving, laughing, defending, and trying to figure out the common thread that bound us all together."

-- Erma Bombeck

CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Sponsored a Kids Count Health Fair
- Expanded Parent Project into the school system
- Sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt for families
- Parenting tips sent home in weekly folders from schools
- Held a Marriage Festival
- Implemented Relationship Smarts Plus classes
- Piggy Bank contest for children ages 6-18
- Held food drives to assist families in need
- Incorporated Fathers Forward into Child Support Court to enhance parent/child interaction

Children are Healthy



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Children are Healthy

Even if we could create a perfectly healthy environment in the home, children spend much of their time in environments where things are much less controllable



and far more difficult to provide protection. Nonetheless, optimal well-being of Alabama's children - their physical, mental, and social health - is of great concern to county Children's Policy Councils. And, it is no small goal. When it comes to the health of Alabama's children, increasing rates of childhood obesity and juvenile diabetes rank highly as emerging issues to be tackled. Counties are clearly seeing that the cumulative effects of unhealthy choices have an impact on children and, consequently, they are taking steps to reduce the problem.

Twenty-four of

Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Children are Healthy" as one of their top three results, realizing the continuing need to place a priority on the health of children. "Children are Healthy" was the **5th most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result **ranked 2nd out of the ten results.**



CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Brought a new teen pregnancy prevention program to high schools
- Participated in community health fairs
- Displayed billboards addressing childhood obesity
- Developed a community garden
- Offered workshops to increase awareness of use of alcohol among school age children
- Formed a youth advisory board to assist in assessing needs of youth
- Held "Prom Promise" to emphasize effects of alcohol and driving

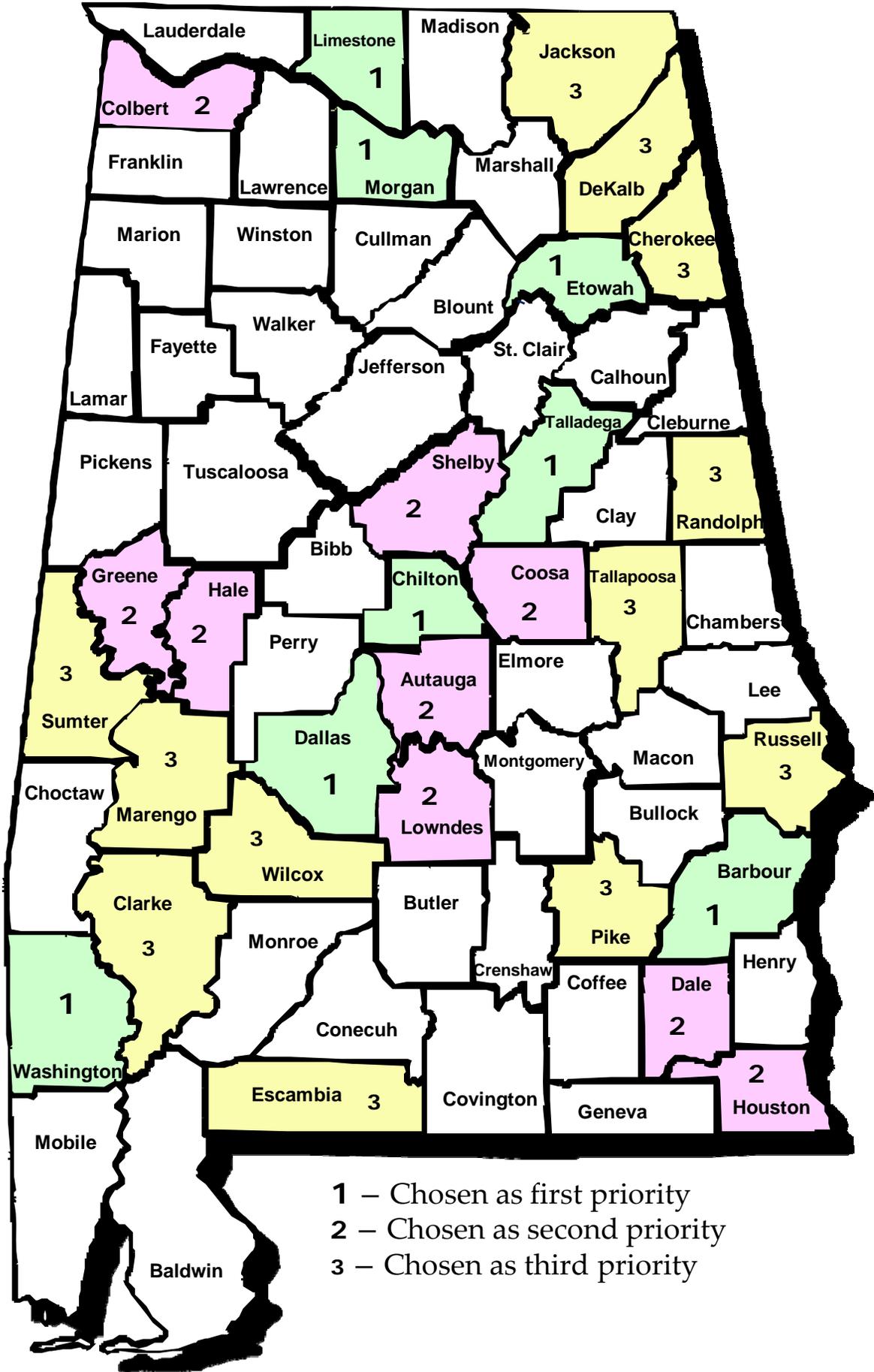
"The first wealth is health."

-- Ralph Waldo Emerson

"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men."

-- Frederick Douglass

Children are Successful in School



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Children are Successful in School

Children are born learners and come equipped with a natural curiosity about the world around them. Research has shown that promoting a child's social and emotional competence can have a substantial positive impact on educational motivation, behavior, risk-taking, and attachment to school. Children's Policy Councils have recognized that there are many factors that contribute to a child's success in school. They have also recognized the link between success in school and transitioning successfully into adulthood.



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Twenty-nine of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Children are Successful in School" as one of their top three results, recognizing the importance of the roles of parents, families, and educational institutions. "Children are Successful in School" was the **2nd most frequently selected result (tie)** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result **ranked 3rd out of the ten results (tie)**.



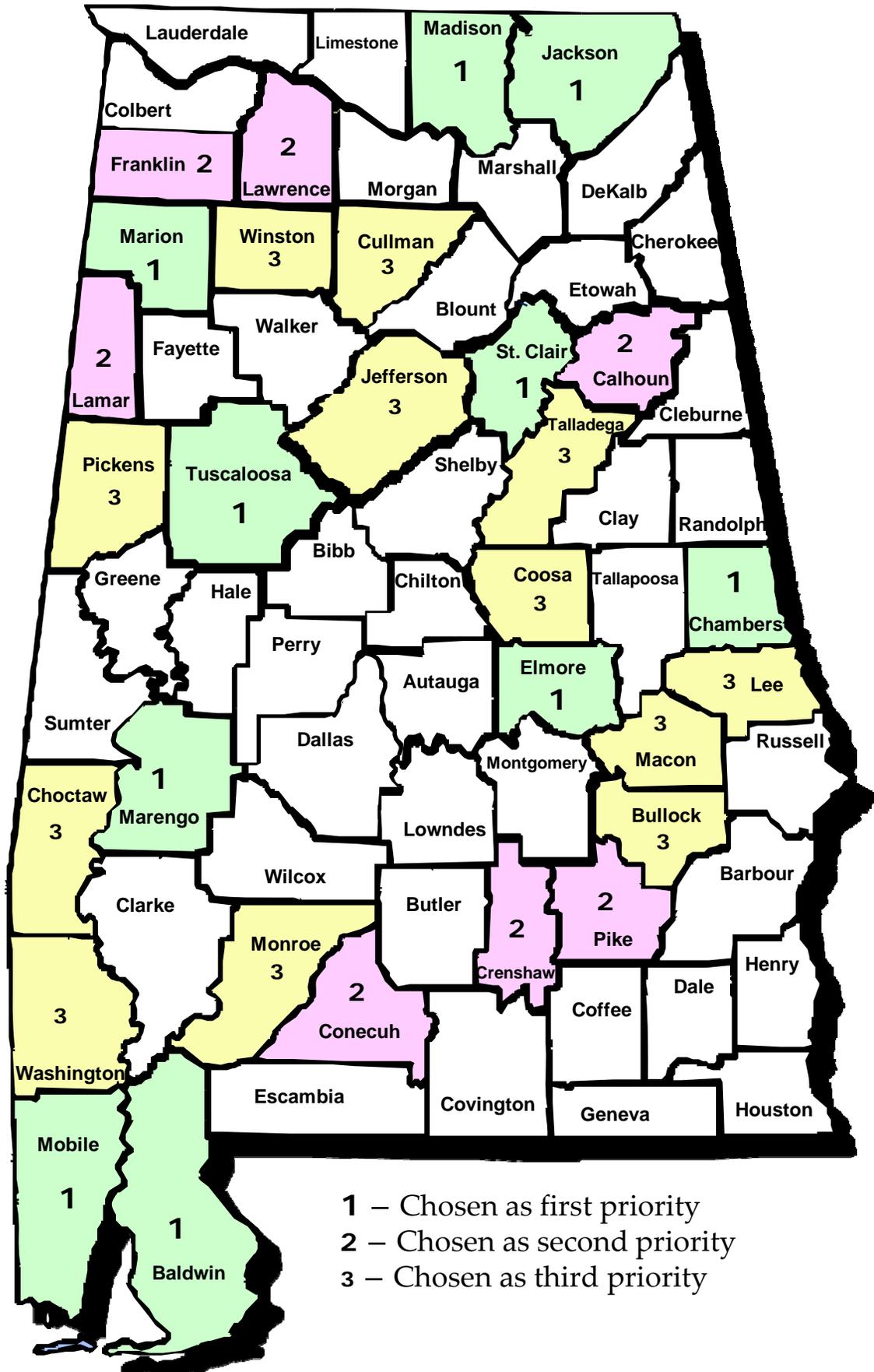
CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Acquired a grant to begin a day school program/home intervention
- Offered more GED programs
- Began a credit recovery program for high school students
- Provided health and developmental screenings for elementary school students
- Sponsored an essay contest on the topic "The Importance of Living by the Rules"
- Provided study guides to youth taking the graduation exam
- Sponsored Family Summit

"What we want to see is a child in pursuit of knowledge, and not knowledge in pursuit of the child."
-- George Bernard Shaw

"The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows."
-- Sydney J. Harris

Children Stay Out of Trouble



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Children Stay Out of Trouble

Perhaps the first step in helping children stay out of trouble is letting them know that their future is of great concern to the adults in their lives. Children who grow up in troubled neighborhoods, in poverty, and in homes with little parental supervision often find themselves in difficult situations, making it easier to believe that gangs, violence, and drugs will solve their problems. Poor decision making is not limited to children in less than ideal situations. Regardless of socioeconomic status or family structure, all children are at risk. The difficulty of protecting children only escalates as they progress into the teenage years. People love attention and children are no different. They will get it by doing what they know is wrong if they cannot get it by doing what is right. Negative attention is



better than no attention, and many of Alabama's counties have recognized the importance of making sure that good alternatives to bad behavior are readily available.

Twenty-nine of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Children Stay Out of Trouble" as one of their top three results, understanding that keeping children from getting into trouble is much better than helping them once they are already there. "Children Stay Out of Trouble" was the **2nd most frequently selected result (tie)** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result ranked **3rd out of the ten results (tie)**.

"The way to keep children out of trouble is to keep them interested in things. Lecturing to children is no answer to delinquency. Preaching won't keep kids out of trouble. But keeping their minds occupied will."

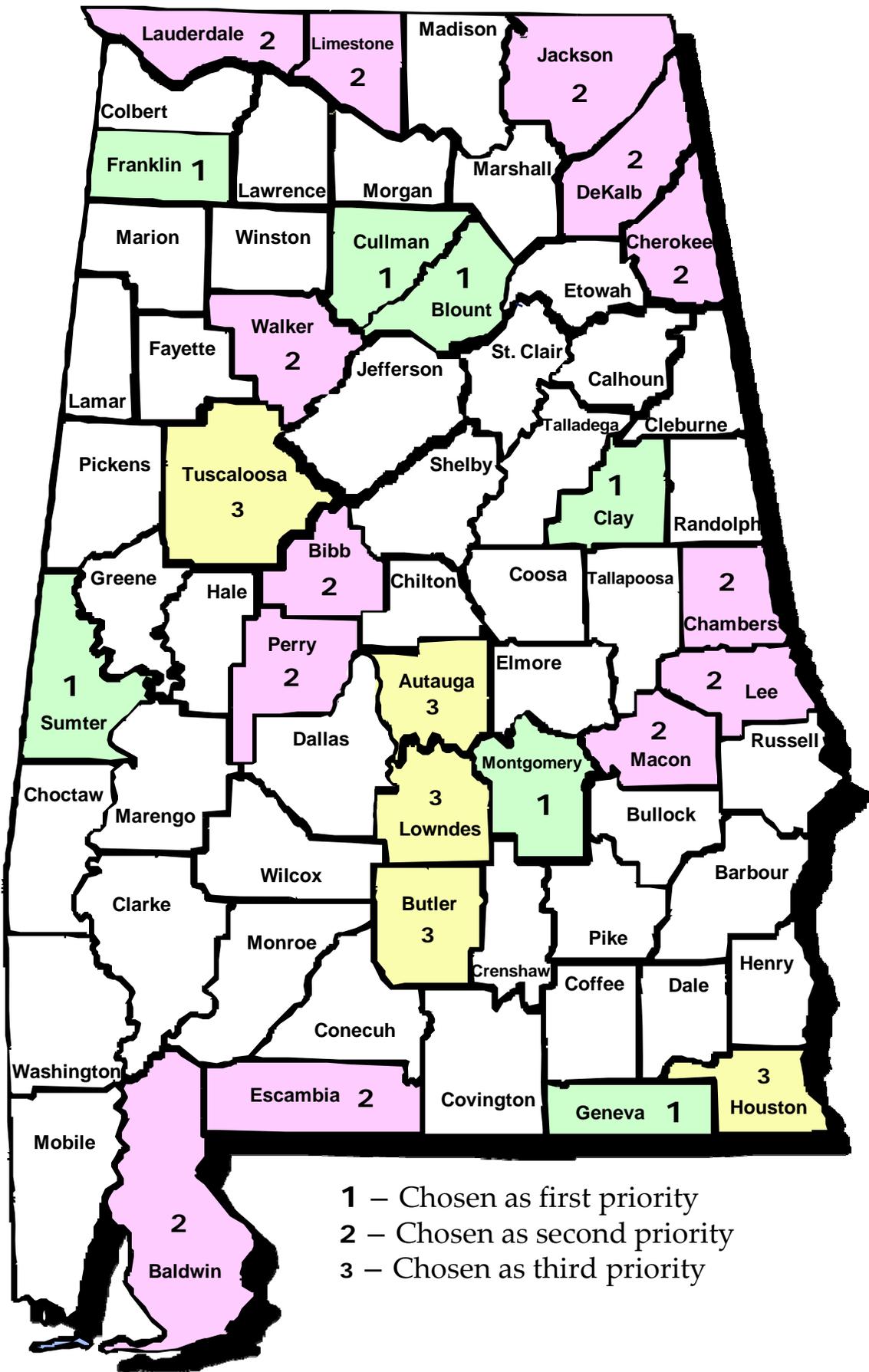
-- Walt Disney



CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Began Juvenile Redirection Program as an alternative for first time juvenile offenders
- Implemented Juvenile Drug Court
- Established a community based summer program
- Continued offering Parent Project parenting classes
- Implemented a Juvenile Mental Health Court
- Provided Life Skills Class
- Developed Bridges to Success, a system to make referrals to partner agencies
- Implemented student drug testing in schools

Children are Safe



Children are Safe

This year's Needs Assessment very clearly indicates that the Children's Policy Councils in Alabama value the safety of the state's children. Counties throughout the state are working diligently to make every home, every school, and every community safe for Alabama's children and their families. There is little to be done to protect children from the frightening and upsetting experiences abundant in today's world. There is, however, much that is being done at the grassroots level to protect our state's children.



Twenty-five of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils determined that the

safety issues facing today's children are significant enough to lead them to select "Children are Safe" as one of their top three results. "Children are Safe" was the **4th most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result **ranked 5th out of the ten. results.**

*"If we don't stand up for children,
then we don't stand for much."*

-- Marian Wright Edelman

*"Parents need to fill a child's bucket
of self-esteem so high that the rest of
the world can't poke enough holes to
drain it dry."*

-- Alvin Price

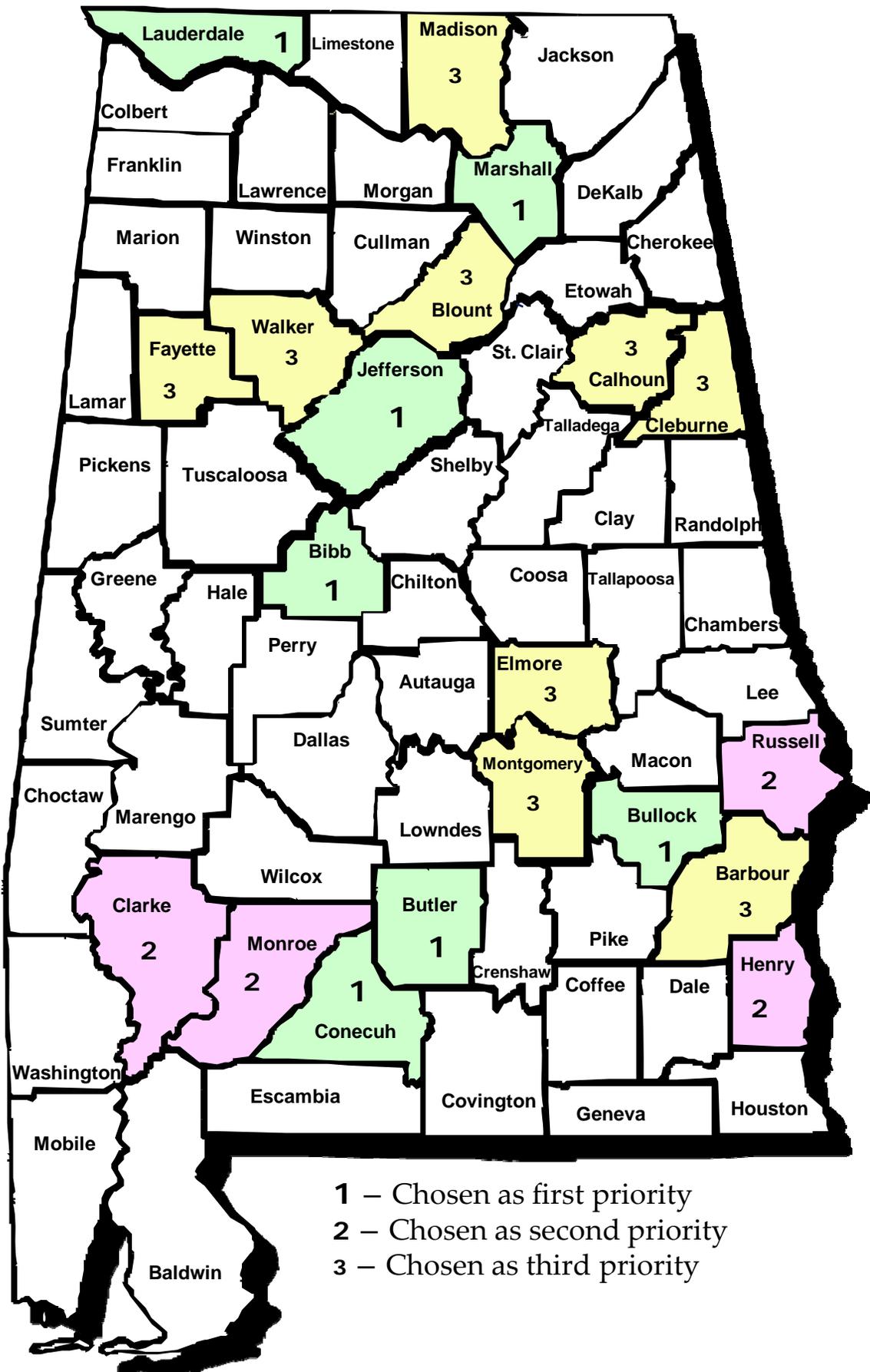
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CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Provided character education programs for middle school students
- Supported legislation to ban texting while driving
- Emphasized Child Abuse Prevention month in April with a number of programs and activities
- Expanded Juvenile Drug Courts
- Provided violence free visitation center for children of divorced parents
- Obtained and distributed smoke detectors to homes with children
- Hosted a mock trial - "Guns and Drugs Are Out" for all fifth graders in the county

Children are Ready for School



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Children are Ready for School

Scientists who have studied the way our brains work are telling us that children learn earlier and learn more than once thought possible. From birth until time to begin



school, children are busy developing language, thinking, physical, emotional, and social skills that they will need throughout life. Children have a tremendous capacity to learn and are more likely to succeed in learning if they are actively supported. A critical foundation is created through talking, listening, and reading to a child. School readiness is not only a family issue - it is an early childhood care, school, neighborhood, and larger society issue.

Twenty of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Children are Ready for School" as one of their top three results, understanding that there are many dimensions to school readiness. "Children are Ready for School" was the **6th most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result **ranked 6th out of the ten results**.



CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Increased number of Pre-K sites and created a pool of speakers for parent training
- Revised and distributed a list of parent help tips for Pre-K children
- Opened a Boys and Girls Club through partnering with CPC
- Began an Early Head Start program for children from birth to 3
- Sponsored the Dolly Parton Imagination Library for children from birth to 5
- Continued to work toward making sure that all children in the county had health insurance

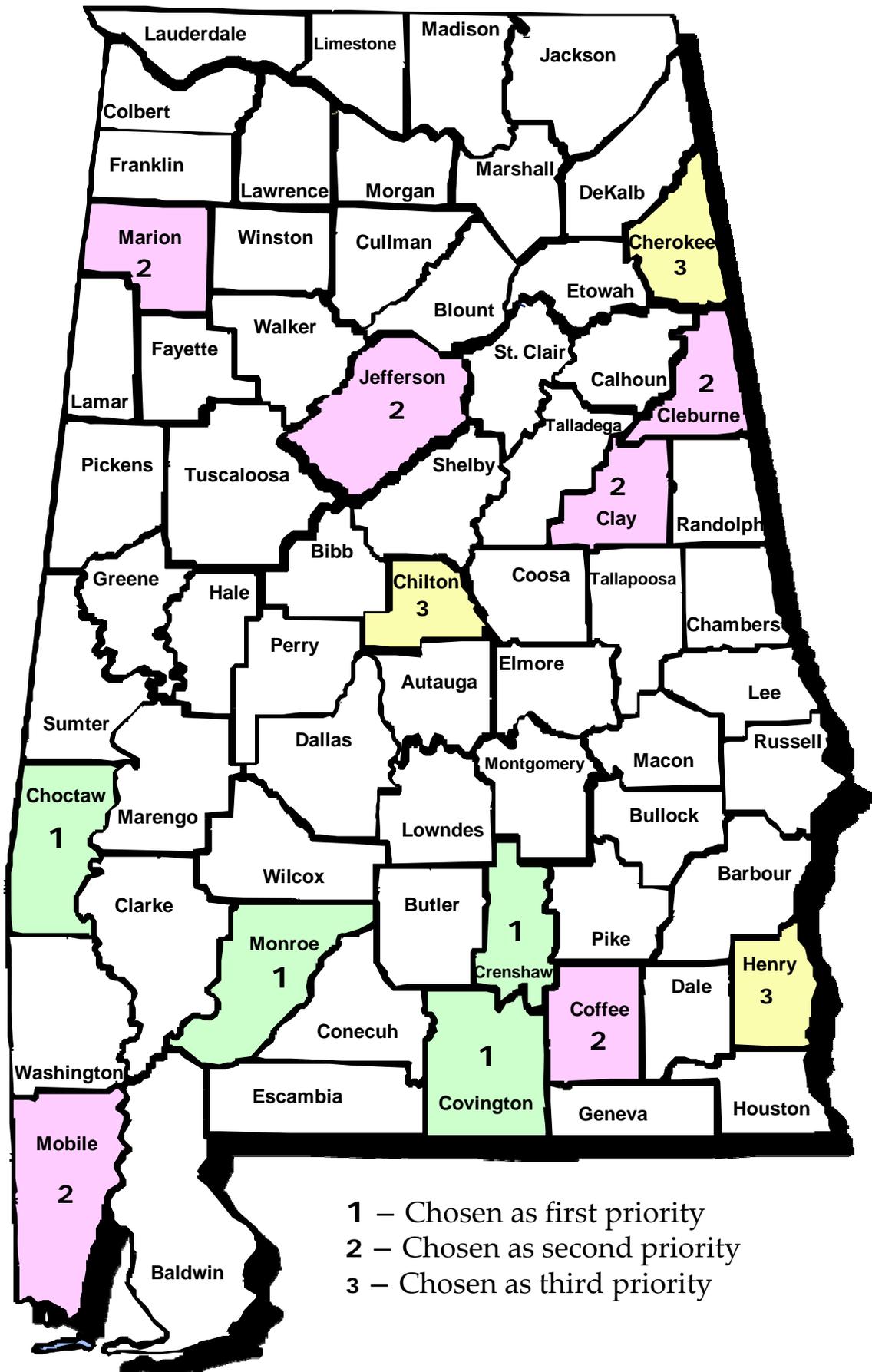
"I am always ready to learn although I do not always like being taught."

-- Winston Churchill

"You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives."

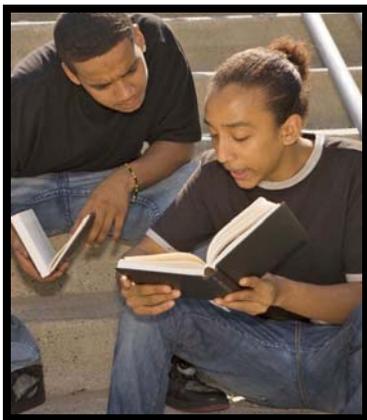
-- Clay P. Bedford

Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood

The move from childhood to adulthood is a complex process that involves much more than growing older. Taking on adult roles as citizens, parents, spouses, and employees is not an easy process. Transitioning into adulthood can, however, be an exciting period of personal growth and accomplishment. The key is having the resources needed to stay on the right course and reach a point of success. The Children's Policy Councils have recognized that children need access to education and experiences that will give them a foundation for learning as well as life and work skills.



Thirteen of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood" as one of their top three results, understanding the essen-

tial stability and support needed to make the passage from adolescence to adulthood a positive experience. "Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood" was the **7th most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result **ranked 7th out of the ten results**.



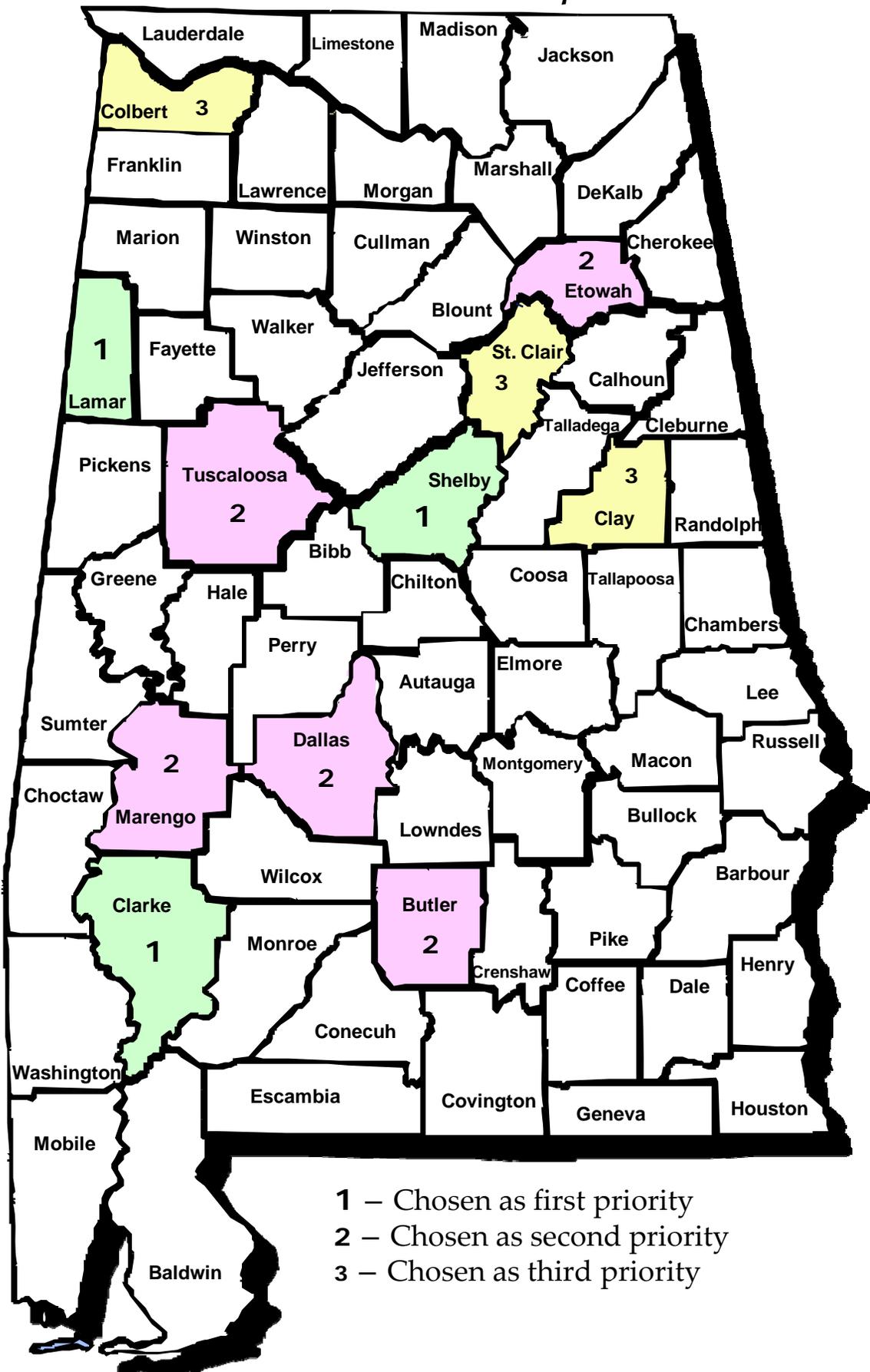
CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Continued a Peer Helper program where students assist with tutoring, mediation, fundraising and leadership activities.
- Involved the faith community more extensively in mentoring activities
- Conducted drop out prevention conference
- Provided graduation coaches in schools
- Conducted character education program at the alternative school
- Presented Reality Check program in middle schools
- Participated in Red Ribbon Week at schools

"The solution to adult problems tomorrow depends on large measure upon how our children grow up today."
-- Margaret Mead

"We have not passed that subtle line between childhood and adulthood until we have stopped saying 'It got lost,' and say 'I lost it'"
-- Sydney J. Harris

*Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged
in Their Children's Development*



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Families Are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Their Children's Development

Families are big, small, extended, nuclear, multi-generational, one-parent, two-parents, grandparents - the list goes on. No matter where families live or how any



child came to be a member of family, there are responsibilities that accompany the family unit. It is the job of family members to support, nurture, protect, and influence one another. When families are hopeful and positively engaged in the development of its children, those children learn resiliency and strength in ways that could be none other than a family could teach.

It is difficult to measure progress toward achieving this result. Often, discussion centered around whether to se-

lect "Families Are Strong and Stable" or "Families Are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Their Children's Development." Fifty of the 67 counties selected one of the two results in their top three, and only four counties selected both.

Eleven of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Families Are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Their Children's Development" as one of their top three results. "Families Are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Their Children's Development" was the **8th most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result also **ranked 8th out of the ten results**.

"Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one."

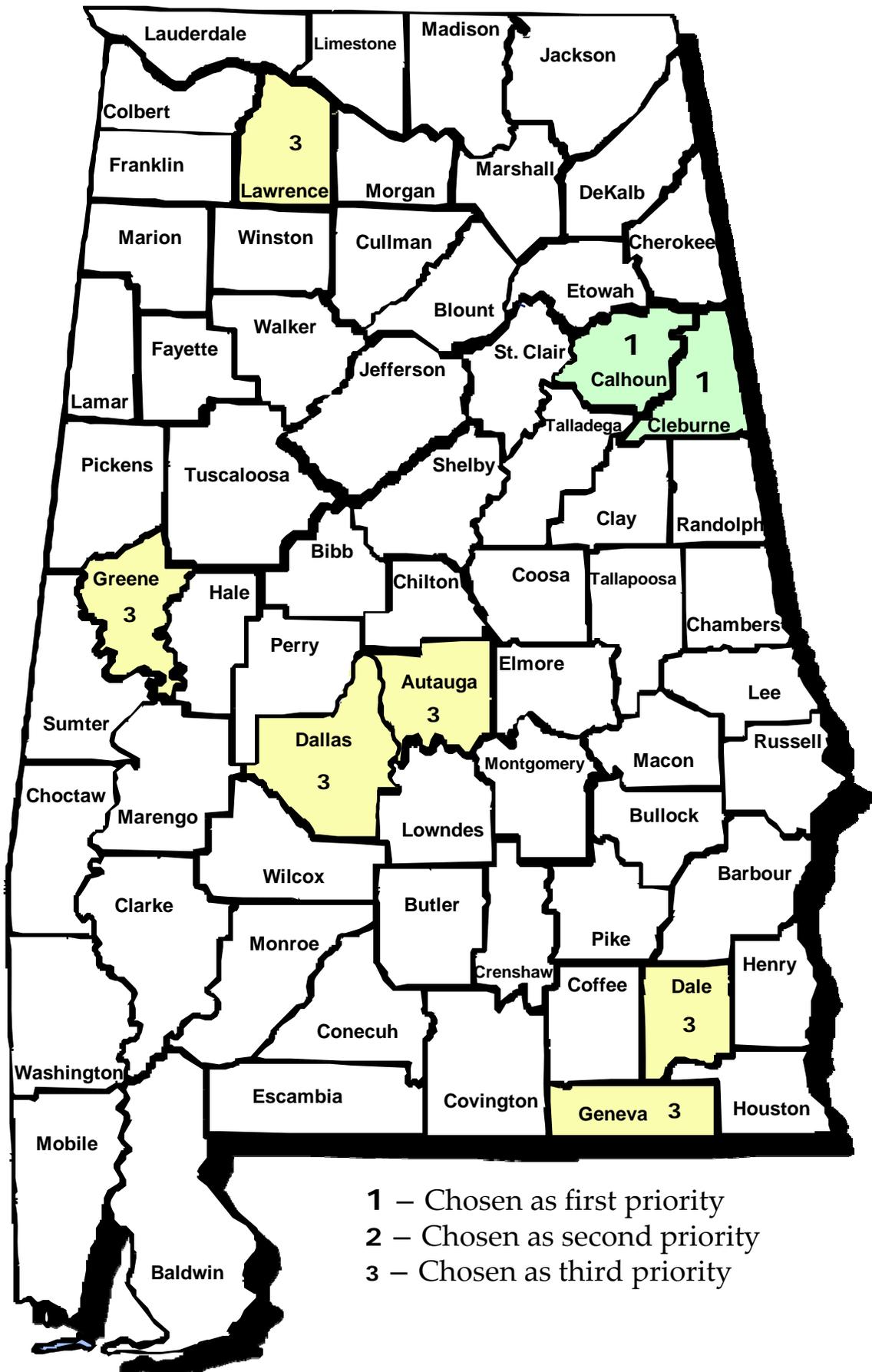
-- Jane Howard



CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Redesigned a Parent Resource Handbook to be distributed to parents at school registration
- Sponsored county-wide town hall meeting on underage drinking
- Parenting classes provided in both the day and evening
- Implemented a Healthy Steps for Teen Parents program
- Continued Baby TALK program to help parents in nurturing small children
- Presented "Bear Facts for Families"
- Provided needed transportation for families

Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



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Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive

A safe, engaged, and supportive community is one where everyone - young or old - is valued and has equal access to choices and chances. Communities need to provide excellent services for everyone. Community members should have access to those services in terms of housing, employment, schools, and healthcare. When communities are safe, engaged, and supportive, no one is left out and everyone benefits. Children need safe, engaged, and supportive communities to maximize their physical, mental, social, and emotional well being. The whole child approach to education and learning works very well where community engagement is at its best.



Eight of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Communities Are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive" as one of their top three results. "Communities Are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive" was the **9th most frequently selected result** by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result also **ranked 9th out of the ten results**.

"Safety and security don't just happen, they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free from violence and fear."

-- Nelson Mandela



CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Provided "Stranger Danger" awareness program
- Hosted free community wide activities for Stop the Violence
- Continued Neighborhood Watch Programs
- Reactivated the Be Extreme Program
- Continued School Social Worker Program
- Conducted a Middle School Mentoring Program using volunteers

Communities are Thriving



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Communities are Thriving

Thriving communities have characteristics that make them easily recognizable. The people of a thriving community feel cared for, acknowledged, and want to give back to the community. The sense that a community is greater than its parts is particularly evident in a thriving community.



A thriving community exhibits resiliency in the face of change and responds positively to the needs of its members. A thriving community is not a passive community. Instead, it presses on, encourages, celebrates successes, and, as a result, creates a cohesiveness that gives comfort and security to the entire community. Children who live in thriving communities are fortunate, indeed.

10th most frequently selected result by the county CPCs. In terms of weighted scores, this result also **ranked 10th out of the ten results.**

Three of Alabama's county Children's Policy Councils selected "Communities Are Thriving" as one of their top three results. "Communities Are Thriving" was the



CPC Accomplishments toward reaching this result:

- Collaborated with community partners to develop a menu of economic opportunities for youth
- Sponsored a Career Fair at a high school
- Utilized Career Link to post available job opportunities
- Offered summer jobs for youth
- Provided information to high school students to assist them in budgeting money
- Began work to design incentives for juveniles to complete probation

"A community like a ship; everyone ought to be prepared to take the helm."

-- Henrik Ibsen

"It takes a long time to educate a community and it can't be done by spellbinders, moneybags, hypnotizers, magicians, or Aladdin's lamp.

Character is what matters on a paper."

-- Harry J. Grant

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Accomplishments

The Autauga County Children's Policy Council partnered with several other organizations including the Autauga County Sheriff's Department, Prattville Police Department, along with several local churches, to distribute the Resource Brochure for the Central Alabama Electric Cooperative Annual Meeting.

The Council assisted the Autauga County School System in collecting BMI data from 3rd and 4th graders through in-school health screenings for children. Children who were covered with All Kids, Medicaid and Alabama Child Care through Free and Reduced Lunch Pilot Program were targeted.

Council members supported the efforts to improve the ability of parents to access health care information of children ages 14 and up by working with State Representative on a bill that would reinstate this effort.

Council also held community forums to increase the parents' awareness of educational programs available in school.

Committees have been strengthened by going outside the Council to get members from the community, such as the Alabama State Troopers and local Youth Ministers.

Council was part of the free vision screening at The Boys and Girls Club.

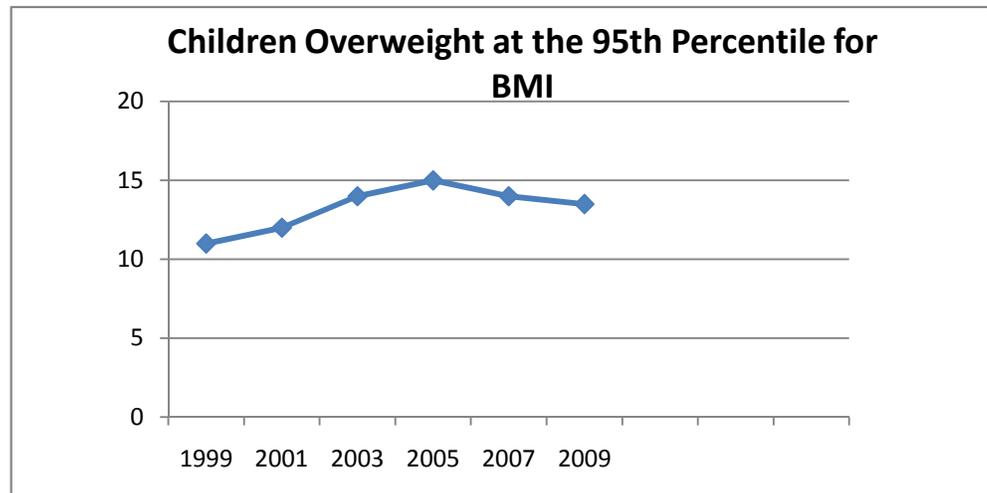
A brochure for obesity awareness was created, printed and paid for with funds from the "Create-a-Thon Grant" and "Mid-South RC&D Grant" awarded to the Council.

Efforts have been made to secure grants to increase the financial stability of our Council.

The Council has maintained the steps for a Level Three Council.

Autauga Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Working parents have no time to cook due to working. Too many fast foods are being consumed due to convenience. Physical Education needs to increase and school lunches need to be healthier. Families are getting accustomed to inside activities instead of healthy outside activities.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Distributed 7500 obesity brochures to schools, community agencies and physicians' offices.
Received grant to display two billboards addressing childhood obesity.
Provided obesity information to students receiving free and reduced-lunch applications.
ALL Kids applications were provided to parents who stated their children were uninsured.
Published an obesity article in the Cooperative Extension state-wide newsletter.

2010 Action Plan

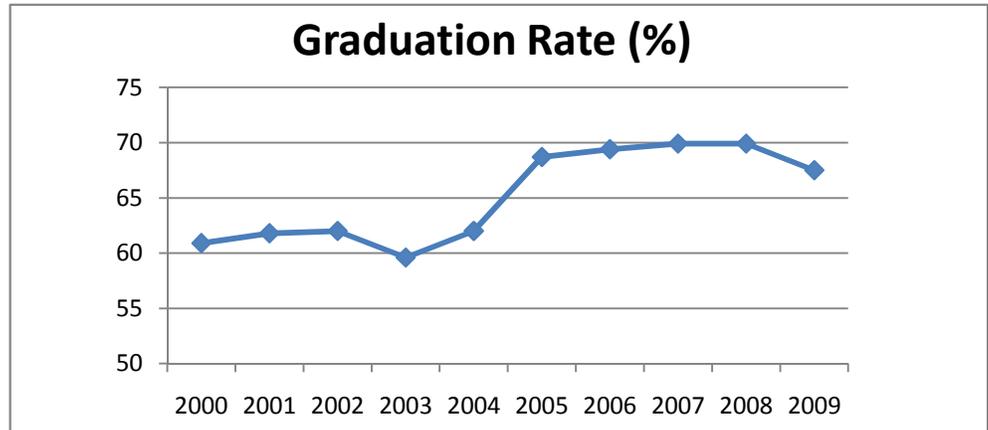
Continue to distribute obesity brochures throughout the county.

Develop a public awareness campaign, "Healthy Choices," informing community of serving size and daily nutrition needs.
Develop and conduct a pre and post test to document success of Healthy Choices campaign.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Develop a partnership with school nutrition programs in order to educate children while in the lunch line through the use of visual aid.

Autauga Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Any child who drops out of school is not successful. Breakdown in family structure causes emotional issues and behavioral issues. Lack of academic success and not being able to achieve educational goals leads to students dropping out of school.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Increased Autauga County graduation rate.

Decreased high school drop out rate.

Implemented successful community forums through partnership with Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama.

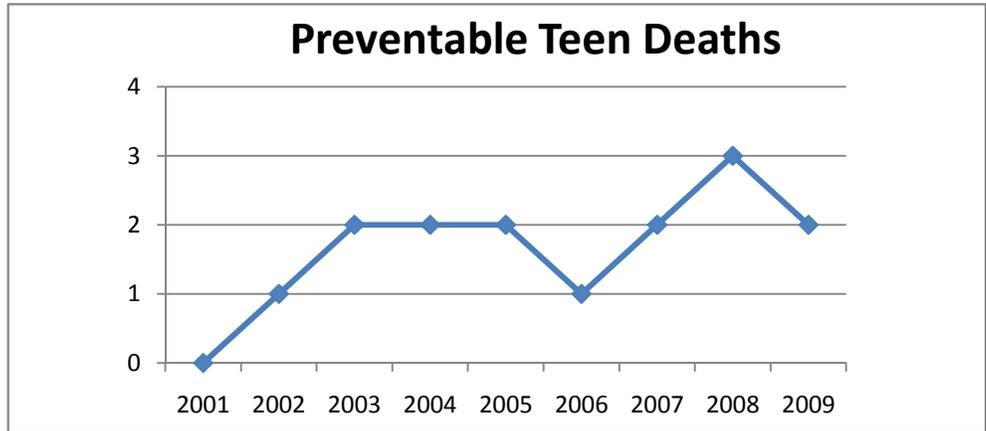
2010 Action Plan

Develop and distribute an updated community resource directory of support services for families.

Set up a CPC web site to list information related to family and child support services.

Autauga Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Death rate from accidents

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Served approximately 1900 students with Safe Driving presentations.
Decreased teen driving death rate to zero from July 1, 2009 to current date.
Supported Legislative Proposal banning texting while driving.

2010 Action Plan

Continue Safe Driving program in the remainder of the public schools.

Create awareness through newspaper articles, Facebook, and MySpace to reduce bullying in schools.

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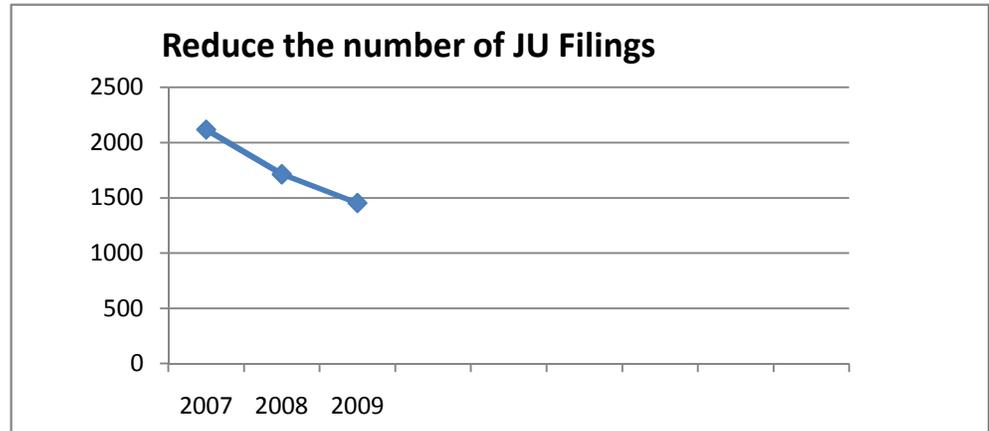
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Accomplishments

Since our last Needs Assessment, CPC Agency members have been very active. The BCMH Community Alliance sponsored its 2nd Annual Talent Search, with increased participation both for contestants and attendees. Also, local media outlets, both print and broadcast, have become more active in making the community aware of the multitude of local resources available to families and children for educational/care giving purposes in non-school times. There has been an increase in Pre-K4 programs forming in our county. Finally, our Juvenile Court secured a grant in excess of 300/year to fund a Mentoring Program through YAP, Inc., to prevent young people from returning to DYS-based programs.

Baldwin Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Increase in delinquency and CHINS filing at JPO/ Juvenile Court

Increase in disciplinary referrals in schools

Increase in numbers on SIR reports in schools

PRIDE survey results indicate elevated levels of drug and alcohol use

2009 Accomplishment from Action Plan

Further reduction in JU filings, approximately 15% more

Reduction in DYS commitments by 25% from 2008

Reduction in JDC population by 505

2010 Action Plan

Expand intake procedures/education through JPO and Law Enforcement, to include better utilization of informal adjustments and other diversion programs.

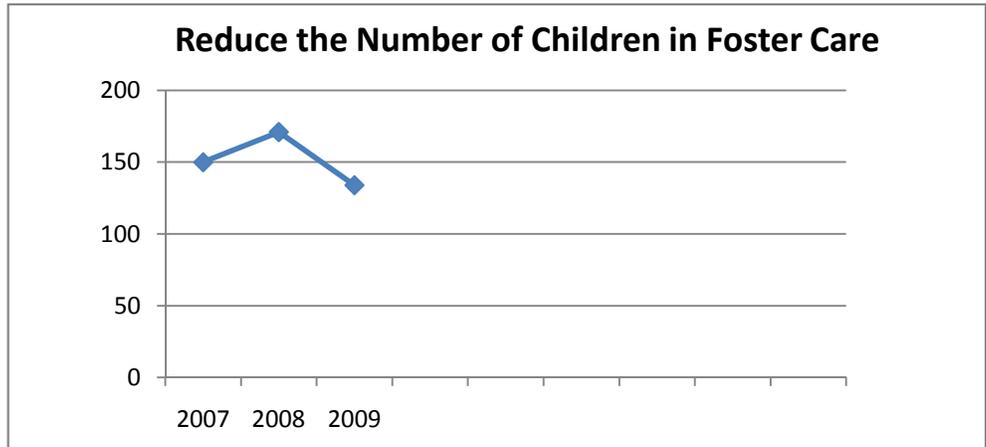
Work to Increase drug education/awareness through Drug Education Council, BCMH Community Alliance, etc.

Support efforts with the YAP program to continue reduction of commitments to DYS.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to refer families to non-school time activities and encourage those providers to advertise their programs via newspapers, magazines, etc.

Baldwin Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Higher incidence of "indicated" Child Abuse and Neglect cases at DHR
School safety issues, both within and from the outside
High number of kids in foster care
Higher crime rate due to economic problems

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Reduction in numbers of children placed in Foster Care
No increase in number of CA/N reports
DAs Office able to increase victim services via grant monies
More need for Foster Parent Training classes due to better Foster Parent Recruitment

2010 Action Plan

Support member agencies in obtaining victim service programs and educational efforts regarding safety issues

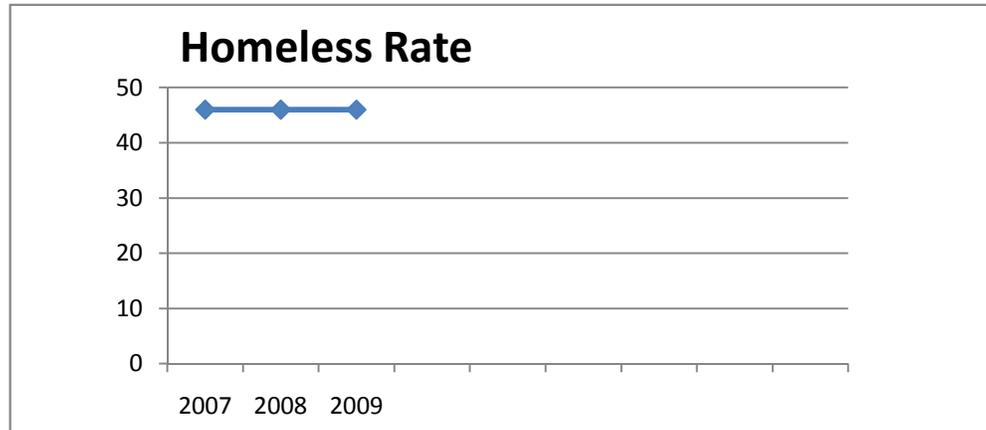
Support Board of Education and other member agencies re: educational efforts to reduce bullying and suicide incidents

Continue to recruit local foster parents

(No cost/low cost idea) Continue to invite DHR personnel, peer helpers, and other safety-related groups to speak at civic clubs and church groups to raise awareness

Baldwin Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Higher crime rate due to economics problems
Higher homelessness rate

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Family Promise has acquired a facility to assist homeless families (day center) via a CPC member agency
More charities have emerged and made communities aware of their services, particularly through the use of 2-1-1 service
Parent Project has served numerous families and continues to receive many referrals via the Board of Education

2010 Action Plan

Continue to refer families to 2-1-1 to obtain services, as well as to Family Preservation Unit at DHR

Support Family Promise and encourage those around us to join them when possible to provide more opportunities to

Encourage families to support Parent Project and YAP suggestions and referrals

(No cost/low cost idea) Encourage more non-profit groups to participate in grant education programs, such as those offered via Impact 100 to provide funding and networking opportunities

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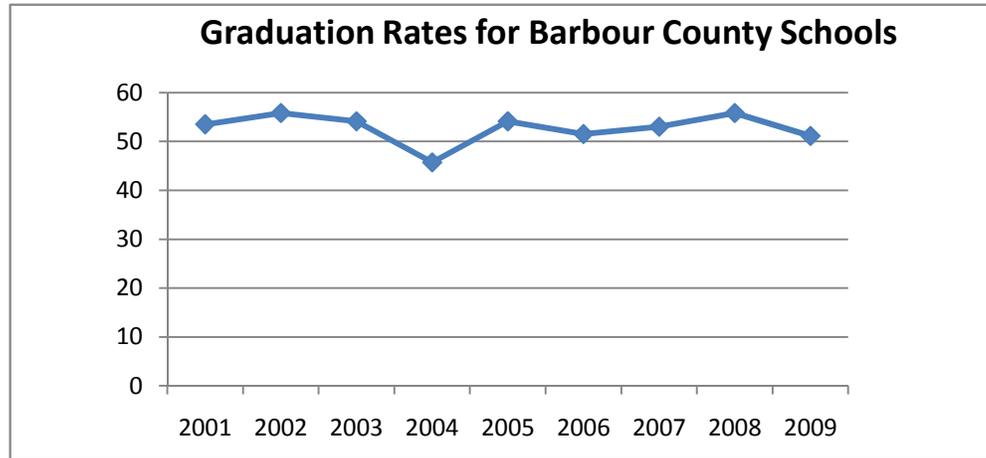
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Accomplishments

The Council obtained a 501(c)(3) status this year. The Council can now apply for grants.

Barbour Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

The data provided by the Alabama Department of Education for the school district that serve students in Barbour County.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Strong partnership formed with Hope Academy

2010 Action Plan

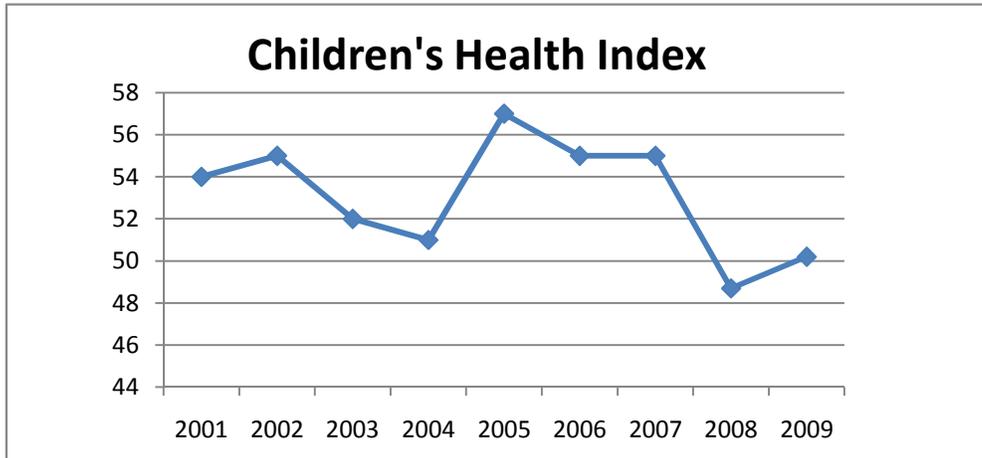
Continue to work with and fund the Hope Academy in Eufaula City Schools

Continue to support and work with the Promise Commission which focuses on how to pool together resources to help children reach their full potential

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to increase public awareness and education regarding the drug problem and the

Barbour Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

The data provided by the Alabama Department of Public Health, Center for Health Statistics indicate that 42.6% to 49.3% of the children born in Barbour County between 2000 and 2005 have health risks that will likely affect their later success in school. Early detection of school children's health issues and intervention could help to mitigate the affect upon the child's success in school. Annual health fairs at public schools have been successfully implemented in several counties. Examples of common health fair findings: Vision and hearing impairments, acute infections (strep or ear infections), elevated blood pressure, cavities, elevated cholesterol, elevated heart rate.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Barbour County Schools (2009-2010) - Children screened

Vision - 778	Abnormal findings - 161	Provided glasses - 16	
Hearing - 636	Abnormal findings - 29	Treated on site - 70%	Referred - 30%

Eufaula City School KIDCHECK - Eufaula Primary School total enrollments is 639 with a total of 613 kids screened

Dental - 165	Vision - 74	Hearing - 9	Weight - 152	Other - 26
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Two children with extremely high blood pressure for seven years of age. Two students with enlarged tonsils were noted. Dental referrals decreased and vision referrals increased. Increase in participation.

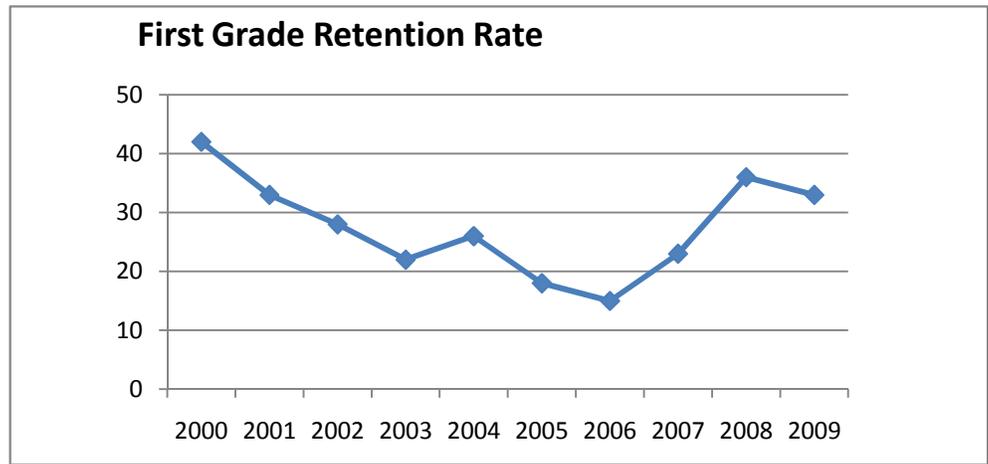
2010 Action Plan

Continue to support and work with KIDCHECK

Continue KIDCHECK in the school system

Barbour Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Barbour County School officials were concerned about the number of failed grades and drop outs reported in their school system. The decision was made to target the number of 1st grade retentions reported. After discussing various methods of addressing the situation, the problem was addressed in two ways. First, through the inclusion of Pre-K Classes (2001) and Head Start (2003), as a means of assuring Pre-K school readiness; and second, the planned utilization of HIPPY (beginning October of 2008 through 2009), a pre-school parental involvement program that encourages and assists parents in becoming involved with their children's preparation for school.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

HIPPY Program is doing well

Family Resource Center is open and offers many programs

2010 Action Plan

Continue distributing information to create public awareness that will ensure children are ready for school

Continue to work with and support the HIPPY Program

Continue to encourage parents to become more involved with their children's preparation for school

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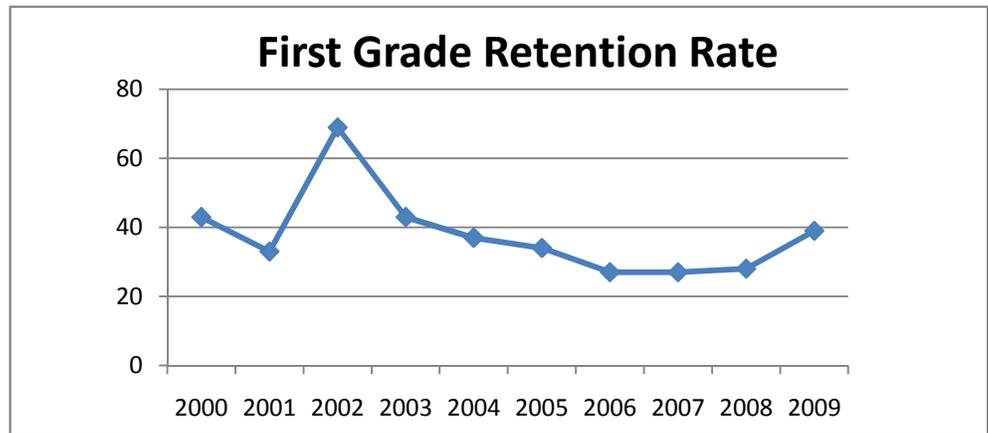
Accomplishments

- Information has been mailed and e-mailed to over 50 churches with ideas of how they can help get children ready for school. Their partnership in joining the Children's Policy Council was requested.
- Provided written materials for churches to help educate families to encourage:
 - families to read to children
 - churches to encourage read-a-loud activities such as reading aloud Bible stories
 - tips to prepare pre-kindergarten children to begin school
- Compiled/developed e-mail data base on churches throughout Bibb County to encourage communication and provide cost-free opportunity to exchange important announcements related to our children and families.
- Provided support for parents to help at home to get children ready for school.
- Support local adult education programs
- Revised list of parent help tips for pre-kindergarten children
- Bibb County School-based Health Fair was adopted as the model for the State of Alabama Health Fairs named KidCheck for Governor's Initiative.
- Bibb County Health Department has provided free family planning services for females.

- School system distributed information on the Parent Assistance Line to churches to share with parents and families.
- Courts-DHR; children's case law-dependency cases attended to expeditiously
- Reviewed every dependency petition to screen for abuse/neglect
- Case flow management system was improved with the opportunity to communicate.
- Handouts to CPC Members/Churches-printed materials to increase awareness
- Self-Esteem program provided through Public Health at the high school level at no cost
- Juvenile Court partnered with the Board of Education for an Early Warning Truancy System.
- Health Education: Tobacco use prevention education was provided
- Alabama Department of Public Health provided Health Education students with a Youth Empowerment Program
- Parent support-continued education through community activities
- Continued providing Health Fairs/outreach
- Abstinence education

Bibb Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Children weren't ready to go in the first place, didn't get to read at home, no encouragement at home, no role models at home, came to school unprepared, no exposure to pre-school skills, parents cannot read.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

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Support local adult education programs

Revised list of parent help tips for pre-kindergarten children

2010 Action Plan

Provide Support for parents to help at home to get children ready for school and support local adult education programs

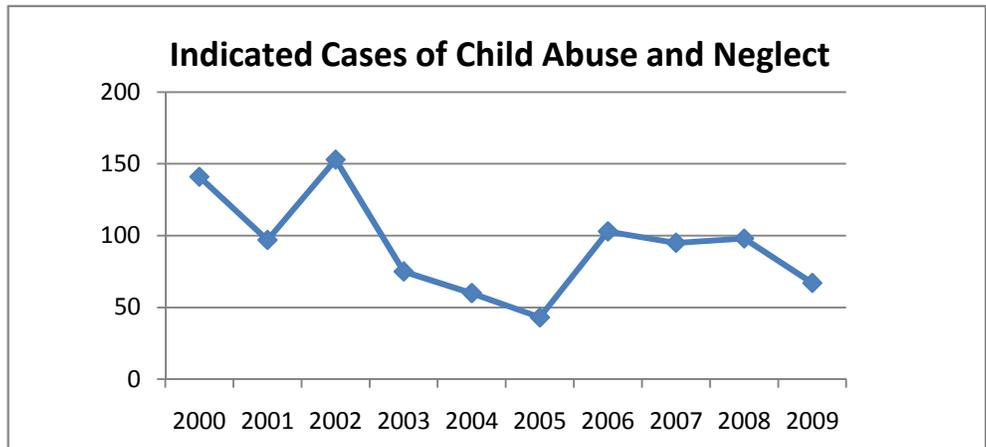
Continue outreach to local churches-younger via mail/e-mail

Continue to cultivate reading atmosphere (reading Bible stories)

(No cost/ low cost idea) Revise list of parent help-tips for pre-kindergarten children, develop suggestions for parent/churches to work with pre-kindergarten children, and outreach to libraries.

Bibb Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of parental support
Lack of positive role models
Single parent homes

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

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2010 Action Plan

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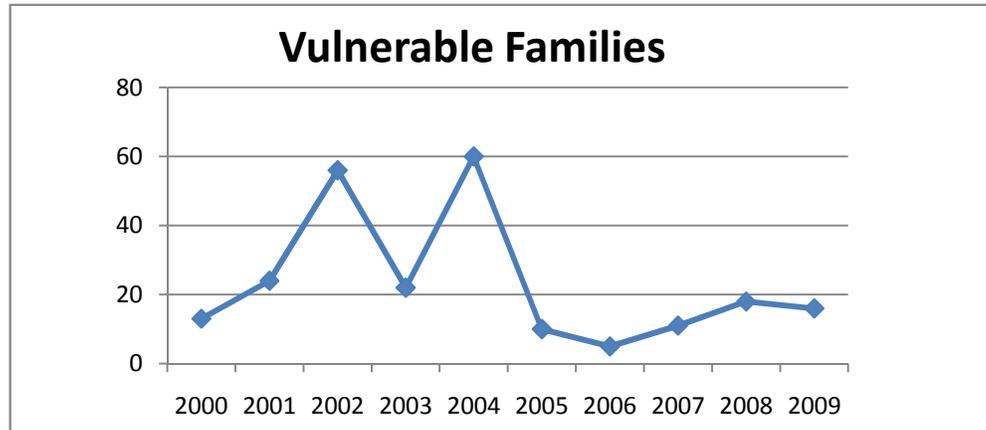
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Handouts to CPC Members/Churches-PAL printed materials/domestic violence information

(No cost/low cost idea) Continue from statewide case with Bibb County addresses, support legislation
emphasize awareness in texting/cell phone use

Bibb Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Absence of the fathers
Lack of sex education
Lack of role models
Cycle-single family homes

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Self-Esteem program provided through Public Health at the high school level at no cost
Juvenile Court partnered with the Board of Education for an Early Warning Truancy System.
Health Education: Tobacco use prevention education was provided
Alabama Department of Public Health provided Health Education students with a Youth Empowerment Program
Parent support-continued education through community activities
Continued providing Health Fairs/outreach
Abstinence education

2010 Action Plan

Health Education: Provide tobacco education/prevention

Parent support-continue education through community activities; Continue Health Fair-outreach Health Fair

Abstinence education

(No cost/ low cost idea) Information from Health Fairs to parent groups, communities, and churches, reduce teen pregnancy, support alcohol prevention, assist in alcohol education

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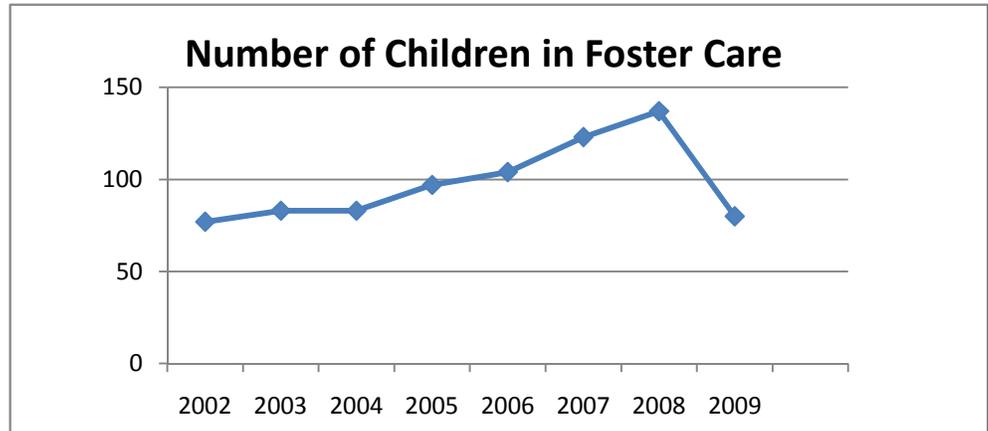
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Accomplishments

No Accomplishments Submitted

Blount Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Number of Children in foster care is increasing at a rate of 23% every 2 years. This is attributed to increased drug abuse (meth-specifically), along with increased domestic violence.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Speakers Bureau to speak on the impact of child abuse

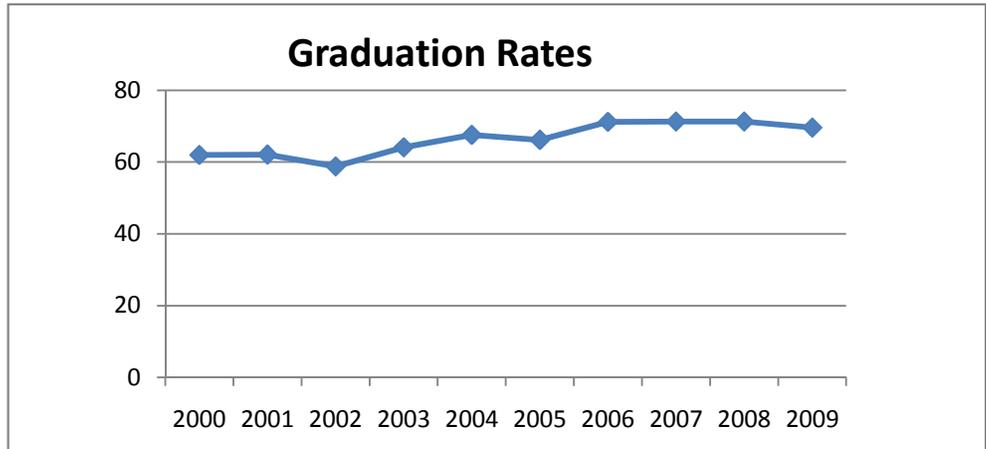
Use child abuse videos/DVDs in schools

Use newspaper, schools, churches to get reporting information out

(No cost/low cost idea) Reach out to churches and partner with them on child abuse education and awareness

Blount Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Tardiness , Absenteeism, and dropout rates are decreasing and we hope the trend continues.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

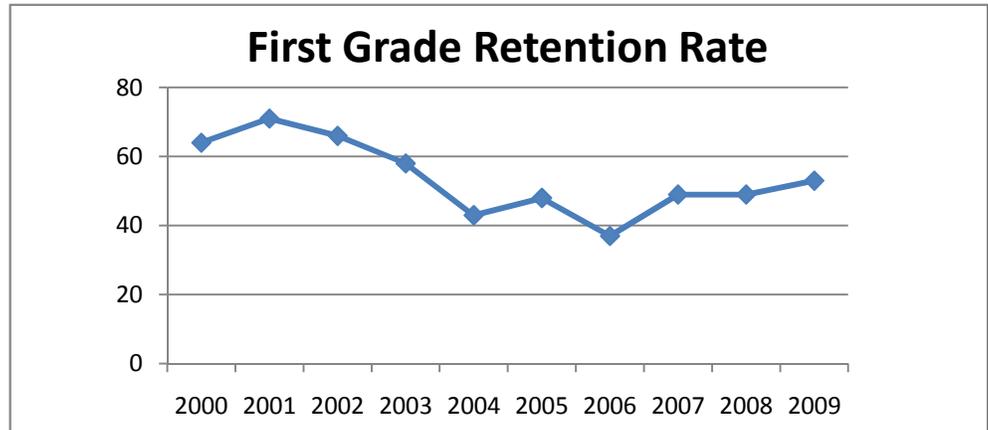
Develop and implement Parent Project Parenting Classes

Bring Big Brothers/Big Sisters into schools

(No cost/low cost idea) Use Reality Check via extension Service

Blount Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Statistics prove that children with Pre-K education are more prepared to enter K-5 and do better educationally and socially

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Use newspapers and flyers to make parents aware of current resources

Speaker's bureau and use speakers to discuss benefits of Pre-K

(No cost / low cost idea) Identify available resources

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Accomplishments

Pre-K program expanded.

Christmas in July parade and toy drive to collect gifts for children whose parents are incarcerated.

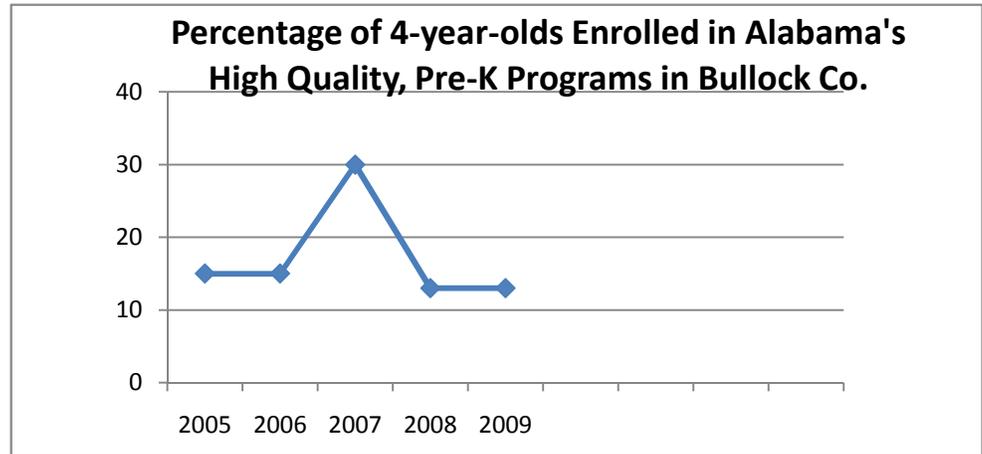
Through a stimulus grant, CNAs are being trained in the county.

Began Bullock County Education Investment Project - a program to go into the schools and read or do math with children for thirty minutes during school hours.

Prom Promise program was held at Bullock County High School football field for all 11th and 12th grade students. Program included a DUI simulation and vehicle rollover demonstration.

Bullock Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

No quality Pre-K programs

Cost of program

Lack of awareness

Parents not recognizing the importance of Pre-K

Transportation problems

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

We were able to continue a fully funded First Class Pre-K program this year at the Bullock County Career Tech. Center as well as a second privately funded class as well, using the same curriculum, etc. Additionally, we have continued the First Class Pre-K program in our Head Start program. Numerous newspaper articles have been written and public presentations have been made to make citizens more aware, including engaging leaders in the Hispanic community.

2010 Action Plan

Increase number of slots for Pre-K program.

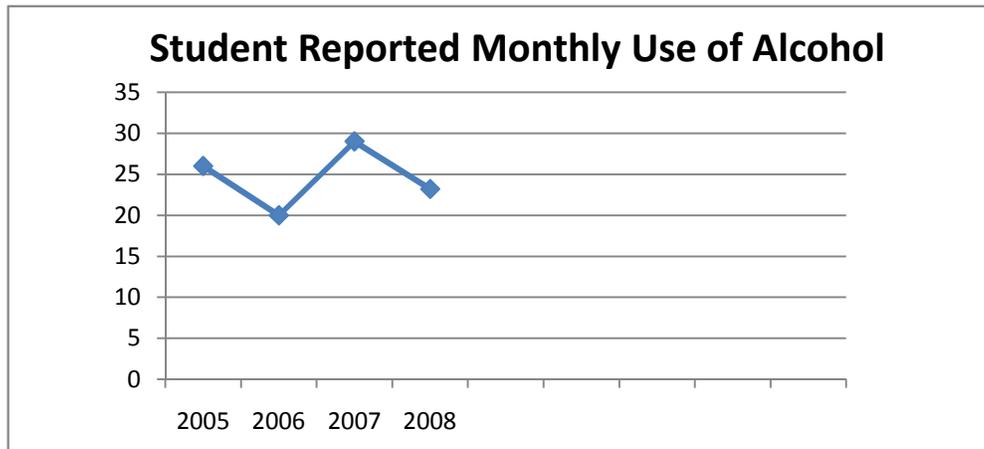
Conduct an awareness campaign.

Look for more grants.

(no cost/low cost idea) Add more public speaking engagements and more Hispanic involvement.

Bullock Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Alcohol is accessible

Influence of television, movies and radio

Parents do not discourage use

Peer Pressure

The "cool" factor

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Progress is being made on implementing The Drug Scene. Several ideas have emerged using students to design and create props as well as write scripts. Too Good For Drugs and D.A.R.E. are being used in our schools and in local Bible Schools. Red Ribbon Week is observed in our schools as well. The possibility of presenting "Every Fifteen Minutes" was explored but it proved to be a cost prohibitive project. Prom Promise was held in April at the high school for all 11th and 12th grade students to emphasize the potential deadly effects of combining alcohol consumption with driving.

2010 Action Plan

The Drug Scene

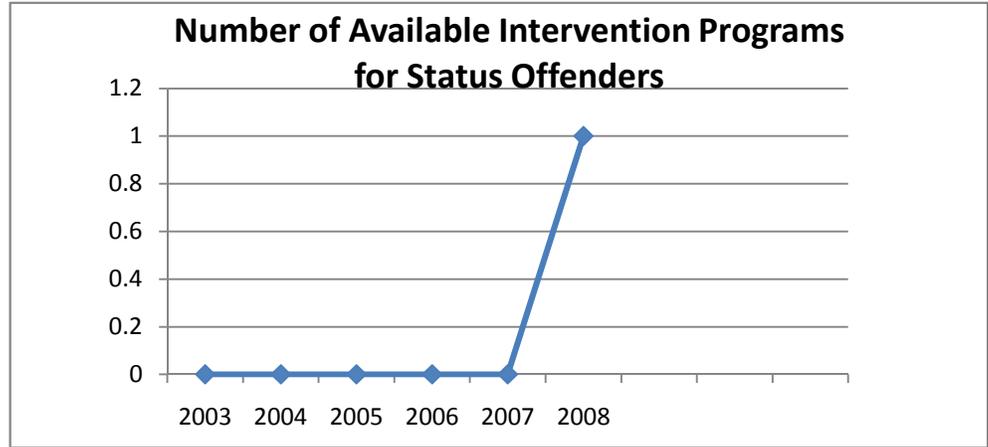
Too Good for Drugs/D.A.R.E.

Red Ribbon Week

(no cost/low cost idea) Check into IMPACT Alabama for assistance.

Bullock Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Funding/Resources

Somebody else would handle it

Nobody wants the responsibility

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Work on this issue continues. Children referred to in-school and out-of-school suspension and children coming before the juvenile judge have been targeted. Parenting classes have continued as a part of the Pre-K program.

2010 Action Plan

Continue the work of the committee on this issue.

Identify at risk children and get their input on needs to be addressed.

Continue parenting classes.

(no cost/low cost idea) Community service projects for offenders.

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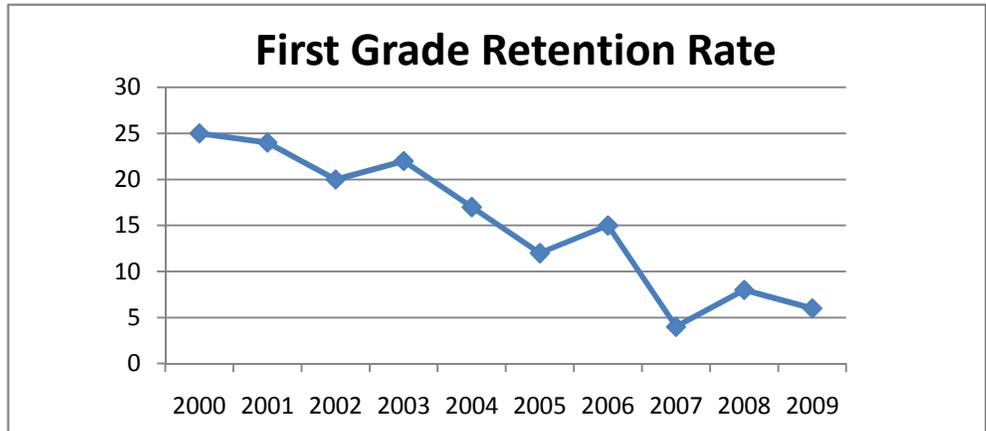
Accomplishments

The Children's Policy Council has supported several grants written and the following grants have been awarded:

- 21st Century Community Centers After school and Summer Programs
- Children's Trust Fund Parenting Education Program/Butler County Board of Education
- First Class/ Alabama Office of School Readiness Pre-K (4 year olds)
- Learn & Serve Service - learning in K-8th grade
- ADECA/Workforce Investment Act Second Chance Dropout Recovery Program

Butler Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

The downward trend of fewer 1st graders being retained can be attributed to the high quality preschool programs established in the county. Since 2000, Pre-K went from 0 classrooms to 5 classrooms. The Children's Policy Council supports Pre-K programs and hopes to increase access to Pre-K programs for all Butler County children.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Pre-k programs - awarded \$336,000 in grant monies were awarded to the Butler County Board of Education to continue Pre-K Programs in Georgiana & McKenzie Schools.

Better childcare - Healthy Kid's continues to manage 1st Steps Child Development Program (began by Butler County Board of Education). Continued \$15,000 Children's Trust Fund grant for improving Butler County childcare through Healthy Kids.

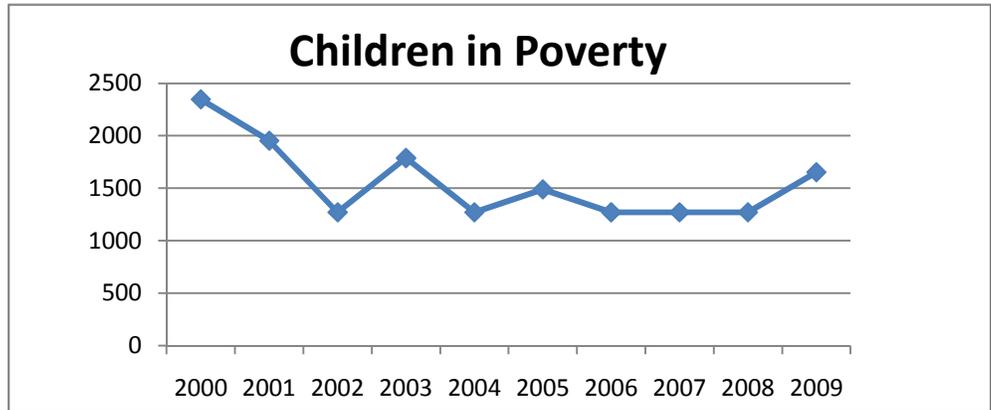
Parenting Programs - Butler County Board of Education was awarded \$45,000 to continue parenting education (abuse prevention) programs at the Butler County Board of Education.

2010 Action Plan

Seek more funding for all programs through grants

Butler Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Low income families tend to be the least educated for both good parenting practices and for supporting their children's development and successful futures.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Butler County Board of Education (Ada Sue Thompson at BCECLC) logged 75 hours of parenting opportunities in both day and evening settings

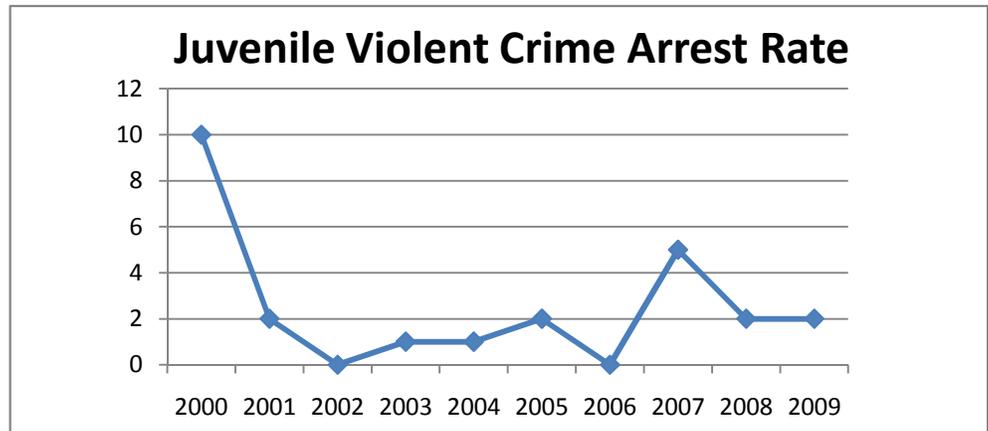
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Continue working for Family Service Center for Butler County

Continue DHR supportive services

Butler Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

After a brief improvement, Butler County reports an increase in juvenile crime. Intensive programs are needed to curb this trend.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Butler County reports no increase in juvenile crime. Intensive programs are still need to decrease at-risk youth from entering the system.

Greenville High School awarded the Safe School Award for the 4th Straight Year (A.G. Troy King)

2010 Action Plan

Support and increase SRO's in schools

Bullying prevention programs

Keep alternative schools for repeat offenders

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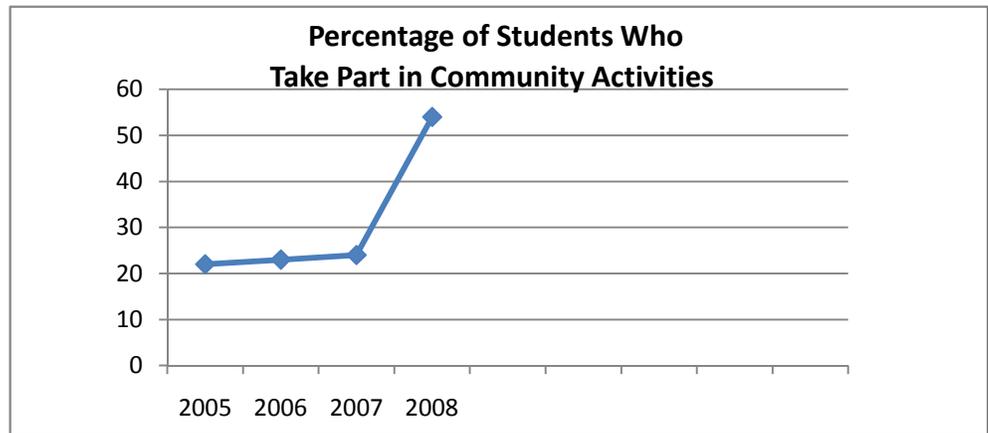
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Accomplishments

The "Stop the Violence" coalition continues to plan/host free activities and fun days in targeted areas of the community. City government sponsors "Super Saturday" cultural events and family activities. "Stranger Danger" awareness program is provided by the Department of Public Safety. Neighborhood Watch programs are supported with education and training by the Sheriffs office. Parent Project continues to provide services to families. Family Links provides adolescent intensive out patient drug treatment. Drug Court continues to be effective and Success Academy is successful. Several agencies partner to provide drug awareness programs. Success by Six has implemented the strategic plan and has provided workshops and conferences for child care providers. JSU Wellness Center continues to provide education and free health screenings on an ongoing basis. Nutritional education and training is provided for family day care providers. the Dolly Parton Imaginary Library has been a tremendous success. Free parenting kits are provided for all new parents.

Calhoun Children's Policy Council

1 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Not enough fun, safe, low cost activities for families. Citizens lack of information on how to be involved to make a difference. Lack of neighborhood water and other community policing strategies. Lack of knowledge about how to established neighborhood watches

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Stop the Violence coalition continues to plan/host free community wide activities and fun days. City government sponsors " Super Saturday" events for free family and cultural activities. The " Stranger Danger Awareness" program continues to be provided. Neighborhood Watch programs continue to be supported by the Sheriffs Department and information and training is provided to new groups upon request. Parent Project served 195 families and had 2,850 students enrolled in the LINC-ID program. Family Links is providing and adolescent intensive out patient drug abuse program.

2010 Action Plan

Expand parenting classes to parents to be and new parents to cover basic infant care

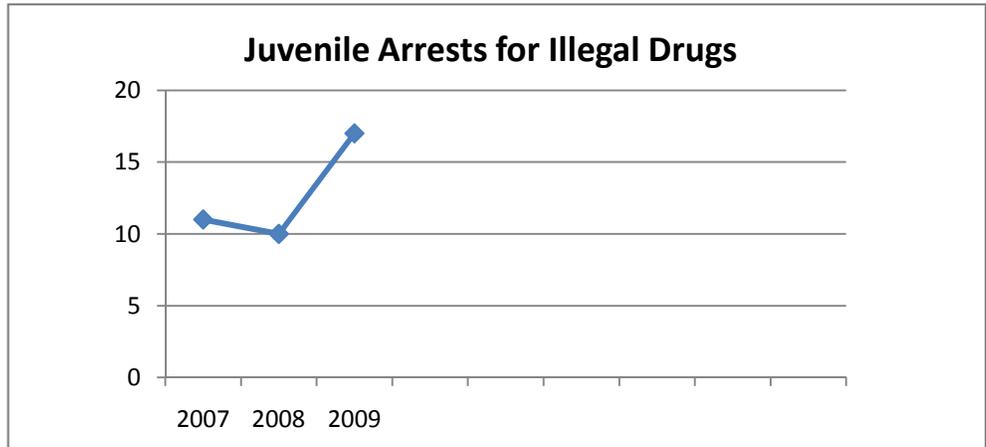
Explore strengthening sexual abuse perpetrator laws (NC/LC idea)

Develop treatment program/options for families of children who are residing in DYS facilities

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue support to the "Stop the Violence", "Super Saturday", "Neighborhood Watch", and "

Calhoun Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Mirroring their parents conduct, Meth increase, Easier access, prescription drug increased, over the counter drug abuse, from inhalation

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

2,850 students enrolled in LINK-Id with approximately 220 drug screens provided. Family Links provides adolescent intensive out patient treatment for drug abuse and provides tobacco education/life skills curriculum to over 350 students on a bi weekly basis. Drug Court is still a very effective program and the Success Academy is successful. Drug Awareness activities are provides by several community organizations.

2010 Action Plan

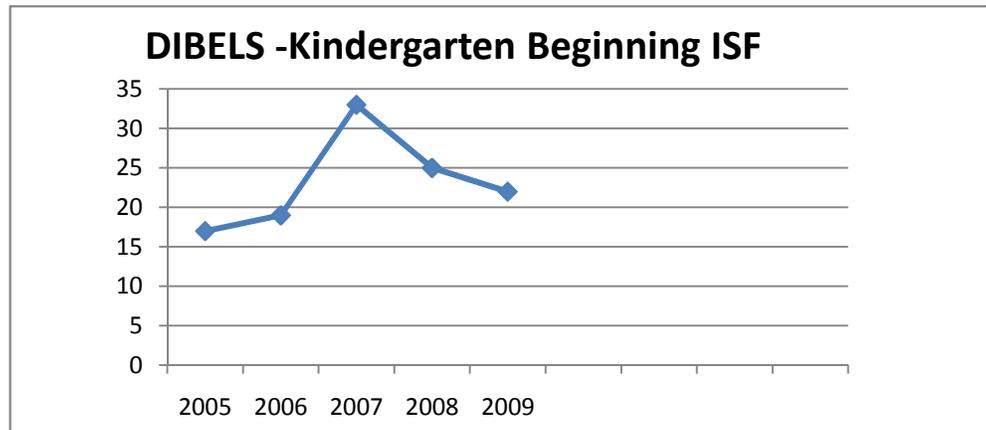
Continue support of existing programs.

Explore funding opportunities and collaboration with existing programs to develop/expand programs to develop family

Explore possibilities for developing/expanding part time and summer youth employment opportunities

Calhoun Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Parents need more information and support to help their children prepare for school

Growing Hispanic population experiencing achievement gaps due to language barriers

Community needs to be more involved in addressing the challenge faced by Hispanic Families

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Success By Six has developed and started implementation of the Birth of Five plan. They have held conferences/training for child care providers. JSU Wellness Center provides free health education and screening on ongoing basis. Family Links provides the HIPPY program. Nutritional training is provided for Family Day Care providers. Dolly Parton Imaginary Library serves over 2,708 children and has provided over 13,500 books. Parents Kits are provided to new parents.

2010 Action Plan

Provide education to parents on how to select quality daycare settings

Provide/support training opportunities for parents and day care providers

(No cost/ low cost idea) Do early childhood screenings during the United Way Day of Action and make referrals to services needed.

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Accomplishments

Members of CPC secured funding to establish a Juvenile Drug Court

Members of CPC created a treatment team for Juvenile Drug Court to review cases and provide input

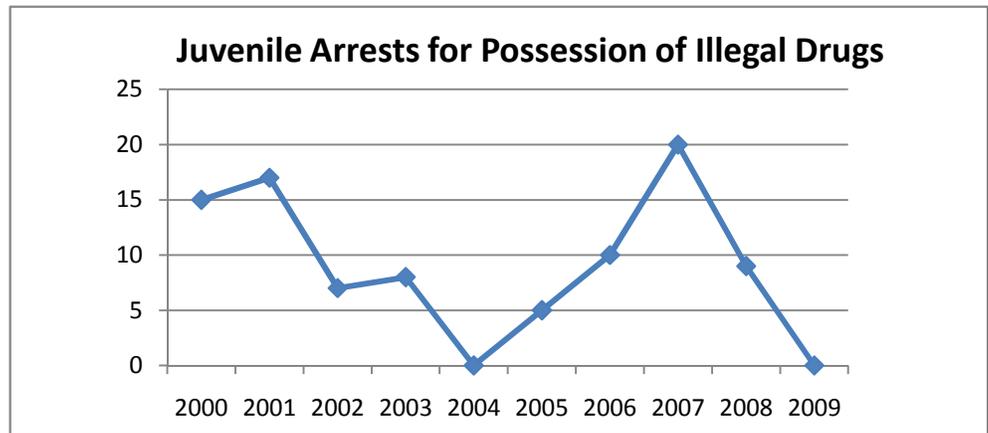
Attended Valley Day on the River and distributed literature

Set-up a literature distribution table at our local McDonalds for the purpose of providing information to parents

Offered a child abuse prevention seminar addressing prenatal drug and alcohol exposure and shaken baby syndrome

Chambers Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Service providers throughout our county have observed a high prevalence of juvenile substance abuse. Contributing factors that have been identified include low parental perception of risks, lack of jobs, poverty related issues, generational addictions, observed low self-esteem in many users, unmet mental health needs, and availability of drugs

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Established Juvenile Drug Court
Enhanced Community Partnerships
Identified and trained an individual to use the Parent Project curriculum
Continued existing prevention services

2010 Action Plan

Continue to strengthen the Juvenile Drug Court

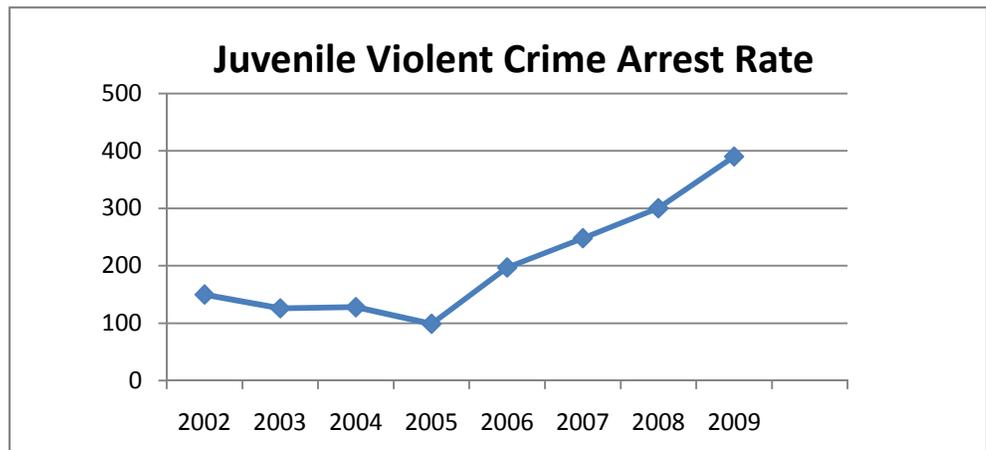
Identify local mentoring services

Recruit parents for the Parent Project

(no cost/low cost idea) Network with new community partners to enhance current services

Chambers Children's Policy Council

2 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Recognizing the lack of supervision that many juveniles encounter many times leads to a pattern of unhealthy choices, the council has chosen this result with the following observed factors. Substance abuse rates, poverty issues, culture of violence, lack of life skills, mental health issues, and lack of a positive role model.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Established a treatment team to review cases of juveniles arrested who may have also entered juvenile drug court
Anger management and violence prevention presentations provided in local schools
Relationship skill classes offered throughout community

2010 Action Plan

Develop presentations for local schools that target specific issues involving violence

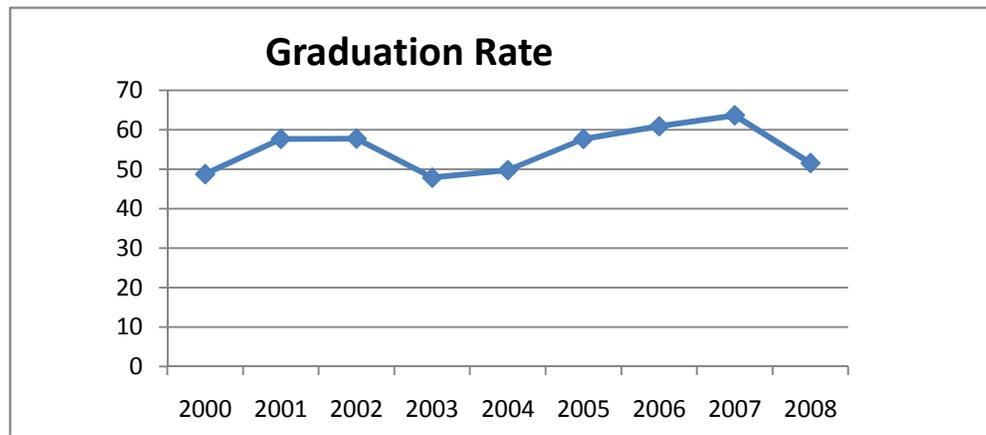
Continue providing extensive services to those with chemical addictions

Continue relationship skill classes

(no cost/low cost idea) Provide trainings for service providers focusing on addressing violence

Chambers Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Recognizing the importance of academic success, we wish to address the need to encourage and equip students to be successful. Factors we must address include:

Low parental involvement

Limited pre-k opportunities

Lack of job opportunities

Lack of exposure to communities other than their own

Low self-esteem

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Study skill presentations offered to at-risk youth

Dropout prevention presentations offered

Dropout prevention PSAs offered to local radio stations

Homework assistance provided through Boys and Girls Club

2010 Action Plan

Continue prevention services in schools

Identify ways to expand the use of PSAs throughout the county

Identify or develop additional tutorial services

(no cost/low cost idea) Advertise online academic services

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Accomplishments

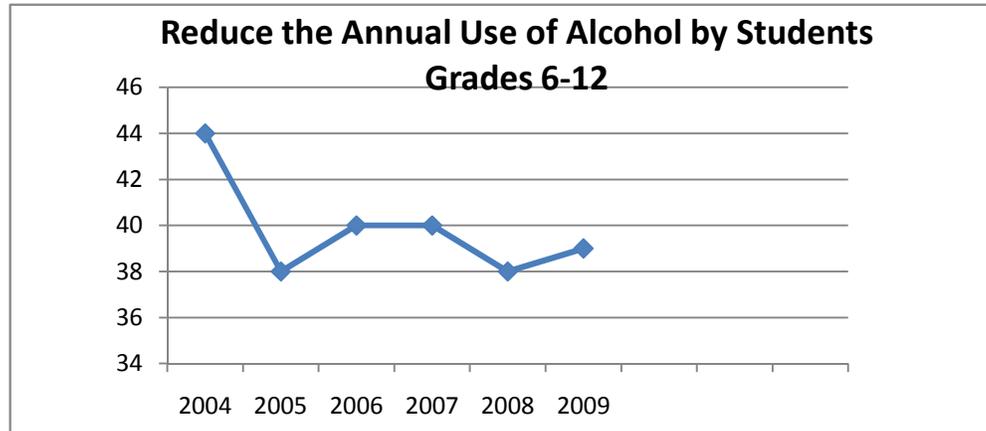
1. The "It's Your Choice" prevention conference was held at Gadsden State Community College- Cherokee Campus. Program was a collaborative effort between the schools, community, civic, government agencies, and individuals.
2. Opened and Staffed the Saving Teen's At-Risk Program (S.T.A.R.) Adolescent Day Program for children, ages 12-18, was funded and has been implemented.
3. N.O.T. Program (Tobacco Cessation) – classes held for students in Cherokee County who wish to quit smoking. Has been refunded for 2010-2011 school year.
4. Bama Works – Grant received from the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services. With the assistance of teens with disabilities, this will help identify barriers that those having disabilities experience

when searching for employment in order to affect policy change.

5. ALL Kids material was provided to all those that registered for Kindergarten.
6. Children's rehabilitation services provided free hearing evaluations to the children of Cherokee County.
7. A new Pre-K site was opened in Cedar Bluff for four-year-olds.
8. 211 is partnered with the Alabama Department of Public Health to provide information and referral on H1N1 virus.
9. Open and staffed the Cherokee County Family Resource Center.
10. Cherokee County Children's Policy Council received excellent press coverage through the newspaper and radio.
11. "In a case where a family has applied for childcare, a divorced couple came together to make arrangements for the child." A good example of the "Cooperative Parenting" program.
12. The Cherokee County Family Resource Center received money to purchase the "Shaken Baby" simulator and curriculum.
13. Family Dependency Court began working with families.
14. Children's Policy Council and it's member agencies provided material (500 bags) to the community at the Centre Fall Festival;
15. The Cherokee County Children's Advocacy Center with funding from the Children's Trust Fund provided prevention services, parenting classes, and counseling services. The C.A.C. moved to new, larger location.
16. Alabama Department of Public Health partnered with community agencies to provide prevention materials on alcohol, tobacco, drugs, pregnancy prevention, and etc.

Cherokee Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

It is believed that one of the reasons for the lower numbers is the fact that Cherokee County is a dry county with exception of one of its municipalities. Additionally, there are local programs presented annually to decrease the number of alcohol related automobile accidents that may be influencing teens to abstain from drinking alcohol. There are possibilities that teens may be using other drugs that are more available than alcohol. The lack of communication between the parent and child about the dangers of alcohol use is believed to influence the likelihood of the use of alcohol. In 2008, 37.9% (4 in 10) of the children grades 6-12 in Cherokee County reported through the PRIDE Survey that they have used alcohol at least once within the last 12 months.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Provide school prevention programs in Cherokee County Schools

Offer workshops, town hall meetings, etc to increase the awareness of the use of alcohol among school age children (No cost / Low Cost) PSA's through radio, internet, etc. Brochures sent home through the school to inform children and parents of the dangers of alcohol. Brochures and other information were provided to the public at the Centre Fall Festival.

2010 Action Plan

Provide school prevention programs in Cherokee County Schools for alcohol, tobacco, and Internet / texting safety.

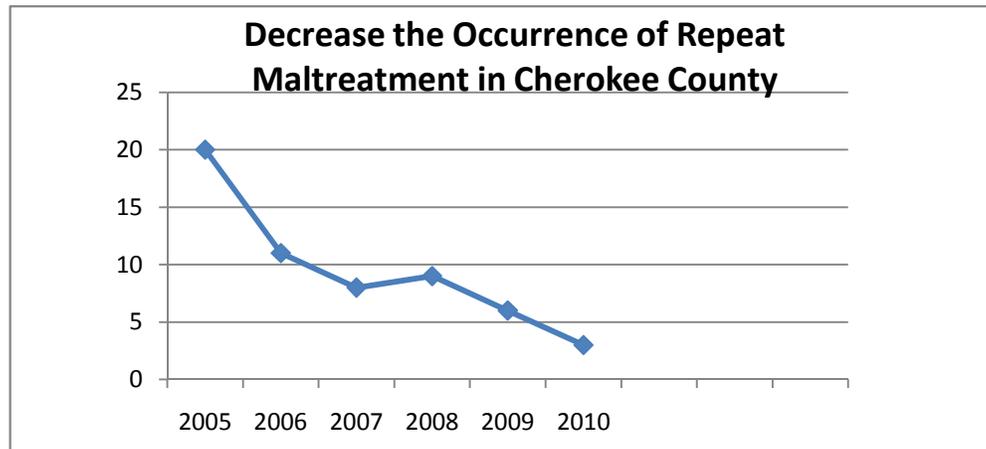
Offer workshops, town hall meetings, etc. to increase the awareness of the use of alcohol among school age children.

The C.H.O.I.C.E. Program will continue and will extend to grades 4-12

(No cost/low cost) PSAs through radio, internet, Resource tables at School Registrations / PTA meetings, Open House meetings, or other areas in the community where families congregate. Brochures sent home through the school to inform children and parents of the dangers of alcohol. Brochures and other information will be provided to the public at the Centre Fall Festival.

Cherokee Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

The trend in repeat maltreatment is a decreasing number, but we still have twice the state average during the last fiscal year. During the first half of the current year, it appears to be on the increase. Repeat maltreatment includes cases where children are not actually mistreated a second time, but where they disclose further abuse in a gradual manner. For example, a child discloses additional abuse after being in foster care and feeling safe. However, the numbers also reflect incidences where a child has been subjected to repeat maltreatment after a DHR assessment. The repeat maltreatment is not always by the same person.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Quality Assurance did a special study on maltreatment;

Family Dependency Court has begun and has accepted 5 families;

CPC gave out 500 bags at the Centre Fall Festival with information relating to the awareness and prevention of child abuse;

Cherokee County Children's Advocacy Center provided prevention services, parenting classes, and counseling to families;

Parent Project parenting classes were provided through CED Mental Health Center

Public Awareness campaign was held April 2010 for child abuse prevention.

2010 Action Plan

Cherokee County Family Resource Center will begin offering the Shaken Baby Syndrome classes to the community

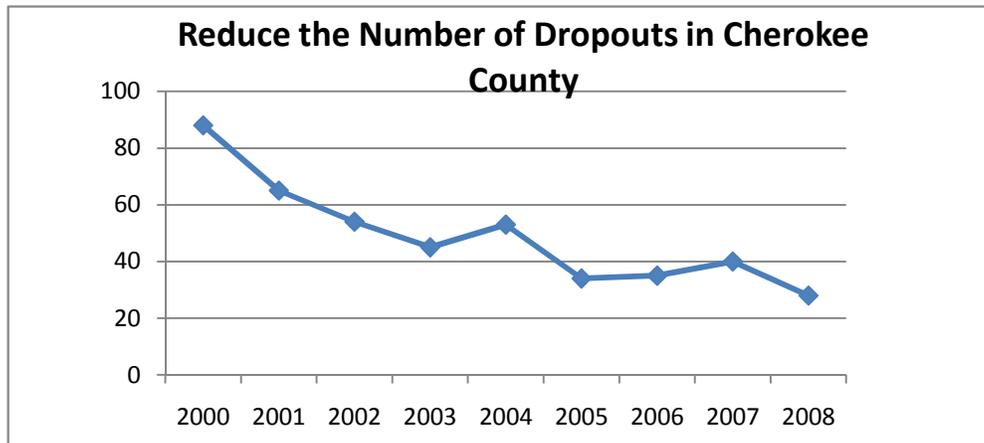
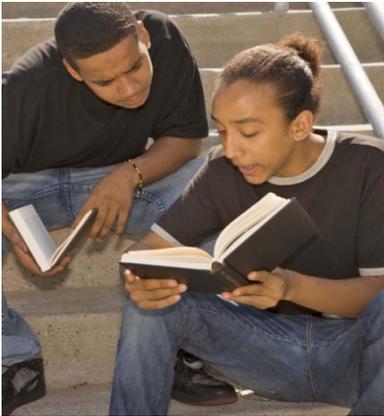
Cherokee county's local DHR Quality Assurance Committee will continue to conduct a special study regarding the cases of repeat maltreatment. They will determine if services provided were appropriate, if cases were opened appropriately, or if the repeat maltreatment was preventable.

The Cherokee County Family Dependency Court will continue to accept participants into its program in order to reduce repeat maltreatment of children.

(No cost/low cost idea) Increase community awareness of abuse and neglect of children and the programs that support the prevention of abuse and neglect by offering speaking engagements, providing free information at the Centre Fall Festival, public service announcements, links to information on local web pages, advertisements and information provided at local sporting events.

Cherokee Children's Policy Council

3 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Steps have been taken over the years since No Child Left Behind to reduce the dropout rate because this is a measure of AYP for schools with grades 9-12. There has been a focus to reduce the number of students who leave school. Each school has intensified its efforts to keep students in school.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Each school got a graduation coach

Big Brother / Big Sister addressed the need for mentors and obtained fingerprint and background checks

Big Brother / Big Sister, Cherokee County Board of Education, Children's Policy Council, and many other agencies were involved in the "It's Your Choice" 3-day prevention conference which emphasized "drop-out" prevention

Information was provided to the community at the Centre Fall Festival by handing out 500 bags which included community resource material

2010 Action Plan

Continue to fund a Graduation Coach at Gaylesville High School and if possible, fund the same position at each secondary school in Cherokee County.

The Cherokee County Children's Policy Council or representative agency will work with school principals and counselors to provide mentors for at-risk students. Note: All mentors should have satisfactory background checks including fingerprint testing.

Work with local agencies and groups to help provide activities and programs to help students remain enrolled in school. These may include Big Brother / Big Sister, AARP, STAR Program, local teacher sorority groups, etc.

(No cost/low cost) Provide information to the public and students about the importance of educated citizens through public service announcements, radio, or internet. Free information can be delivered to the home of the students through the school and provided to the general public at the Centre Fall Festival.

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Accomplishments

Added representatives from the Chilton County Sheriff's Department to the Council.

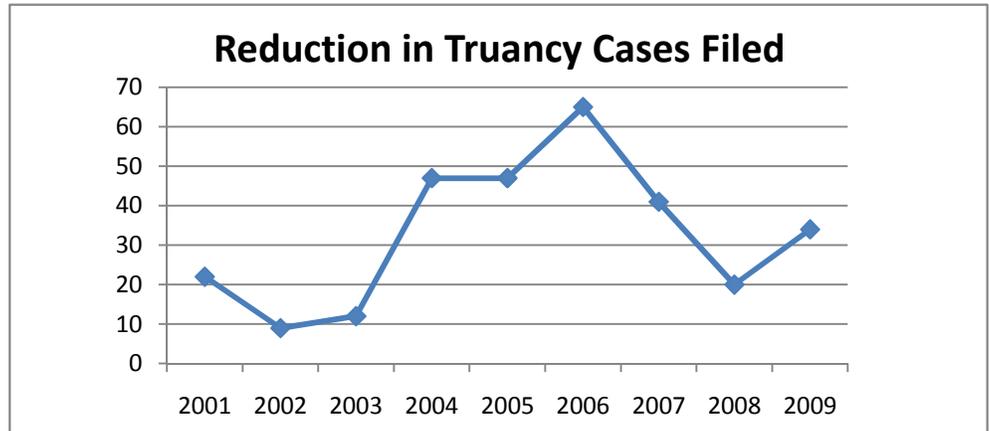
Chilton County Sheriff's Department added a School Resource Officer to provide schools with preventative measures.

CSMH offered many programs to schools to prevent teen pregnancy, alcohol abstinence, and other peer-pressure issues.

Probation officers held assemblies at county middle schools and high schools to educate students of the implications of sexting and the consequences of sending inappropriate photographs

Chilton Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Children are missing school due to a lack of parental supervision , drug use in the home, and drug use by children.

The Truancy Officer position was part-time, but went full-time, explaining sudden spike in numbers. In 2007 the decrease can be partially attributed to a successful early warning program. The number of truancy petitions projected to be filed in 2008 is lower due to the fact that during a significant portion of 2008 there was no Truancy Officer employed.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

There was an increase in truancy cases in 2009. Due to the H1N1 virus, the school board changed its attendance/excuse policy for this year. Many parents took advantage of this change however did not deliver parent written excuses for the absences and therefore there was a jump in the number of truant children.

The Early Warning Program was held at each individual school this year instead of being held at the courthouse.

2010 Action Plan

Return Early Warning Program to its original location

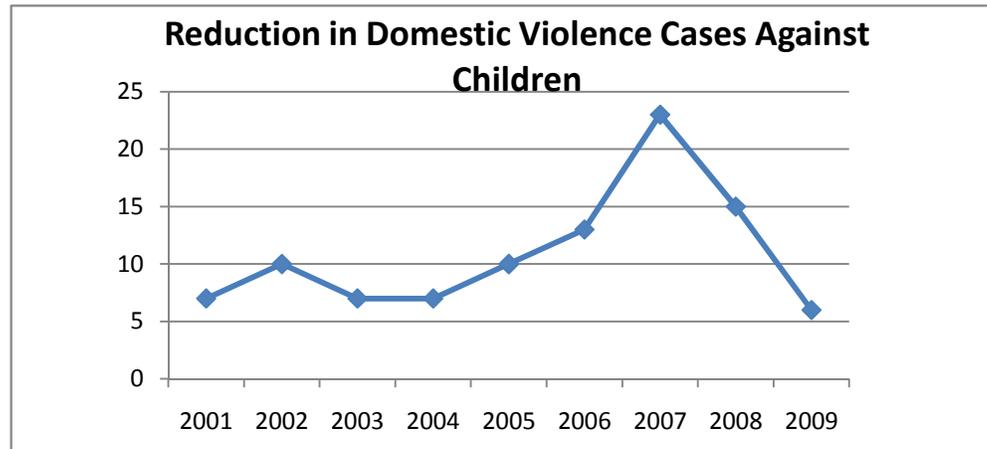
Continue full-time employment of Truancy Officer

Return to normal attendance policy rules

(no cost/low cost idea) Send parents letters informing them of attendance policy and truancy laws

Chilton Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of positive role models in the home, learned behavior ; drug abuse, and instability all contribute to the frequency of domestic violence.

The number of cases remained stable for many years with a significant increase in 2007. This can be attributed to population increase and drug/alcohol abuse increase.

The decrease in 2008 (PROJECTED) can be attributed to a successful juvenile anger management course.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

We experienced a significant drop in DV cases filed against children. In 2008 we had 15 filings and in 2009 we only had 6. This drastic drop is the result of a combined effort between schools, counselors, DHR, and police departments to intervene in DV situations and provide access to anger management and other related counseling classes.

2010 Action Plan

Continue offering anger management classes and drug/alcohol/domestic violence victims classes to both juveniles and

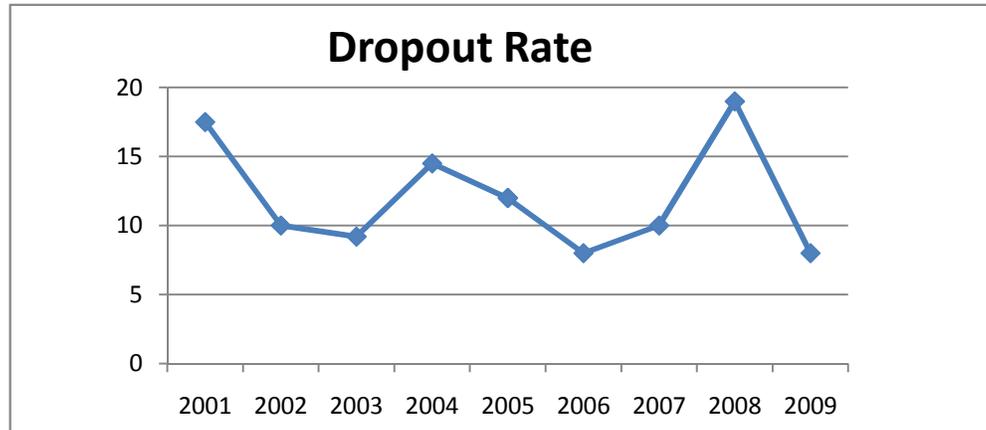
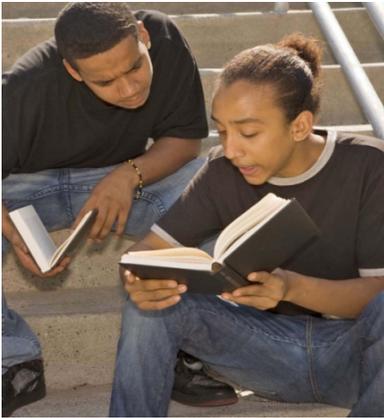
Provide information for safe houses/shelters to separate juveniles from domestic violence situations

Individual and family counseling

(no cost/low cost idea) Faith-Based programs and support groups

Chilton Children's Policy Council

3 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of parental supervision and support contributes to the dropout rate.

The large number of dropouts in 2001 as compared to 2002 can be attributed to the changes made to the exit/graduation exam. Numbers have been relatively stable from 2002-2007.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

This year there was a decrease in the drop out rate as a result of the school system graduating students on a "credit-based" diploma. This gave more students the opportunity to successfully complete their high school education and further increase the likelihood of continuing their education in college/technical schools.

2010 Action Plan

Free tutoring through Project Gear and the YMCA

Continue employment of dropout prevention staff

Credit recovery systems at some county schools

(no cost/low cost idea) S.P.A.N. Program (formerly C.I.T.Y. Program)

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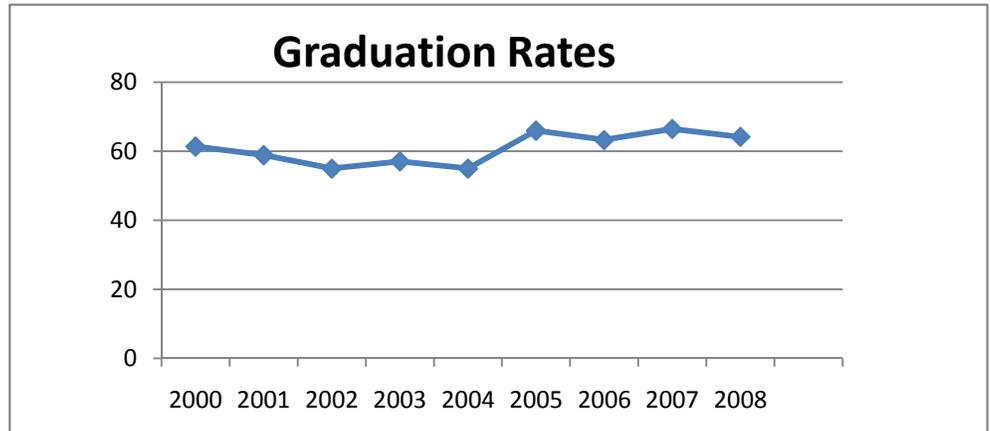
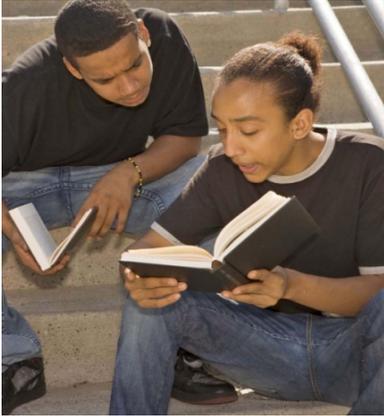
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Accomplishments

No Accomplishments Submitted

Choctaw Children's Policy Council

1 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Drug use
No family support
No value placed on getting high school diploma
Students are lazy/bored

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Provide more afterschool activities

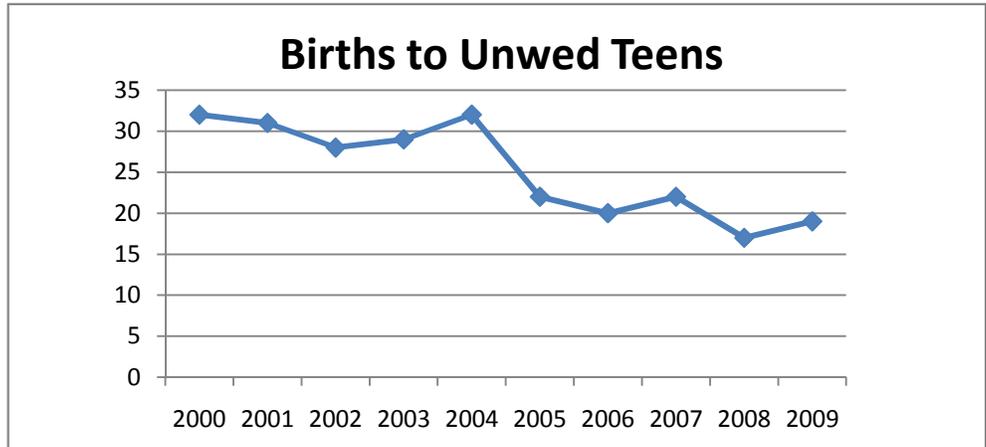
Parent meetings

Reality Check

(No cost/low cost idea) Reality Check

Choctaw Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

- Substance abuse
- Peer pressure
- No parental supervision
- Peer pressure
- "The cool thing to do"
- Media

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

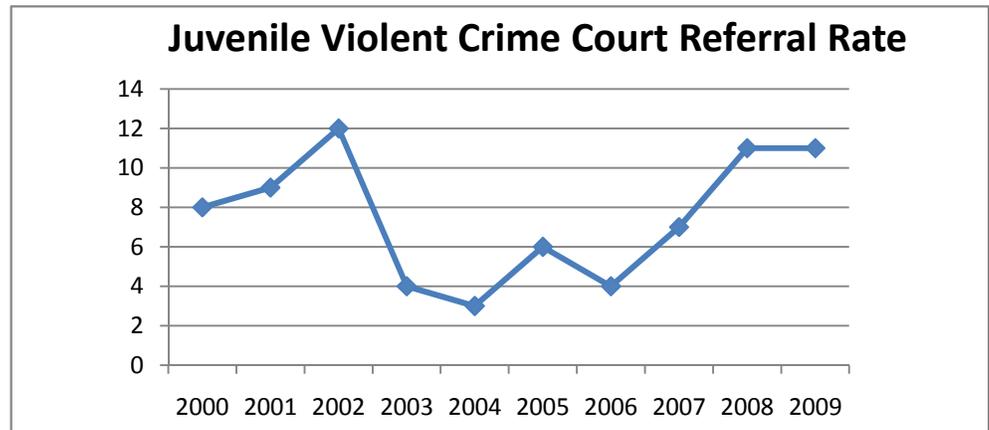
Awareness/ Education

Education programs in schools, churches, and the community

(No cost/low cost idea) Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

Choctaw Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Unstable Home
Lack of parental support
Drug Abuse
Peer Pressure
Lack of positive role models

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Too good for violence

Parenting Classes

(No cost/low cost idea) Faith-Based programs

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Accomplishments

Clarke County HIPPY Program graduated 84 students.

Several dual enrolled students graduated from the Welding Program, Cosmetology, Machine Technology and Associate Degree Program.

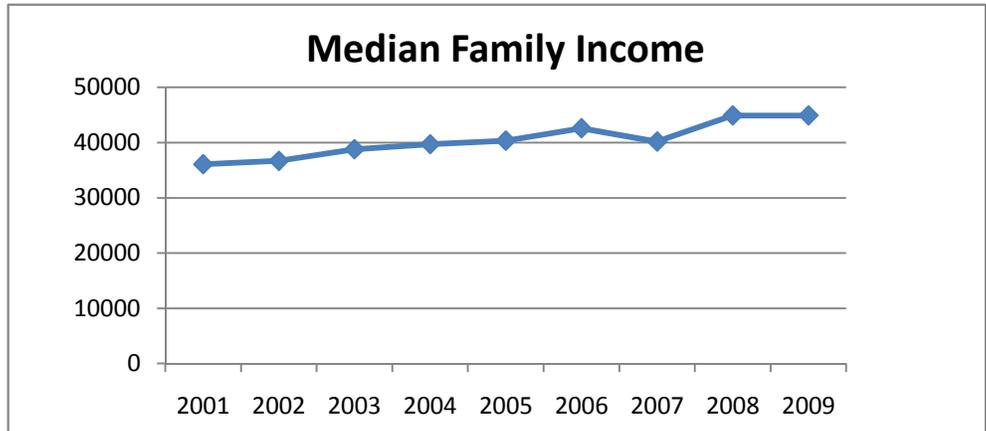
Trio Program is in full operation at Alabama Southern. It consists of the Talent Search and Upward Bound. The Talent Search prepares them by providing career education for 6-12 graders. The Upward Bound prepares them for college and covers grades 9-12.

A few industries have opened in the county such as Hampton Inn in Jackson, Alabama.

The Boys and Girls Club of South Alabama (Thomasville, Alabama) has reopened and has over 100 students.

Clarke Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Industrial development has flourished in this county and region, but 2007 saw a number of temporary layoffs and plant closings. With the coming of a new steel mill in the region (employing almost 30,000 workers during construction phase and an estimated 2,700 once operational) as well as aggressive efforts to recruit new industry in the region, we expect median family income in our county to continue its upward trend.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Alabama Southern has graduated students from the welding program that consist of 8 - 10 weeks. The dual enrollment program continues to exist between the school and Alabama Southern. Families continue to struggle financially as a result of the economy. DHR continues to see an increase in food stamp applications. The stimulus package of the Obama Administration has helped in the county in various areas.

2010 Action Plan

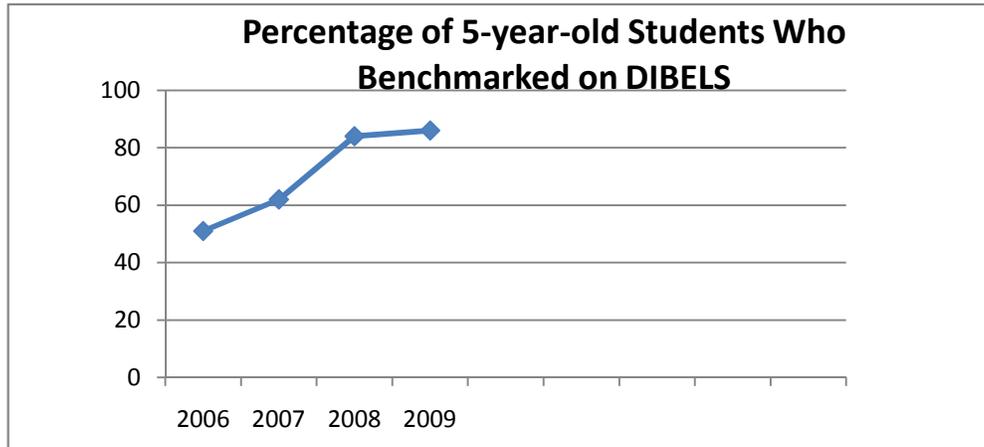
Track Center Tech Students

Advocate for more technical programs for non-college students

Monitor new and existing industries for jobs and pay scales

Clarke Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

There are 2 years of data for the DIBELS test since the 4 year old Kindergarten Program began. As is evident with the graph, the second year showed significant improvement.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The H.I.P.P.Y. Program had another successful year. They graduated 84 students. Approximately 20 students had been enrolled for three years. The school can start tracking their process.

Clarke County Board of Education works with the local Head Start Center to speech services to children

The Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Alabama has reopened and has partnered with the local CPC

2010 Action Plan

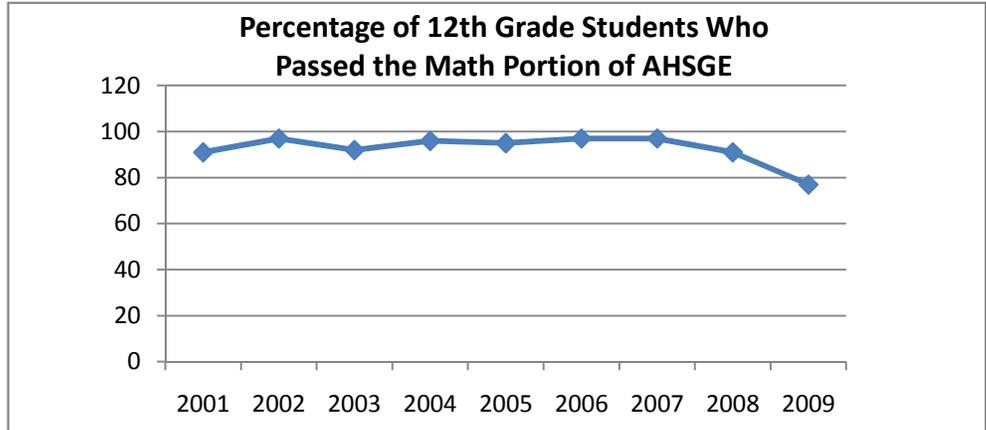
Continue to support and promote H.I.P.P.Y. and track student's progress

Continue to monitor the Kindergarten Pilot Program with the developmental delayed and the typical development

Continue to support the Kids and Kin Program

Clarke Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

The AYP (Annual Yearly Progress) indicators increase every two years. As the indicator goes up, a drop in scores the first year of the cycle is evident.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

After school tutoring is available to students. A task force has been developed to address the dropout rate in Clarke County. The Credit Recovery Plan is being implemented to assist students in recovering the necessary the credits they will need to graduate.

Clarke County has started a Parent Education Institute to teach parents the importance of education and communication with school personnel

2010 Action Plan

Continue remediation classes for students who fail one or more sections of the AHSGE

Continue the task force to address truancy and high school dropout

Task Force developed to address high school dropout issue

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Accomplishments

“Tour the World” Day Camps

Tour of Italy – March 14th, 2009

Tour of South America – Scheduled Sept, 2010

Let the children experience a new culture and country. Every quarter the CPC intends to provide a day of fun activities that will include the history, geography, customs and culture of the featured country. They would help to cook an authentic lunch, featuring the native cuisine. We hope to encourage children to love history, geography while broadening their cultural experience.

Entrepreneurship Club

Youth Yard Sale April/2010

This club was first introduced in September, 2008. It has been well received and is open to children in grades 1 thru 8. This club encourages children and youth to look at the skills and ideas necessary to have their own small business. This may be babysitting, pet sitting, yard work, operating a lemonade stand or whatever unique ideas they can dream up. They are encouraged to learn about marketing, advertising, sales, inventory and profit/loss. Of course the core values of this program are to teach honesty, reliability, honoring your word and all of the key traits that make up a solid work ethic.

Job Fair – April, 2009

Over 100 people attend the first annual Clay County Job Fair, co-hosted with the Ashland Library. Services and resources were made available for individuals seeking employment.

Held Interview Skills/Resume Writing Workshops for those seeking employment.

Supported the new Teen Challenge Program within our County.

Aided SIFAT (Students in Faith and Technology) with Summer Placements.

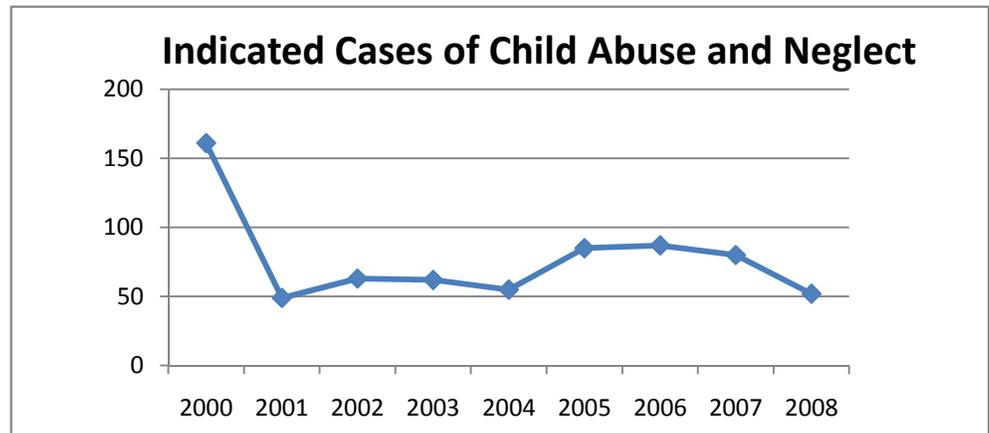
Supported Law Enforcement Day with Student Volunteers.

Building on our Creation of Student to Student, a new division Student to Veteran began Spring of 2010. The CPC co-sponsored Veteran's Day for over 100 people within our community. Students also participated in a Veteran's Flag Retirement Day

Tutoring Services - Provided Exit Exam Tutoring for At-Risk Youth.

Clay Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Inadequate parental skills

Lack of information regarding resources and support

Need for parental involvement in all aspects of child's life.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Supported Law Enforcement Day with Student Volunteers

2010 Action Plan

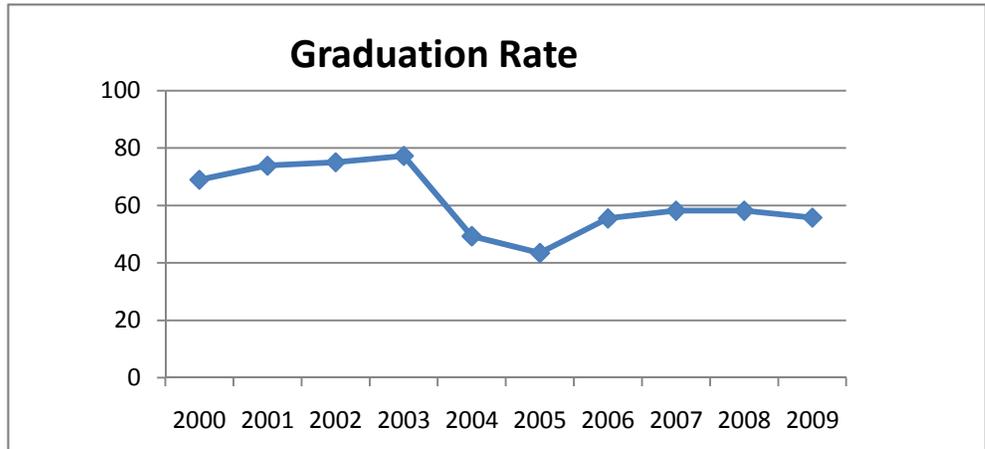
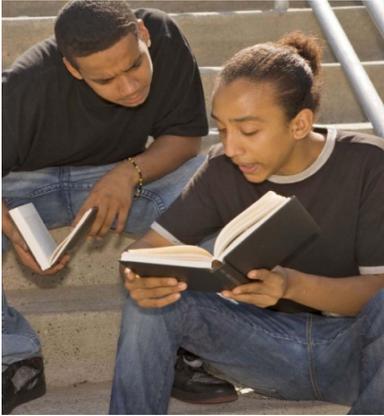
Continue Internet Safety Presentations

Continue to identify children at risk

(No cost/ low cost idea) Encourage attendance to Bible Schools. Encourage attendance to no cost family community events like the Arts Festival, Car Show, Summer Sizzle, and Fall Festivals.

Clay Children's Policy Council

2 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

No tutoring services available in county. Increase in number children left at home CHINS unsupervised.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Tutoring Services - Provided Exit Exam Tutoring for At-Risk Youth.

2010 Action Plan

Provide tutoring services for "Exit Exam"

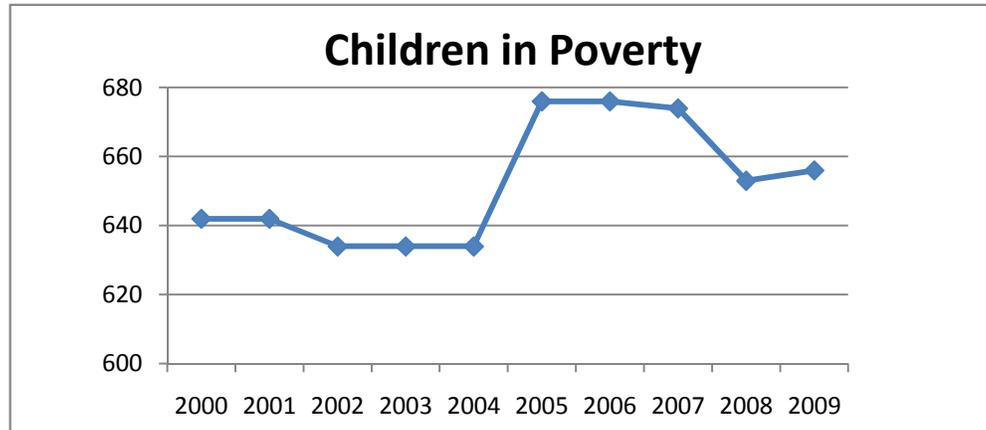
Provide Afterschool homework programs

Provide programs to help with real world skills

Locate and support tutoring resources Adult and young adult, Peer to Peer

Clay Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of Parental skills leads to unhappy relationships. Lack of resources for parents and education leads to poverty. Families have less time to spend with children when both parents have to juggle multiple jobs and schedules.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Job Fair – April, 2009

Over 100 people attend the first annual Clay County Job Fair, co-hosted with the Ashland Library. Services and resources were made available for individuals seeking employment.

Held Interview Skills/Resume Writing Workshops for those seeking employment.

2010 Action Plan

Provide money management services to parents

Provide job placement services/resources

Begin a county food bank program and start a summer lunch program

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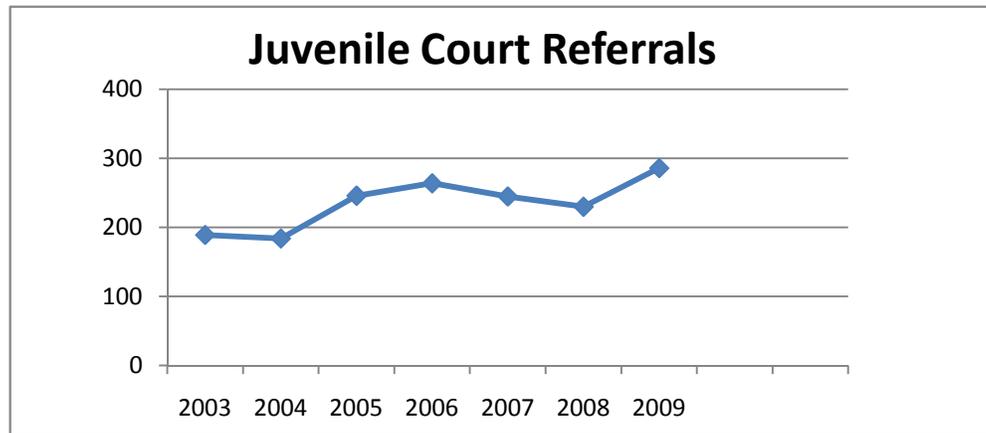
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Accomplishments

1. Remediation was provided for students again before and after school each day.
2. The World of Work program completed its last year of grant funding and has been successful in helping students stay in school and graduate.
3. The Middle School Mentoring Program continues to use volunteers and assist children in improving grades and behavior.
4. Heflin Parks and Recreation continues to increase the variety of programs offered to the youth of the community. The newest addition is the field target range for pellet and air guns. They have partnered with a 4H Club and provide competitions.
5. The Be Extreme Program for at risk girls was reactivated this year.
6. The Reality Check Program was presented in the Middle School. This is a free program provided by County Extension Services and enables students to see what the real world is like as an adult.
7. Three out of four elementary schools provided Pre-K programs. A lack of a classroom is the only reason our fourth school has not applied for a Pre-K program.
8. The School Support Program was reactivated and provided a social worker in the schools. The Cleburne County School System continues to work hard to save jobs and provide support for students in the most economical way possible. In School Suspension Programs and Safety Programs through grant funding are diligently sought and provided each year.
9. A list of accomplishments by HEARTS(Helping Every Area Resident To Succeed)will be mailed with the minutes.

Cleburne Children's Policy Council

1 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Referrals to Juvenile court have increased due to the following reasons:

Truancy cases are being referred due to State Policy

A special survey by the QA Team has shown that meth use and other substance abuse has affected the increased number of dependency cases.

With few resources in the county, parents are referring more children with out of control behavior to court. To lower these numbers, the community will need to be engaged and involved.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. The Middle School Mentoring Program continues to make use of volunteers to assist children in improving grades and behavior.
2. The School Social Worker Program will continue for another school year.
3. The Be Extreme Program was reactivated for this school year.
4. HEARTS (Helping Every Area Resident to Succeed), a grassroots agency working with families, continues to meet needs in our community. A list of accomplishments by HEARTS is attached. Included in the attachment is the addition of an onsite case manager to assist individual and families at risk for becoming homeless.
5. Heflin Parks and Recreation continues to increase the variety of programs offered to the youth of the community while keeping costs at a minimal.

2010 Action Plan

Support the expansion of Mentoring Programs to all schools and encourage more mentor volunteers.

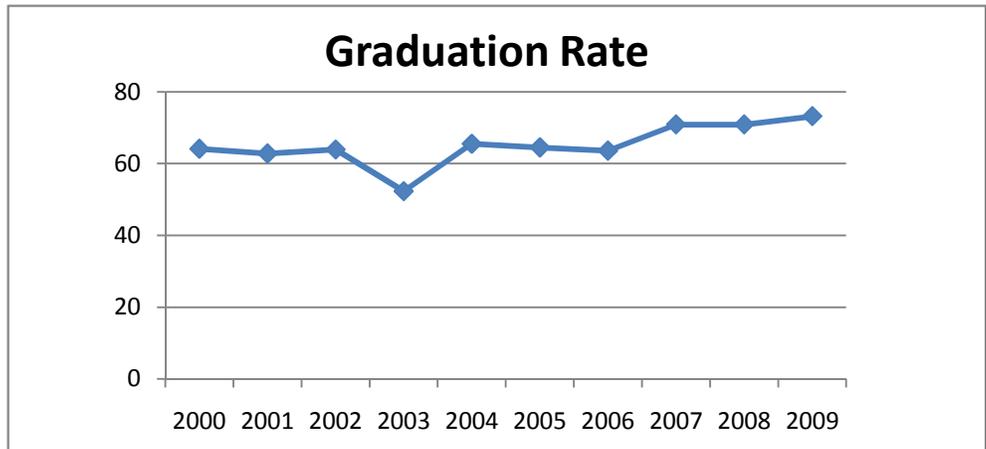
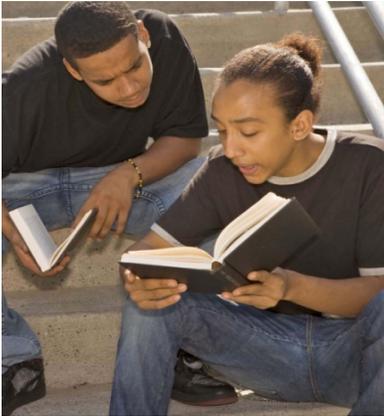
The School Social Worker Program will lose funding after this next school year. The Council will work with the school system to find other funding sources.

Continue support for HEARTS and Heflin Parks and recreation.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to look for a safe, supervised place for kids to gather. Look for ways to involved the faith community. Also look for ways to keep children involved in extra curricular activities.

Cleburne Children's Policy Council

2 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Beginning in 2005, the Cleburne County Board of Education implemented a strategic plan developed with a belief of high expectations. A system of identifying, intervening, and monitoring all students who were "at risk" was begun. Funding sources were obtained from grants and local funds to begin remediation and start new programs like the "World of Work Program." This program targets students who are two or more years behind and provides credit make-up and technical training helping students graduate and be prepared for the world of work.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. Remediation programs continued to be available to all students in the mornings before school started and after school at the Cleburne County High School.
2. The World of Work Program was provided for this school year. Although the program is discontinued, software has been purchased to continue to provide credit recovery for high school students.
3. Health and Career Fairs continue to be provided with different agencies involved.
4. The school system presented Dr. Mary Holley as a speaker on the affects of methamphetamines during their Red Ribbon week.
5. The Reality Check Program offered by the County Extension was presented to the Cleburne County Middle School.

2010 Action Plan

Continue remediation programs for all students.

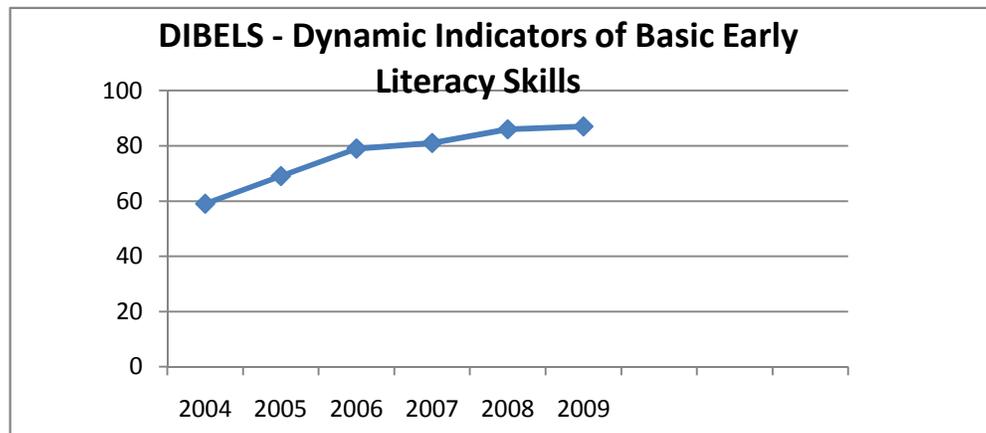
Make use of the Reality Check Program offered by the County Extension Office in all the age appropriate schools in the

Look for ways to reinstate the World of Work Program through other funding sources.

(No cost/low cost idea) Expand Mentoring Programs to all schools. Encourage participation in the Health Class offered at Cleburne High School.

Cleburne Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Beginning in 2005, the Cleburne County Board of Education implemented a strategic plan developed with a belief of high expectations. In this plan all elementary schools were expected to get Alabama Reading Initiative Training (which they did) and they also committed to providing schools and teachers the resources they needed. Pre-K programs continued to be funded at our two highest poverty schools, Pleasant Grove Elementary School and Fruithurst Elementary school which is beginning their program in 2008.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. Three out of the four elementary schools in the County now have Pre-K programs. The fourth school would apply for a Pre-K if they had a classroom for the program.
2. Cleburne County continues with over 90% of children insured through All Kids, Medicaid or private insurance.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to support Pre-K programs for County Schools.

Follow best practices and decrease retentions particularly in kindergarten.

Support the Head Start Program.

(No cost/low cost idea) Promote giving out information on signing children up for insurance through the school nurse.

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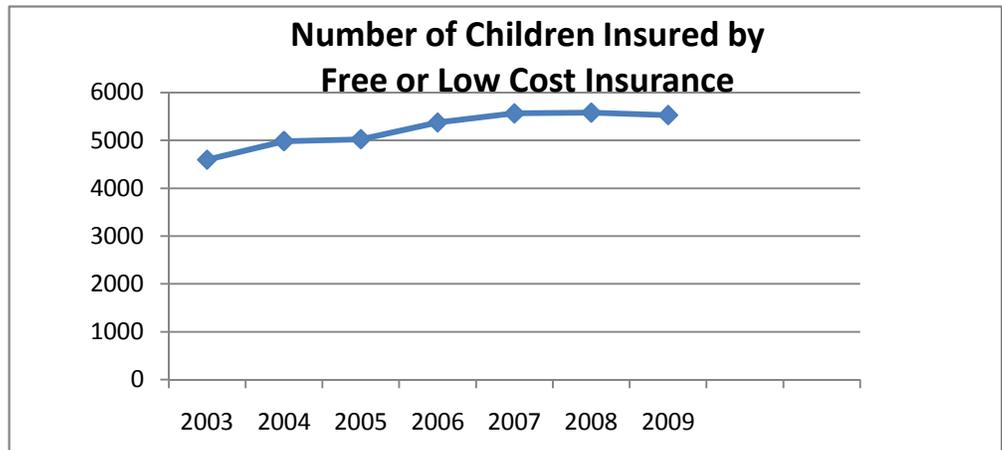
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Accomplishments

1. Developed a Dropout Prevention Resource Guide and distributed to school counselors
2. Employed a CPC Director
3. Distributed a County Resource Directory to agencies serving children
4. Participated in Enterprise and Coffee County Health Fairs
5. Continuation of Parent Project, Early Warning Court, Young Parents, and Building Blocks Program
6. Selected and certified over 45 Juvenile Conference Committee community volunteers
7. Continued community-wide effort to identify and obtain coverage for uninsured children
8. Completed Tobacco Cessation Grant for eligible county elementary schools
9. Continuation and expansion of Youth Enrichment Services Program awarding 47 GEDs this year
10. Planning continuing education workshops for psychologists, social workers, LPCs, marriage and family counselors, and educational professionals
11. Assisted with the Coffee County Youth Leadership Program
12. Informed local civic clubs, schools, churches, and the business community of the role of the CPC
13. Planning a Regional Dropout Prevention Conference for District Judges, Superintendents, and JPOs

Coffee Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Many children in Coffee County are uninsured because of the following:

1. Lengthy and complicated Medicaid form
2. Unemployed parents
3. Language barriers
4. Unmotivated parents
5. Lack of/barriers to obtaining eligibility documentation
6. Lack of information about availability
7. Children living with non-custodial individuals

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued community-wide effort to identify and obtain coverage for uninsured children

Provided trained assistance for completing applications

Distributed information to schools, senior citizen centers, public housing, and placed in Chamber Welcome Packet

Participated and distributed information at Community Health Fairs in Enterprise and New Brockton

2010 Action Plan

Continue providing trained assistance for completing applications

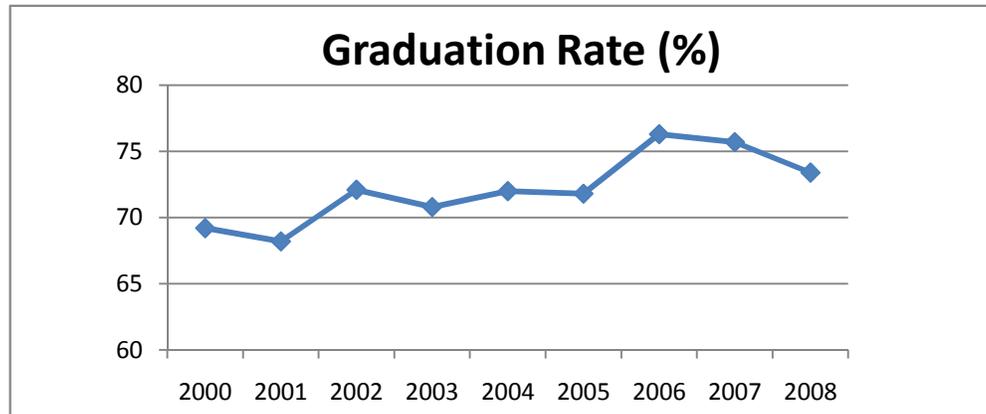
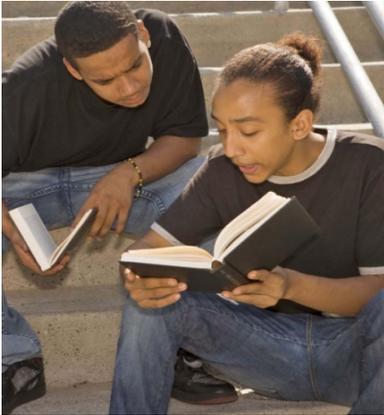
Implement Health Check and Tobacco Cessation Programs in identified elementary schools

Develop a CPC newsletter and distribute to schools addressing health issues

(No cost/ low cost idea) Distribute information at community health fairs and involve ALL Kids in community health fairs

Coffee Children's Policy Council

2 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Many children drop out of school because of the following:

1. Emphasis on testing rather than learning
2. Vocational courses cut due to funding/scheduling
3. Lack of parental involvement
4. Student boredom
5. Teen pregnancy
6. Family cycles of poverty and illiteracy
7. Children living with non-custodial individuals
8. Drugs/Alcohol
9. Learning Disabilities
10. Unaddressed/undiagnosed mental health issues

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Distributed Dropout Prevention Resource Guide to schools

Over 25 Parent Project Participants

Selected and trained over 45 community volunteers to serve on Juvenile Conference Committees

Assisted schools in identifying students eligible for the Youth Enrichment Services Program

YES program awarded 47 GED diplomas and was re-funded with a 10% increase

2010 Action Plan

Host Dropout Prevention Conference for District Judges, Superintendents, and Juvenile Probation Officers

Involve Coffee County Youth Leadership in CPC meetings

Continue to expand Parent Project and Juvenile Conference Committees

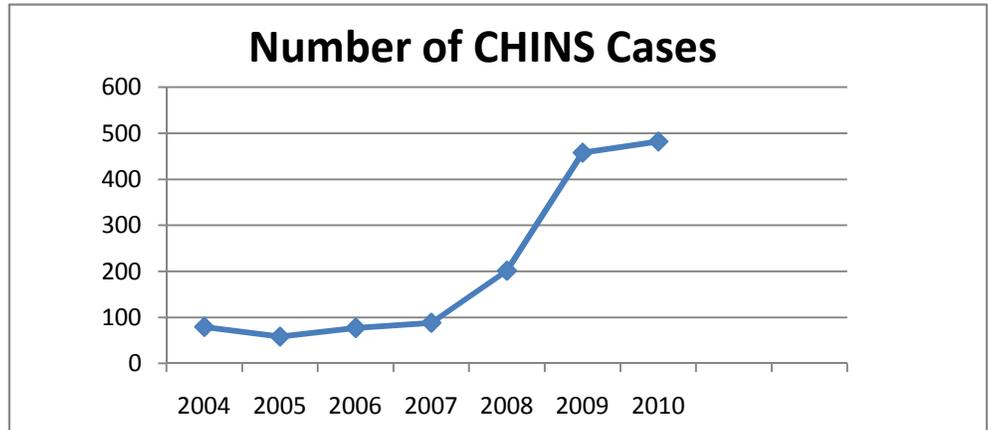
Expand after school programs

Provide assistance, including counseling services, to parents and students involved in Early Warning Court

(No cost/ low cost idea) Survey dropouts to determine reasons for leaving school

Coffee Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of parental involvement is due to the following:

1. Non-custodial parents
2. Parental Substance abuse
3. Lack of no cost/low cost activities for families/children
4. Unemployment
5. Mental health issues
6. Teen pregnancy
7. Poor parenting skills and parental apathy

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The Parent Project Program is fully operational with two sessions completed which included over 25 participants

Early Warning Program has proven successful

Over 45 community volunteers have been certified and trained for the Juvenile Conference Committee

Juvenile Redirection Program is fully operational

2010 Action Plan

Implement Juvenile Conference Committee Program

Continue Early Warning Program

Provide Dual Enrollment programs of interest to students

Fully Implement Parent Court

(No cost/ low cost idea) (1) Provide counseling for students and parents involved in Early Warning Court and (2) Community volunteer participation in after school program offerings

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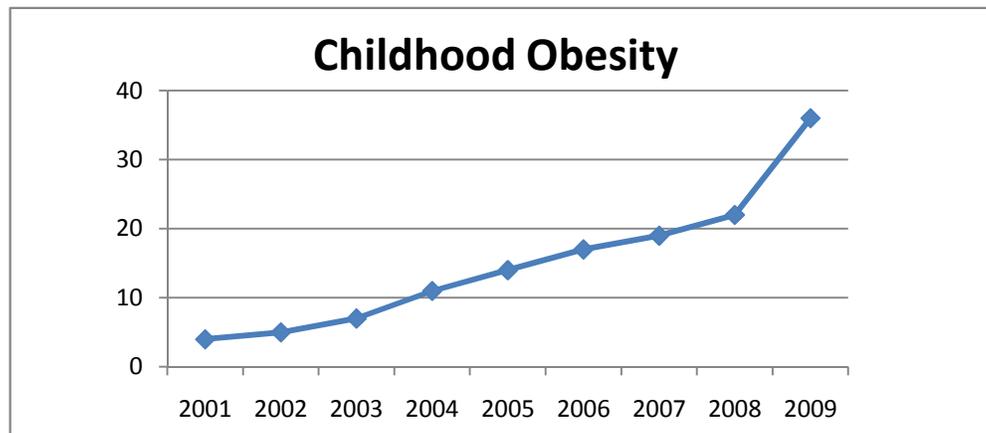
Drug Scene - a theatrical performance to discourage teens from drug use. Local school brought students to this event to see the first hand effects of drugs.

Family Advocacy Program Implemented

HEARTS Respite - a program where money is given to families to assist with respite services for children who are developmentally disabled.

Colbert Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Obesity starts in early childhood and is steadily increasing in our county. It causes an increase in diabetes and other health related problems. It also decreases the child's physical ability.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Implement a 5 day lunch program in schools and daycares.

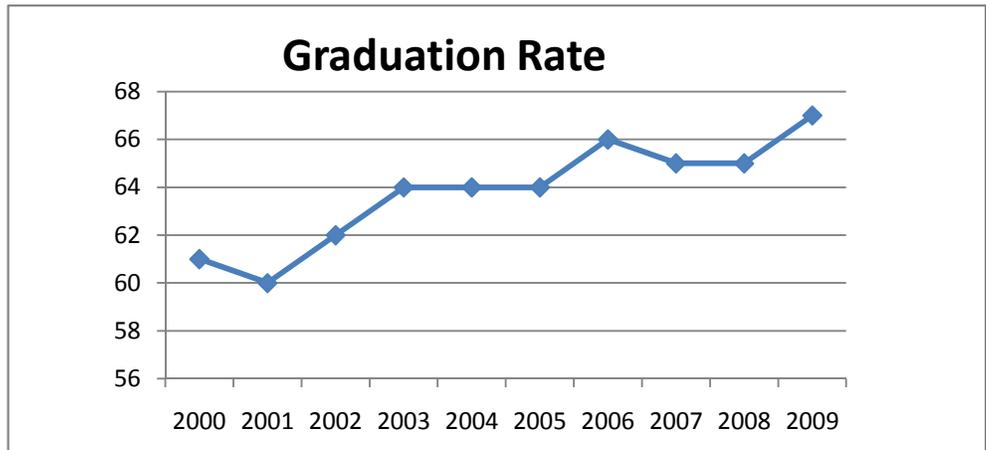
Educate children, parents and caregivers on the risk of obesity.

Start a referral program so pediatricians, schools and daycares can help them get counseling and nutritional information.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Stop government food supplement programs from providing unhealthy foods such as snack cakes, potato chips, etc.

Colbert Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

The dropout rate statistics show a decrease and then it seems to level out. The number of dropouts in our county is still to high. We would like to see these numbers continue to decrease with no increase at all.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Helping Families Initiative Program Active and Ongoing. Shoals Community Assistance Network or SCAN Room.

2010 Action Plan

Ensure early testing of reading skills and check for disabilities. Provide appropriate services that may help the child.

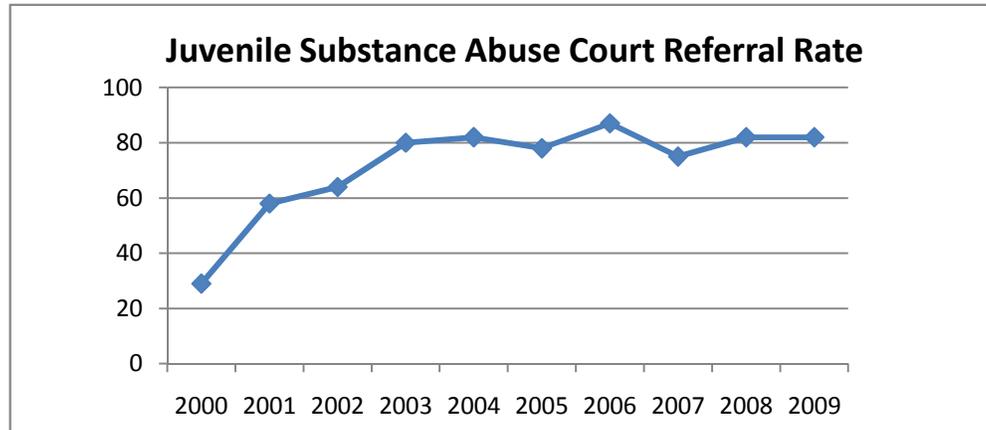
Have a Parent Conference and IEP with all teachers involved.

At the first sign a child may be at risk, involve Helping Families Initiative and complete a home study. Meet with family and see if there may be a problem we can help with that may be causing the child to decline academically.

(No cost/ low cost idea) After school tutoring programs where the smarter students volunteer their time to help any child that may need tutoring.

Colbert Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

The trend shows a steady increase of juvenile substance abuse that will only continue unless steps are taken to decrease these numbers. Juveniles that commit crimes and are substance abusers will continue these acts into adulthood unless it is stopped at an early age.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Offer a variety of Parenting Classes in several locations.

Help the family find the resources available to assist them.

Community Education and Awareness events.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Give out parenting information throughout the year at sporting events and other activities in the community.

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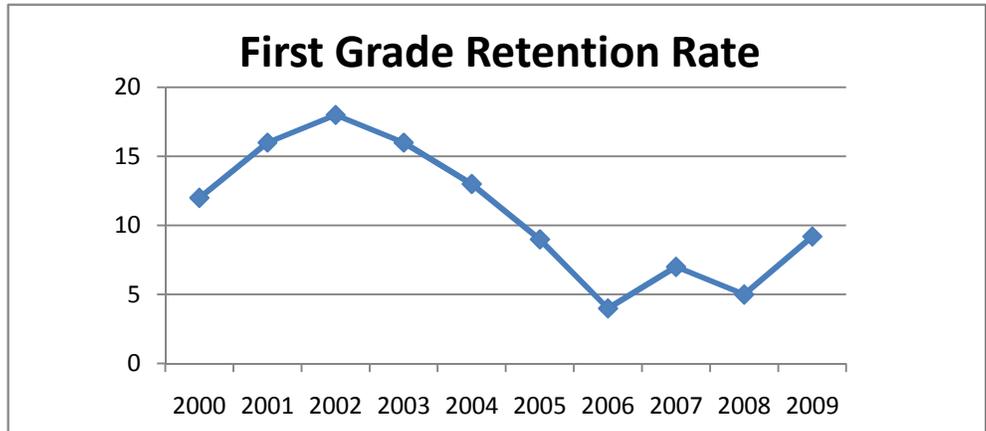
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Accomplishments

1. Participation in annual Sausage Festival with events for the youth
2. Family Resource Center is the headquarters for the new Conecuh County Drug Court
3. Continued success of the of the H.I.P.P.Y. Program
4. Continued success of the youth basketball program with the city

Conecuh Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of Pre-K programs

Parents not understanding the need to take an active role in preparing children for school

Health issues for children

Large number of children/ families receiving TANF

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued success of the of the H.I.P.P.Y. Program

Working with ALLKids to increase number of children with insurance

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek funding for more Pre-K sites

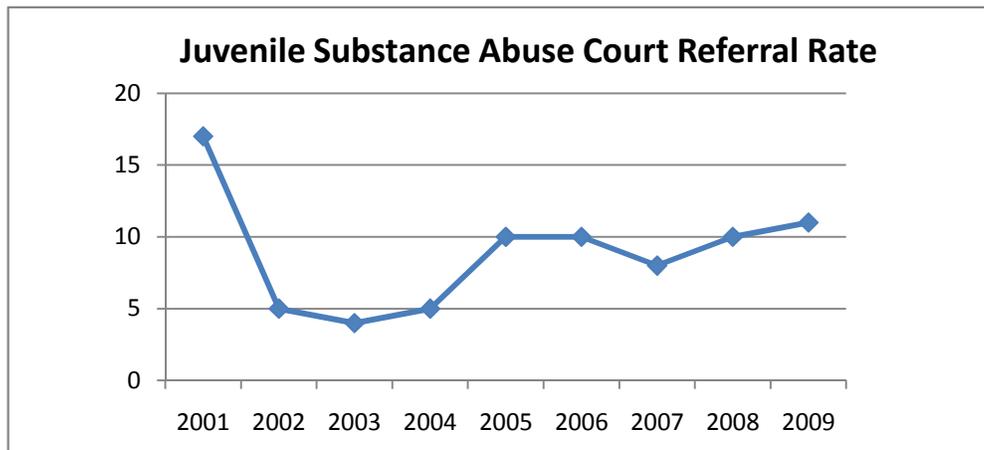
Continue to seek funds to strengthen the H.I.P.P.Y. Program

Continue to seek funding opportunities for new Daycares

(No cost/low cost idea) N/A

Conecuh Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of activities for kids
Gang Activity
Peer Pressure
Media and "Cool" factor

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued success of the youth basketball program with the city
Youth activities were provided at the annual Sausage Festival

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek more afterschool activities for the youth

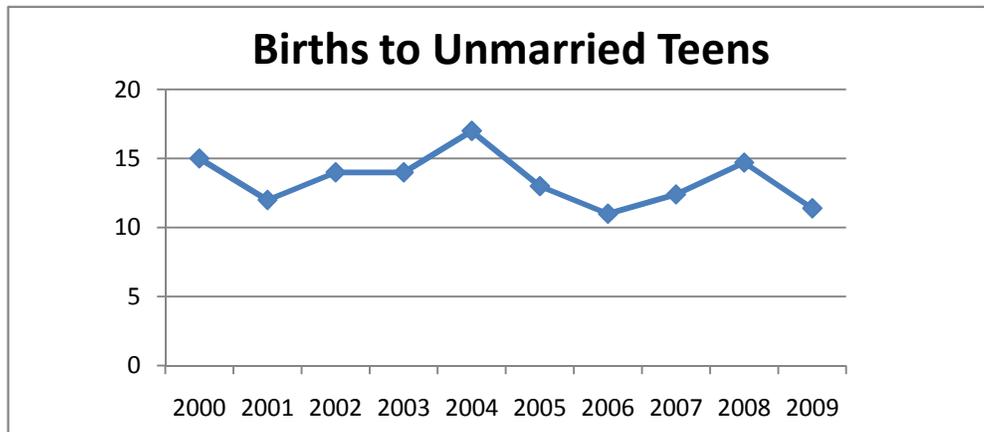
Develop a program of volunteers and students to help with a tutoring/mentoring program

Use of SIDNE for students to show the effects of impaired judgment due to use of drugs and alcohol

(No cost/low cost idea) Provide family fun activities for youth and parents at the Sausage Festival

Conecuh Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of activities
Accepted, no stigma attached
Peer Pressure
Substance Abuse
Glamorized by the media
Lack of understanding of responsibility involved

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek funding to expand parenting classes

Continue Partnership with Teens Getting Involved for the Future (TGIF) Program

Continue partnership with Compass Academy

(No cost/low cost idea) Volunteer Program at local hospital to work with teen mothers

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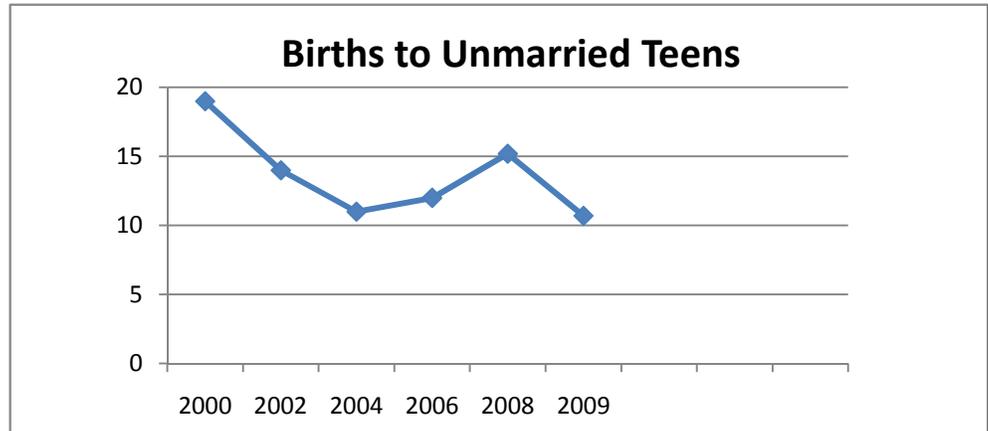
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Accomplishments

1. ALL-Kids Dental packets to students K-4
2. Continuation of Partnership Grant providing on campus Cheaha Mental Health Therapist for families as well as students in Coosa County.
3. Coosa County Family Service Centers providing information and assist families in their local areas
4. Mentors within the school system
5. Bridging the GAP, Truancy prevention program
6. GED Program county including classes available to inmates in the Coosa County Jail

Coosa Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of birth control
Lack of extracurricular activity in the community
Lack of parental supervision

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Cheaha Mental Health Therapist
Planned Parenthood with promoting and providing information about birth control
Juvenile Court Liaison

2010 Action Plan

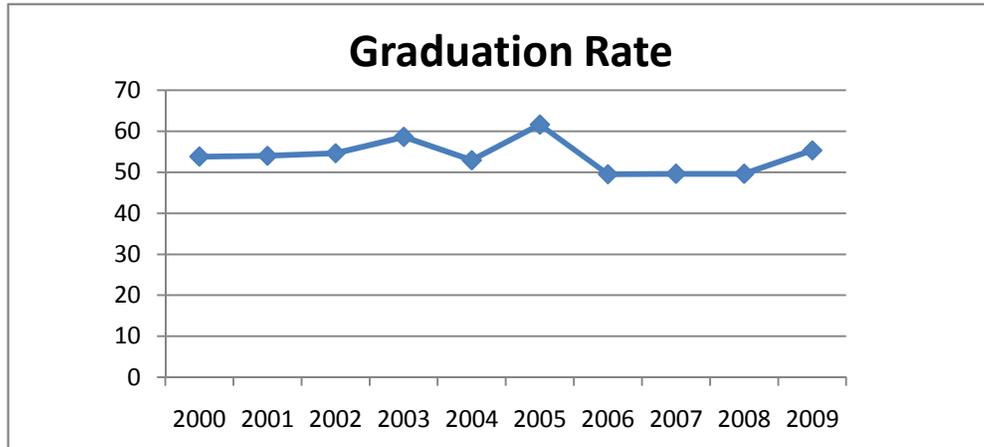
Continuation of promoting brochures and information about birth control

Planned parenthood

Parent/Adolescent and Family Counseling

Coosa Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of vocational/ trade classes available to high school students

Lack of early intervention on truancy between school and legal system

Lack of parental involvement

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Bridging the Gap truancy prevention program

GED Program

Cheaha Mental Health Therapist (on campus)

Juvenile probation services

Summer School

Vocational classes

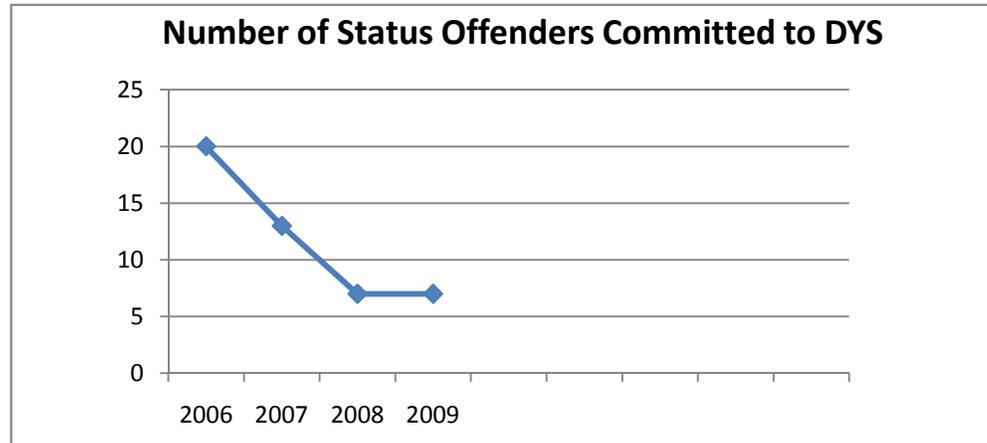
2010 Action Plan

Continuing Bridging the Gap truancy prevention program

GED Program

Coosa Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

"Clear Cut" decisive guidelines not allowing CHINS to be committed

Lack of emphasis in community intervention and involvement

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Juvenile Court Liaison
Court referral program for drugs and alcohol
Community service
Multineeds Team
Coosa County Family Service Center

2010 Action Plan

Continue and expand current services

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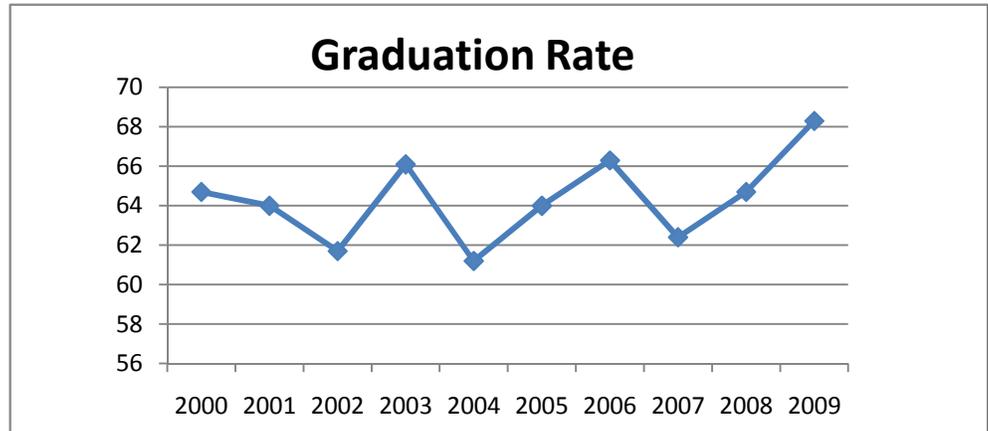
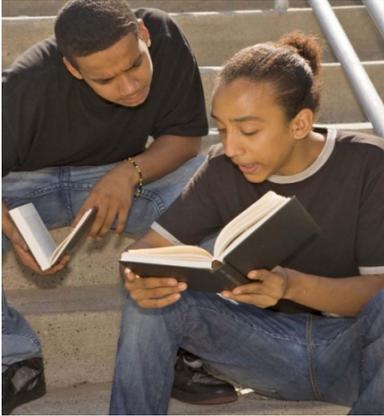
1. October 2009, the CCCPC received a 5-Year Drug Free Communities Grant for drug prevention activities and programs from The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.
2. December 2009, the CCCPC held its second Religious Leader's Symposium for area pastors and youth leaders for over 80 participants where various speakers shared information concerning Covington County youth drug/alcohol statistics.
3. February 2010, the CCCPC held a Youth Leadership Conference for over 80 Peer Helper students from area high schools.
4. The CCCPC assisted all 6 high schools in sponsoring Peer Helper programs.

5.Children,teens, and parents were given an opportunity to participate in a Drug-Free uniform patch project that served as a positive peer influence to those on the team and offered a natural dialogue between parents and their children about substance abuse issues.

6.March 2010, Judge Frank "Trippy" McGuire spoke to PowerSouth employees concerning youth statistics and drug prevention at a "Lunch and Learn" gathering and in May 2010 Judge McGuire spoke at a "Safety Meeting" for Covington Electric Cooperative employees. Judge McGuire's speach is titled "Parents, the Anti-Drug." Judge McGuire's message was well received by parents and grandparents attending these programs.

Covington Children's Policy Council

1 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Kids do not get the connection between education and earnings

Lack of family support

Number of grades repeated

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Peggy Linton applied for and received a grant for the Dual Enrollment grant to include high school students in Covington and surrounding counties.

Straughn High School continues to promote their JAG (Jobs After Graduation) program which helps students complete high school diplomas as well as encouraging volunteerism throughout Covington County and another JAG program has been added to Red Level High School.

Opp City Schools continues to benefit from a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant (received 2008) providing after school tutoring, Monday-Friday for grades k-8.

119 Peer Helper students assisted with tutoring at their schools, mediations, and fund-raising, making treats for athletes, providing birthday treats for student body, and attending Youth Leadership Conference.

2010 Action Plan

Continue and promote the LBWCC Career Tech/Dual Enrollment Grant for area high school students.

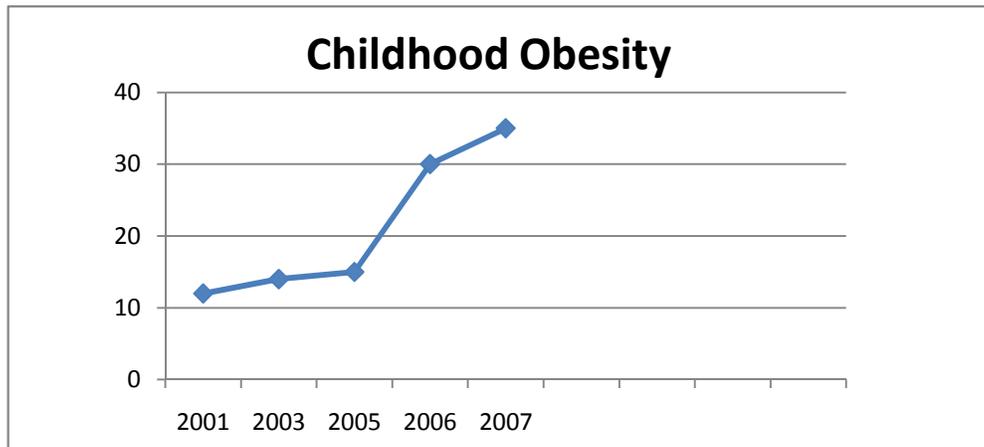
Continue and promote volunteerism through the Peer Helper programs at all 6 high schools and the JAG programs at

Attend and promote "Youth Vision" meetings and projects.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Promote "Reality Check" with the Alabama Extension System

Covington Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Fast food lifestyle (patterns of unhealthy eating)

Not taking or having time to cook healthy food

Video games/computers/television instead of riding bikes, playing basketball, etc.

Insufficient physical activity

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Stephanie Dillard with the Andalusia City School System continues to receive a yearly \$50,000 USDA Fresh Fruit Program for K-5th grades.

Articles were submitted to local newspapers promoting parental awareness surrounding childhood obesity and healthy lifestyle activities.

2010 Action Plan

Promote local physical fitness programs for children

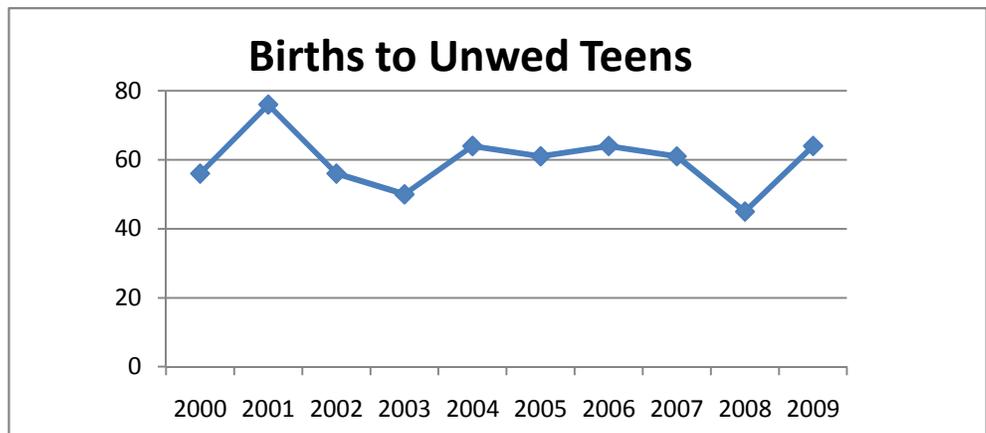
Encourage local school systems to include healthy cooking demonstrations for parents during PTO meetings

Promote parental awareness by writing articles for newspapers on side effects of childhood obesity

(No cost/ low cost idea) Provide poster/essay contest at schools based on choosing healthy foods and increasing physical activity

Covington Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Status symbol in today's society

Popular thing to do

Media message from TV and movies

Many girls become pregnant after dropping out of school

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy gave a presentation to Children's Policy Council. Recently, the county court system has begun to mandate attendance to IMPACT parenting programs.

2010 Action Plan

Promote public awareness about births to unwed teens through newspaper articles.

Promote Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to area schools.

Promote parenting classes sponsored by the Alabama Extension System

(No cost/ low cost idea) Promote Save A Life programs at area schools.

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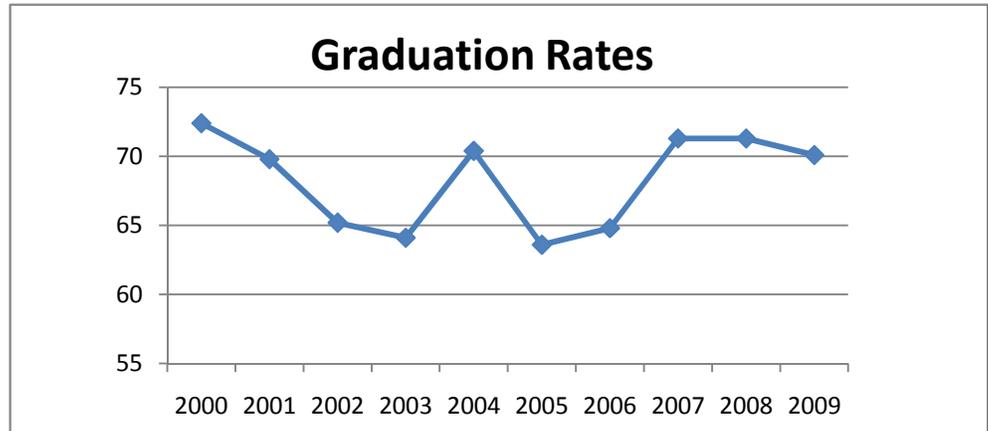
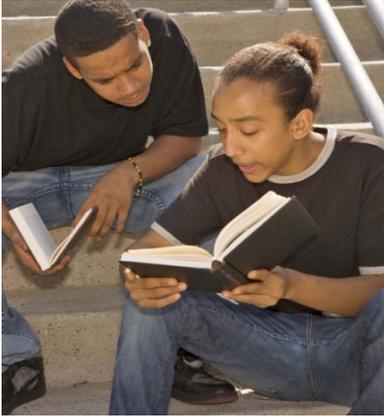
Accomplishments

Successful community service program which makes the youth aware of the consequences of negative behavior

Successful after school tutoring program which promotes the importance of an education

Crenshaw Children's Policy Council

1 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Tutoring programs needed

Lack of family support

Peer Pressure

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Development of an afterschool tutoring program

2010 Action Plan

Continue to promote teen volunteerism/teens tutoring younger children

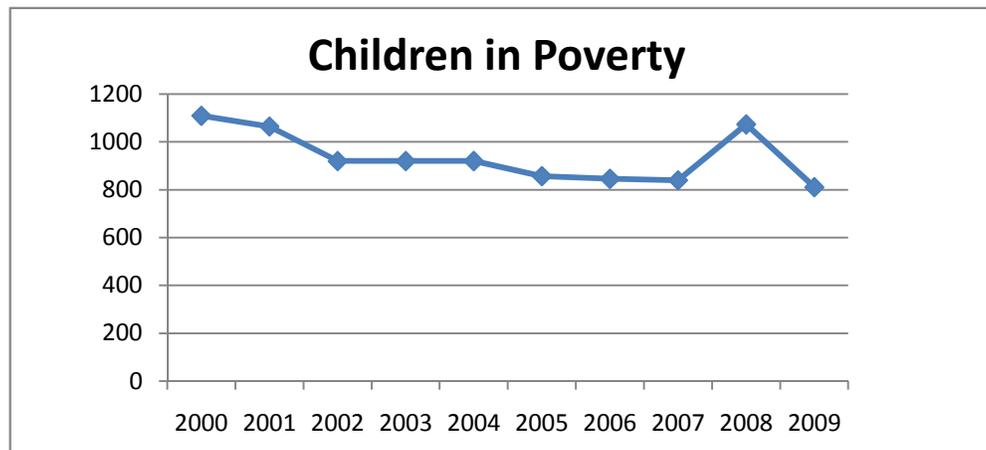
Continue to seek out all available funding both public and private

Continue to promote safety standards as children/teens transition into adulthood

(No cost/ low cost idea) "Reality Check" with extension service

Crenshaw Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of education

Lack of Jobs

Lack of public transportation

Low income families

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

GED Program utilized more effectively

2010 Action Plan

Seek funding for technical school programs

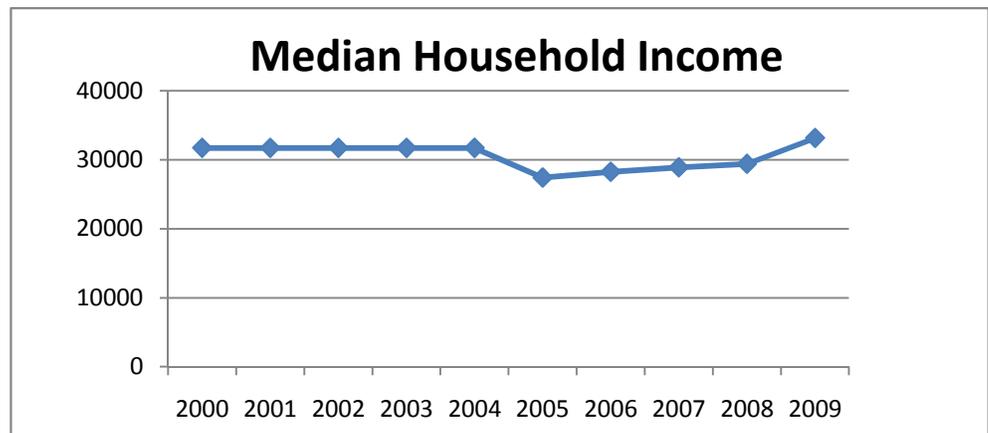
Seek funding for public transportation

Promote job skills and social skills when applying and interviewing for jobs

(No cost/ low cost idea) Poster/essay contest based on healthy lifestyles and smart choices in local schools

Crenshaw Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Status symbol in today's society

Popular thing to do

Media message from TV and movies

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continuation of afterschool tutoring program to foster and promote volunteerism and public awareness in the community

2010 Action Plan

Continue to promote "Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy" programs to make area residents and schools of the problem.

Continue to promote teens tutoring younger children at after school programs

Teens setting a good example of a positive role model through tutoring younger children, therefore reinforcing the importance of an education.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Supporting the Save A Life Program

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Accomplishments

Accomplishments of the Cullman Children's Policy Council for 2010

1. Casa - Following through with a past recommendation Cullman CASA was formed last year. Cullman CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) is a member of the State and National CASA network and boasts a paid volunteer coordinator and approximately 20 trained court appointed child advocates assisting the Juvenile Court with dependency cases. This program has been working to help children for a year and have successfully recruited another outstanding group of volunteers to begin CASA training. It has been very beneficial to those children who have been abused or neglected.

2. Trauma Prevention Program - Recognizing that a large number of young drivers are being injured, many fatally, in Cullman County. We have partnered with Cullman Regional Medical Center to create a Trauma Prevention Program. This is a safety driving education program designed for young offenders charged with speeding to be ordered to the CRMC ER to tour the trauma room and meet with peers and surviving family members of injured drivers in an effort to assist them in making better safer driving decisions. This program began this year and has been extremely successful and has received a lot of community support. State Farm Insurance and Alpha Insurance companies have provided grants to support this program.

3. Illegal Drug Use / Abuse - Illegal drug use has been recognized as the most important issue facing Cullman County children and families because of the far reaching problems it creates for the health, safety and economic security risks to our children. Cullman County requested and received state grants to fund the Cullman Drug Court which is a year long program used as an alternative to incarceration. Currently there are approximately 80 participants in the program. Approximately 41 individuals have already successfully completed the program and only 8 defendants have been sentenced to Alabama Department of Corrections. More importantly, as of this report, not one of those who have graduated has received any new drug charges.

4. Bullying at School - To combat bullying and cyber bullying we sponsored and provided funding for school wide programs for some Elementary Schools which utilized life size puppets presented by the UAB theatre groups. These programs which are well received by the students, faculty and parents who attended.

5. Nonprofit Continued – The Cullman Children’s Policy Council formed a non-profit corporation, Cullman County Partnership for Children, Inc. as a funding mechanism used to apply for and fund grants. Cullman District Judge Greg Nicholas is its Chairman.

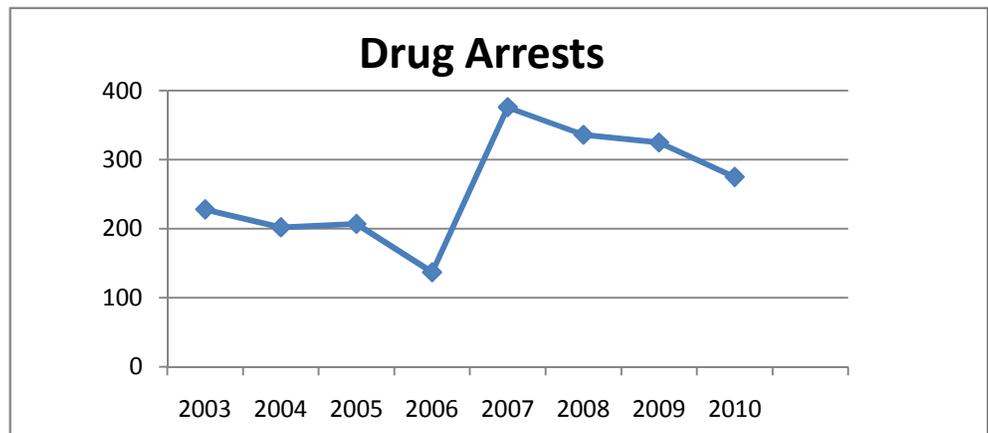
6. Funded Math Program- Cullman Partnership for Children was able to provide \$36,000.00 to the County School System to upgrade and enhance math programs at approximately 5 high schools in Cullman County.

7. Safe Kids Expo - We co-sponsored the Cullman Safe Kids Expo and fishing rodeo with the local Child Advocacy Center. All partners of child safety were invited to participate which provides a free day of fun for the children and a forum for all parents to receive free information how to make sure their children are safe.

8. The Cullman Children's Policy Council was able to provide the local Auburn University - Alabama Cooperative Extension System \$21,923.00 to fund Smart Steps for Children - Grief Support. This is a program to provide educational and grief support to local adolescents and teens resulting from divorce or remarriage in their families. It also provides support for children who are grieving over loss of a family member. It is hoped that this early intervention program will help prevent problems before they manifest themselves as a new case on our dockets.

Cullman Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

The numbers of arrest for illegal drug and increasing, drugs threatens the health, safety, and economic security of our children. Illegal drug abuse cause the destruction of families and increases incidents of child abuse and neglect.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Used GPS trackers on offenders charged with methamphetamine to monitor location
Enlarged and enhanced the use of Drug Court for individuals charges with drug offenses
Began using pretrial release program utilizing GPS trackers and mandated random drug screens
Went to several schools to for drug education/ Character Education of middle school students

2010 Action Plan

Continue Drug Court / Secure additional funding for drug screens

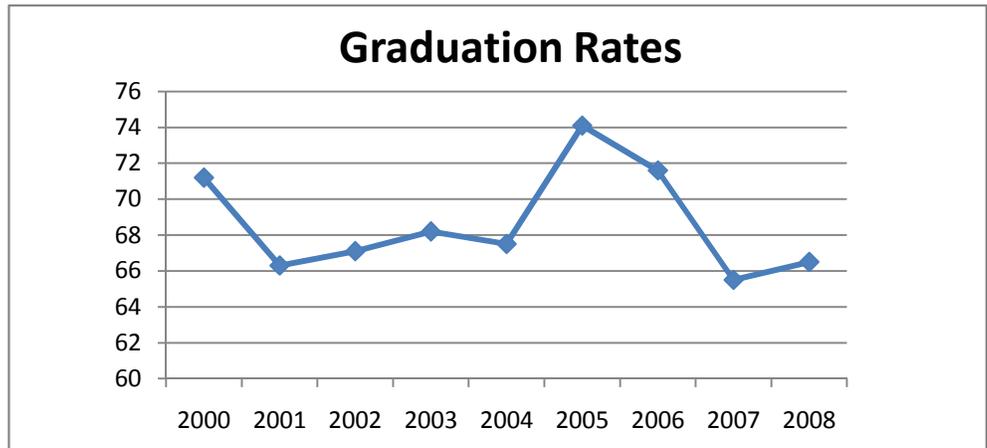
Expand drug education for students and parents

Maintain use of GPS ankle monitors for drug offenders to enhance accountability

(No cost/ low cost idea) The main ingredient in methamphetamine; sudafed and ephedrine should be made a prescription drug

Cullman Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

One of the most important things we can do is help our children graduate high school. We want to reduce the dropout rate and increase the rate of educational attainment for all our youth.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Early warning truancy program is being used to identify at risk students to keep them in school
Provided \$36,000.00 to help with math remediation programs at five Cullman County schools

2010 Action Plan

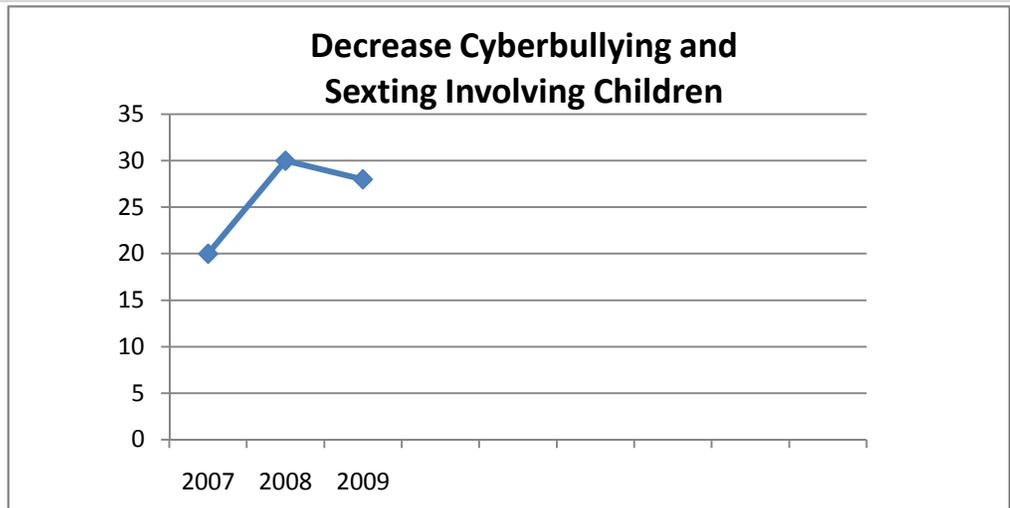
Begin a Parent Accountability Court to help hold parents accountable and to give them tools to better meet their

Find a way to identify at risk children for earlier intervention

(No cost/ low cost idea) Utilize PSA's to educate all about the financial and social benefits gained by graduating High School

Cullman Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Cyberbullying and Sexting (sending nude photos via cell phone) are on the rise. The county has seen an increase in complaints concerning these issues in the last year.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Provided some community education opportunities for parents

In cooperation with the Cullman City School System local high school students were divided by gender and information was presented about current laws pertaining to child pornography and sexting

2010 Action Plan

Meet with administrators / educators at the city and county level to develop strategies to address bullying / cyber bullying

Meet with area law enforcement and DA to develop protocol to handle bullying and cyber bullying cases

(No cost/ low cost idea) Develop some Public Service Announcements for local news papers and radio

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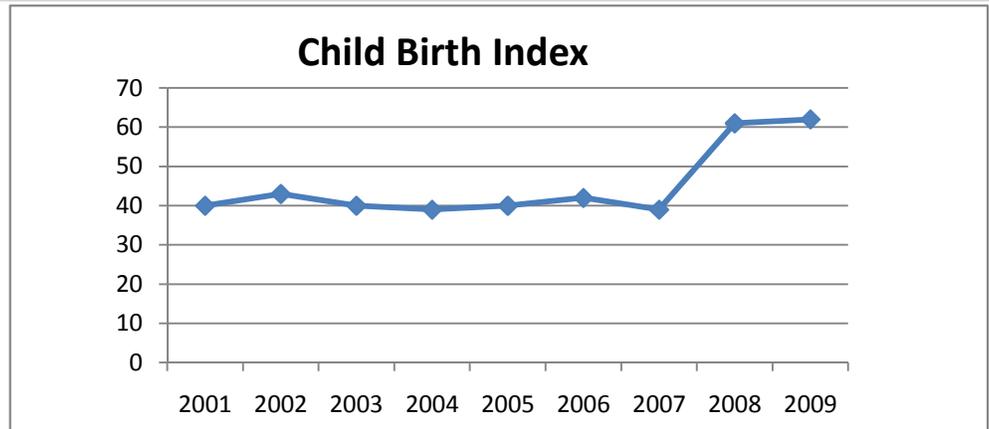
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Accomplishments

- Became an agency of the Wiregrass United Way
- Conducted four drug-free after-prom parties
- Obtained a CTF funding grant for 2009-2010
- Members assisted the Drug-Free Coalition in teaching Tar Wars (a tobacco prevention program for teens)
- Members assisted the Drug-Free Coalition to provide a drug-free community block party in October 2009
- Provided a location for a weekly teen NA/AA class
- Continued involvement in the Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) program
- Continued the Youth Enrichment Services (YES) program which served 22 participants in Dale County, helped 13 individuals obtain GED degrees and awarded 14 career readiness certificates
- Became our own fiscal agent
- Conducted 4 Parent Project classes for 85 parents and 4 Teen Life Skill classes for 56 teens
- Developed and started in February 2010 a Juvenile and Family Dependency Drug Court
- Conducted a Reality Check Program for 8th graders at DA Smith Middle School

Dale Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Unhealthy is defined as late or no prenatal care, low maternal weight gain, mother smoked/drank/or took illegal drugs during pregnancy, or three or more closely spaced pregnancies. All of these conditions lead to a high risk of cognitive delays in children.

While the numbers have fluctuated through the years, the percentage of babies born at risk for cognitive delays remains consistently around 40%. That is much too high a percentage of our children being born at risk for cognitive problems.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Conducted a tobacco prevention program for teens

Conducted an educational program on the dangers of substance abuse to pregnant teens

2010 Action Plan

The Drug-Free Initiative will continue to provide educational programs on the dangers of substance abuse to pregnant women.

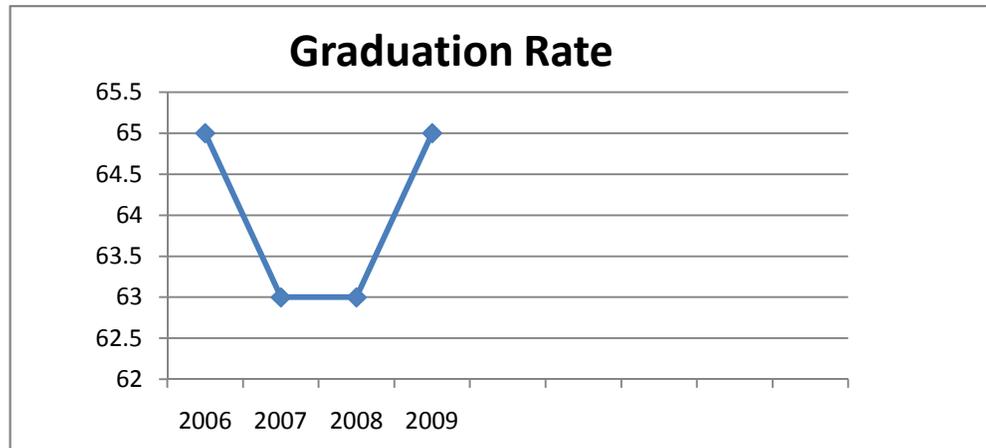
Conduct health fair for children

Conduct tobacco prevention program to teens.

(Low Cost/No Cost idea) Show healthy pregnancy video to expectant mothers.

Dale Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Concerned about the high drop out rate; we think the reasons may be to get a GED and move on to a better environment that they find traditional school to be. Some want to get a GED and move on to college. Education is not a priority to many. The 2000 Census Data shows that about the same percentage of all adults in Dale County have a high school diploma, making this a generational cycle. There may also be economic reasons that students drop out of school.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Conducted the Reality Check Program for 8th graders at DA Smith Middle School

Conducted job/career Interest fairs

Conducted an opportunity academy to allow teens to recover school credits that had been previously dropped/failed

2010 Action Plan

Expand the Reality Check Program to additional grade levels

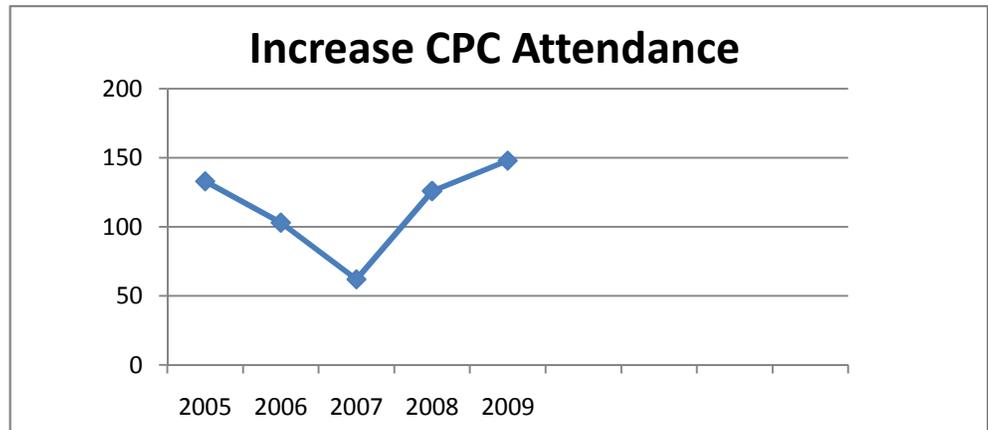
Start a landscaping program at DA Smith Middle School for teens with truancy problems who have been ordered by the Family Court to participate

Develop a resource directory/brochure for teens who are dropping out of school to encourage them to continue with their education via the GED program

(No Cost/Low Cost idea) Community and business leaders to have lunches with students at DA Smith Middle School on a weekly basis to encourage students by providing role models for them.

Dale Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

The CPC meetings are where leaders in the community come together to discuss what they are doing to make the community safer, how they engage the community to improve through action oriented programs, and support each other in making Dale County a better place to live. Many of the mandated members are not attending meetings and the average attendance has dwindled to less than 20% participation. The CPC is open to the public but many do not know it.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- Added several members of the business community to the Policy Council
- Visited and conferred with city and county officials
- Continued with e-mail notification system to advise of meeting times and sent follow-up reminders
- Continued to meet at a time convenient for most members

2010 Action Plan

Restructure the committees and get them operational

Encourage more participation by mandated members by calling and visiting them

Give more work assignments to members to enhance the mission of the Policy Council and encourage more participation that will result in better attendance at Policy Council meetings

(Low Cost/No Cost idea) Get more faith-based members of the community involved with the Policy Council

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Accomplishments

Acquired \$250,000 grant from Department of Youth Services
Juvenile and Family Drug Court
Community Service Program
Collaborating with Pastor Williams- Family Counseling
Collaborating with Pastor Grayson- Parenting Classes
Collaborating with Pastor Pettus- Tutorial Program
Collaborating with the Brant Center- Anger Management, Conflict Resolution and Life Skills
Collaborated with Selma City Schools - Parent Project

Collaborated with City of Selma to pass a curfew ordinance
S.T.O.P Program (Stop Taking Others Property)

Ongoing accomplishments:

Dallas County Detention facility

Hosted annual CPC Conference

Established DAYS Program (Dallas Agency for Youth Support)

Established Youth Opportunities Program

Fatherhood Initiative

Safe School Challenge

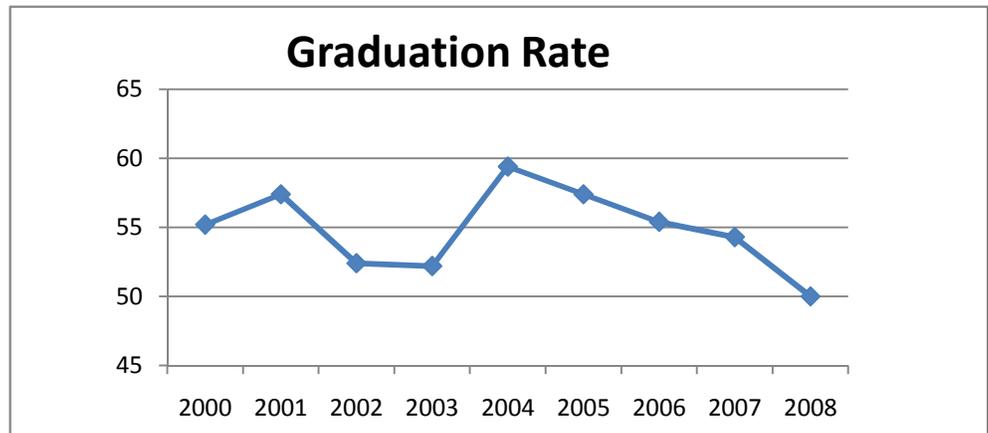
Teen Court

Mentoring Program

Juvenile Conference Committee

Dallas Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of Parental Involvement
Poor school performance
Peer pressure
Gang involvement
Lack of remedial resources
Teen Pregnancy

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Acquired a \$200,000 (+) grant for day school program/In home intervention
Started Juvenile and Family Drug Court
Began collaborating with Pastor Pettus Tutorial Program at Macedonia Community Development Center

2010 Action Plan

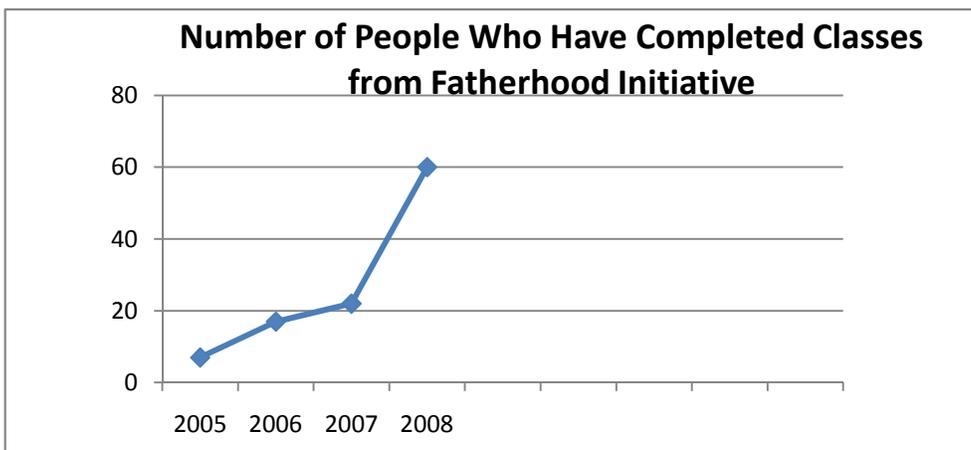
Concerted and collaborative efforts to reduce the number and effect of gangs in Dallas County

To establish a day school and after school for at-risk youth

Collaborating with the Brant Center's efforts to acquire Title IV funding for middle and alternative schools

Dallas Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Men who wanted work but didn't have skills as seen in child support court.

Need for better parenting and father involvement in children's lives

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Restarted Fatherhood Initiative Program

Assisted in obtaining additional funding for Fatherhood

Begin collaborating with Pastor Williams (Family counseling) and Pastor Grayson (Parenting classes)

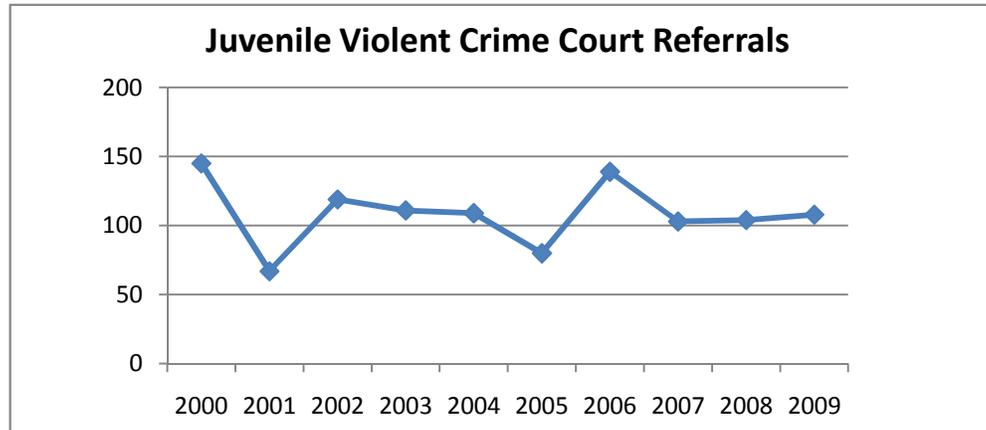
2010 Action Plan

More parental involvement in family counseling

More intense counseling and training for life skills for youth

Dallas Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Dallas County ranks 67 out of 67 counties in this statistic

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued with Safe School Challenge
Mentoring Program and opening of the detention facility
Help in coordinating additional school resource officers

2010 Action Plan

To establish and operate a day school for at-risk youth

To focus on a collaborative effort to reduce gang involvement in our school and communities

To reduce DYS commitments by providing more community based programs and resources to rehabilitate at-risk youth

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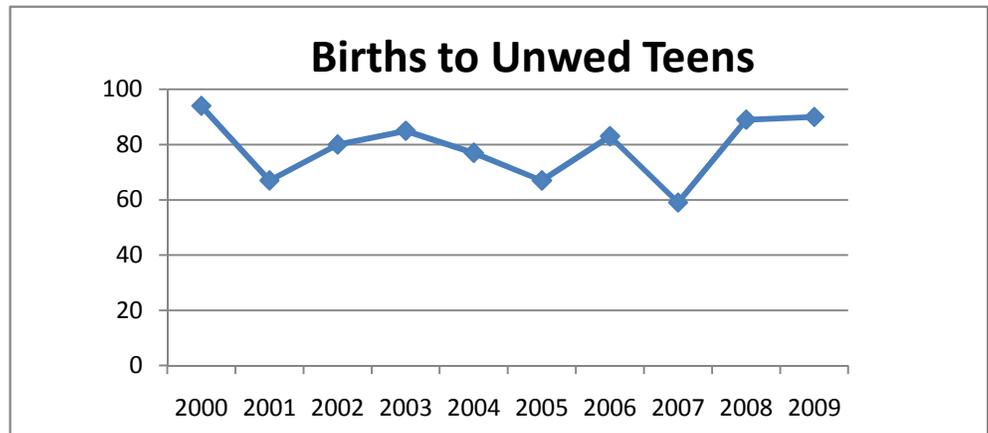
The DeKalb County Children's Policy Council spent 2009-2010 fiscal year focusing on an intensive day program as an option for those youth who would otherwise be headed to the Department of Youth Services. The DeKalb County Youth Services Center is a collaborative effort of DeKalb County Schools, Fort Payne City Schools, and the DeKalb County Children's Policy Council. The program provides each student with the opportunity to improve academically, behaviorally, emotionally, and socially. By providing intervention for high risk youth through a community based effort with the focus on preventing juvenile crime, preventing school drop out, and addressing serious behavioral problems within the respective school system. Parent participation in programs such as Parent Project and in the case management process helps these youths not only in the school setting but in the home where they live.

The Children's Policy Council is the governing body of the Youth Services Center. Through the award of various grants, the At-Risk funding provided through the DeKalb County and Fort Payne City school systems, the program is staffed by only three staff members: the Director, an Instructor, and a Case Manager. The program has serviced 36 students so far with those students returning to their home school system after completion. These students are referred to the program through the Juvenile Court as a stop-gap solution rather than sending them into a Department of Youth Services facility.

The type of offences that have been referred to this program are: alcohol intoxication, assault on staff or student, drug intoxication or use, disruptive behavior, sexual harassment, weapons possession, and chronic truancy. The Children's Policy Council continues to work with the Juvenile Court, the Juvenile Probation Department and the Department of Youth Services on evaluating and improving the program on a regular basis.

DeKalb Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of parental involvement
Lack of complete sexual education (birth control)
Lack of information about where to get birth control
Social norms
Lack of activities

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The DeKalb County school system partnered with community services to bring in a new teen pregnancy program at the high school level.
A youth advisory board was formed between the two school systems to assist in assessing the needs of youth in DeKalb County.

2010 Action Plan

To continue to assist in accessing community services to perform prevention programming in both school systems.

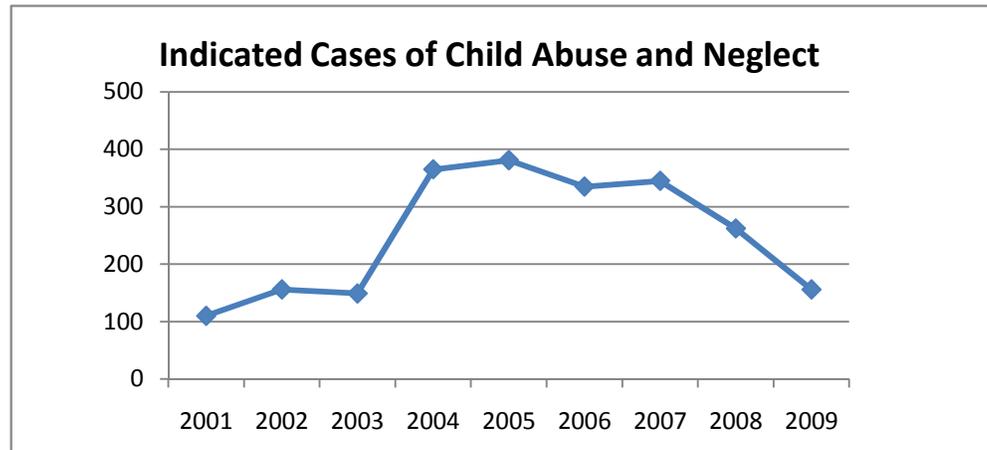
To get the teen pregnancy prevention program into the Fort Payne School system.

To use the youth advisory board to help create a way to create a campaign of peer pressure against teen pregnancy.

(No cost/ low cost idea) To have moms who had children as a teen come talk with teens who are at risk of becoming

DeKalb Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of Parenting Skills
Economic Stress
Alcohol and drug abuse
Lack of support
Lack of relationship skills
Anger management

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued alcohol and drug testing for all students participating in extracurricular activities.
Promoted the PAL help line for parents with younger children through the media and print.

2010 Action Plan

To continue bringing in domestic violence prevention programming for high school students.

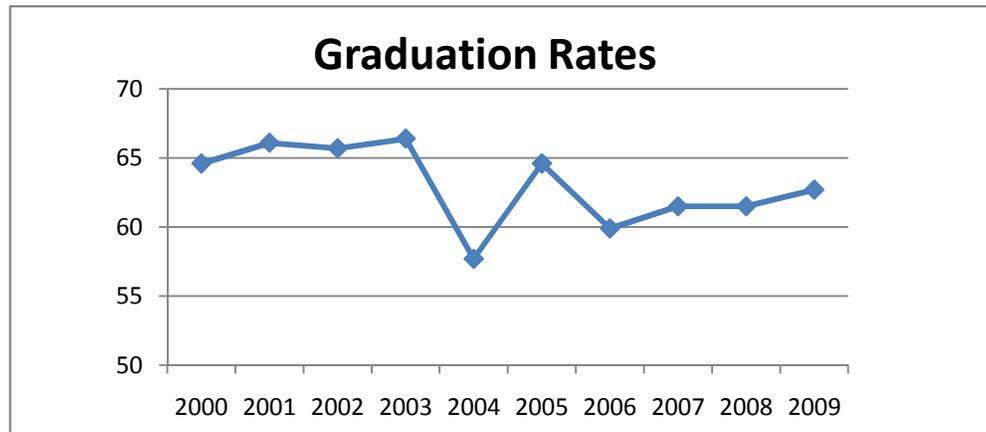
To continue to promote the PAL line for parents with younger children.

Use the Parent Project as a part of the new day program for juvenile offenders

(No cost/ low cost idea) To continue to bring more faith based and community programs into the Children's Policy

DeKalb Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Teen pregnancies
Alcohol and drug use
Lack of parental involvements
Lack of self-esteem
Bullying
Lack of financial stability in the family

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The youth advisory board between the two school systems continues to assist in assessing the needs of youth in DeKalb County.

Implemented career assessment tools in the school system at the middle and high school levels in both systems.

The DeKalb County Children's Policy Council in collaboration with the juvenile court, both school systems, the legislator, and other community partners has opened a day program for youth who violate level 3 or higher non-violent offenses in the school system to provide more intense, wrap around services to the youth and the family.

2010 Action Plan

To continue with plans expanding the intense treatment day program for offending youths and their families

To continue to assist in accessing community services to perform prevention programming in both school systems.

To continue to use the youth advisory board to assist in developing programming for the youths regarding prevention efforts.

(No cost/ low cost idea) To bring career fairs in both school systems at the high school level for junior and senior high students.

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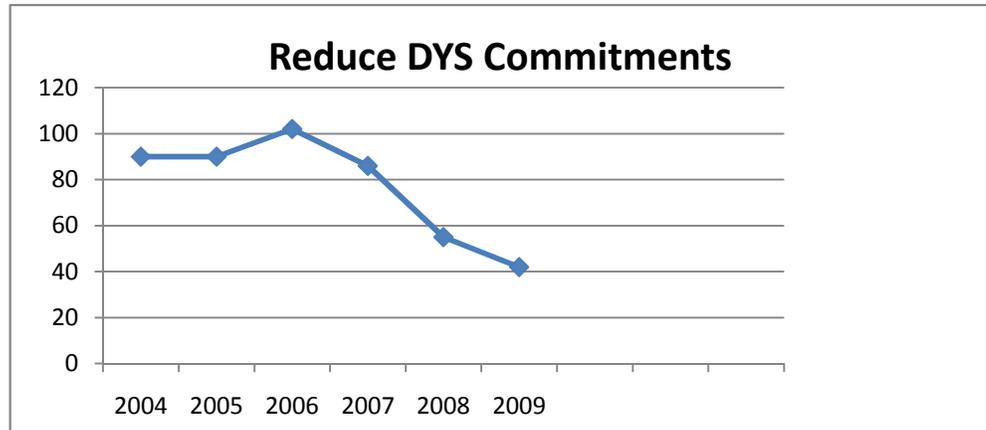
Accomplishments

- (1) Established Teen Headquarters program for summer activities, enrichment and prevention education targeting the Wetumpka area youth ages 12-17 which operates 2 days/week.
- (2) CPC members worked with Elmore County Schools to lease a building, renovate the building and begin use of building for educational and community programs. In-kind services for computer lab, networking, telephones and maintenance were provided. Elmore County Sheriffs Department provided volunteer trustees to assist with renovation projects.

- (3) Researched funding for development of juvenile alternatives to DYS programs. Received funding from Alabama Department of Mental Health to provide education and enrichment program, continue substance abuse prevention programs, enforcement and community awareness.
- (4) Millbrook PD held the second annual Cops and Kids Day, assisted with community programs at schools and at other sites. Wetumpka PD helped with both community and school programs.
- (5) HIPPY program with ECBOE expanded services to cover more areas and to address bilingual families.
- (6) The Juvenile Redirection Program successfully completed two program cycles touching 30 youth.
- (7) ECBOE involved community partners to provide Kids Check health screening at Wetumpka Elementary and Coosada Elementary. Approximately 250 students received services. The program will expand to serve more schools next year.
- (8) Elmore County Leadership Class of 2009 in collaboration with Victory Temple, other area churches and agencies has been able to open a Food Bank for Elmore County. A building was obtained and opened in June 2010 moving the Food Bank from its temporary site at Victory Temple.
- (9) Headstart programs have expanded to provide childcare for children of teens to reduce dropout rates attributed to lack of childcare options.
- (10) A grant was received for a new Family Support Program from Department of Youth Services.
- (11) Elmore County Extension Services continues to provide parenting programs to families. Age appropriate programs are in place for youth to age 18. A "shaken baby" model was purchased to enhance child abuse awareness efforts.
- (12) Continued the afterschool KJ Pathfinders program at Sandtown School. Hours were expanded for the summer Kids Journey day program for enrichment and activities. The site serves between 60 and 70 youth in the summer.
- (13) The Fathers Forward Program has increased participation and positive outcomes in its work through the Elmore County Child Support Court. It is a program from Alabama Parent Education Center (APEC).
- (14) The Dolly Parton book program from 0 to 5 years continues growth. It is a program from APEC for in-county residents.
- (15) Elmore County BOE in collaboration with CPC partners provided parent programs on a variety of topics through the year.
- (16) Through community collaborative efforts Kids Check health screening was offered at two elementary schools. Over \$5000 in supplies were contributed, many volunteers services both professional and faith-based, and a low \$700 school budget accomplished this project.

Elmore Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

The only noticeable difference in this three year timeframe was an increase in burglaries/theft in 2006 that resulted in a slight increase in DYS commitments. What research began to show, overall, that a Commitment to DYS could lead to further delinquent behavior as a juvenile and criminal charges as an adult, it became imperative that alternatives to commitments be established. Elmore County Juvenile Court has work diligently toward this goal. The Court has been assigned a Juvenile Court Mental Health Liaison for mental health issues. The Court has also partnered with local agencies to ensure that parenting classes and tutoring are available. Also, the Juvenile Redirection Program provided by the Boy Scouts will begin in Elmore County in August, 2009. These programs, coupled with a renewed determination to prevent Commitments, if possible, have led to a decrease in DYS Commitments. Elmore County will continue towards this goal by attempting to bring new programs and alternatives to our county.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Reduced DYS commitments by 50% from 2007. To date in 2010 there have been 8 commitments.
Renovated and opened building for SOAR program as alternative to DYS placement. Equipped computer education lab - Currently working with 10 students on probation in summer computer academic program supervised by certified teacher. LifeSkills High School curriculum and prevention education programs enhance academics to modify student behaviors.
Applied to DYS to establish an in-home Family Support Program to target court involved youth and families in their home.
Established a new community-based summer program for Wetumpka area - Continued academic, prevention and activity support work with three existing programs K-17.
Increased program partners working to enhance health, safety and education. Juvenile Redirection graduated 30 students in 2 cycles.
Provided 4 cycles of Parent Project 6-week classes for parents and youth 11-17

2010 Action Plan

Implementation of the in-home Family Support Program for youth in juvenile court and on probation.

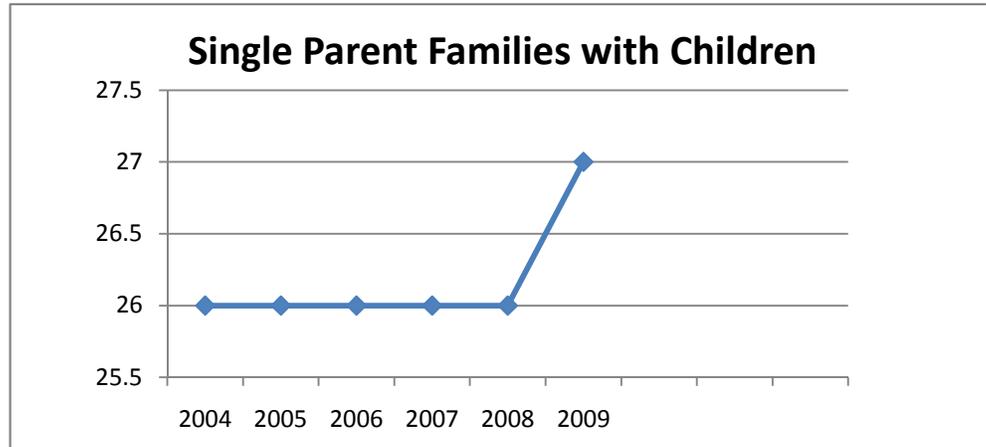
Expand funding for SOAR alternative education program to reduce DYS placement.

Continued expansion of after-school and summer youth programs to reduce at-risk behavior and enhance positive support opportunities

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue to expand mentors for program participants and to more community sites.

Elmore Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

The growing number of referrals for strong-willed children and adolescents from schools, Helping Families Initiatives, court system, and self-referred parents indicate a need to educate parents on alternative methods of managing non-compliant behavior and reduce CHINS petitions. Through awareness, information, support and education this trend can be reversed and children will grow up in a more stable environment. Grant applications are in place to address marriage and relationships, as well as divorced and separated parents. The education component is augmented by support from agencies, faith-based, school and court. The basic tenets of strong families are valued by the community and by individuals who work with families as an affordable, feasible approach available in county for access.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Fathers Forward program from Alabama Parent Education Center incorporated in Child Support Court referral process to improve employment rates and ensure compliance with support payments and enhance parent/child interaction.
Expanded Headstart placement openings to target teen parents and improve school graduation rates.
Expanded low-cost summer programs.
Cooperative Parenting counseling required in divorce proceedings is facilitated by APEC. Together We Can six session parenting series is targeted for families in transition.
Relationship Smarts, Anger Management, Prevention Education for Substance Abuse offered to high school level classes by CPC partners

2010 Action Plan

Expansion of Food Bank services to meet area family needs.

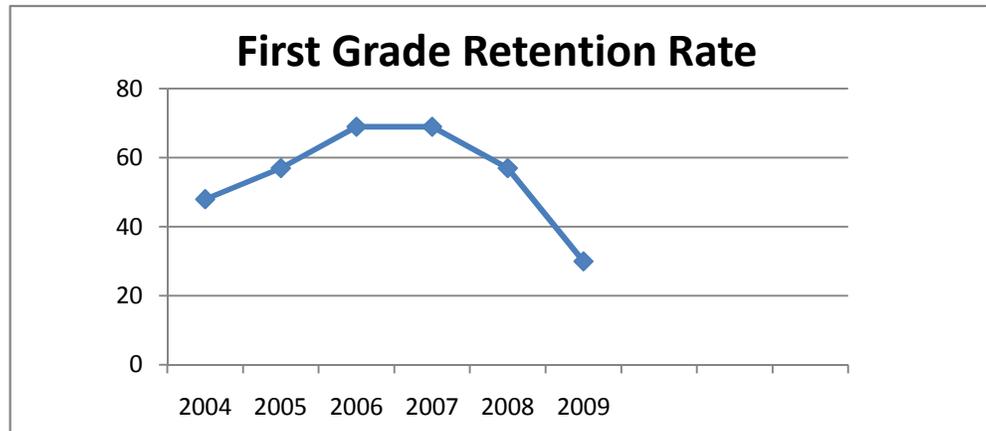
Kids Check screenings expanded to all county elementary schools to enhance family health awareness levels

Parent Project offered at no cost to families referred from court, school, DHR and community by Elmore County Extension Service

(no cost/low cost idea) Expanded awareness of ALLKids coverage, application process and agency referrals. Parent programs sponsored by ECBOE and CPC partners offered in each school community.

Elmore Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Implementation of HIPPPY in a community shows 18.39 to 35.29% increase in Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test (ppvt-111) and maintains academic gains through middle school levels. Strategies will reduce first grade retention and maintain academic progress made in K-1 to higher grade levels. While Elmore County maintains above the state average test scores DIBELS show the first decline at the 2nd grade level. HIPPPY and community efforts can maintain student progress and enhance the school system progress made each year. Statewide statistics show 80-85% meet reading and 74-77% meet math at the 3rd grade level. Elmore County 3rd ARMT Reading of 87% 89% and 88% respectively for 2005, 2006, and 2007 at level III and IV and ARMT math of 77%, 83% and 79% at level III and IV are above state average.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Expansion of HIPPPY to additional school communities - increased community referrals to program

Expanded summer programs to additional sites - Wetumpka area site for 12-17 started, church partner for lunch at summer program in low-income area.

Parent workshops and Hispanic parent workshops offered

Improved truancy statistics by early warning conferences and intervention with families.

2010 Action Plan

Freshmen Academy established for county 9th grade schools - Wetumpka HS nationally recognized for achievement.

Expand HIPPPY to all communities and employ bilingual instructors to increase Hispanic participation. Parenting programs offered in all communities.

Credit recovery programs offered, SOAR program established, and summer school scholarships for families with economic need all reduce dropout rates and improve opportunities for successful graduation.

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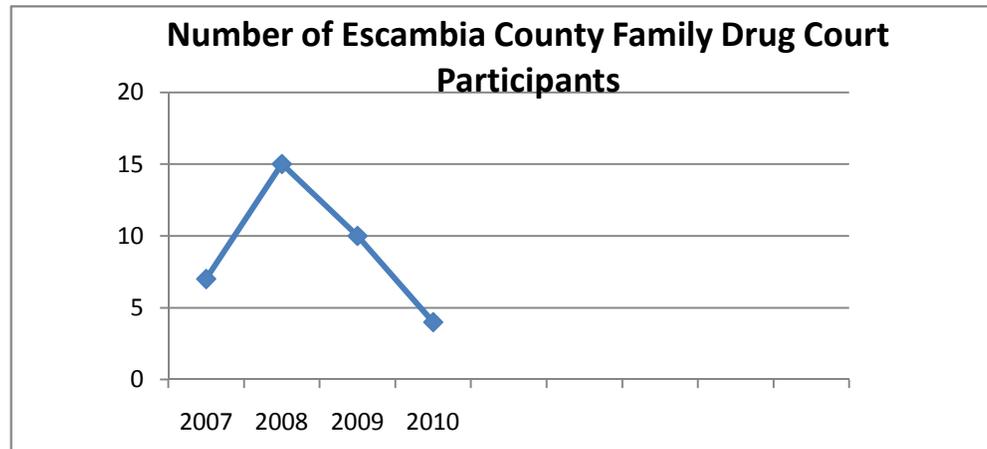
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Accomplishments

- Escambia County hosted the yearly Regional CPC Conference in March 2010.
- Our local CPC was awarded funding through the Alabama Department of Public Health's Mini-Tobacco Grant
- Our local CPC and the Escambia County Board of Education continue to fund and employ the Dropout Prevention Specialist.
- The Family Drug Court has strengthened throughout the year.
- The Truancy Diversion Program was expanded to include the entire county.
- After School Programs, Tutoring Programs, Parenting Classes for Adults and Teens and Summer Programs have expanded.
- Enrollment into HIPPY program and the Head Start program have significantly increased.
- The Juvenile Court System has been able to sustain and expand the current program servicing at-risk youth locally.

Escambia Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Dependency cases involve substance/alcohol abuse; number of births drug/ alcohol affected; number of pregnant women who test positive for drugs in prenatal care.; youth in Juvenile Court system, number of parents of that juvenile population with have drug/ alcohol issues

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Three out of the four participants have successfully graduated from the Family Drug Court Program. All three graduates are currently employed, maintaining their own housing and actively pursuing their G.E.D. One graduate chose to have her three children adopted and the remaining two graduates are regaining custody of their children. This program continues to receive funding through a local trust fund.

Local agencies continue to assist families in need and provide services through community resources. The local agencies assist with spreading the awareness of these resources via referrals and informational packets provided by and distributed by various agencies in the community.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to support and strengthen the Family Drug Court Program. Decrease the number of babies born to substance addicted mothers and to reunite families separated by substance abuse.

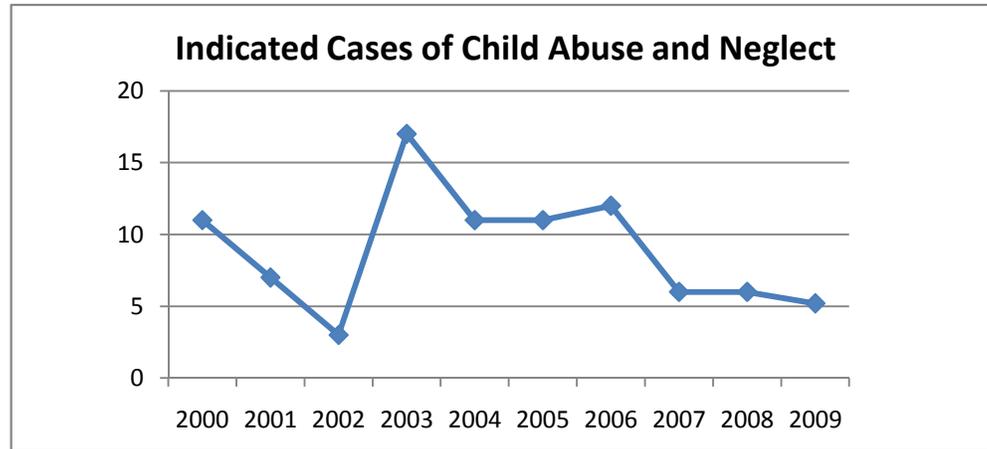
Continue to seek additional funding for family support services

Support Dr. Marsha Raulerson's " Healthy Community, Healthy Children Program". This is a Childhood Obesity Outreach Initiative. The goal is that in 10 years the outlook of the children will change in they will choose to be physically active and eat healthier foods. This program's mission is to increase the amount of family time spent by doing healthy activities while teaching children the importance of a healthy diet and physical activity.

In Alabama, 30% of children are obese. This is largely due to families not doing things together, not spending time together as a family whether its eating meals together, too much time spent using the computer and/or TV and having lack of sleep. The mission of the " Healthy Community, Healthy Children Program" is to make our County aware of the impact obesity has on children and the whole family unit and to create ways in which families will choose to become more physically active and will choose to eat healthier meals. Three groups have been established; one group will build community gardens emphasizing doing healthy activities together, one group will create a community center where children will have a safe place to play and have positive adult mentoring, and the last group will make the city/community safer and more accessible by building bike passes and sidewalks.

Escambia Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Children in Escambia County are abused/neglected due to substance abuse, alcohol abuse, divorce, poverty, lack of safe places for children, lack of quality childcare, lack of after school programs for children and summer programs, lack of safe recreational places. Low wages and lack of employment with benefits also contribute to the problem.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The Early Head Start program filled enrollment to full capacity. The HIPPY program doubled enrollment and plans to extend this program to include the entire county. The YMCA continues to offer after school care, summer programs and other extra-curricular programs that are in partnership with the City and County school systems. The County schools have 6 school sites that offer after school tutoring throughout the school year and summer programs. They partner with Turtle Point Science Center to offer a 1 week science camp during the summer. They host sports tournaments throughout the year with local schools. The City schools partner with Alabama State Southern Normal Campus to offer additional after school programs.

The Hope Place Family Resource Center teaches a Teen Mom parenting class at each of the 3 County High Schools. Over 36 teen mom's were served. They served 96 high school students county wide through relationship educational classes. Save-A-Life continues to serve students county wide through an educational abstinence program. For adults, the Hope Place offers parenting classes and the Healthy Marriage Initiative. Over 200 parents were served using these educational programs.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to support the HIPPY and Early Head Start Programs.

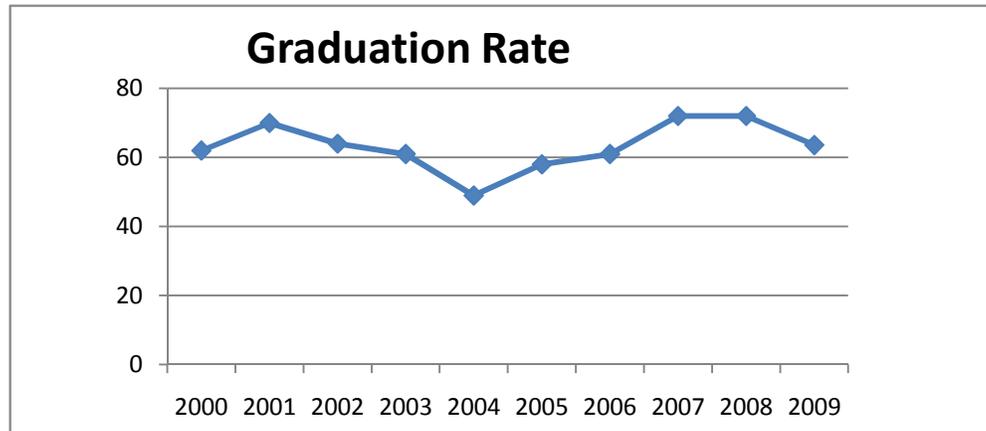
Continue to support the parenting programs, the pregnancy prevention programs, relationship education classes and the Healthy Marriage Initiative.

Continue to support the various after school programs, tutoring and summer programs.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Southwest Alabama Mental Health is planning on creating an adolescent substance abuse program that will serve the entire county. These intervention services will be providing through group therapy sessions. This program will make substance abuse services available for many youth who otherwise would not receive any treatment that prevents further abuse and addiction issues.

Escambia Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Children in Escambia County are dropping out of school because of substance/alcohol abuse, lack of healthy families, lack of parental support, economic instability. A number of children not reaching educational benchmarks due to same factors. High absentee rates among at risk students.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The Dropout Prevention Specialist continues to work with both school systems and the Juvenile Court System to assist at-risk youth with getting back on track. The County and City School systems continue to offer remedial and after school tutoring classes. The Juvenile Court Diversion Programs, including the Truancy Diversion Program, were expanded to service the entire county. The Truancy Diversion Program has been used as a model program for other counties within the State. This program has proven effective by allowing many students to advance to the next grade level and providing the student and parent with valuable information and tools they can use. This year, Southwest Alabama Mental Health Center and the County Board of Education partnered together providing mental health services and quality education to students at one location. The Compass School was relocated and now sits beside the Alternative School. It offers students another chance to remain in school and receive mental health services to meet their individual needs.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek funding to employ the Dropout Prevention Specialist position.

Continue to support the Juvenile Court Diversion Programs, Anger Management and the Character Project.

Continue the Reality Check and PRIDE surveys.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Support the Compass School. This program is a partnership between Southwest Alabama Mental Health and County school systems. This program provides comprehensive Mental Health services while allowing students to remain in school. Students are required to attend all year round, having summer programs at 2 locations.

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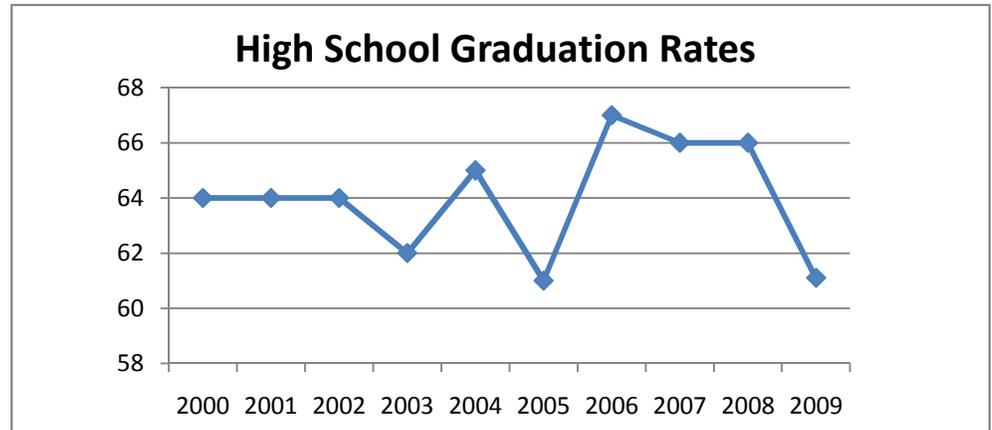
Accomplishments

The Etowah County Children's Policy Council held a comprehensive health fair at West End Elementary School for 300 students resulting in 100 referrals for services including dental, eye care, blood sugar, blood pressure, audiology, and health insurance. The Early Care and Education Committee performed ready for school health checks at 6 day care facilities throughout the county that included eye exams, basic skill

assessment, height and weight, for approximately 100 3-5 year old children. 3000 Safe for Baby brochures have been distributed to all pediatricians, Department of Human Resources, all mothers receiving Medicaid, and the pregnant teen mother's program. This brochure explains why the parents or caregivers should never sleep with a baby, explains what SIDS is and talks about Shaken Baby Syndrome.

Etowah Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of parental involvement
Alcohol and drug use by youth
Teen pregnancy
Not enough community support
Low income families
Lack of technical skills
Health Insurance

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Held comprehensive health screenings for 300 students with 100 referrals for services at the elementary level.
Provided health and developmental screening to approximately 100 3-5 year old children in day care facilities.

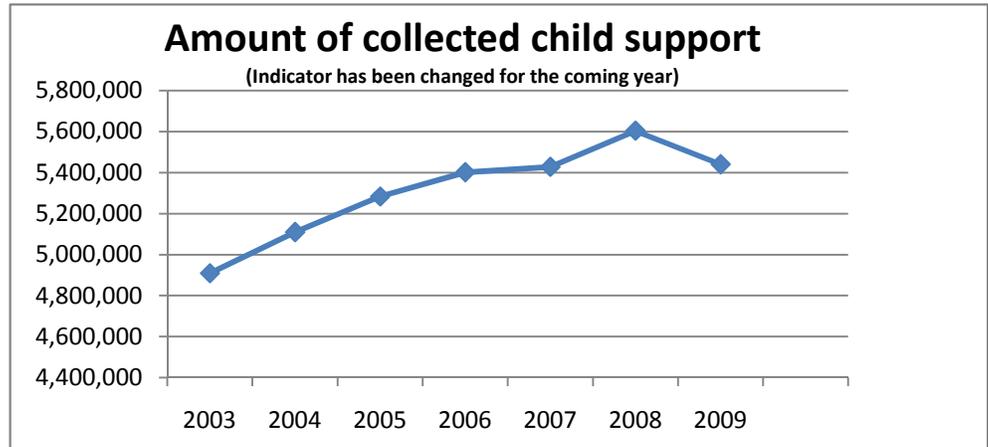
2010 Action Plan

Continue comprehensive health screenings at the elementary level.

Continue health and developmental screenings in local day care facilities.

Etowah Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Hopeful and Postively engaged in their



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of training/education, Substance abuse and use, Teen Pregnancy, Lack of work ethic, Lack of knowledge regarding community resources.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

None listed

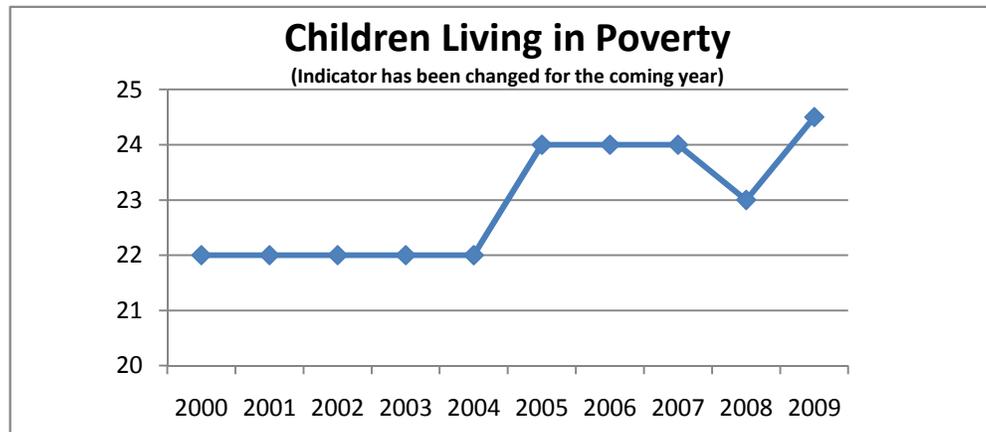
2010 Action Plan

Survey local employers about what the biggest problems are with new hires within the first 6 months.

Hold a job fair for at least 1 of the 3 school systems for high school juniors and seniors.

Etowah Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Teen pregnancy
Lack of Technical Skills
Raising high school drop out rates
Lack of high paying positions available

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Partner with community agencies in raising awareness through community information fairs about available resources.

2010 Action Plan

To continue to partner with community agencies, townships, and cities within the county to raise awareness regarding

To continue to partner with agencies and programs that promote strong families such as the Healthy Marriage Initiative.

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Accomplishments

Schools provided parenting tips in weekly folders.

-Northwest Alabama Mental Health provided materials for Parent Project classes.

-All three elementary schools had a Pre-K class from the Office of School Readiness.

-CPC received an \$8000 grant for the Imagination Library from the Fayette Community Foundation.

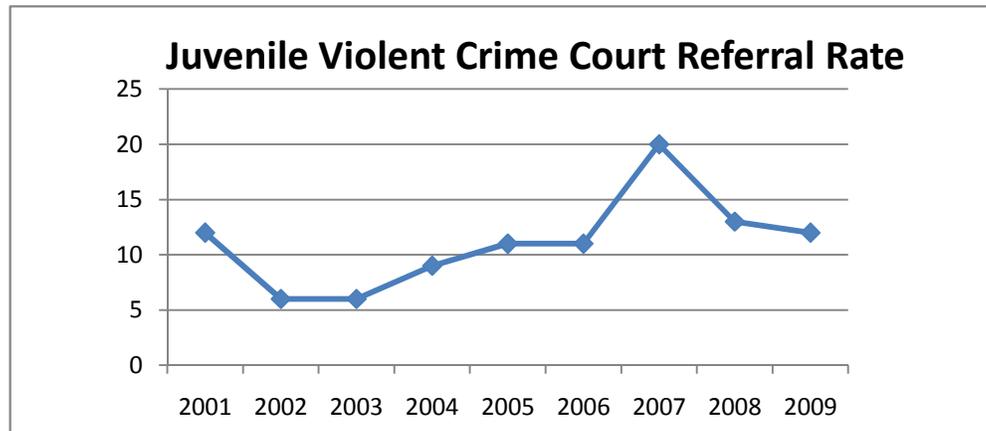
-Bevill State College received a grant for Second Opportunity System for GED and job training for dropouts.

-All elementary schools had a health fair provided by Bevill State nursing students and school nurses.

-All three schools had an after school program from 21st Century School Grants.

Fayette Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Parents do not know how to be parents

Parents do not have resources to provide for their family

Single parents cannot do it all

Substance abuse causes parents to not assume their responsibilities

Grandparents are having to be parents and may not know how to work with the children

Parents are having to spend more time at work

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Schools provided parenting tips in weekly folders

Northwest Alabama Mental Health provided materials for Parent Project.

2010 Action Plan

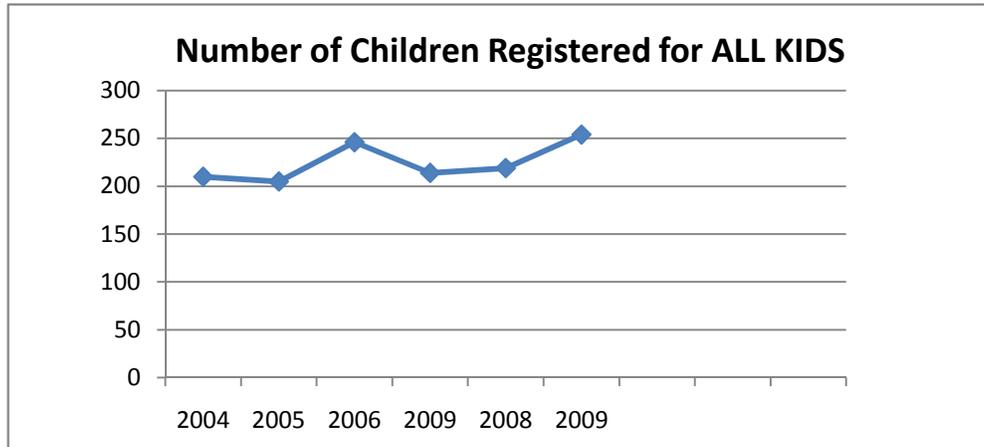
Advertise and promote Parent Project for any interested parents by distributing pamphlets.

Northwest Alabama Mental Health will provide Parent Project for identified families.

(Low cost/no cost idea) Churches provide lessons on healthy families.

Fayette Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Parents are unemployed and have no health insurance

Insurance is too expensive

Health insurance is not a requirement

Parents are not aware of available insurance options

Parents do not assume their responsibilities for their children's health care

Parents do not follow insurance guidelines

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Number of children enrolled in ALL KIDS and Medicaid was increased.

Fayette Medical Center provides medical care for all people who come to their emergency room as part of its indigent care policy.

All three elementary schools had health fairs.

Volunteers helped parents fill out insurance forms at school events.

2010 Action Plan

Distribute advertisements about ALL KIDS.

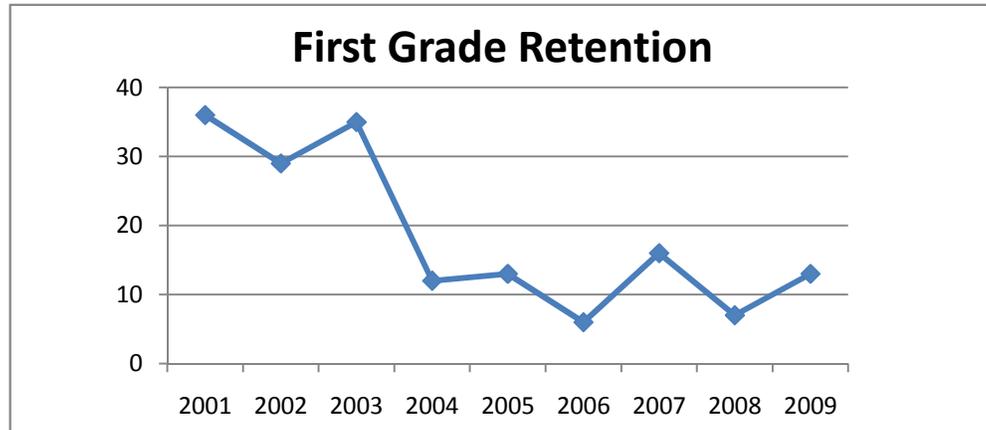
Schools will distribute ALL KIDS enrollment forms.

ALL KIDS will provide radio and newspaper PSAs.

(Low cost/no cost idea) Volunteers from the Health Dept. will help parents fill out ALL KIDS forms.

Fayette Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Not all children go to preschool

Parents are not willing to work with schools

Some children have severe behavior problems that hinder their learning

Children in preschool and kindergarten have irregular attendance because parents do not think these years are important

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

All three elementary schools had Pre-K classes.

CPC sponsored the Imagination Library.

2010 Action Plan

All kindergarten students will be tested with the same instruments.

CPC will sponsor the Imagination Library.

All three elementary schools and Head Start will have a Pre-K class.

(Low cost/no cost idea) Distribute "Available Resources in Fayette County" cards at community events.

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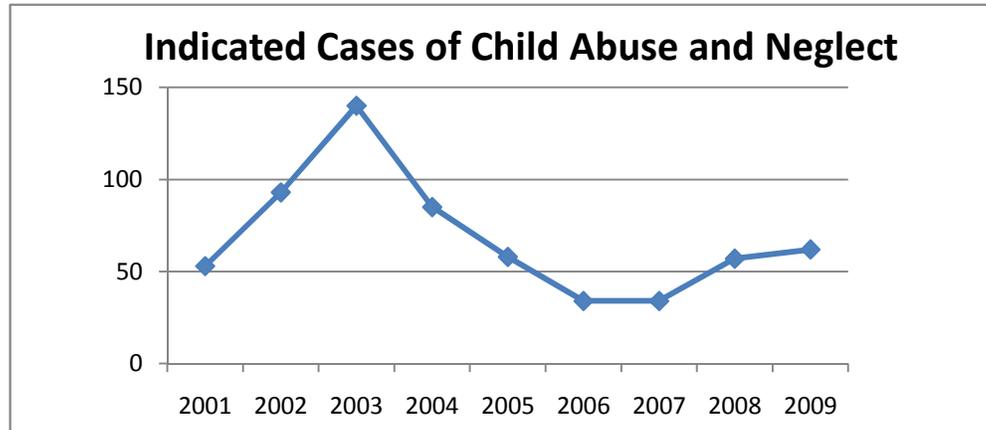
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Accomplishments

1. Student drug testing grant implemented in all Franklin County schools (98% success rate).
2. Three Pre-Kindergarten sites.
3. Grant through Alabama Children's Trust Fund to teach Life Skills Program in all 3rd and 6th graders in the county school system.
4. Implementation of a Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency Drug Court.
5. Child Abuse Conference held in April for the recognition of Child Abuse Prevention month ("Making a Difference" conference).
6. Pinwheel ceremony held at Franklin County DHR to kick off April as Child Abuse Prevention month.
7. Alcohol Town Hall meeting held alongside the child abuse conference to educate the community of the dangers of underage drinking.
8. Alabama Learn and Serve Grant provided anti-litter information to all talented and gifted students in the county.
9. YES Foundation.
10. Afterschool sites and summer programs at nine schools.
11. Juvenile Court Intervention Program
12. REMS-Readiness Emergency Management Training for all county schools.
13. Franklin County Teen Day for all 8th grade students in the county. They were given information about c

Franklin Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

We feel that children are essentially safe in Franklin County. However, there are still reported cases of CAN, so even if it's just one, that is too many. The numbers have declined since 2003.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The need for increased CAN prevention, awareness, and education in the community prompted many different activities such as the first annual child abuse conference held in April and was a huge success. Collaborating with the Dept. of Human Resources to kick off Child Abuse Prevention month was also very beneficial to getting the word out in the area about the importance of preventing CAN. Also, the grant through the Alabama Children's Trust Fund provided the Lifeskills curriculum to all 3rd and 6th grader in the county, who learned about Shaken Baby, CAN, and other important life lessons.

2010 Action Plan

Lobby our local senator and representative for more money to be set aside for CAN programs, prevention, and awareness.

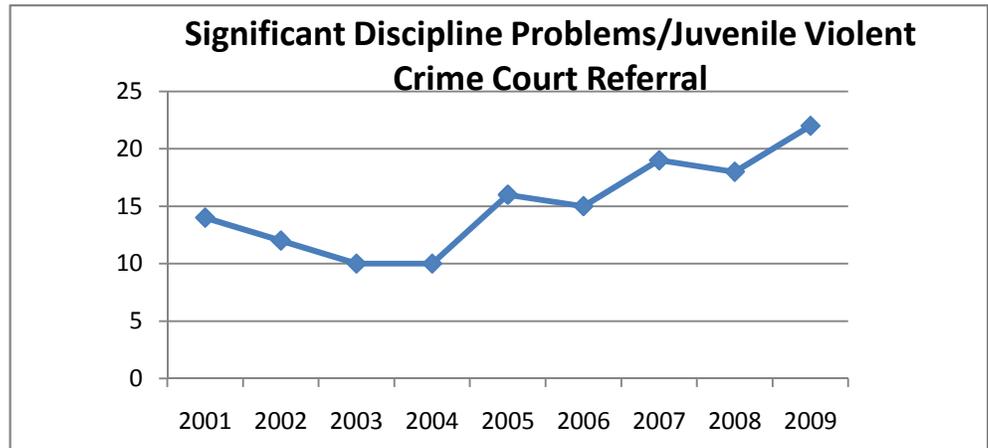
Support our local county school system in their efforts to receive grant funding from state agencies such as Alabama Children's Trust Fund who work to reduce CAN.

Continue the child abuse conference in April and any other activities to highlight the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention month.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Free programs in the school or community to educate people about the dangers of CAN.

Franklin Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

The numbers seem to be on the decrease for students and discipline problems. We anticipate a continued decline as long as intervention is done effectively with these children.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. Formation of the first ever Juvenile Dependency and Delinquency Drug Court for the Franklin County Judicial System.
2. Student drug testing in all county schools and counseling referral for those who test negative. This program has a very high success rate.

2010 Action Plan

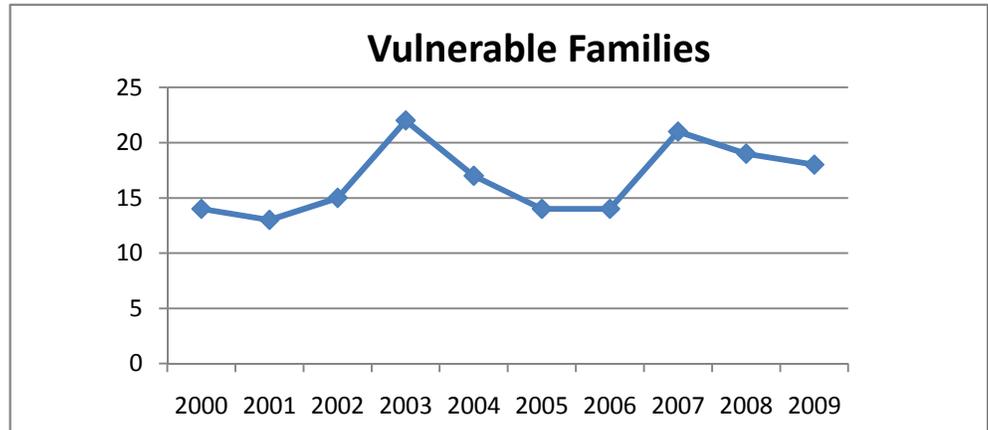
Continue to seek funding for a juvenile drug court. The program was very successful this year. However, funding will be cut for the next fiscal year and the CPC will continue to look for other ways to keep this going.

Continue with the student drug testing program and monitor the results.

Juvenile Court intervention program

Franklin Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

We hope that the number of vulnerable families will decrease. The rate has been relatively flat, but there has been an increase since 2006.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Increased judicial review for all divorce procedures.

2010 Action Plan

Make penalties harsher for obtaining a divorce.

Continue to lobby for funding and increased employment opportunities in the area.

Increase parental involvement in schools.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Free counseling programs, free job fairs

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Accomplishments

The policy council members participated in the 16th Annual Blue Ribbon Campaign with the Southeast Alabama Child Advocacy Center, Inc. and exceeded the county's personal goal of \$10,000 by helping to obtain \$12,628 for the Center's use in counseling abused children for the upcoming year. This was achieved through sponsorships, t-shirt sales and donations, Wal-mart Day and Koins For Kids.

CPC volunteers presented a "Reality Check" to four schools this year. In the past we had served two schools per year. This year we brought in volunteer junior and senior students from each school to help with working the various stations and presenting the program to younger students which included all four schools. This allowed us to give community service hours to graduating seniors and in return they had a chance to do something good for their underclassmen. CPC volunteers took time away from their jobs to work with children from each school and help them try to understand what life might be like at age 25 with or without an education, a family and the salary that comes with their education. Approximately 260 children experienced what it takes to "make it" financially and how education level influences their everyday life.

Driver's Permit Training was offered to students with disabilities to students in all four Geneva County high schools. A field trip was organized and the students attended a workshop that presented all nine chapters of the Alabama Driver's Manual. This workshop was sponsored by the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services. They also offered a Transition Expo in February 2010 to educate students on how to make a stronger transition from high school.

The Family Resource Center served 146 families totaling 296 children within Geneva County in the Toys for Tots program and served 127 children in the XL Tutoring program. Positive Action classes served 28 children and Parent Project was taught to 27 parents of strong-willed children. A fire Grant was awarded to the Resource Center which provided for 8,746 Smoke and CO Alarms for homes with children and elderly. 946 children were involved in a fire safety program.

The YES program served 23 participants for higher education this year and 8 of those have received their GED. Ten of these participants have received their Career Readiness Certificates. The YES program as been funded again for our children for the next year.

The Boys and Girls Club of the Wiregrass has served over 100 children this year with the after school program at two sites: Geneva and Slocomb. These children participate in Power Hour to get their homework done and checked, skills mastery and resistance training (Smart Moves) which trains them to resist alcohol, drugs and tobacco and avoid premature sexual activity. Since 2005 not one single child in the Boys and Girls Club of the Wiregrass in Slocomb or Geneva has failed or been retained in their previous grade.

The YIELD Mentor Program has trained 12 mentors to begin the mentoring experience and there are currently 10 children assigned to a mentor. We will continue to build and improve this program in the coming year.

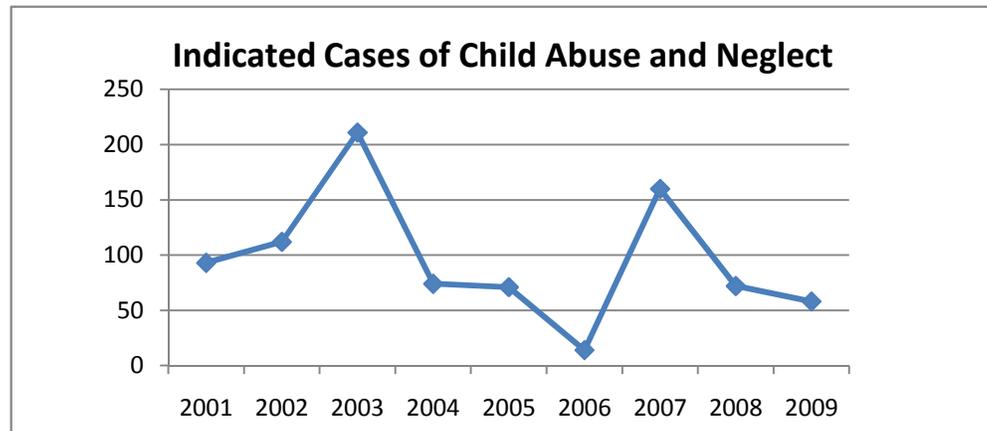
Volunteers helped local fire and police departments in Samson and Geneva to present "Prom Promise" concerning the dangers of drinking and drug use and driving on prom night. This simulated accident scene included student volunteers as well as CPC volunteers. Juniors and Seniors attended the simulation and signed promises to refrain from use on prom night. Each simulation was held on the Thursday before the prom and included guest speakers, a life flight simulation and a DUI/manslaughter arrest. The sponsor of this program was the Nip-it Tobacco Youth Prevention Program.

The Nip-it Youth Leadership team included 85 students from three county schools. The Nip-it Program helped 286 children from sixth grade participated in life skills classes at Geneva, Slocomb and Hartford and assembly programs on life choices were offered at each of these schools. The Nip-It team also participated in Red Ribbon Week, The Great American Smoke Out , "Through with Chew", World No Tobacco Day and 8 students went to the Alfa Youth Leadership Conference at 4-H Center in Columbiana, Alabama.

The CPC Committee #3 worked this year and has produced a rough draft of a new member manual for each of its members and new comers for developing an understanding of what our CPC is about and who we are. Printing for release is expected to be complete by August 2010 after final approval from the members. This committee has also reached out to the media to make sure the community is involved and informed in the CPC activities.

Geneva Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Substance abuse
Poverty
Lack of education
Lack of parenting skills
Mental illness
Single parent homes increase
Raised by other than parents

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Exceeded the \$10,000 goal set for Geneva County by \$2,628 in support of the Child Advocacy Center's "Blue Ribbon Campaign" to prevent child abuse and increase community awareness.

Participation in Wal-Mart Day and Koins for Kids was added to our previous year's participation.

All elementary schools were provided with blue ribbons and activities for "Blue Ribbon Week" and some churches participated in "Day of the Child".

Fire Detectors were obtained and distributed throughout the county to homes with children and elderly.

2010 Action Plan

Encourage the ABC Board to bring the program "Operation Save Teens" to all four high schools.

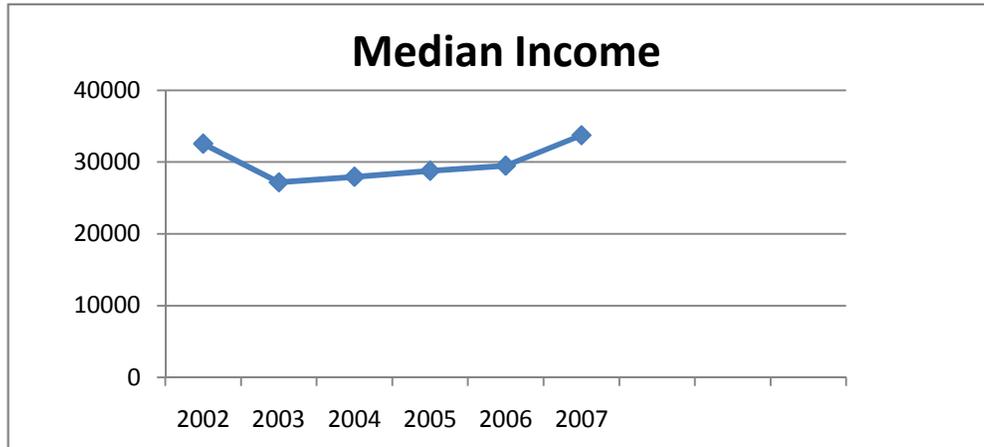
Schedule "Age Appropriate" into the school year. CPC members from the Nip-It program, DHR, Juvenile Court, Department of Public Health and the ABC Board will discuss issues in an assembly with teens regarding issues of law and

Make the community more aware of what is child abuse through a billboard and other materials. Provide Bicycle Safety Training due to an increase in accidents in 2009.

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue to refer families to free programs provided in the community.
Partner with schools during their respective health fairs.

Geneva Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Loss of good paying Jobs
Loss of industry in the county
Decline of population
Lost revenues/ tax base is low
Older population

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Boys and Girls club served over 100 children in the county through the after school program. "Power Hour" helped the kids with their homework and not one child was held back in school who participated in this program.

The YES Program served 23 participants for higher education and 8 GED's were received and 10 Career Readiness Certificates were obtained.

The Family Resource Center served 127 children through the XL Tutoring program.

With the help of numerous volunteers Reality Check was presented in four schools this year over the previous years of only two per year. This was done so that no class of appropriate age would be missed in the program. Approximately 260 children experienced the realities of paying bills with a budget and how education sets your budget for the future.

Parent Project classes taught 27 parents and 28 children completed the positive action classes.

Life skills were taught in the schools by the Nip-it Program and on a weekly longer term basis by the RSVP.

Nip-it No Puffs, Dips or Butts involved 85 children in various activities throughout the school year.

Ten children are currently assigned to a mentor with the YIELD Program. This program is in it's first year of working with children.

A Driver Permit Training workshop was presented to all four county high schools for students with disabilities by the Department of Rehabilitative Services.

2010 Action Plan

Create a resource pamphlet for drop-outs and distribute to all school guidance counselors.

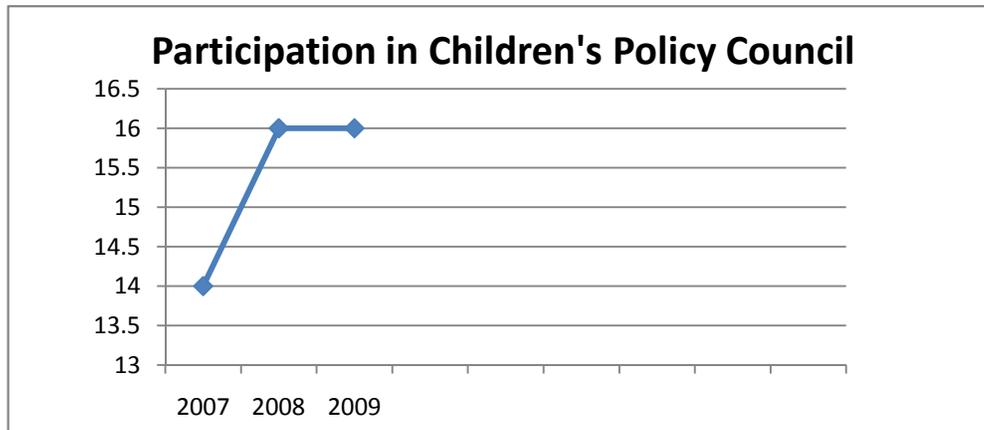
Continue to provide Reality Check to all four schools

Bring in The Choice Bus

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue to refer families to programs and counselors according to their needs. Encourage at risk children to participate in the mentor program.

Geneva Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Everyone is busy
Some people involved in many committees
Lack of awareness of CPC
Don't understand function of CPC
Don't see meetings as meaningful

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Prom Promise was presented to junior and senior classes at both Samson and Geneva. Each "accident" simulation included guest speakers, a life flight and a DUI/manslaughter arrest.

Nip-it Youth Leadership team, the Samson Tiger Reps, various other student volunteers and community leaders joined the CPC in presenting Reality Check.

Approximately 12 volunteers were trained for the YIELD mentor program and other community volunteers actively worked in the Juvenile Conference Committee.

Monthly meetings were advertised in the local newspapers. Some community awareness has resulted from this monthly publication.

A new member orientation manual was developed by the committee for community involvement.

2010 Action Plan

Distribute new member orientation manual to interested and possible new members. Publish appropriate topics of discussion in the local newspapers. Continue to spread the word in the community by personal contact.

Invite community volunteers to come to CPC meetings including but not limited to YIELD mentors, JCC committee, attorneys and law enforcement.

Redistribute committee members for new and fresh ideas. Appoint leaders for each committee. Rotate CPC "program" to other members for additional member participation in meetings.

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue communication with media. Reach out to new legislators for participation. Contact local members in other organizations for guidance in obtaining community participation. Visit businesses to get them

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Accomplishments

1. Dedicated and opened the Greene County Children's Policy Council Resource Center.
2. The Greene County Children's Policy Council Currently operates an after-school tutorial program for fifteen middle school students attending Carver Middle School that were retained last school term or at risk of failing. The program targets 6th-8th grade students. Although, remediation assistance is provided, the program also provides support in other areas that attribute to students not performing well in school, such as truancy and conflict issues.

The students were taken on trips to Busch Gardens, Water Country and Colonial Williamsburg (Williamsburg, VA), National Civil Rights Museum (Memphis, TN), U.S. Space and Rocket Center (Huntsville, AL), Alabama Adventure Amusement Park (Birmingham, AL), The Alabama State Capital (Montgomery, AL). The students were also taken out for pizza and to the movies during the school term.

3. Organized and collaborated with the Greene County School System in holding a Back-to-School Rally within the Greene County School District.
4. CPC co-sponsored a reception for children participating in after-school tutorial programs in Greene County.
5. Greene County CPC continues to function as a place where members and local agencies can meet and give program updates and distribute materials.
6. CPC expanded and updated its membership.
7. Held a "Treats-To-Read" Program at Carver Middle School and Paramount Jr. High School. Books were distributed to parents and children to encourage readings and wholesome games were played. Refreshments were also served.
8. Held a "Spring Into Reading Program" at Carver Middle School and Paramount Jr. High School. Books were given to parents and children to encourage family reading.
9. The CPC continues to collaborate with the Greene County Round Table Community Relations committee in order to accomplish the county's five year strategic plan.
10. Participated in the Greene County Annual Parade and distributed information about the council and its projects.
11. The CPC (Safety Committee) held a safety forum at Branch Heights Community Center. Presenters discussed the swine flu, hunting safety, water safety and gun safety.
12. The CPC continues to collaborate with the Greene County Extension Service in implementing the BEE program. The BEE program served 60 families in Greene County this calendar year. Each family is served for a 10 week period.
13. Organized two events for Statewide Parenting Month.
14. Work has begun on organizing the PTA in all schools in the Greene County School District. Several representatives attended the State PTA Convention.
15. Developed and presented a community enrichment plan to the Greene County Commission. The program will begin its initial implementation on June 28, 2010.

2009-2010 Grant Awards

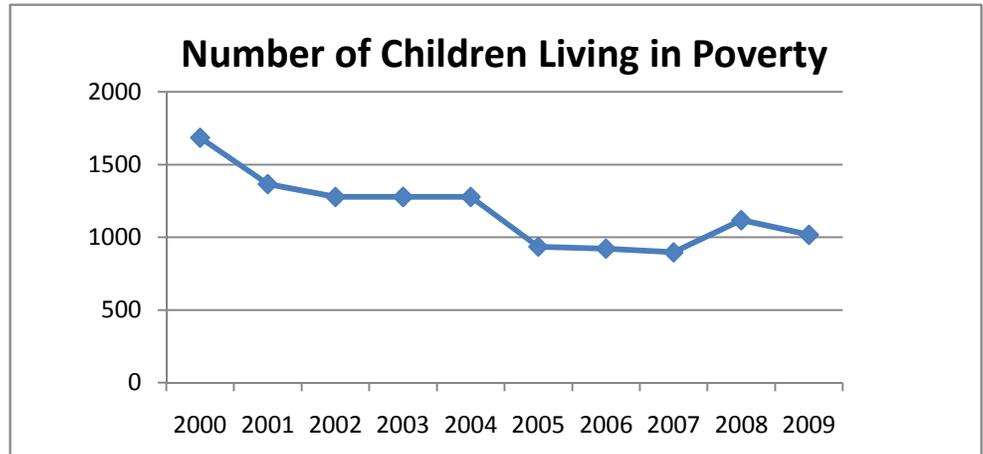
Greene County Board of Education At-Risk Grant

Black Belt Community Foundation

Greene Track Racing Commission Charity Grant

Greene Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Many single parents are teenage dropouts who lack adequate or strong parenting skills

Births to unmarried teenagers contribute to family instability

Lack of job skills/job lead to children in poverty

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments listed

2010 Action Plan

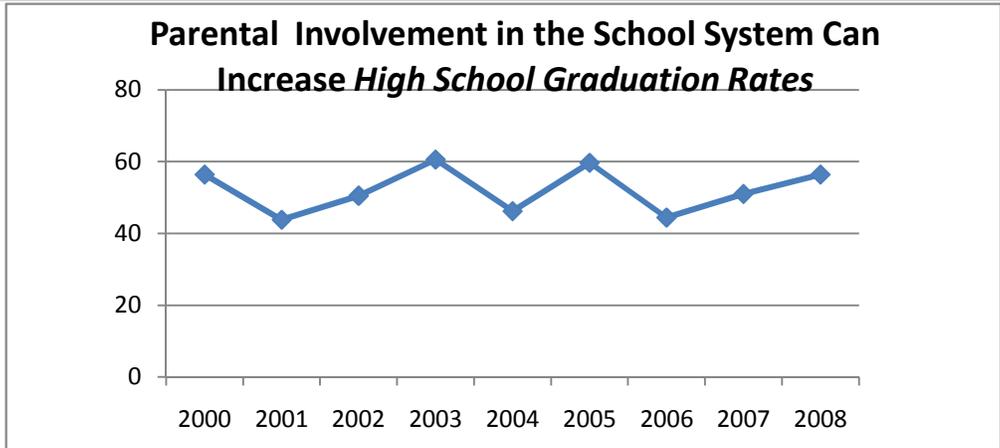
Coordinate teenage summit

Work with DHR on healthy families summit

(No cost/ low cost idea) Send health pamphlet home with every child in the Greene County School District

Greene Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

- Single parents not able to attend school functions
- Lack of transportation to travel to school functions
- Parents threatened by school environment
- Poor working relationship between parents and administrators
- No active PTA in school district
- Parents lack of value for education

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

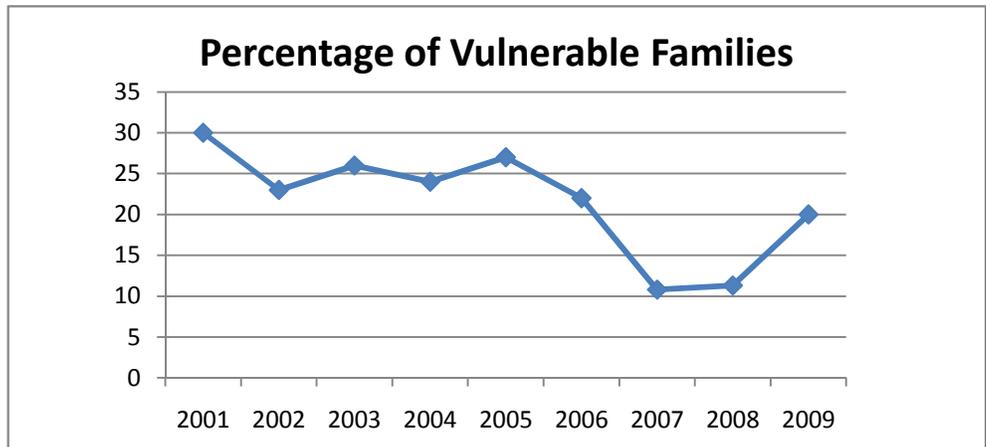
- Coordinated Back-To-School Rally/Parent Orientation
- Organized two (2) planned events for Statewide Parenting Month (October)
- Held "Treats-To-Read" Program and "Spring Into Reading" Program at all middle schools and primary school in the school district.

2010 Action Plan

- Establish and organize volunteer programs in the school district.
- Hold a minimum of two reading programs per year at all schools in the school district.
- Coordinate annual Back to School program rally.
- (No cost/ low cost idea) Establish active PTA in all schools in the Greene County School District.

Greene Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

Little is invested in the lives of the Greene County children from a community perspective. The two public swimming pools in the county have been closed for several years.

Little emphasis given to wholesome recreational activities for local youth.

Parents have to travel outside of the county for enrichment each summer and for year round wholesome activities

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Dedicated and opened the Greene County Family Resource Center

Developed and presented to the Greene County Commission a community enrichment plan to be implemented by summer of 2009. The 5 week program began on June 28, 2010

2010 Action Plan

Work with Mayors of each community to make parks in their districts operable and safe for families

Have each agency represented on the policy council to formulate and submit an action plan to the policy council on how they plan to contribute in making the Greene County community safe, engaged, and supportive.

(No Cost/Low Cost Idea Bridge communication gap between Greene County Commission, Mayors and other agencies by organizing and sponsoring a "get together" to discuss community issues.

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Accomplishments

Supported successful local effort to bring Teach for America to the Black Belt.

WIC program satellite office opened in Moundville, Alabama. WIC Information Officer now employed.

ACES provided TGIF Program (Abstinence Based Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program) and reported that Hale County did not qualify for funding next year through federal grant because the rate of births to unmarried teens was not high enough.

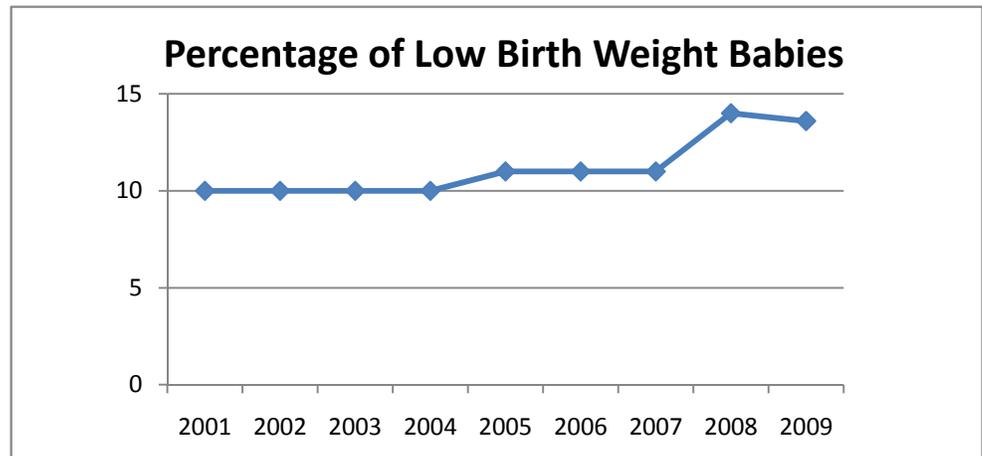
Children's Policy Council sponsored an essay writing contest on the subject " The Importance of Living By the Rules". All classes in Moundville Elementary and Greensboro Elementary participated. A student from Greensboro was awarded a certificate at the sixth grade graduation ceremony. In addition, a pizza party was given to the winner's class. This project addressed two of the indentified needs: (1) fifth grade rules; and (2) having rules by which to live.

The Juvenile Court requires all children and parents appearing in Juvenile Court to complete the Juvenile Parenting Program. The Youthful Program is a program which helps out-of-school youth (ages 16-24) earn their GED and learn life skills. This program served 10 students last year and 32 students this year. Some of last year's graduates are now in post-secondary programs.

Youth Build Program at HERO has much larger enrollment and showing success by students enrolled therein.

Hale Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

High percentage of low birth weight babies born to teens in Hale County because teens try to hide pregnancy from parents and often have inadequate prenatal care, including failure to care for themselves and the unborn child by improper diet and smoking or using drugs.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Programs to encourage sexual abstinence through TGIF program in public schools and Public Health.
Public Health and other agencies raised public awareness about WIC and proper prenatal and child care.
Deep South Tobacco Free Program and UAB Cancer Program meets each month.
Satellite WIC office opened in Moundville.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to encourage Abstinence through schools with TGIF Program and Public Health.

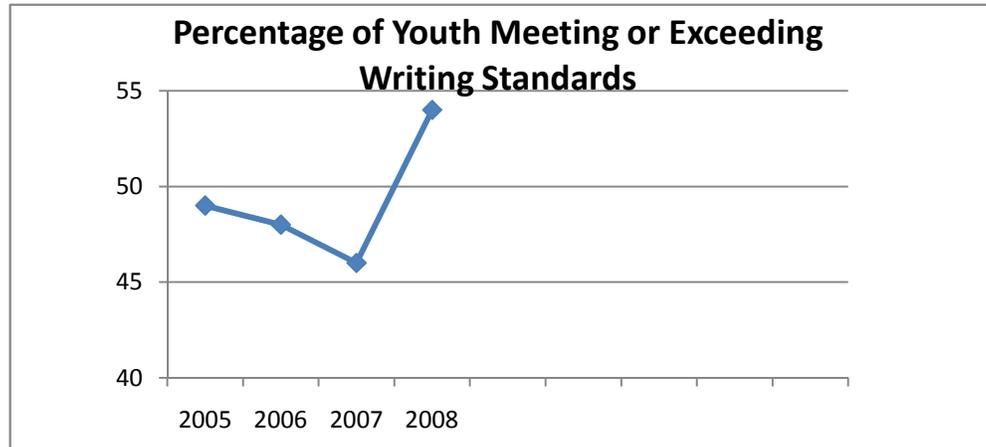
Develop funding source for Bright Beginnings program.

Each Agency to continue refer for WIC nutrition counseling and raise public awareness of need for additional infant

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue Drug/ Tobacco Free pledge by pregnant women-Deep South Tobacco Free Program for Cancer Control. Raise public awareness of WIC- each agency refer and provide information at health fairs and no smoking campaigns and churches providing supplies ADPH will attempt to open WIC office in Moundville.

Hale Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

The focus of instruction in the Hale county School System has been on reading and math for accountability (AYP) in addition to science and social studies. A limited focus has been given to writing in the curriculum.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Not able to really address Professional Development (PD) because of funding cuts.

Some PD done in classrooms. Some PD will be available on-line for teachers.

A barrier to writing specifically is the fact that writing skills are not on the tested as part of testing for No Child Left Behind.

CPC sponsored essay writing contest on topic " The Importance of Living by the Rules" in fifth grade classes. Ten classes participated.

2010 Action Plan

Professional development(PD) for teachers in all subjects-budget cuts, development not available, state professional.

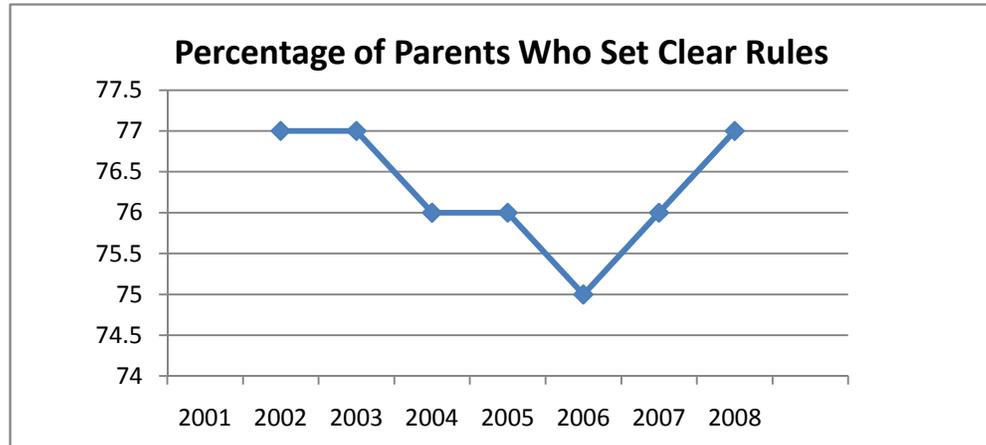
Purposeful writing assignments within school system & curriculum guide.

ADAW preparation and practice

(No cost/low cost idea) Providing other writing opportunities-competition between schools with the best writing assignment receives a pizza party.

Hale Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Children have less direction from those who supervise them in various activities in which they participate.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Parenting classes for both parents & children done by West Alabama Mental Health, referred by JPO. Also, JCC works with children and parents. Character education in school as part of class work is working. HIPPY is available for preschoolers. Faith based resources have been available and working with children. CPC sponsored essay writing contest on topic " The Importance of Living by the Rules" in the fifth grade classes. Ten classes participated.

2010 Action Plan

Continue parenting classes for both parents & children done by West Alabama Mental Health referred by JPO. Also, JCC works with children and parents.

Continue character education in school as part of class work

Churches work with parents and children. Involve faith base and ministerial alliance calendar of events from churches that provide programs with children and families.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Include appropriate rules being taught as part of subject matter being taught in regular classes particularly in writing classes or in the competition referred to in Part 2.

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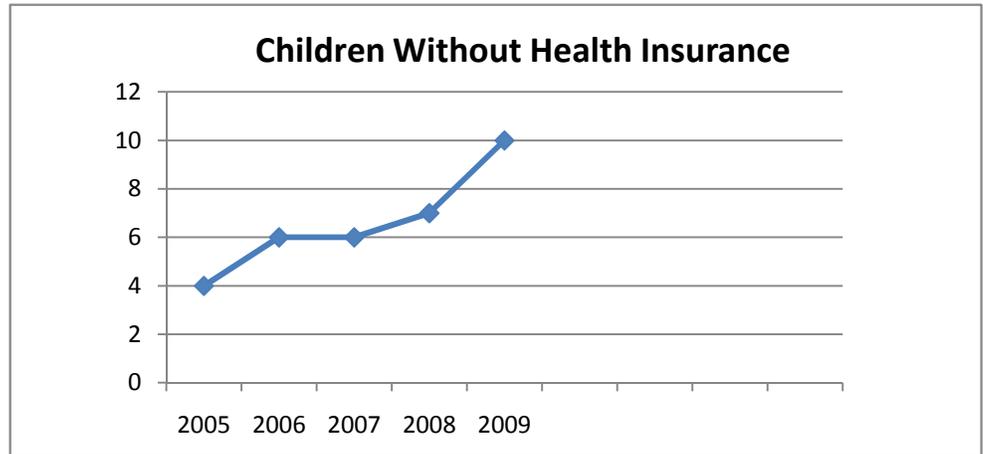
Grants were given to the following agencies in support of children's activities:

Abbeville Pee Wee Association
Abbeville Memoria Friends of the Library
Men of Value & Purpose (MVP)
Abbeville Elementary School
City of Abbeville-Summer Youth Program

A Reality Check program was held for 10th grade students at Headland High School and 11th grade students at Abbeville High School this past spring.

Henry Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Medicaid applications too lengthy and difficult. Lack of public awareness of Medicaid, ALL Kids. Approximately 4,800 children live in Henry County. We need to increase efforts to reach uninsured.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Application for the insurance is easier for parents to complete.
More children have health insurance.
Parents are more informed of programs available.

2010 Action Plan

Develop partnerships with schools and day care providers.

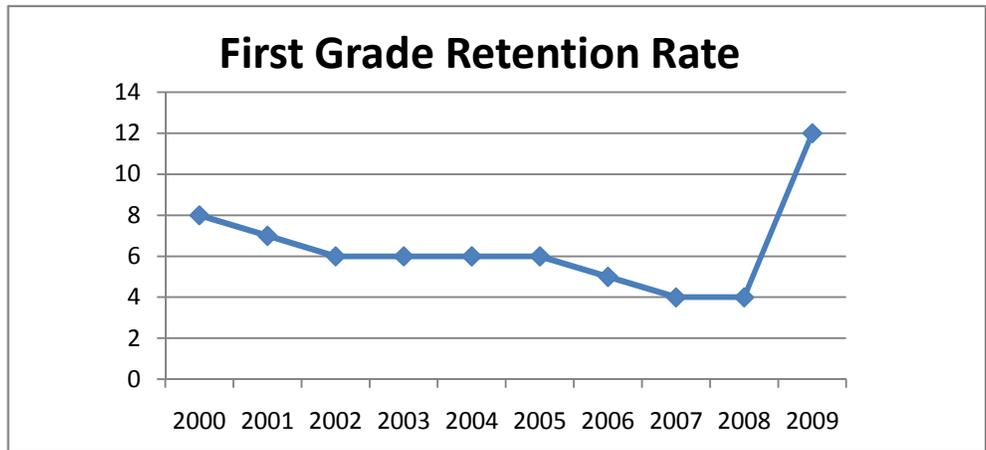
Housing authority to provide public awareness.

Every child in Henry County has health insurance.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Educating all involved agencies about available programs.

Henry Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

If more Pre-K programs are available and started, first grade retention will continue to decline and children will be better prepared for school. This could possibly help lower the dropout rate in the future.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Decrease in retention rate.

Able for K-4 class to continue with schools in proration.

Head Start program still functioning in Headland.

2010 Action Plan

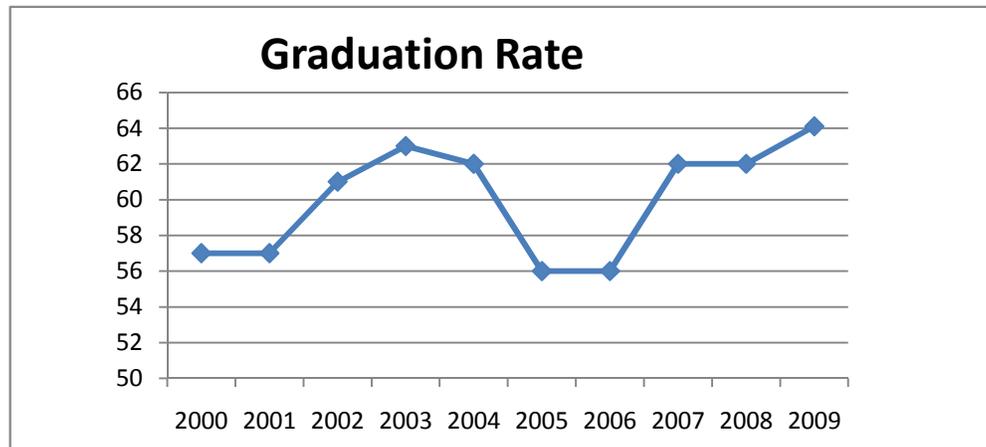
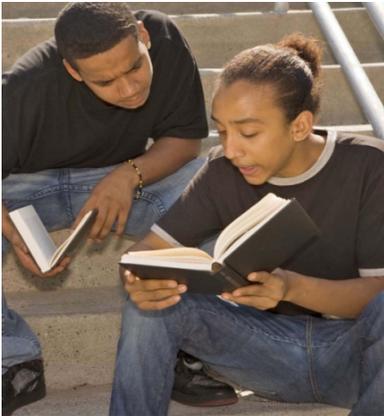
Continue mandatory parenting classes with the current classes and any new K-4 class

Start with 2008 K-4 class and chart 1st grade retention rates 2010-2011.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Write grants to help fund additional K-4 classes in Henry County

Henry Children's Policy Council

3 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

The elimination of the graduation exams will enhance the interest of students who are graduating. If a student does not have to pass the exam, it will encourage students to stay in school as long as they are receiving credits for classes.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

At Risk Coordinator works with students in danger of dropping out.
Credit recovery program in place at both high schools.
Programs through Resource Officer.

2010 Action Plan

Stress the importance and prepare students for exit exams

Give incentives to students that pass the exit exam.

No cost/ low cost idea) Reconsider the graduation exam.

Houston County

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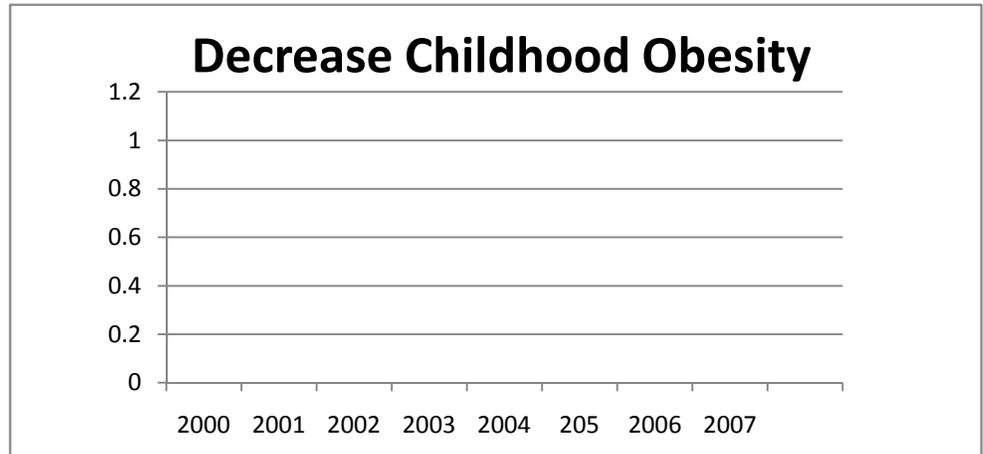
Accomplishments

1. Health Fairs were conducted in the elementary schools
2. Middle School training in hand-washing, dental care, health and nutrition provided by Alabama Cooperative Extension System
3. Project Eden conducted
4. UNEP- 12 week program conducted by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System
5. BET Foundation Summer Camp for Girls
6. 9th Grade Academies instituted in Dothan City Schools, including " Welcome to the Real World" drop-out prevention program provided by Alabama Cooperative Extension System
7. Houston County CPC recognized as Dothan City School System Adopter
8. Developed truancy prevention program for Dothan City and Houston County Schools
9. Boy Scout Juvenile Redirection Program implemented
10. STARS Mentoring Program, Boys to Men Summit and Girls Career Summit provided through Alabama Cooperative Extension System
11. Learning Resource Centers provided in Dothan Housing Authority neighborhoods

12. Parent Project/Positive Action sponsored by the Alfred Saliba Family Services Center
13. Parenting 1-2-3-4 sponsored by the Southeast Alabama Child Advocacy Center
14. Basic Parenting Classes and Family Matters Class sponsored by the Wise Center
15. Parent Enrichment Group at Southeast Alabama Child Advocacy Center
16. Early Head Start and HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) programs awarded expansion grants, sponsored by the Alfred Saliba Family Services Center
17. Marriage and Relationship Skills classes sponsored by the Alfred Saliba Family Services Center
18. BOSS program (employing the hard to employ) sponsored by the Alfred Saliba Family Services Center
19. Alabama Career Center Summer Youth Program implemented
20. Houston County Health Department administered H1N1 vaccinations in City and County schools
21. Obesity Prevention Resource Binders provided to City and County School Nurses

Houston Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Parents not preparing food

Lack of education regarding good nutrition

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Health Fairs conducted in the city elementary schools and middle schools- Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES) provided hand-washing, dental care, health and nutrition information

Project Eden (Community Garden) development

UNEP- 12 week program conducted by ACES

BET Foundation Summer for obese girls ages 10-12 years-promoting weight loss, partnership with ACES

2010 Action Plan

Work toward development of Teacher's Wellness Program with ACES and Dothan City Nutritionist, to include exercise,

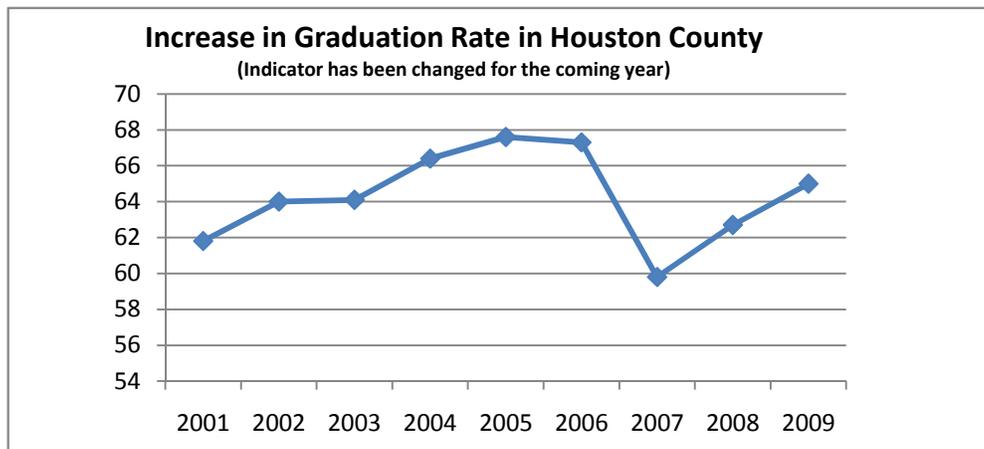
Project Eden- development of community garden; a Dothan City School student volunteered to develop the garden with a future goal to develop an entrepreneur component selling fruits and vegetables

S.T.A.R.S. Basketball Camp- for boys in the S.T.A.R.S. Mentoring program

No cost/low cost idea: Identify a professional source to visit schools to talk about healthy lifestyle choices; address PTA meetings

Houston Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

- 7 % of males are not graduating
- Lack of support for helping the child
- Strengthen communication between teacher-parent
- Young parents are uneducated
- Lack of motivation for education
- Education not valued
- More grandparents raising children

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

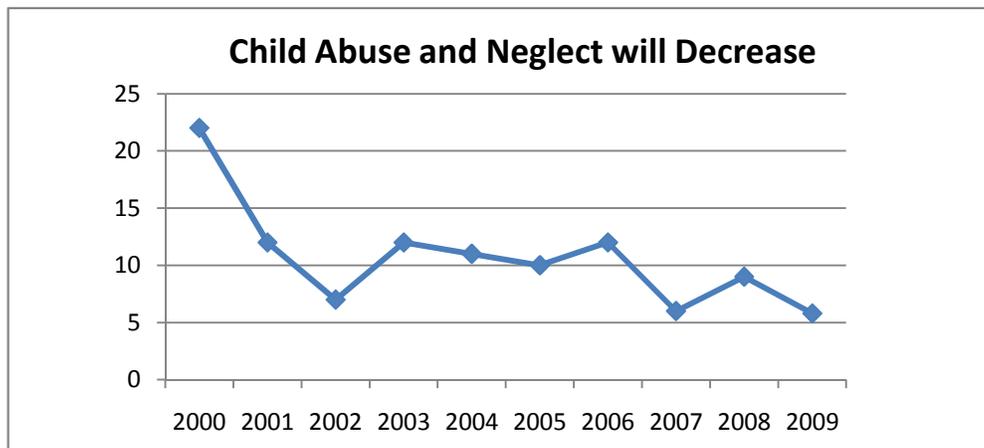
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- Developed truancy prevention program for Dothan City and Houston County Schools
- 9th Grade Academies instituted in Dothan City Schools, including "Welcome to the Real World" drop-out prevention program provided by Alabama Cooperative Extension System

2010 Action Plan

- Continue institution of 9th Grade Academies in Dothan City Schools with inclusion of " Welcome to the Real World" drop-
- Continue active partnership and support with City and County schools
- Continue participation in Hope High School with county schools
- No cost/low cost idea: Implement and publicize Truancy Prevention Program; Implement Boy Scouts Juvenile Re-direction Program

Houston Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of education
Economic concerns
Lack of Parenting-Coping skills
Young Parents
Unwed Parents

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Children's Policy Council members attended the Press Conference held at Southeast Alabama Child Advocacy Center to announce activities for April, National Child Abuse Prevention Month
Child abuse prevention Public Service Announcements were placed in local newspaper. Radio and television stations promoted child abuse prevention activities throughout April
39 parents have participated in the Parent Project classes
30 youth have participated in Positive Action classes
Continued increasing public awareness of child abuse through Blue Ribbon Campaign (CAC and CPC involvement) DHR, CAC, Wise Center, APAC, etc., conducted workshops for teachers on identifying and preventing child abuse and neglect
17 Child Abuse Prevention Workshops conducted with 493 attending
30 Parent Enrichment Classes conducted with 167 attending

2010 Action Plan

To establish and support a Juvenile Drug Court

To support National Night Out, a program coordinated by the Dothan Police Department, which focuses on safety issues as community agencies and families come together to learn about community resources

To support the Virtual Alabama School Safety Plan and incorporate mental health support systems into the plan and continue to mandate parenting classes-list of parenting classes sent to judges, pediatricians, etc.

Low cost/no cost idea: Continue providing materials and in-service meetings to educators and the public

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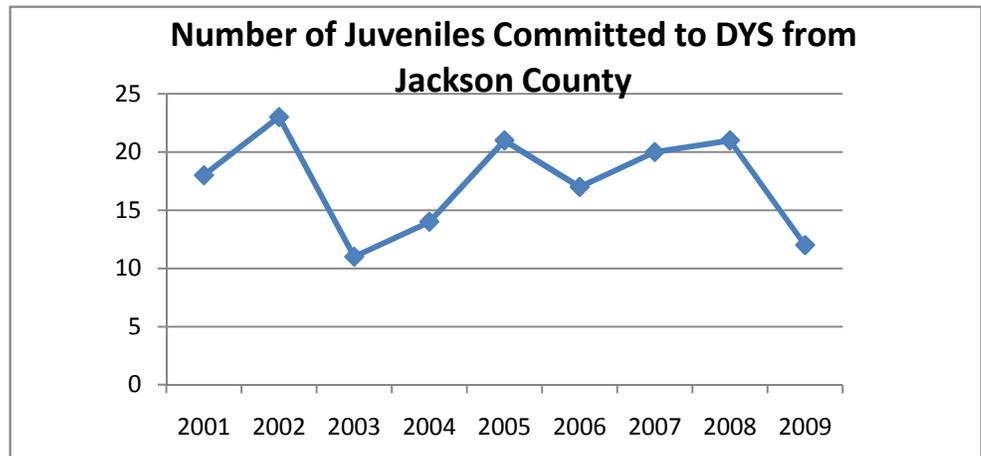
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Accomplishments

We collaborated with our local Mental Health Center to provide a therapist located in the Juvenile Court office two days a week to work more intensively with our kids and families. We are reaching out to our schools and other agencies for community service projects to provide as an alternative for our youth. We have also initiated discussion between our two school systems for the possibility of funds to create a Day Treatment Program.

Jackson Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

For the past seven years, Jackson County has been able to keep DYS commitments to under 25 per year. This has been achieved through programs such as CAMP CHOICES, LAUNCH, mental health counseling provided at our court office, along with our school system and local GED classes. Our goal would be to lower our numbers by creating more community based programs during the next year.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Our new CAMP program with Elk River continues to serve our youth on a local level. We have an in-house therapist as provided by Mountain Lakes Behavioral Health Center two days a week working with our youth and families along with the In-Home Treatment team providing intensive therapy to families in their home for periods up to sixteen weeks. We also had good participation with the Life Skills Class which met weekly for periods of twelve weeks per group.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to look for funding resource to develop new programs

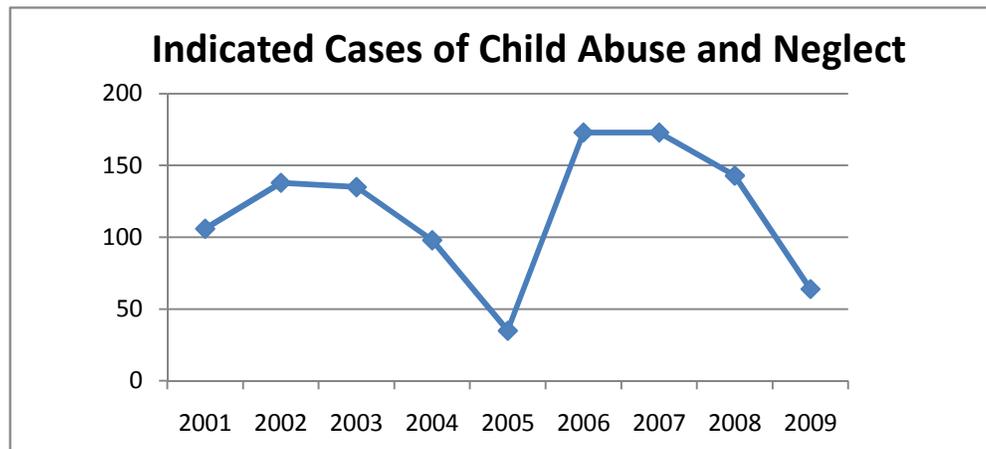
Continue to network with existing agencies as Mental Health to provide services on a local level.

Work with existing agencies to combine services

(No cost/ low cost idea) Both services as provided by Mental Health are no cost programs.

Jackson Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Jackson County has a higher percentage of indicated reports than the state average. This could be due to several factors such as better prescreening before a report is entered into the database. Another reason could be that there is an increased presence of abuse and neglect in the county. Upon further investigation, neglect comprises the highest percentage indicated of reports in Jackson county over physical, sexual, and emotional abuse.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Jackson County's total reports remained stable in 2009 at 501. Jackson county's percentage of indicated reports is 20%. This is lower than the 26% state average for indicated reports and significantly lower than last year's percentage of 42%.

2010 Action Plan

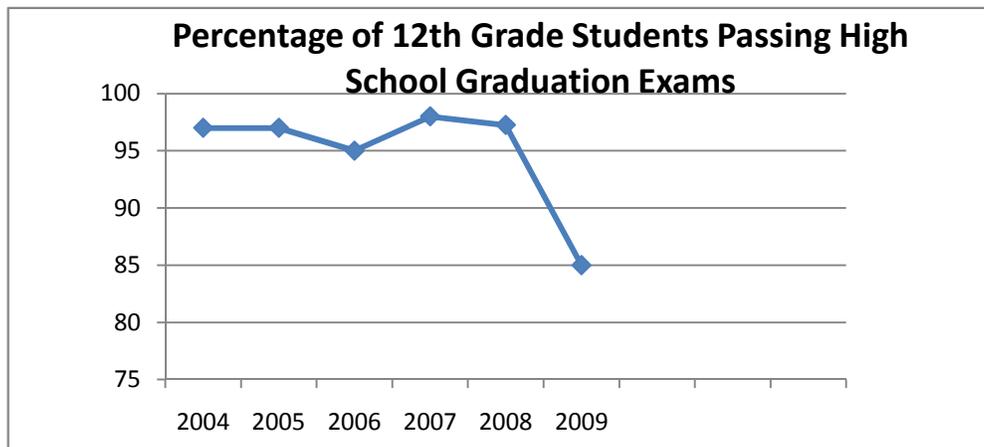
Promote in school and pre-school programs to educate children about abuse and safety.

Increase public awareness of the current and future results of abuse, violence and neglect of our county's children

Provide parenting education programs county wide to prevent juvenile court involvement, truancy and abuse.

Jackson Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

The graduation exam in reading and math must be passed by all students to receive a diploma. Our records indicate that all students rise above 90% in both categories. The scores are higher in 2005 and lower in 2006. They increase again in 2007. We project they will stay above 90%. The state requires a 90% pass rate by all schools. If this level is not maintained, schools will have to go into school improvement and will not meet the AYP status for that year. You must then stay in school improvement for a period of two years, showing progress both years before the status is lifted.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The overall graduation rate is down, but two of our schools have made outstanding progress. The goal for the State Department of Education is now 90% passing rate for all schools. We still have two schools in school improvement and the State Department is still working very hard with them to increase the rate.

2010 Action Plan

One on one with students in the subject that was failed.

Subject area teachers remediate students.

Teachers and students working together

No cost/low cost idea: Teach objectives from the SDE manual/teacher and administration

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Accomplishments

Council:

Jefferson County's Children's Policy Council met ten times between July, 2009 and June, 2010. The Presiding Judge of Family Court, Brian Huff, chaired 6 of those meetings. In February, 2010 Judge Huff led the presentation and discussion of juvenile justice reform.

Work Groups:

Through a grant from the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham, Jefferson County's CPC has contracted with Virginia Sweet, Ph.D., to lead, organize and manage work group activities. Her work has increased participation in work group activities. More than 100 volunteers are working on issues relating to children's safety, access to mental health resources, local factors involved in high school dropout concerns, and early childhood care and education have been centralized. Additionally, Dr. Sweet and Tom Struzick, M.S.W., UAB, have re-implemented the Economic Security Work group, a group that has been dormant for some years.

Central Alabama Mentor Coalition:

Through the leadership of Anita Scott-Smith of DHR and Holly Hilton of The Nature Conservancy the Safety Work Group developed a large, dynamic group of agencies and individuals engaged in mentor activities for families and young people. This work group sponsored a Mentor Safari (at the zoo) on September 11, in conjunction with the President's Day of Service, to share recruitment activities and a one day conference called The Mentor Institute on March 9, through which individuals and agencies were offered a wide range of training. This effort has met with such strong support that Jefferson County now has, under the umbrella of the CPC, the Central Alabama Mentoring Coalition.

Partner in Jefferson County Department of Health's Communities Putting Prevention to Work (CPPW): Because Jefferson County's CPC is seen as the most effective point of access to the child serving community, and because this CPC has partnered with Jefferson County Department of Health (JCDH) to implement the Health Action Plan, and through the work of the CPC on Robert Wood Johnson Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities initiatives Jefferson County's CPC was invited to participate in development of a grant application for stimulus funding through the Center for Disease Control. JCDH won that award. The \$13 million grant seeks to reduce childhood obesity and prevent tobacco use. The CPC is one of several sub-recipients. Through the grant we have been able to engage one full time and 2 part time policy analysts to work with after-school programs to strengthen school policies relating to nutrition and physical activity at after-school programs conducted at public schools sites.

Summit V:

For the second year the CPC has helped plan and manage a full day conference for professionals in the social services field. This year's conference focused on identifying resources to help the expanding pool of clients facing financial uncertainty due to the economic downturn.

Communications:

Jefferson County's CPC increased information sharing and communication in the past year. More than 50 e-mail addresses were added to the list of those who receive information via CPC notifications, bring the total list to about 600.

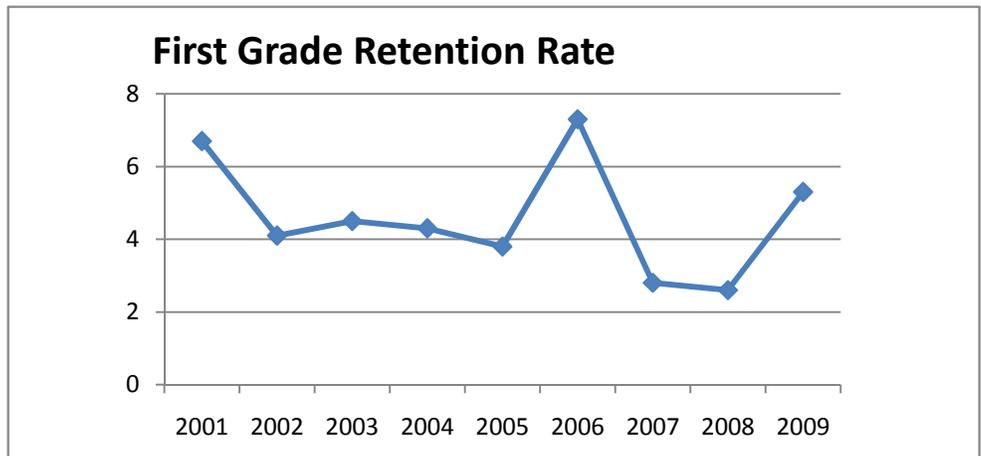
Additionally, grants from The Daniel Foundation and one of the Community Foundation's managed funds let us contract for professional social media management. Use of social media increased our visibility, participation in work groups and Council meetings and increased knowledge of the CPC mission. Facebook fund raising also allowed the CPC to raise \$500 to use to purchase a computer and printer for one of the newly hired employees.

Advocacy:

Jefferson County's CPC strongly supported the legislation to criminalize human trafficking. CPC members wrote and called legislators to express that support. We also supported increased funding for the Office of School Readiness and for AllKids.

Jefferson Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Low rate of children in structured pre-school settings

Even children in day care centers are not getting developmental screenings due to lack of exposure and experience in benefits developmental screening

Funding Provision of screenings is always subject to cuts

No support for Pre-K center directors-to teach them about resources available

Pediatricians don't do developmental screenings and, therefore, make no referrals.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Increased opportunities to provide information and partnership opportunities for pre-K resources, allowing pre-K sites to increase the number of children they serve, increase the number of sites in the county and created a pool of speakers for parent training.

Continued to provide information to families and early childhood professionals to increase awareness of how early childhood screenings contribute to school readiness.

2010 Action Plan

Develop a pool of resources among health care providers to conduct pre-K health screenings at daycares.

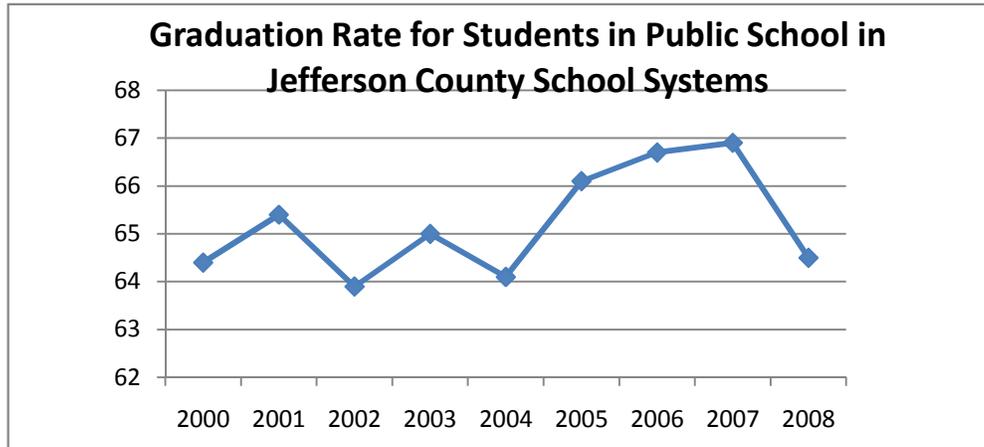
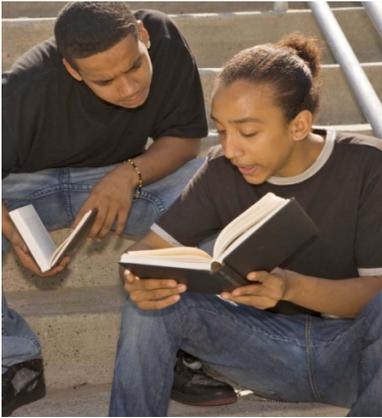
Continue to seek free media resources for increasing awareness of the value of pre-K screening.

Use electronic media to share information about early childcare issues, health and developmental screening and resources available for increased access to the resources.

(No cost/low cost idea) Involve private insurance companies in Early Care and Education information sharing and work group activities.

Jefferson Children's Policy Council

2 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

A significant amount of professional literature demonstrates that poor health outcomes are directly related to low health literacy. Further, low literacy levels are almost a guarantee of poor health; and they are also tied to social determinants such as transportation, income, earnings, etc. This group assumes that a characteristic of a low literacy group would be a low rate of graduation from high school. In the study released this week by the Alliance for Excellent Education, in June 2006, only 61% of students who started high school in Alabama actually graduated. This means that 2 out of 5 children do not graduate. Therefore, to minimize the effects of low health literacy, increases must be made in the state's high school graduation rate.

So far behind they can't catch up - Parents working and no one there to make sure they go - Substance abuse problems (can be cause and effect) - No encouragement from parents or teachers - Wrong group of friends - Feeling as if they don't fit in

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Partnered with UAB's Center for the Study of Community Health to survey school districts in an effort to identify interventions that work.

Continued to collect and share information about dropout issues, including providing a forum at CPC's monthly meeting for presentation by Dr. Tommy Bice, state Deputy Superintendent for Instructional Services regarding state efforts to increase high school graduation.

Involve the faith community more extensively in mentoring activities

2010 Action Plan

Sponsor a panel discussion at Council meeting of district administrators to allow them to share their district's plans to decrease the rate of dropout

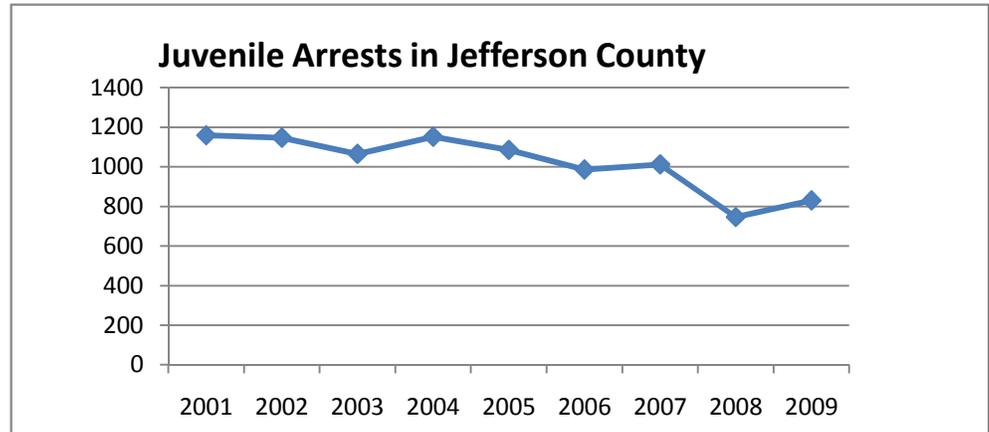
Meet with each superintendent to identify local, district-based interventions that are working, or that superintendents identify as goal interventions of their schools.

Continue to collect and share information about best practices that have been successful in other school districts.

(No cost/low cost idea) Continue recruitment efforts initiated in 2010 designed to increase corporate and business participation in county-wide high school graduation issues.

Jefferson Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

For many juvenile offenders, arrest is not the most appropriate response to non-violent criminal offenses. However, during the previous decades, as Jefferson County's Family Court increased availability of innovative programs designed to prevent further offending, law enforcement officers and families of troubled young people became accustomed to bringing young people to the court. For many, the only way to access services was through the court.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Hold mentoring fair to share information about opportunities to be a mentor.

Increase community awareness of the effectiveness of mentoring in reducing risky behaviors.

Increase the number of mentors, especially male mentors, available for existing mentoring programs.

Involve the faith community more extensively in mentoring activities.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to support and encourage the work of the Central Alabama Mentor Coalition, developed through partnerships and coalitions built within the CPC Safety Work Group, as they increase recruitment of mentors among college students and the faith community.

Organize multi-agency "think tank" to identify more effective ways to increase family access to mental health resources.

Partner with Alabama Department of Public Health to share information from research regarding infant mortality in Jefferson County, including the role played by drug and alcohol abuse, teen pregnancy and lack of access to prenatal health care.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Increase access to healthy, active after-school programs at public schools.

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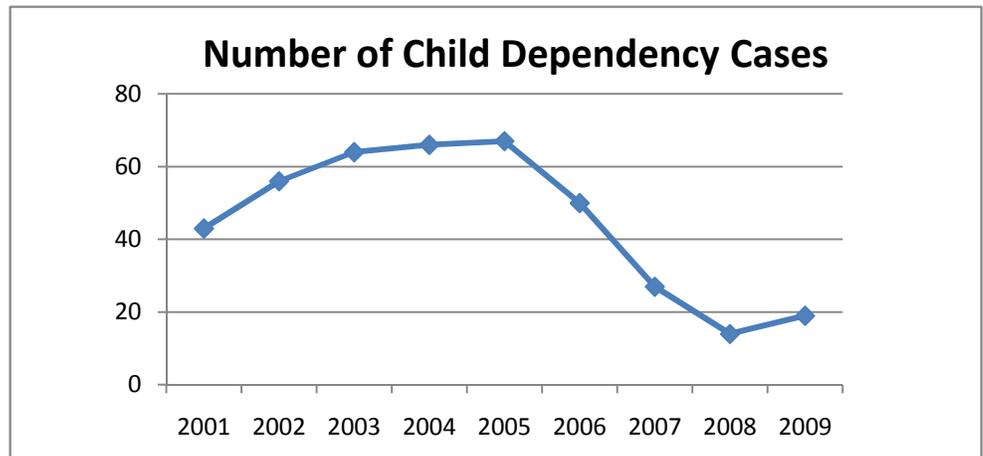
Accomplishments

No Accomplishments Submitted

Lamar Children's Policy Council

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Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Downward trend reflects policies of the R.C. Consent Decree. This downward trend is certainly a good result.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

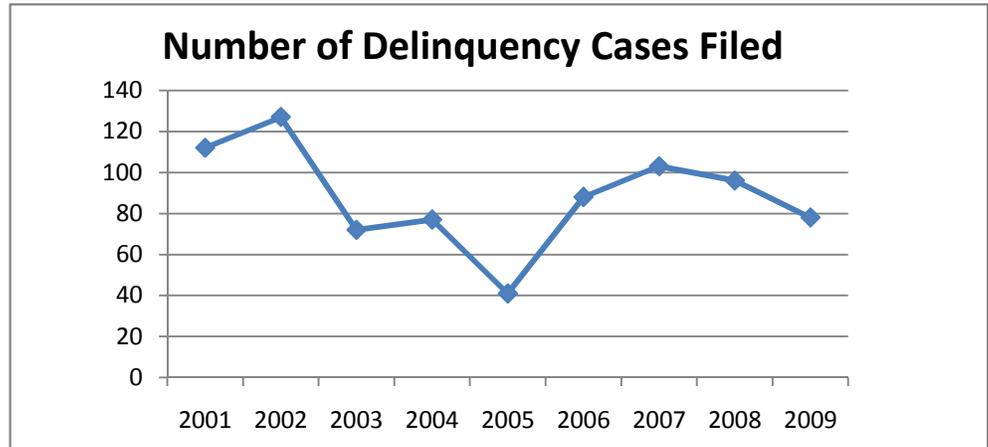
Lamar County Court staff were and continues to be available for cases requiring court action

2010 Action Plan

Continue to be available for those cases requiring court action

Lamar Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Consistent figures indicate consistent law enforcement

Figures reflect general atmosphere of low crime in county

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

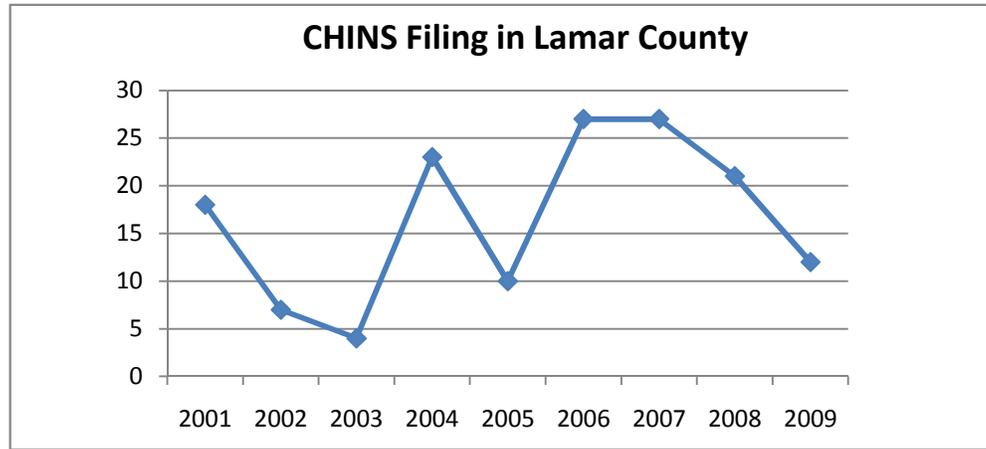
Decrease in the number of delinquency filings from the previous year

2010 Action Plan

Continue consistent enforcement/prosecution of juvenile delinquency

Lamar Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

More truancy cases are being formally filed rather than handling truancy informally.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

No accomplishments submitted

2010 Action Plan

Continue to file cases of truancy formally as needed

Continue to be available to families of Lamar County

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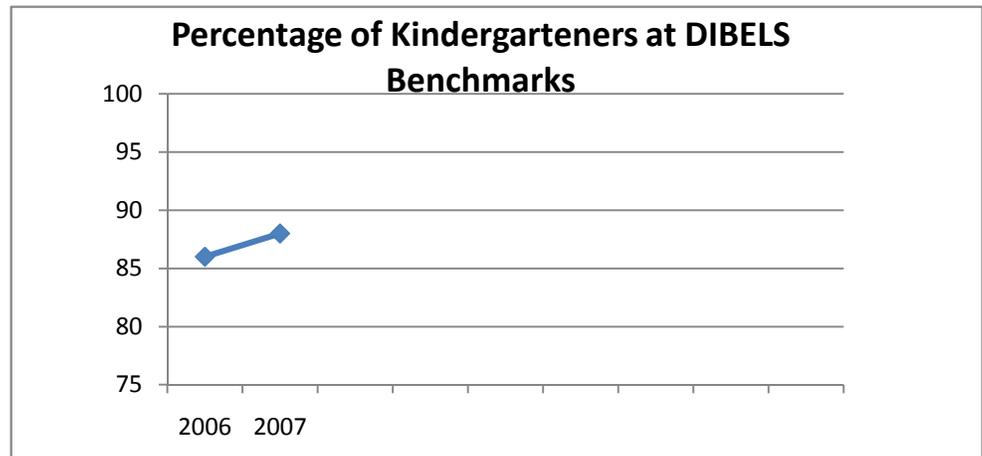
- The LCCPC officially received funds to begin a county-wide HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) Program. A coordinator has been hired.
- A \$50,000 grant was received from the Alabama Administrative Offices of Court to establish a Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency Drug Court and after a few months of operating, was identified by the Administrative Office of Courts as “the model for the state.”
- The LCCPC continued to be an Alabama Department of Children Abuse and Neglect Prevention grantee.

The grant of \$15,000 helps to provide for services to support RAP (Reintegration Aftercare Program). RAP is an intensive 8-week program that aims to increase individual and family stability while reducing the likelihood of abuse and neglect situations.

- LCCPC received a \$6,500 grant from the North AL Legislative Delegation for a Juvenile Information Sharing System. The North Alabama Legislative Delegation also provided funding for several LCCPC related agencies to receive prevention dolls.
- LCCPC applied to the Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and was selected as a recipient of the Alabama Strengthening Communities Project. Training is to begin in August.
- The LCCPC continued as a National AmeriCorps sponsor, hosting four VISTA volunteer positions that serve local non-profit organizations.
- The LCCPC applied for a Department of Children's Affairs grant.
- Several members of the LCCPC met with leaders from ADECA to begin pursuing a partnership for a CANS (Career Advancement Network System). This venture will begin in the near future.
- A \$1,000 donation for Sam's Club, a \$500 donation from the Heart Health Association, and free YMCA membership to participating families was secured for the No PANE Program to address childhood obesity.
- The LCCPC received a monetary prize for their display at the local fair.
- The LCCPC conducted a successful fall fund raiser called "Score Big For Children" and approximately, \$5,500 was raised by selling barbecue chicken plates.
- A successful spring fund raiser was held by members of the LCCPC. The council hosted four shows of the famous, Carson & Barnes Circus. Almost \$10,000 was raised to support the operational cost of the LCCPC.
- The LCCPC and other area ADCANP/ Children's Trust Fund grantees hosted a Child Abuse Prevention Media Event in May called "Light the Park Blue." 21,500 blue lights were simultaneously lit in honor of the children in Lauderdale County, and our goal that each one will have a safe and healthy home.
- Teamed-up with local radio station, WBTG, for 10 -15 minutes of air time monthly to discuss upcoming LCCPC events and programs.
- LCCPC along with the Lauderdale County School System offered free parenting classes called, "On the Road to Empowered Parenting."
- The Drug Scene, a dramatization illustrating the dangers of drugs and alcohol, was presented to 350 individuals, primarily area 6th graders.
- Members of the LCCPC Economic Security Committee began setting up an art display booth at First Friday's to promote young artist and entrepreneurship.
- During the 2009- 2010 school year, members of the LCCPC helped to conduct the Reality Check Program for over 1,625 youth.
- The Drug Panel Programs resumed with over 15 presentations provided to area parents and students.
- LCCPC provided free school readiness and vision screenings to children at the "Give A Kid A Chance" event.
- LCCPC members helped to conduct the annual Career Fair for 1,300+ school age teens.
- LCCPC Education Committee started a Hardship Stipend, which provides funds for local seniors who have financial hardships and cannot afford their cap and gown fees for graduation.
- BAM! (Bad Alcohol Mistake!) Program continued. This year, BAM! was incorporated into Driver's Education Classes and the Prom Promise Campaign.
- LCCPC maintained the SOS (Support Our Students) Program, which is an anonymous way through use of the CPC's web site for students to report incidents of bullying, threats, violence, and concerns.
- The LCCPC Smart Start (Early Child Education) Committee created a poster displaying helpful tips for determining when a sick child should stay at home.
- The Parent Involvement Committee sponsored the annual Family Festival.
- Members of the LCCPC participated in lobbying efforts for the Alabama Department of Children's Affairs and the Alabama Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention.
- Participated in Kids Fest, Care Fair, "Keep the Shoals Beautiful" events, efforts for smoke-free environment

Lauderdale Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

There is a percentage of kindergarteners that are not at DIBELS benchmarks (initial sound fluency, letter naming fluency, phoneme segmentation fluency, nonsense word fluency, and word use fluency). Data from areas that utilize HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) have less kindergarteners below DIBELS benchmarks.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

A \$120,000 grant (\$60,000 in funds and \$60,000 in matching funds or in-kind) was secured for HIPPY (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters). A HIPPY Advisory Board, composed of members from the LCCPC Education Committee and the LCCPC Early Start Community, was formed. A fiscal agent for the HIPPY project is in place. A coordinator for the program has been hired. Training for the coordinator is to begin. The hiring of in-home instructors and referral process is beginning.

2010 Action Plan

The implementation of HIPPY will continue. The Education Committee will search for additional funding to ensure that the program will remain for the coming years.

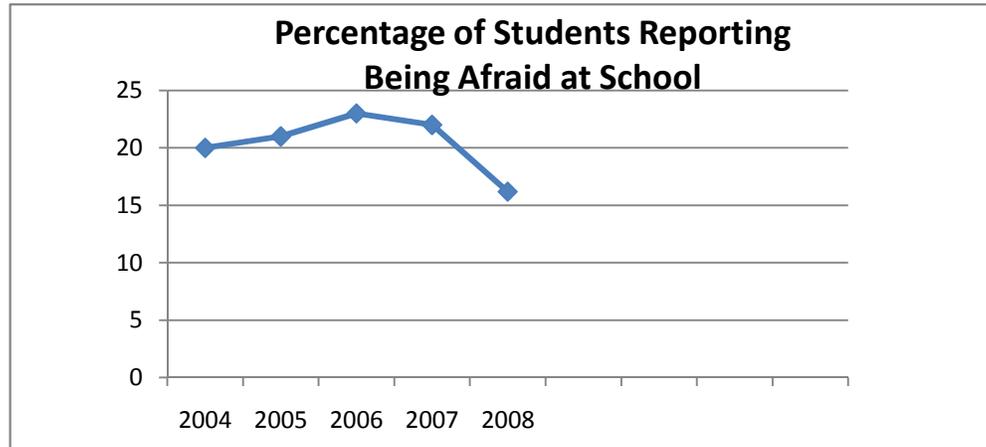
The possibility of the Lauderdale County HIPPY Program combining with the Colbert County HIPPY Program will be explored.

Free school-readiness vision screens will continue to be offered at the GAKAC (Give A Kid A Chance) event. Free school-readiness vision screening opportunities will be expanded.

(No cost/low cost idea) The Education Committee is also looking at ways to provide for after-school aerobic classes for interested students and for hot water heaters being operated in every school.

Lauderdale Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Children report that they do not feel safe. Bullying has become socially acceptable through means of the internet, video games, text messaging, and "You Tube."

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The Lauderdale County CPC has continued to maintain the S.O.S (Support Our Students) Program. It is a way for students to anonymously report incidents of bullying, threats, violence, and concerns through the CPC's web site.

2010 Action Plan

A virtual reality program to educate about the dangers of driving under the influence has been developed and will be offered to high school students. The program incorporates the use of DUI goggles, the Mario Brothers® Wii game, and

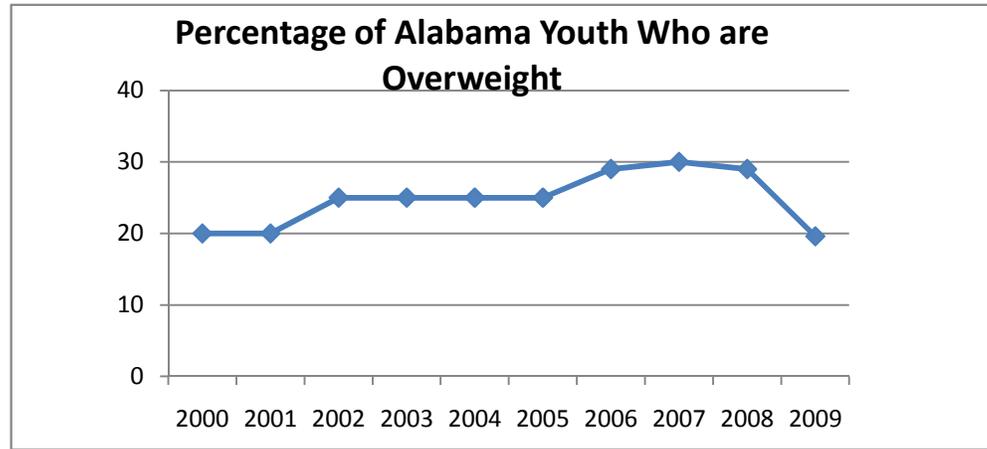
Drug Awareness Programs: BAM!, Drug Scene, and Drug Panel will continue to be offered to schools and communities.

The SOS service designed for youth to report violence and bullying will continue to be offered. Publicity for this service will be increased.

(No cost/low cost idea) LCCPC's S.A.V.E (Substance Abuse and Violence Education) Committee will address the problem of bullying by awarding students for good behavior. The award is to be called the "Gotcha Award." When students are observed by school officials, SRO officers, and/ or peers for demonstrating positive behavior in dealing with bullying, gossip, and fighting incidents, the student will receive the award. At the end of the year, one student from each school that has won "Gotcha Awards" will be selected to receive a Lauderdale County Children's Policy Council Character Award. This Character Award is to be presented by Circuit Judge, Jimmy Sandlin.

Lauderdale Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

The increase in childhood obesity is due to fast food and processed foods being so available and at low cost. Generally high cost is associated with healthy foods. Food stamps are often used to purchase low cost, "junk food". There is a lack of knowledge pertaining to healthy foods and exercise options.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The No PANE Program was a success. Through a partnership with LCCPC, the Alabama Department of Health, the University of North Alabama, Infant and Children's Pediatrics, and the local YMCA, selected families of young children learned healthy diet and exercise regimens. Families were taught how to cook low-cost healthy meals, exercises that they can do together, and healthy lifestyle choices. Families were involved in the program for six months. At the conclusion of the program, participants reported an increase in self-esteem. Program evaluations show that an overwhelming number of participants reported satisfaction with the program. This program is provided at no cost to the participants. The program operates solely on the donations of money, services, and time.

2010 Action Plan

Continue with the No PANE Program. Plans are made to serve more participants. Additional partners have been secured. University of North Alabama, Infant and Children's Pediatrics, Shoals Pediatrics, YMCA, Angel Food Ministries, SAM's Club, and the Heart Association are working with LCCPC to provide this program. The Angel Food Ministries has committed to provide food.

LCCPC will continue to support tobacco awareness events and continue to provide literature about the dangers of tobacco use.

LCCPC will continue to participate in local health fairs, promoting healthy lifestyles. Education and awareness will be provided.

(No cost/low cost idea) Add nutrition and exercise tips to the Lauderdale County CPC web site

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Accomplishments

Truancy continues to decline due to PAT (Parenting Classes)

Council members are more active, the attendance has increased

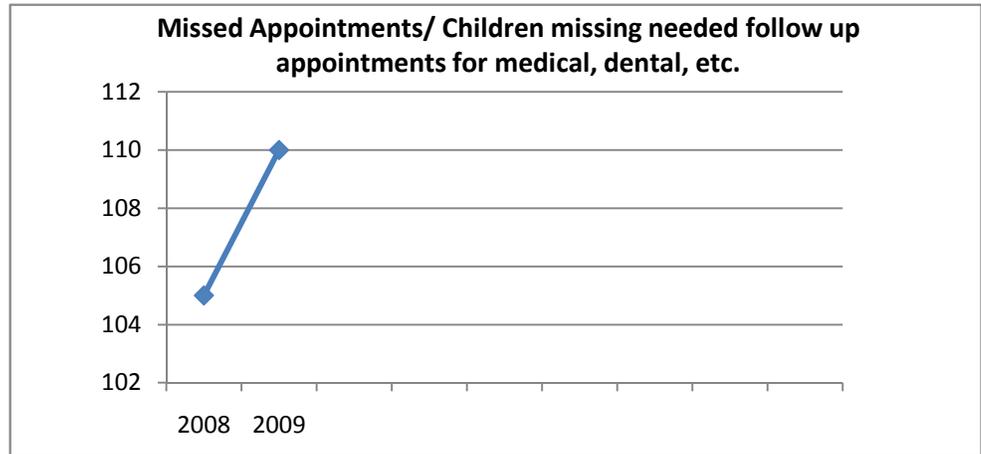
Council members supported the need to hire a Children's Policy Council Director

Children's Policy Council continues to partner with the Education Dept. to help with high risk kids

Children's Policy Council is partnering with the Dept of Public Health for a smoke free Lawrence Co.

Lawrence Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Public transportation is a problem in Lawrence County. Parents/guardians need assistance in getting children to the appropriate facilities for needed follow-up and actual medical, dental , appointments, etc.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Judge is working with the School System and writing a grant to get funding
King James Alternative School of Choice provides transportation for our GED students

2010 Action Plan

Recruit volunteers from local churches and faith based organization to assist with transportation

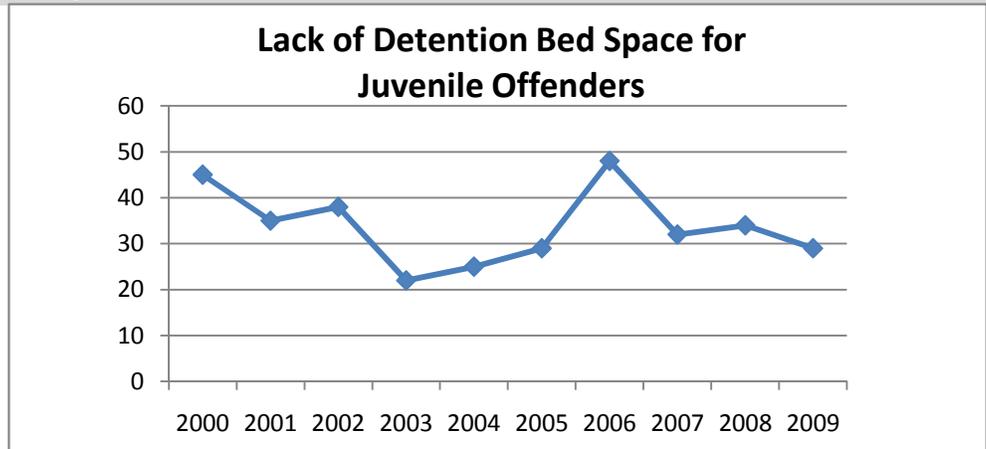
Locate public and private funds to support volunteers with Transportation

Partner with Community Action re: Volunteers

Continue to Partner with King James Alternative School of Choice

Lawrence Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Lawrence County is allocated only 2 bed spaces for juvenile offenders. The normal for the county at any given time is 3 detainees. Bed space, when needed, has to be borrowed from Morgan, Colbert and possibly other counties when the demand requires it and the space at these facilities is available. When space is not available, then the system has to make a decision regarding where to house these offenders.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Met with County Commission re a third bed. However the bed is on hold due to a lack of funds. The city is reimbursing the county for bed space when a city juvenile is placed in detention.

2010 Action Plan

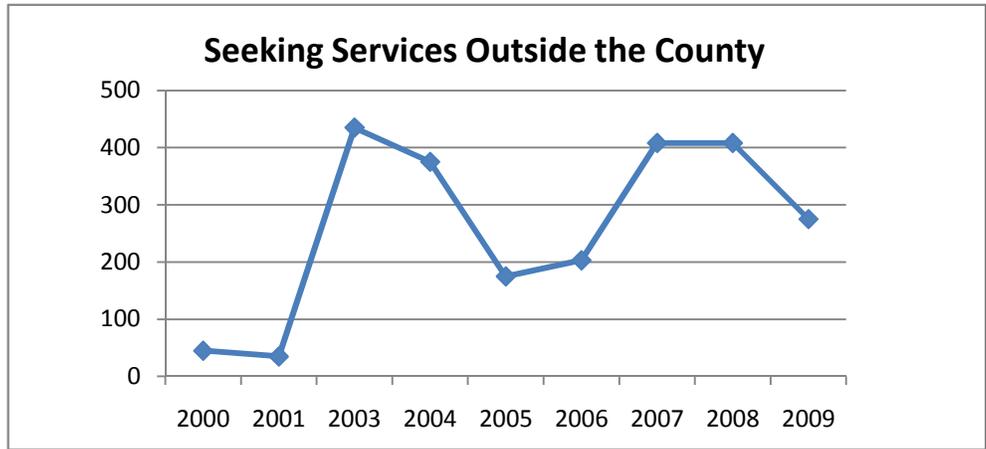
Research the availability of grants

Continue to talk with our county commission

Continue with city participation

Lawrence Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Safe, Engaged, and Supportive



Story Behind the Numbers

The health of the Lawrence County children and families is at risk due. There is a lack of community awareness of available community resources to help in sustaining survival for families and to decrease the chance of children becoming at-risk at a greater level.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Families made aware of Community Action 211 and they are utilizing this service

2010 Action Plan

Continue to utilize Community Action 211 system

Initiate a county wide awareness campaign in each township and large communities.

Develop Resource Directory for each household in the county

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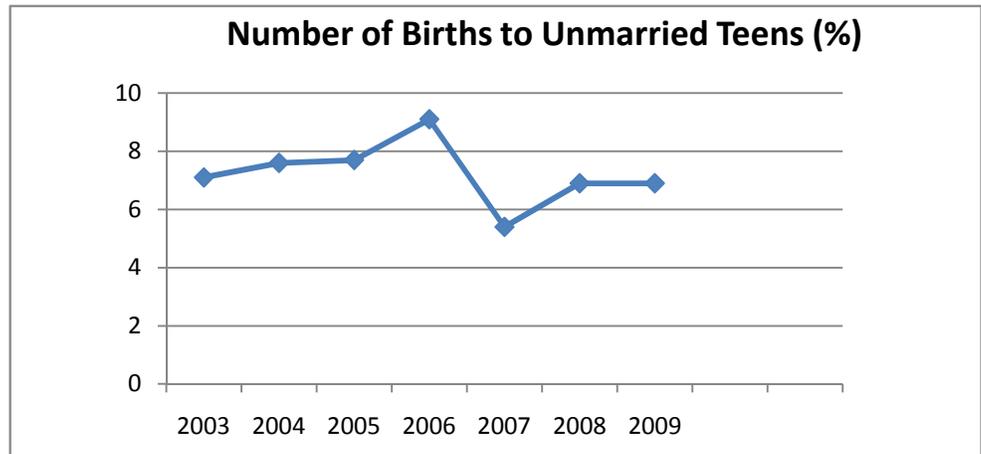
In 2008, the Lee County Children's Policy Council established that its top priority was to ensure that Families are Strong and Stable and chose to focus on identifying and developing educational and prevention programs to reduce the number of births to unmarried teens as a way of meeting this need. The CPC identified a plan of action and through collaboration, our member agencies were able to identify and establish programs to support the plan of action.

We also listed two other priorities: Children are Safe and Children Stay Out of Trouble and selected the indicators for the two as referrals to the Juvenile Court for juveniles charged with violent crimes and the number of referrals for CHINS complaints. The plan of action for these two priorities heavily emphasized the need for education, intervention and parenting programs. Again, through collaboration with member agencies, the CPC was able to identify the programs that exist and what areas need more resources.

One of the goals of the Lee County CPC for this year was to broaden our knowledge of needs and resources for Lee County by establishing committees to address the specific areas of concerns facing family and children in our county. Currently, our CPC has two active committees, Health and Parent Involvement. These two committees have been a tremendous asset to our CPC.

Lee Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Many factors contribute to births to unmarried teens, such as the acceptance by society as a whole of sexual activity at young age; impact of the media, particularly t.v. and movies; and a lack of education to our young about the consequences of such activity. Reducing these numbers is one way to create an atmosphere promoting strong and stable families. Lee County numbers in this area seem to be steadily decreasing. This is a trend we would like to see continue and we work hard to see that it does.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

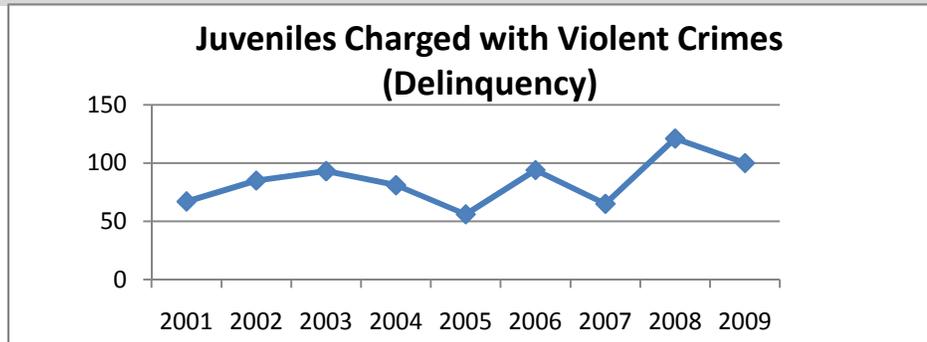
- Opelika City Schools- in conjunction with community leaders founded a mentoring program for high school males
- Women's Hope Medical Clinic- Earn While You Learn, Cradle Club, Parent Talk, Together We Can, 24/7 Dad
- Lee County Dept of Human Resources partnered with the Social Work Program at AU to offer a Mentoring Program called Project GU-2: Growing Up, Going Up
- The Youth for Christ- Teen Mom's Ministry and Campus Life Ministry
- Auburn Junior High School and Drake Middle School offer a Mentoring Program through the Harold Franklin Foundation at AU
- Auburn High School-offers mentoring program
- Boys and Girls Club of Greater Lee County- SMART Moves (Skills Mastery and Resistance Training), Keystone Clubs, Torch Clubs, Triple Play: A Game Plan for Mind, Body and Soul
- East Alabama Mental Health-Family and Children Services-Godparent Project, Special Deliveries, Parent Power
- Auburn City Schools teaches abstinence education and AIDS awareness through the health courses; ACCEPT (Auburn's Continuing Commitment to Educating Pregnant Teens); Character Education; partnered with Women's Hope and the Alabama Council of Human Relations to offer a reading program for teen moms
- Lee County Youth Development Center- provides abstinence education
- Child Advocacy Center-Incredible Years
- AL Council of Human Relations-parenting classes; services pregnant teens and teen mothers in cooperation with schools
- Child Care Resource Center- Parent-Provider Connection Program
- No cost/low cost idea- Public service announcements advertising family nights in the community (Health Dept, Lee County Youth Development Center, Opelika Parenting Expo)

2010 Action Plan

- Mentoring Program
- Parenting Classes
- Educational Programs
- (No cost/ low cost idea)Public Service Announcements

Lee Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

The number of arrests of juveniles for serious criminal (delinquent) acts is a good indication of how well prevention of delinquent acts and treatment of those charged with less serious offenses has been. At this point, the commission of violent acts by juveniles in Lee County has not been a serious problem as the number of charges over the last 4 years is roughly half of the total over the previous 4 years. This is an area, however, where we cannot afford to relax our efforts, and we must always be cognizant of steps we can take to improve the situation.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- Early Intervention Programs -Lee County Juvenile Court-recognizes children K-12 who display good character in the school or community -Opelika Police Dept-DARE, Youth Camp, Adopt-a-cop, Explorers Post & Junior Police Academy
- Auburn Police Dept- DARE, Stranger Danger, Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program, Dare to Be (in partnership with Auburn Fire Dept and Auburn Parks and Recreation), GREAT-Gang Resistance Education and Training, Alcohol Awareness Program, Internet safety -radKIDS- violence prevention program offered by the Lee County Sheriff's Office
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Lee County-Keystone Clubs, Torch Clubs, Power Hour: Making Minutes Count, Project Learn, Goals for Graduation, SMART Moves (Skills Mastery and Resistance Training), Triple Play: A Game for Mind, Body and Soul-Project Uplift- early intervention program offered through Lee County Youth Development Center
- Opelika City Schools-Mentoring Program -Auburn Junior High School offers PBS-Positive Behavior Support
- Auburn Junior High Schools and Drake Middle School-offers Mentoring Program through the Harold Franklin Foundation at AU- Faith Based Programs--Greater Peace Missionary Baptist Church- Crusaders, Youth Connections, Red Circle, Camp Awareness, Tutorial Program, Youth Leadership Academy --Ebenezer Baptist- Youth Leadership Academy-First Baptist Church of Opelika-Youth Camp, Taming the Monsters-Youth for Christ- Campus Life Ministry -for senior high school students -CHINS intervention programs
- School Resource Officers provided by Lee County School Systems and Lee County Sheriff's Office
- Lee County Juvenile Court-Peer Mediation-in partnership with Lee County Schools and Opelika City Schools, Early Warning -East AI Mental Health Family & Children Services-EAMH-F&CS, Substance Abuse Prevention
- Day School Program- a partnership between Opelika City Schools and Lee County Youth Development Center
- National Night Out- sponsored by the City of Opelika and National Association of Town Watch
- Youth for Christ- through the Youth Guidance Division -Accountability for actions- for juveniles by both parents and courts -No Cost/Low Cost- Public Service Announcements/Awards and incentives for good behavior

2010 Action Plan

Early Intervention Programs

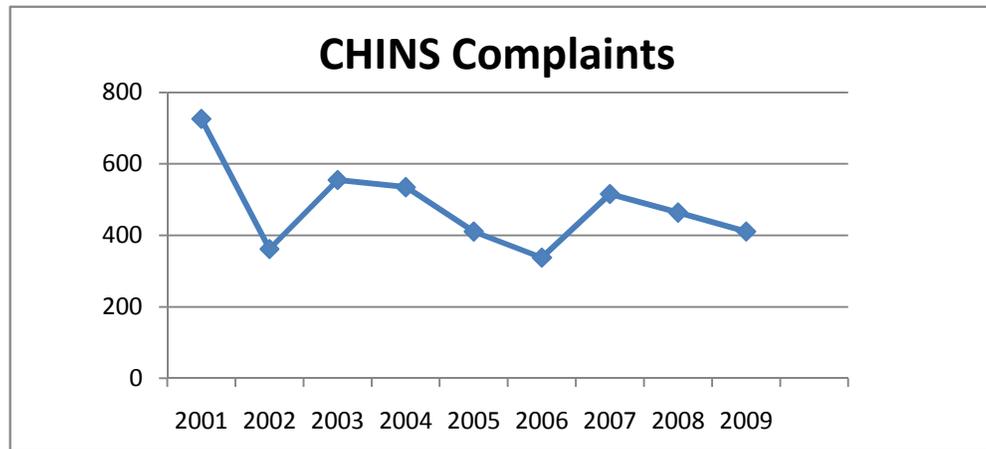
Juvenile offender's accountability for actions

Parental education and responsibility

(No cost/ low cost idea) Public Service Announcements/ Awards and incentives for good behavior

Lee Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

If CHINS behavior (truancy, running away, and ungovernable behavior) is a precursor for delinquent behavior, then keeping that behavior as low as possible would be essential to helping Lee County children stay out of trouble.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Young parents educational classes- East Alabama Mental Health-Family & Children Services- Godparent Project, Special Deliveries and Parent Power -Child Advocacy Center-Incredible Years -Alabama Council on Human Relations- through their Child Development Program -Women's Hope Medical Clinic-Cradle Club, Parent Talk, Together We Can, 24/7 Dad -Child Care Resource Center-Parent-Provider Connection Program -Youth for Christ-Teen Moms Ministry -Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Lee County-Family PLUS (Parents Leading, Uniting, Serving) -School programs-importance of an education and staying in school -Opelika City Schools-mentoring program -Auburn Junior High and Drake Middle School-Mentoring Program through Harold Franklin Foundation at AU -Auburn City Schools-Credit Recovery Program -Opelika City Schools- in partnership with Lee county Youth Development Center-provides a Day School Program -Youth for Christ-Campus Life ministry; in partnership with Fellowship of Christian Athletes to provide programs to high school athletes -Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Lee County-Power Hour: Making Minutes Count, Project Learn, Goals for Graduation, Junior Staff: Cultivating Tomorrow's Club Professionals Today, Money Matters: Make it Count -No Cost/Low Cost idea-Saturday morning community service projects promoting positive experiences and helping those in the community with special needs

2010 Action Plan

Young parents educational classes (parenting techniques)

School programs aimed at the importance of an education and staying in school

(No cost/ low cost idea) Community service projects promoting positive experiences and helping those in the community with special needs

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Accomplishments

It has been a wonderful year for the Limestone County Children's Policy Council!

We are pleased to announce Limestone County now has a Children's Advocacy Center (CAC). The Athens Limestone Children's Advocacy Center opened earlier this year. A Board of Directors is now in place and Susan McGrady has been hired as the Executive Director. McGrady has completed Forensic Interview and Forensic Evaluation training. Since opening in February, the CAC has conducted interviews on 14 children.

The CAC had a very successful first fundraiser and is currently having a contest open to all children K-12 to design the CAC logo. One entry will be chosen as the official logo. This artist will receive a \$300 scholarship or savings bond. Six other entries will be chosen as art pieces to be used in the center. These artists will receive \$50 gift cards. All entries will receive a gift of participation. We celebrate the opening of this much needed Children's Advocacy Center. It has been a long time dream of the Limestone County Children's Policy Council.

Our Family Resource Center (FRC) continues to expand services under the director, Sarah Chadwell. The FRC hosted a "Celebrate the Child" event in April to create awareness and help prevent child abuse in our community. It was also a meet and greet event for the director of the Children's Advocacy Center, Susan

McGrady. Guest speakers discussed how to prevent child abuse and neglect.

At the "Celebrate the Child" event, the FRC held the Grand Opening of the Baby Bucks Boutique. The Baby Bucks Boutique is an incentive program where participants earn "bucks" for attending FRC events, classes and completing tasks such as taking children to required doctor's appointments, signing up for All Kids, enrolling in WIC, etc. The bucks can then be traded in for things like diapers, formula, toys, and clothing for children in the Baby Bucks Boutique. \$100 in baby bucks was given away at the event.

Four new classes are being offered by the FRC in partnership with the CAC. All classes are open for anyone in the community to attend. Relationship Smarts is a class that helps teenagers build better relationships with family, friends and mates. "Bridging the Great Divide" focuses on building communication skills between parents and their teenagers. "Pathways to Success" focuses on parenting skills, techniques, and guidance for parents with young children. "Small Steps to Success" is a self-esteem and mentoring class for children of parents enrolled in "Pathways to Success".

The Youth Community Service Program is a new venture by the FRC that places youth in community service. As part of sentencing, juveniles ages 12 and up are placed in businesses and community events to volunteer as they are supervised by a liaison from the FRC. The LAUNCH program is also being offered at the FRC. LAUNCH is a Workforce Investment Act initiative for children ages 16-21 who are out of school. Participants receive counseling to complete their education and find jobs.

Three learning babies will be housed at the FRC: fetal alcohol baby, meth baby, and shaken baby will be available for check out.

Clients of the FRC can now receive free financial counseling. The financial representative helps clients establish a realistic cash flow plan, debt management, savings plan, resources for wealth building, and basic budgeting skills.

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Limestone County continue to expand programs in the areas of education, arts, character leadership, sports and fitness, and healthy lifestyles.

Another successful program being offered again this summer is FFATE (fun fitness and tech education) program. This program helps get children ready for kindergarten and is taught by group of 5/6 graders. In last summers program, according to testing the children were ready for kindergarten by the fifth week.

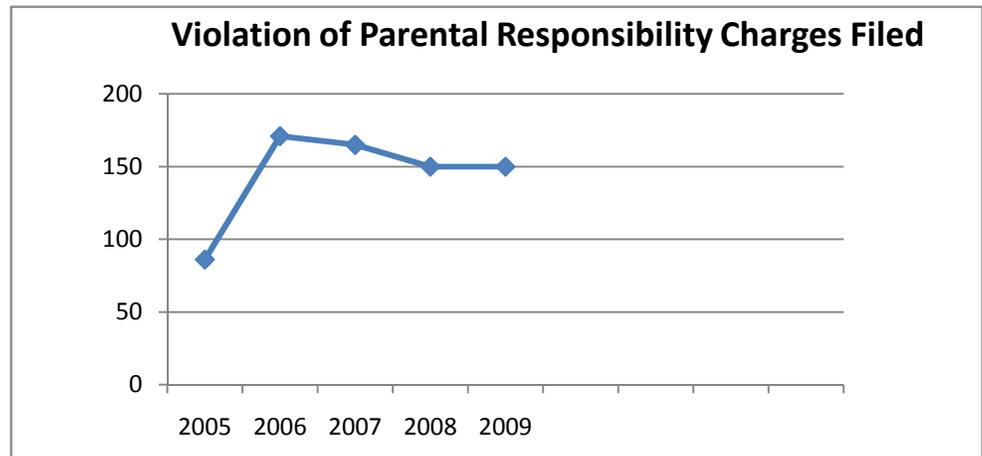
The Limestone County Department of Mental health is offering a Summer Day Camp beginning in June for 8 weeks. The camp give children education opportunities, summer activities and continuation of medication. Transportation is provided.

Limestone is the first county in the state allowed to do 72-hour hearings for juveniles by video. The hearings will be from the courtroom to the detention facility in Tuscumbia. Not only is this a safer way to do hearings but it also saves time and expense to the county and state.

The PEACE project offered by the Mental Health Center NCA has been a great success in Limestone County. PEACE stands for Promoting Emotional Adjustments through Core Values and Education. It is an educational program designed to help participants increase problem-solving and assertiveness skills, identify the emotions underlying anger and aggression and how to change them, and gain greater personal power and responsibility.

Limestone Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

There has been an increase in truancy actions filed in our county and a corresponding spike in our drop out rates. We believe that there is a need for children to be parented successfully in order to meet their educational needs at an early age before they fall behind in school. Falling behind often results in children giving up and missing school and later dropping out.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Two new programs are being offered by the FRC to help parents develop appropriate parenting skills.

"Pathways to Success" focuses on parenting skills, techniques, and guidance for parents with young children.

"Small Steps to Success" is a self-esteem and mentoring class for children of parents enrolled in "Pathways to Success".

GED programs are being offered through the Community Corrections Program.

2010 Action Plan

Program for parents with children (K-5)

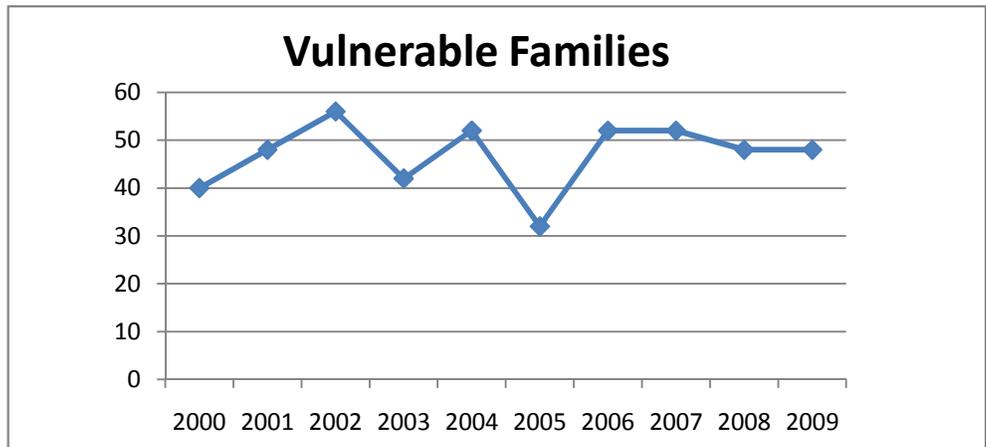
Teacher Homework Discipline Skills/ organizational Skills

Tutoring and learning to read for parents

(No cost/ low cost idea) Have prisoners from local prison produce presentation for parents

Limestone Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Private Child Placement Agencies will often place children in counties and no one is aware of the placement. In most cases, these children have pre-existing emotional and educational problems. They need help transitioning into a new family and school. During the transition, the money that is provided for each child should be monitored to insure it is used for the child's needs. The Department of Human Resources should be aware of multiple children being placed in one home.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The CPC adjusted its priorities somewhat over past year. This is still an important need to Limestone County but the immediate problem we experience this issue lessened and the CPC instead concentrated on getting a Children's Advocacy Center to Limestone County.

2010 Action Plan

Draft Legislation

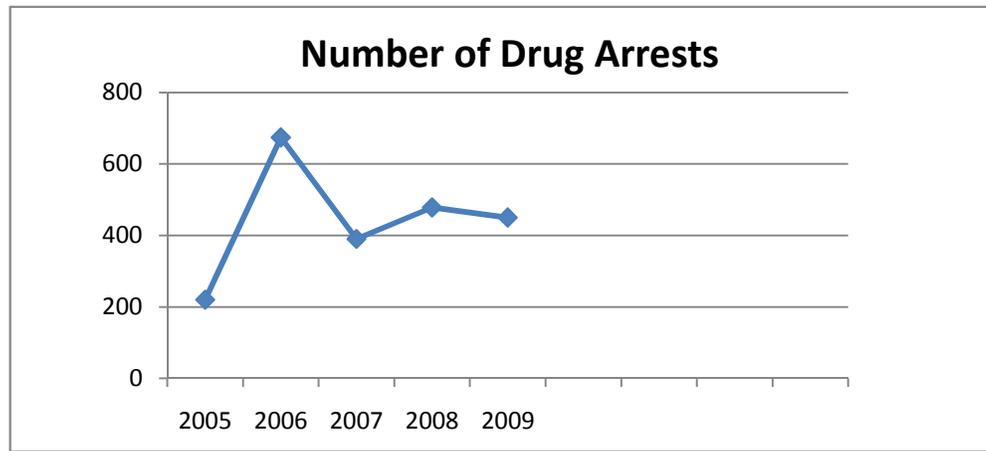
Meet with Legislators

Educate Counterparts statewide

(No cost/ low cost idea) Pass Legislation

Limestone Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

There has been an increase in dependency petitions involving parental drug use. Many of these parents have long term addictions to crack cocaine and crystal meth and other drugs that are not conducive to treatment in intensive outpatient programs. Reunification efforts are delayed while waiting for residential bedspace. More halfway houses with family access are needed.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

A half way home is being established in Limestone County by Friendship United Methodist Church.

2010 Action Plan

Meet with Legislators to increase funds for bedspace

Meet with available treatment providers

Develop a list and set up protocol for admission and assessment

(No cost/ low cost idea) Develop aftercare programs locally to offer upon parents' release from residential treatment

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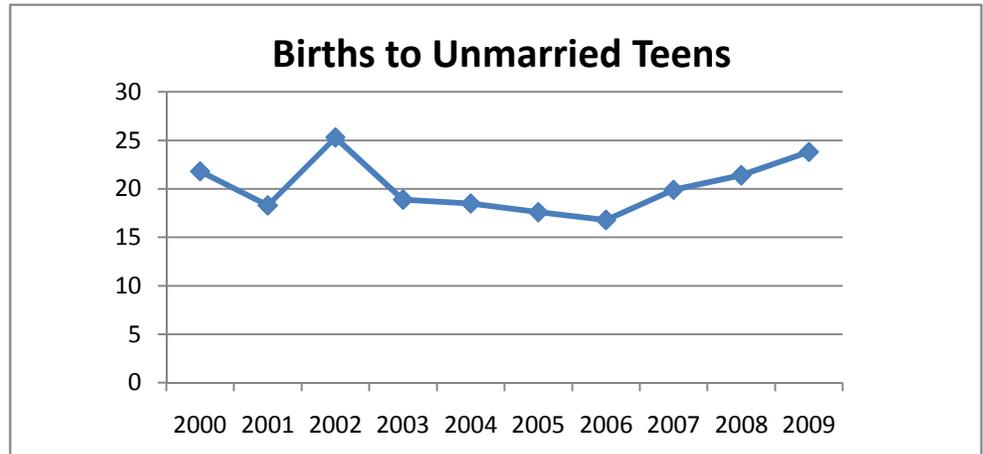
1. Financial sponsor of Kid Check which provided health screenings in local schools
2. Provided school supplies and funding for back to school rally.
3. Youth trained as HIV/AIDS peer mentors and education in the local high schools
4. Behavior modification class expanded to accommodate more juveniles
5. Partnered with the Family Service Center of Lowndes County to provide Tax Preparation Assistance, Job Placement, Conflict Resolution Classes, Parent Project, Computer/GED Training/Food Pantry to serve over 200 Families and a recognition program for all participants.
6. Partnered with BancorpSouth Bank and FDIC to expand Money Smart training to the youth of our county. MP3 Podcasts or a CD of Money Smart were distributed to youth.
7. Partnered with the Juvenile Court and local attorneys to provide a Law Day mock trial event for seventh grade students in the judicial circuit.
8. Worked with law enforcement to host a Kids and Cops Day.
9. Partnered with local churches to expand organized recreational programs.
10. Financial support provided for the Lowndes County Helping Families Initiative.
11. Continued our efforts to secure funding for the Lowndes County Helping Families Initiative.
12. Partnered with DHR to promote awareness for child abuse and neglect and elder abuse.

13. Supported grant efforts to bring abstinence education to our schools.

14. Received a grant from BancorpSouth Bank to print and distribute Parent Resource Cards throughout the county.

Lowndes Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

1. Lack of enrichment activities
2. Peer Pressure
3. Lack of education
4. Lack of life and social skills
5. Lack of involvement from fathers
6. Lack of supervision
7. Substance Abuse
8. Lack of Job skills
9. Lack of role models/values
10. Lack of available employment
11. Lack of transportation

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Over 40 students completed Behavior Modification Classes
Winners Walk Tall Enrichment Program was funded for an additional year
Parent Project was expanded into the school system
Additional youth were trained and HIV/AIDS educators and peer mentors
Helping Families Initiative served over 100 families

2010 Action Plan

Continue to implement educational programs to address teen pregnancy

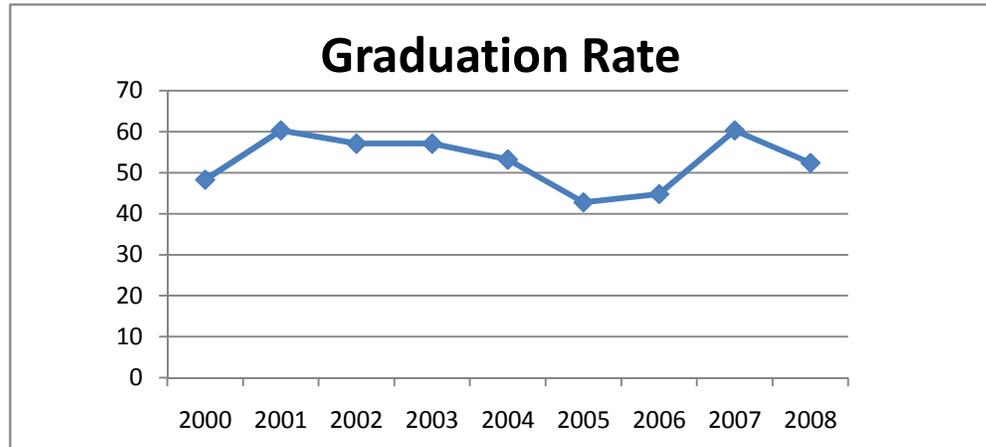
Continue to expand Lowndes County Youth Leadership program.

Continue to seek abstinence education funding

(No cost/ low cost idea) Provide literature and brochures on teen pregnancy, STD's, HIV, and AIDS at all events that will

Lowndes Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

1. Value of Education
2. Parental Involvement
3. Poverty/drop out to work
4. Poor attendance/truancy
5. Parents of lack education
6. Slow learners/disability
7. Lack of preparation
8. Lack of GED Programs
9. Programs for teen mothers

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

GED programs were sustained in all communities
Family Service Center in partnership with CPC members was able to expand services
Recreation league gained support from the religious community
Helping Families Program served over 100 families
Board of Education secured a grant for \$14 Million to improve student performance
Additional summer employment opportunities were available for youth
Over 200 residents of Lowndes County, including some 18 year olds were hired for the U.S. Census.
New scholarships were available to graduating Lowndes County seniors
Job Corps made presentation to at-risk students

2010 Action Plan

Continue to provide workshops and resources to parents and students to encourage graduation.

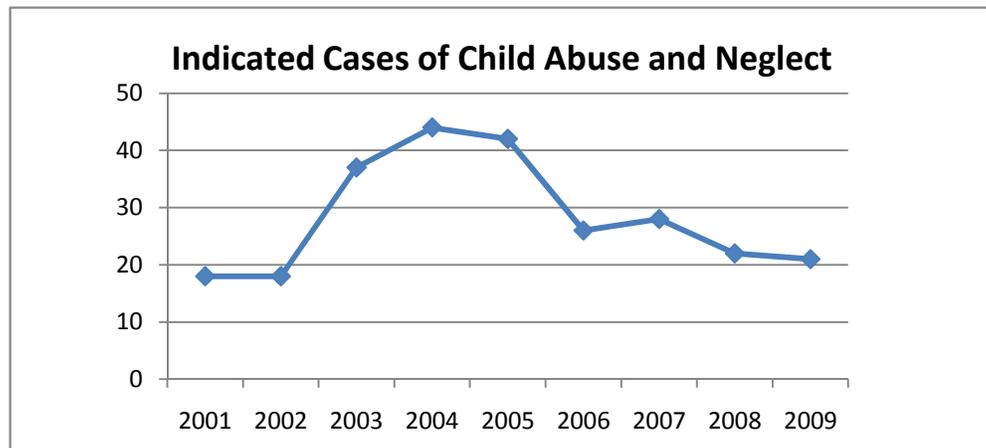
Encourage students to participate in activities during school and after school that provide mentors as well as a structured environments

Assist schools and students to find more scholarship funding

(No cost/ low cost idea) Support and encourage student recognition programs.

Lowndes Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

1. Substance Abuse
2. Unemployment/ economic stress
3. Anger
4. Lack of supervision
5. Domestic Violence

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Behavior Modification Classes were available for all adjudicated youth.
Court expanded referrals for Domestic Violence treatment and Conflict Resolution.
Helping Families Initiative served over 100 families.
Domestic Violence Counseling (SAIL Project) was expanded throughout the county.
Court Referral compliance improved significantly.
Parent Project was continued in the school system.

2010 Action Plan

Continue seeking funding for the Helping Families Initiative.

Support Family Sunshine Center and DHR's efforts to provide additional domestic violence counseling in the community.

Continue to support Alabama Cooperative Extension Systems and the Lowndes County Family Service Center's efforts to make families stronger and self supporting.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to educate public and mandatory reporters on child abuse.

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Accomplishments

The Macon County Juvenile Court Outreach Program held its 31st annual awards program for youth involved in r the program's youth clubs. Two former members of the program were honored for graduating from college and one former member was honored for graduating from law school

Our Policy Council has applied for 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service

A local women's civic club has developed and implemented a mentoring program for male youth 12 years old to 17 years old

The county has a peer to peer counseling program for young single mothers to address issues of parenting domestic violence, job skills and education

The Star Academy serves over aged children in 8th grade to get them back on track academically

The Juvenile Court, the District Attorney's Office and the Macon County School System have developed a strategy to address truancy

Abstinence Program offered to middle and senior high students by Alabama State University is still in place and continues to provide services

The YMCA provides various sports and academic programs for the county's youth

Macon County has a very active PTA council consisting of PTA leaders for all of the county's schools

The HIPPY program of the Macon County School System provided in home educational services for more than 60 children ages 3 years to 5 years

A local church provided a science program for school aged youth

Kids and Cops day is held annually to help children see a different side of law enforcement and its personnel

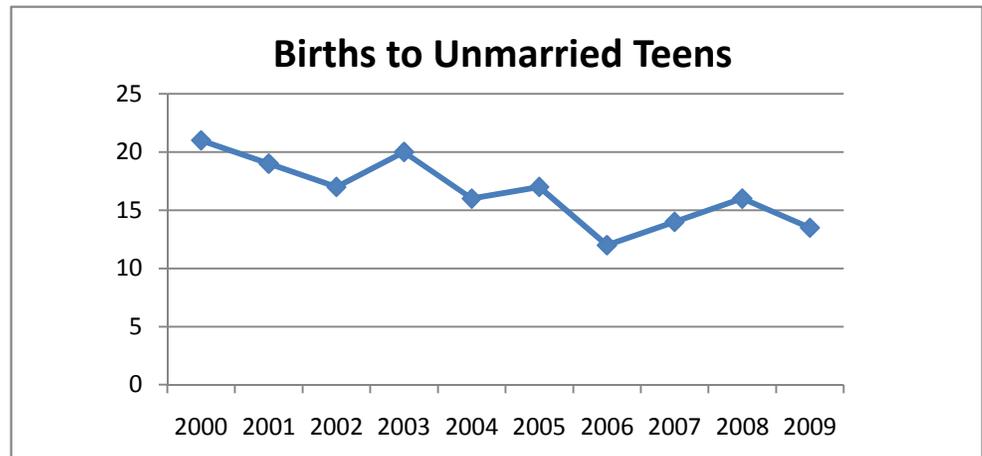
The Tuskegee Fire Department conducts educational programs for youth and provides school supplies and clothing drives for needy children

Law enforcement presents programs for children at the local library

A planning committee is in place to develop and implement the town hall meeting on youth in July or August 2010

Macon Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Teen pregnancy is increasing and more young women are deciding to have children out of wedlock. The economy and the political turmoil about the legality of gambling has had an adverse impact on employment in the county. Sex education is not adequate to compete with the glorification and promotion of sex in the media.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Alabama State University presented an abstinence program for middle school and high school youth; the Sister to Sister peer counseling program for single mothers to address the issues and challenges of their families; a local women's civic club's mentoring program for middle and high school male youth; the Jack and Jill biannual cotillion; various programs sponsored by the local YMCA ; the HIPPY program provides in home education services for young pre-school children

2010 Action Plan

Develop more and better parenting programs for single mothers

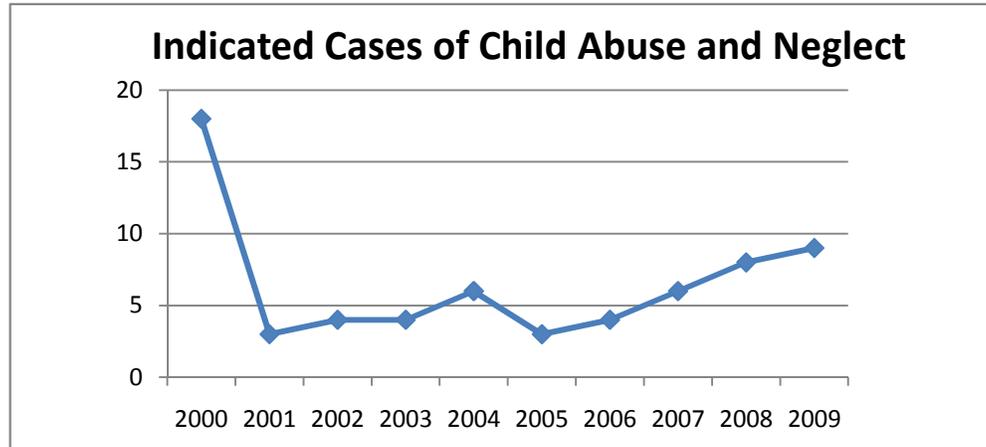
The implementation of the Family Awards program for families of elementary school students

Challenge local churches to continue to reach out to unchurched youth and families

(No cost/low cost idea) Town hall meeting on youth to be held July or August 2010

Macon Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Parents are not involved in activities and events that impact children's lives, i.e., PTA, parenting meetings, school or community events. No moral value system, lack of parental supervision.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

PTA Council provides flyers and brochures on parenting; continue work to develop Macon County CPC directory and offer it electronically

2010 Action Plan

Participate in Child Abuse Prevention activities sponsored by Macon County DHR

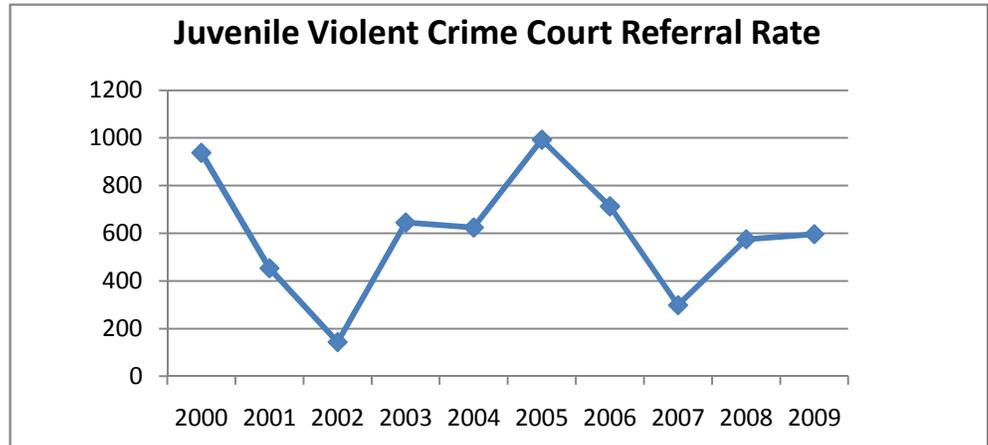
PTA Council will establish a local resource center for parents

Public Health Service will continue to put announcements in the local newspaper regarding various parenting issues

(No Cost/Low Cost) Encourage local churches to reach out to unchurched families as a local form of missionary work

Macon Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Juveniles are not attending school as they should, some are disrespectful to adults and persons in authority, the media glorifies crime, the video games and music promote violence, and some are not exhibiting an ability to know right from wrong.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The local YMCA sponsors various youth sports and educational programs and county government is building baseball fields throughout the county. The Star Academy provides remedial education for older 8th graders behind in school. Character education has been put in place in some schools and Tuskegee Public uses youth hall monitors to assist teachers and staff.

2010 Action Plan

Recruit more adult volunteers for county youth sports programs

Implement a new truancy prevention program

Develop a life skills and Junior Achievement programs for youth

(No Cost/Low Cost) Implementation of a "Junior Patrol Officers Academy" by local law enforcement

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Accomplishments

Since last year, the Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) has continued to flourish. JCC currently has 50 volunteers with a total of 7 panels. These panels are placed in various areas of the county so that families do not have to travel a long distance. One panel has been created to specifically address the needs of children with mental health diagnoses and mental retardation. Over the last two years, the JCC has been given 244 criminal charges from Madison County Juvenile Court. Of these cases, there have been 176 children. Currently the success rate of JCC is 60% and is increasing. The recidivism rate for JCC is at 7%.

The MCCPC has applied for several grants from the Department of Children's Affairs and local entities in the community. The monies from these grants will be used to further fund the JCC program. The MCCPC has secured the assistance of The Village, a non profit agency, to act as the fiscal agent should any grant money be awarded. Now that a fiscal agent has been identified, we hope to submit more grants to help further MCCPC programs.

The Juvenile Mental Health Court (JAC) has served over 30 children and their families since its creation over a year ago. JAC employees have hosted personnel from the Administrative Office of Courts and the Department of Mental Health and Retardation to come and observe court procedures and received glowing

reviews about the program. Judge Ruth A. Hall, who oversees JAC, has traveled to Washington for training to help the Court revise standards and implement new ideas that will be beneficial to JAC. Judge Hall has also submitted a Jane K. Lowe grant to provide case management services, medication assistance, transportation assistance, and program scholarships.

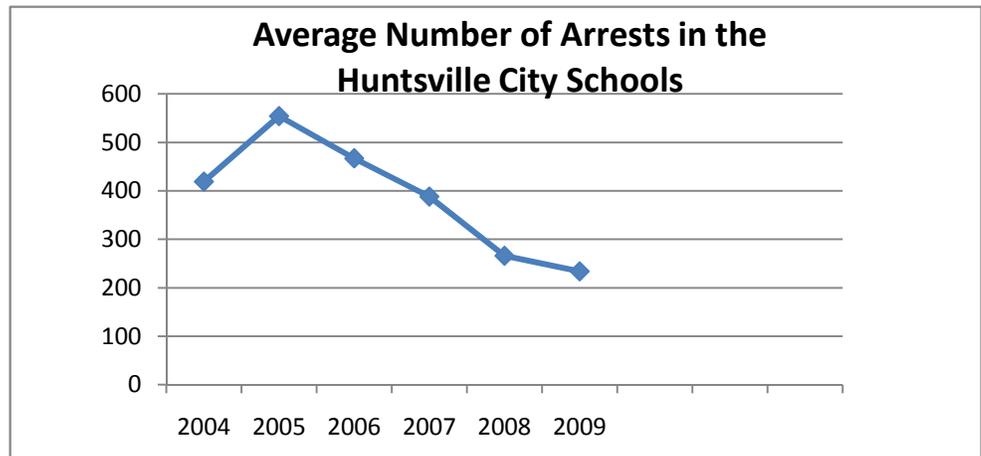
The Madison County Coalition for Healthy Marriages has many accomplishments this past year. They organized a marriage festival on February 20, 2010, which had 58 in attendance and had a Black Marriage Day on March 28, 2010 that had 159 in attendance. They conducted the Relationship Smarts Plus classes at the Neaves Davis Center For Children, Harris Homes for Children (girls home), and at the Academy for Science and Foreign Languages. They conducted a Self Esteem Development/Enhancement and Together We Can (parenting class) at the Oscar mason Recreation Center, which is a part of Huntsville Housing Authority. At Limestone Correctional Facility, they presented classes on Dating & Emotions; Mastering the Mysteries of Love; How to Avoid marrying a Jerk(ette); and Honoring Myself & My Family. MCCHM also provides classes at their office called Ready for Love; Step Families; and Marriage Enrichment. This year, they served 823 clients in Madison County.

The Community Action Agency has begun an Early Head Start program for children ages 0-3. Premier Collaborations has also applied for funding to fill the gap between regular child care fees and the cost of another "First Class" classroom.

All of our programs that were mentioned in last years Needs Assessment continue to progress and thrive. We have also been fortunate to have new programs come into our community to help our children. We not have a theft/shoplifting program (STOP), a parenting program for pregnant teens (I Am Worthy), an anger management class (Who Am I), and a parenting class that is offered one Saturday every two months. All of these programs, with the exception of the parenting class for adults and teens, requires community service to be performed. This allows the child to give back to the community in which they offended.

Madison Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

There are too many arrests in the Huntsville City School system.
There is a lack of problem solving skills; bullying is on the increase
Lack of parental skills
Combative environment with the child's parents
Influence of drugs and alcohol; this is an "in your face society"
Influence of the media
Lack of consistent policy among the schools
Lack of consistency with the dress code
There is a distrusting attitude with the police, school, and the juvenile justice system

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Juvenile Conference Committee has increased it's volunteer panels to seven. One panel is specialized to handle children with mental health diagnoses.
New programs have been developed and brought into Madison County to help deter juveniles from the Juvenile Court system. These programs include a theft/shoplifting program, additional parenting program for parents, a parenting program for pregnant teens, and an anger management program.
Juvenile Mental Health Court (JAC) has serviced over 30 children and their families.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek funding for the Juvenile Conference Committee and other programs.

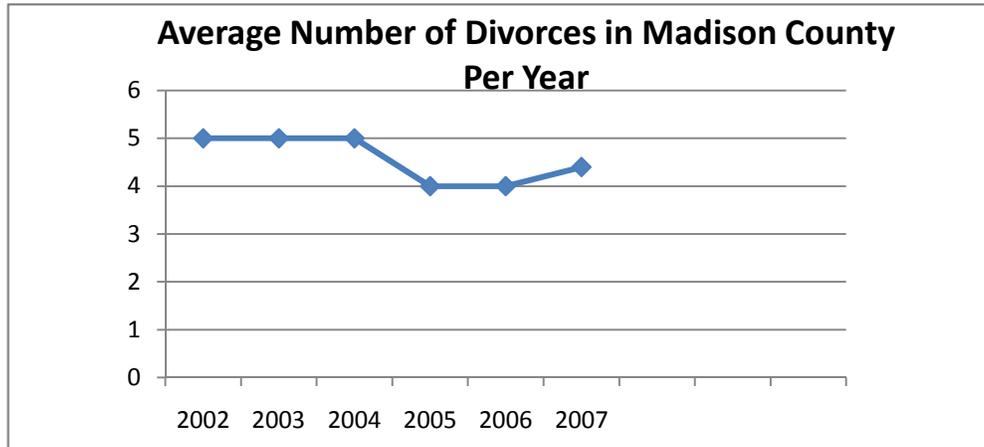
Continue the process of implementing the JIL (Juvenile Intervention Program). Mental health intervention pre-Juvenile Court contact in schools.

Expand school board mental health services into Madison County School System

(no cost/low cost idea) Create an online resource for families to research services in Madison County - a comprehensive listing that may help address specific needs

Madison Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Divorce rate is higher in Madison County than the national average. The lack of dual parent households is a factor that increases abuse, neglect, juvenile delinquency, drug and alcohol problems, etc.

Families must stay together in order for a child to have a stable and healthy childhood.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Third annual Marriage Festival on February 20, 2010. There were 58 in attendance.

Black Marriage Day on March 28, 2010. There were 159 in attendance.

Relationship Smarts Plus classes at the Neaves Davis Center for Children, Harris Homes for Children (girls), and Academy for Science and Foreign Languages.

Ready for Love; Step families; marriage enrichment; addressing marriage issues at MCCHM office.

Self esteem development/enhancement; Together we can (parenting) at Oscar Mason Recreation Center - Huntsville Housing Authority.

Dating and emotions; Mastering the Mysteries of Love; How to Avoid marrying a Jerk(ette); Honoring Myself & My Family - classes at the Pre Release program of Limestone Correctional Facility.

2010 Action Plan

Increase pre-marital preparation through counseling, classes, and mentoring

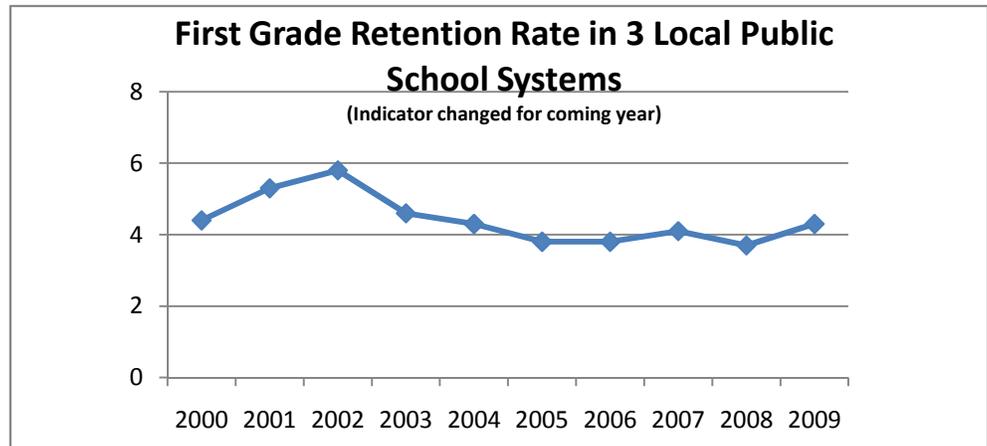
Increase marriage enhancement classes

Youth programs for Healthy Relationships

(no cost/low cost idea) Financial literacy prior to marriage. Note: All of the Action Plan items are low cost

Madison Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Too many children arrive at kindergarten lacking the skills needed for success because (1) they did not have access to high quality pre-kindergarten programs and/or (2) their parents lack knowledge of the need for school readiness. Because some schools have policies prohibiting kindergarten retention, the first grade retention rate is the best available measure of the readiness of children entering school. Though DIBELS is widely used to assess skills early in the kindergarten year, it does not assess all areas of readiness, so its use as an indicator was rejected.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Community Action Agency has begun an Early Head Start program for children ages 0-3. Premier collaborations has applied for funding to fill the gap between their regular child care fees and the cost of another "First Class" classroom.

2010 Action Plan

Through programs such as United Way's "Fun Learning Moments," the Madison City School's HIPPY, and programs in private preschools and child care centers, increase awareness of the need for parents to consider themselves as their child's first teachers.

Increase the number of state-funded pre-k programs ("first class") in Madison County so more than the current 200

Improve early identification of children with learning disabilities.

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue and expand DIAL screening in four year old programs so teachers can help individual children develop school-readiness skills they lack.

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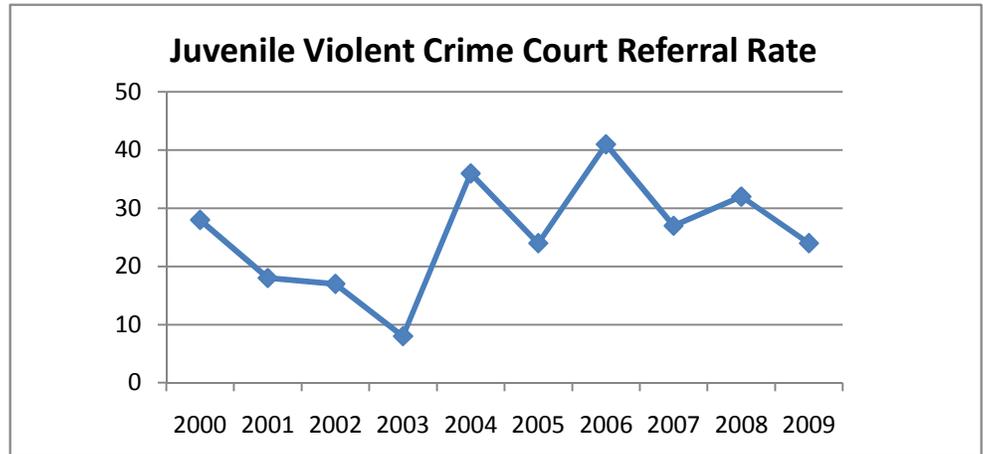
Began a Juvenile Re-direction Program through the Black Warrior Council of Boy Scouts of America, which is a ten week program for juvenile first offenders.

Secured funding for an Alternative Community Corrections Program (Drug Court), that has proved very successful

Have a successful parenting program that is held at the Theo Ratliff Community Center in Demopolis

Marengo Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of discipline in home
Single parent families
Over-aged (retained) Students in schools
Lack of core discipline
Teenage parents Media influence (rap music, violent video games, etc.)
Lack of Early intervention
Lack of proper counseling in schools

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Community Alternative Corrections Program - Drug Court - has been implemented and funded
Juvenile Re-direction program offers an alternative for first time juvenile offenders
Continue better utilization of local and state programs, such as West Alabama Mental Health and West Alabama Transportation and Food Stamps, etc.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to partner with community centers for after school programs

Utilize multi-needs furs for behavioral aides to go to the homes of at-risk families and provide assistance

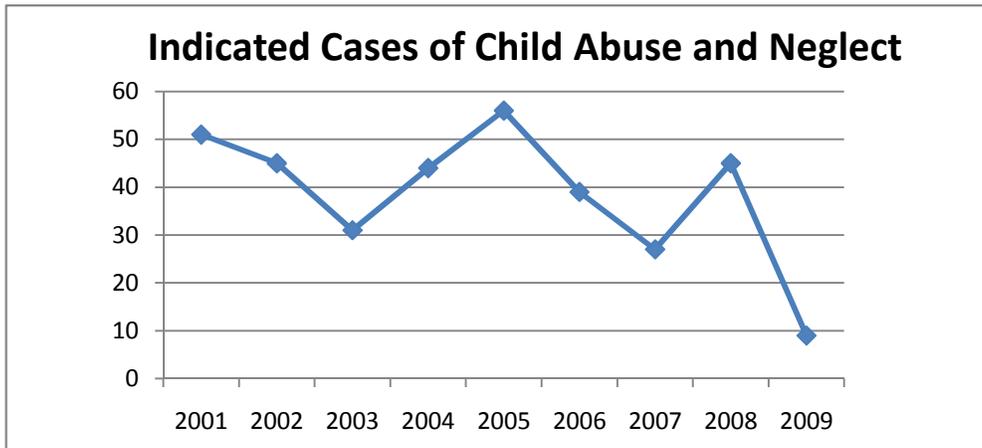
Partner with local churches and civic organizations for mentoring and tutoring

(No cost/ low cost idea) Harriet's House to provide awareness of domestic violence related to juveniles. Try to secure funding for grants from local business and industry.

Marengo Children's Policy Council

2

Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

- Substance abuse
- Lack of parenting skills
- Single parent families
- No fatherhood involvement
- No parent families with children being raised by relatives, etc.
- Low income/poverty
- Lack of supervision and children left home alone

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- Need more local community centers and churches to provide tutoring and mentoring
- Continue to actively encourage children to report cases of abuse and neglect
- Continue to share information with parents, teachers and school administrators

2010 Action Plan

Attempt to coordinate with school systems to educate children on child abuse and neglect

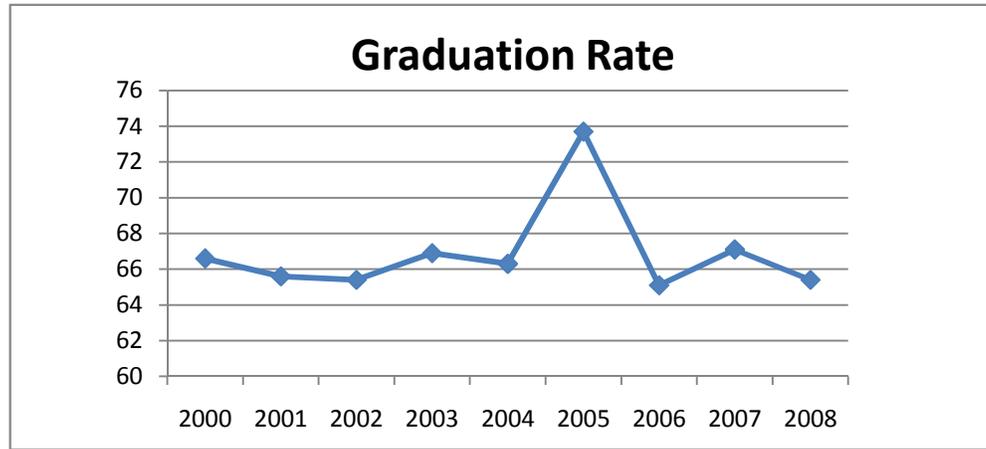
West Alabama Mental Health: coordinate and partner with them to develop and implement programs

Access Kid One and West Alabama Transportation to participate and provide transportation to various programs

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to utilize local, state and federal programs, such as Medicaid, All Kids, Food Stamps, WIC, etc.

Marengo Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

- Lack of parental involvement (don't care, no values, etc)
- Early intervention (K-3 different from 9-12)
- Substance abuse
- Unmotivated students
- Mandatory attendance and no drop-out age
- Need more technical programs in schools
- Utilize guidance counselors more

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- West Alabama Mental Health and local churches have provided summer camps for children
- Continue community centers that can assist children with afterschool care, homework, etc.

2010 Action Plan

- Coordinate a dialogue between superintendents/board presidents concerning the common needs all students face
- Coordinate a meeting of ministerial associations and presidents of civic organizations in the county to discuss way they can plug in
- Encourage each school to work to expand after-school programs to include grades 9-12, along with graduation coaches
- (No cost/ low cost idea) Find "active adults" (senior citizens) that can partner with each school or system as an academic community cheerleader

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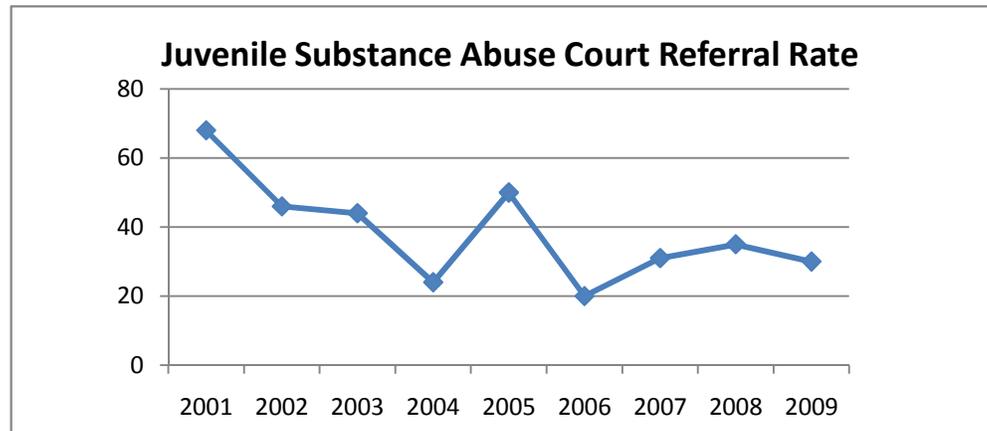
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Accomplishments

Continued consistent enforcement and prosecution of juvenile delinquency cases, CHINS cases and truancy cases.
Provided families with information regarding Parenting Classes offered through the Extension Office.
Partnered with Bevill State and Northwest Shoals Community Colleges in referring students to the Youth Success program
Breaking the Cycle of Abuse Conference
Walk-A-Mile for a Child - raised over \$10,000 in 2009
Counseling and Character Education in the Marion County Alternative School
Drug Testing
Provided school supplies for children involved in Juvenile Court
Provided gas vouchers for families with transportation issues to visit children in placements and for doctor's appointments
Provided clothing and hygiene products for children committed to bootcamp

Marion Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of extracurricular/ after school activities
Parenting Problems
Lack of adequate supervision
Need for substance abuse education

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Character Education at the Marion County Alternative School
Too Good For Drugs
Drug Testing
Adolescent Substance Abuse Camp

2010 Action Plan

Continuing to partner with the Education System for Too Good for Drugs.

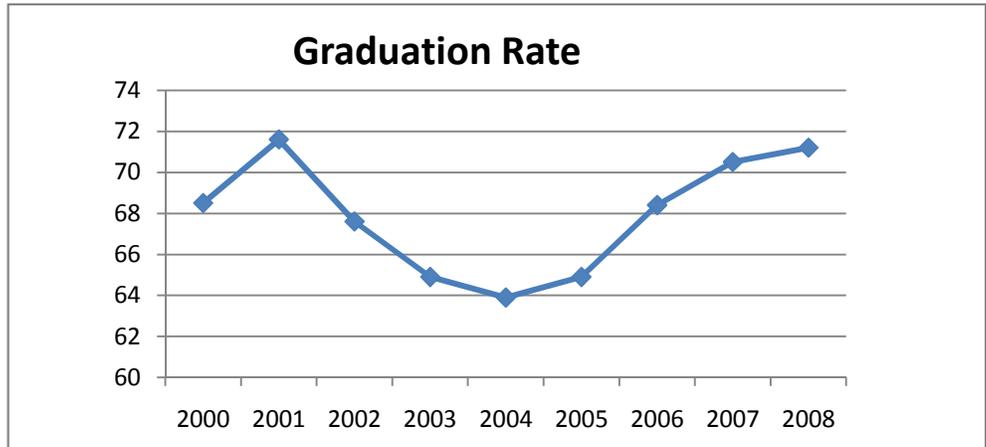
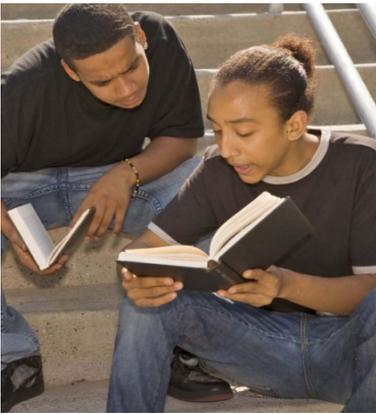
Continuing to partner with the Drug Task Force to educate the community on drugs.

Continuing to partner with the Mental Health of counseling services.

(No cost/low cost idea) Red Ribbon Campaign

Marion Children's Policy Council

2 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Don't get connection between education and earning power

Bored with School

Undiagnosed/untreated ADHD

Parents do not encourage children to stay in school

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Enrollment in the Youth Success Program

Provided information to parents of at-risk students through a Parent Resource Center

Provided school supplies for children involved with Juvenile Court

Provided Character Education for students of the Alternative School

2010 Action Plan

Continue to partner with the local school systems, Beville State, Northwest Shoals Community College and the Career Center

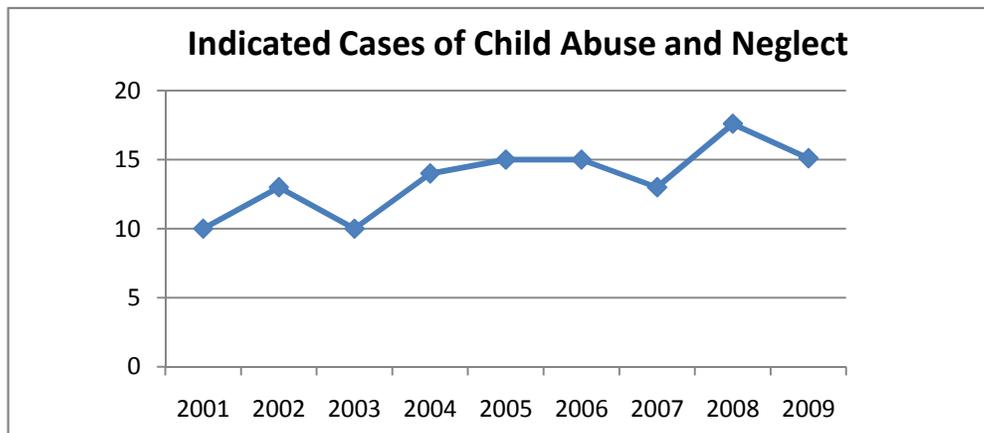
Assist the schools in enforcing the truancy laws

Provide School Supplies for Juvenile Court children

(No cost/low cost idea) Reality Check

Marion Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Drugs/substance abuse
Lack of Parenting skills

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Breaking the Cycle of Abuse Conference
Walk-a-Mile for a Child - raised over \$10,000 in 2009
Too Good For Drugs
The Parent Project
Parenting Classes

2010 Action Plan

Breaking the Cycle of Abuse Conference

Walk-a-Mile for a Child - raised over \$10,000 to prevent child abuse

Parent Project and Parenting Classes

No Cost/Low Cost: Too Good For Drugs

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Accomplishments

The Children's Policy Council has spotlighted different agencies and services they provide at meetings to let everyone know.

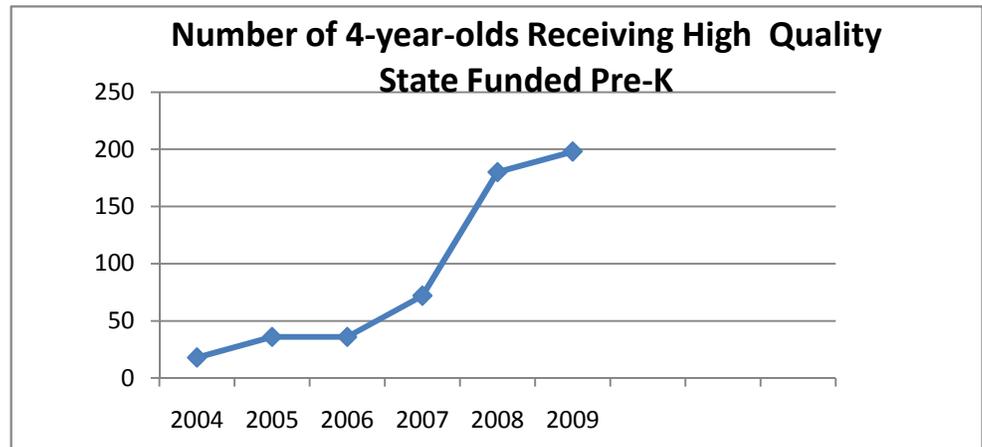
The Children's Policy Council has increased its membership and the number of agencies represented.

The Children's Policy Council and the Family Resource Center worked together to obtain funding for the homelessness.

Alabama PreK Standards were adopted in a newly added class serving 18 children making a total of eleven OSR Standards-based classes serving 198 students in Marshall County.

Marshall Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Research supports the correlation of high quality Pre-K programs and children being ready for school. A study by The National Institute for Early Education Research Rutgers University of the Michigan School Readiness Program found significant, meaningful improvements in children's early language, literacy and math skills development at entry into kindergarten, similar to the results of other relatively high quality programs across the country. Another 2008 study on the impact of the state of New Mexico's Pre-K on children's school readiness at kindergarten entry found continued improvement in language, literacy and math development for the children who attended the program.

Marshall County, a rural community, has a population of 83,231. Marshall County's school population consist of predominantly white, low to middle class socioeconomic families. The 2000 Kids Count reports there are 5,117 children under the age of five, of these children 1,126 live in poverty and 8.5% are born to unmarried teens. Marshall County has the 4th highest teen pregnancy rate in the state. There is also an estimated 5,000+ Hispanic or Latino families now living in Marshall County who have limited English and low literacy skills. In this county the need for pre-kindergarten programs is evidenced in the following statistics: Over 50% of the student population are living in poverty, high school drop-out rates average 33%, 36% of the adult population over 25 did not complete high school, 35% of the high school graduates do not continue their education. ARMS data reports 1,225 four year olds living in Marshall County. This number could be higher due to unreported numbers of migrant and immigrant children and families. The Marshall County four year old population exceeded the total number of state supported high quality programs for the entire state of Alabama in 2006. While this number has improved in the last two years it is still grossly inadequate meeting the needs of this population. Additional consideration of the following data: free and reduced meal information, attendance reports, drop-out rates, grade retention numbers, standardized test scores, Alabama Kids Count Report and availability of pre-kindergarten programs to ensure children are ready to start school. Research overwhelmingly supports the positive impact of Pre-K programs on these risk factors and their relationship to school readiness and long-term individual success.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Additional funding for Marshall County 4 year old programs from the Office of School Readiness of approximately \$180,000.00 serving an additional 37 children.

Alabama Pre-K Standards were adopted in a newly added class serving 18 children, making a total of eleven OSR Standards-based classes in Marshall County serving 198 children.

2010 Action Plan

Additional state funding for high quality programs through the Alabama Office of School Readiness

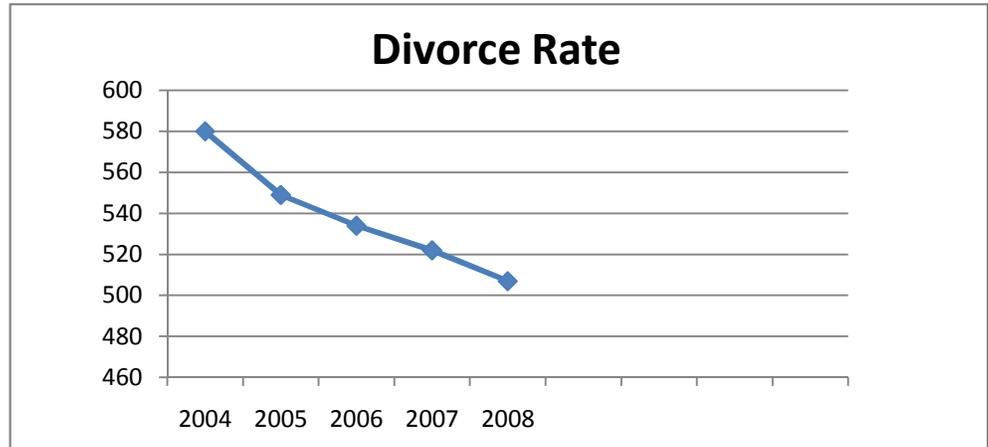
Highly qualified teachers

Program quality technical assistance from trained ECE professionals for all 4-year old programs by request at minimum or no cost to local provider and volunteer adherence to Alabama High Quality Pre-K Standards.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Voluntary adherence to Alabama High Quality Pre-K Standards. Summer programs are needed for 4 year olds who have not received previous preschool experiences and who are starting kindergarten.

Marshall Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Marshall County has had high divorce rates, among the highest in the nation, for several years. These high divorce rates most likely contribute to the following social issues dealt with throughout the county: low commitment to community and school by youth, poor family stability, high alcohol related arrest among Marshall County juveniles. Record numbers of meth labs, use and arrest - we rank among the highest in the state for teen pregnancy, infant mortality and high school drop out statistics.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The Marshall County Family Resource Center has increased the number and types of services provided at the Center. The Family Resource Center received a Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program Grant.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to identify and make available services that will support and strengthen families.

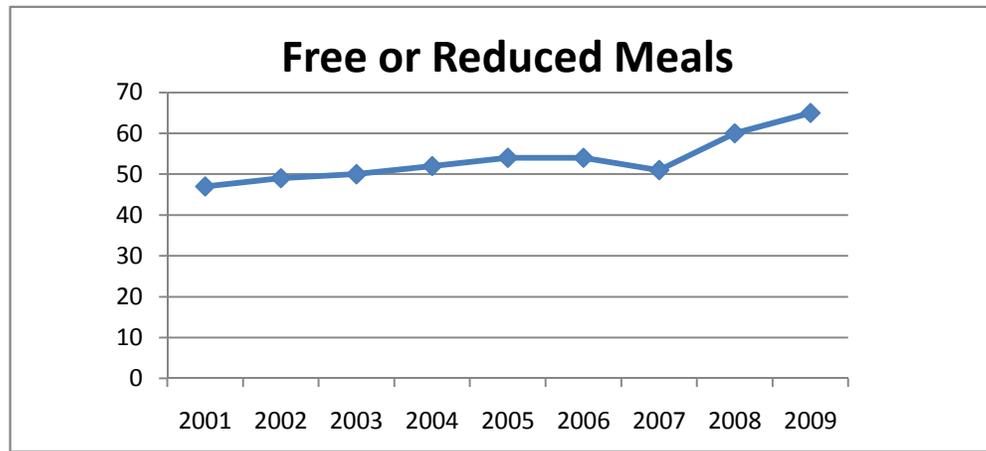
Promote information sharing among agencies.

Continue to increase the number of participants in the Fatherhood Initiative and Transparenting classes.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to provide services at no cost to the individual or family.

Marshall Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Thriving



Story Behind the Numbers

Low income brought in by one or two parent families
Poverty level in inner city and rural areas
One parent families with too many children (kids raising kids)
Low wages can't keep up with rising economy (food, utilities)
Increase in the number of illegal immigrants and their use of the system
War, unemployment, unstable stock market
Natural disaster, storm, droughts

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The staff of the Ready to Work Program made a presentation at the Children's Policy Council. Referrals have increased from agencies and the court.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to make referrals to the Ready to Work Program for job preparation and credentialing.

The Juvenile Probation Office will begin a supported work program for juvenile offenders and increase job preparation

(No cost/ low cost idea) Begin in middle school to provide more information about career choices including those that require vocational training.

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Accomplishments

The youth court was instrumental in bring a new program called YAP to Mobile County. The Program focused on at risk youth primarily in the 36605 Zip Code. The youth were provided a paid advocate that was responsible for spending a minimum of 10 hours per week with the youth. Much of this time was spent working with the family as well as the youth to change the destructive behavior of the youth and the family.

The Mobile County Juvenile Court continued to form relationships with community leaders by developing a Leadership Program for at Risk Youth. The Program was put on in partnership with The Mobile County Youth Court and Team Focus, lead by Coach Mike Godfied. The program targeted kids that were between

the age of 11 and 15. The group meets every Wednesday Night from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The court continued its movement with the Youth Violence Committee which is a smaller group of individuals from the Children's Policy Council whose objective is to advocate for the need to come up with strategies to address violence in Mobile County, but specifically Youth Violence.

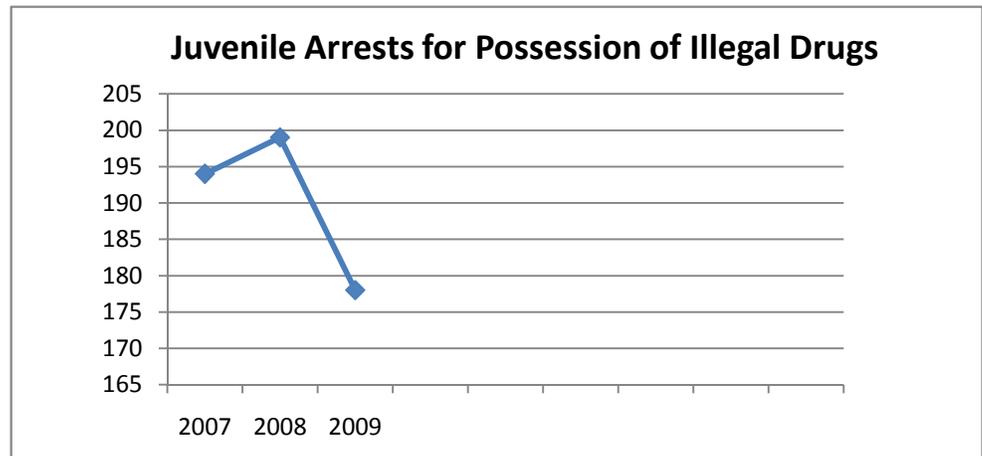
The court has completed its design of its new residential program. The court hopes to have in place the new partner that will carry out the mission of the court as it relates to our boys residential program. This program is based on a strong partnership with agencies such as University of South Alabama, Alta Point and the Bridge.

The court has redesigned its curriculum for kids that are adjudicated for minor weapon offences. It consists of a 5 week program that involves the youth and the parent. There are weekly assignments, with a major project to be submitted at the conclusion of the 5 weeks.

Judge Naman and the court continues to be involved in Town Hall Meetings and actively participates in Community Action Group Meetings, and the Judge continues to impress upon the court and the community the need prevent juvenile crime and expand the availability of services to families in need.

Mobile Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Alcohol use by young people in Mobile is an "adult" problem. Young people get alcohol from adults-at home, by purchasing it from adults (at stores), or adults purchase it for them. Some adults think alcohol is a "safe" alternative. Early alcohol and tobacco use are strongly correlated to later drug use.

Some young people are "self medicating" due to undiagnosed mental health problems

Alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse are heavily linked to multiple forms of violence including assault, rape, domestic violence, dating violence, and suicide.

Drug and alcohol are too available. Today's young people have to "run away" from them, unlike in the past when individuals had to seek them out in order to come in contact with them

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Decreased underage alcohol sales
Task force did public service campaign

2010 Action Plan

Review drug paraphernalia items and have comprehensive education and enforcement similar to what we did for underage drinking.

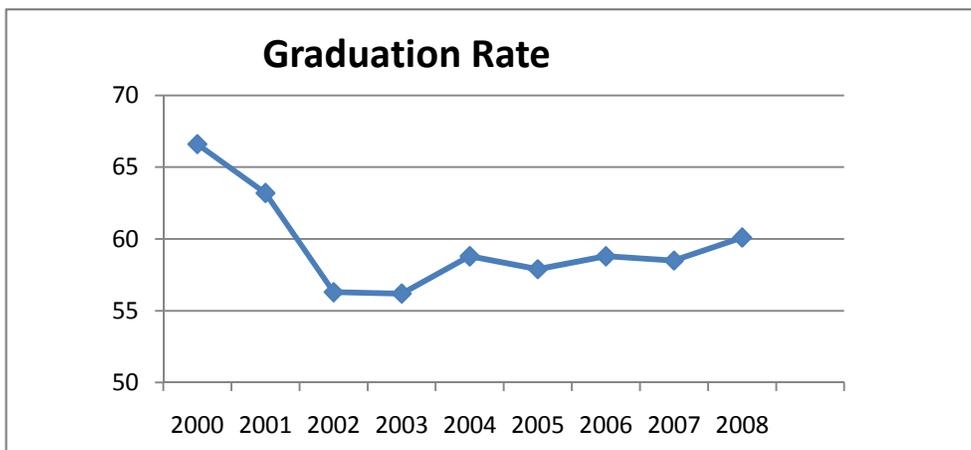
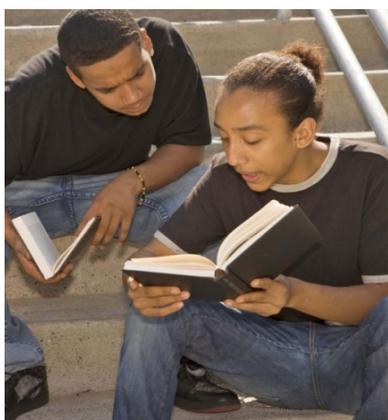
Establish a cultural competent drug education plan with the kids.

Create and promote healthy lifestyle programs for at-risk youth.

(No cost/low cost) Identify, create, and promote more credit recovery programs.

Mobile Children's Policy Council

2 Children Transition Successfully to Adulthood



Story Behind the Numbers

Learn how to write a resume (8th graders trained to write a resume)

Need to know how to prepare for an interview

No Workforce Training

Disinterested/ Disengaged with school; lack of focus; distractions

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Increased mentoring programs & parent involvement. (Leadership Academy, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Parental Involvement, Black Parenting Program, Exchange Club Parenting Program for Inmates, Parental Responsibility Court.)

Job Shadowing. (YAP Program, Mobile Community Action grant, Mobile Works, Chamber of Commerce, School System, Big Brothers/Big Sisters)

In progress - USA Alta Pointe, Bridge, Goodwill Easter Seals, Team Focus

2010 Action Plan

Bring Drop Back In program to juvenile court campus to help with the graduation rate.

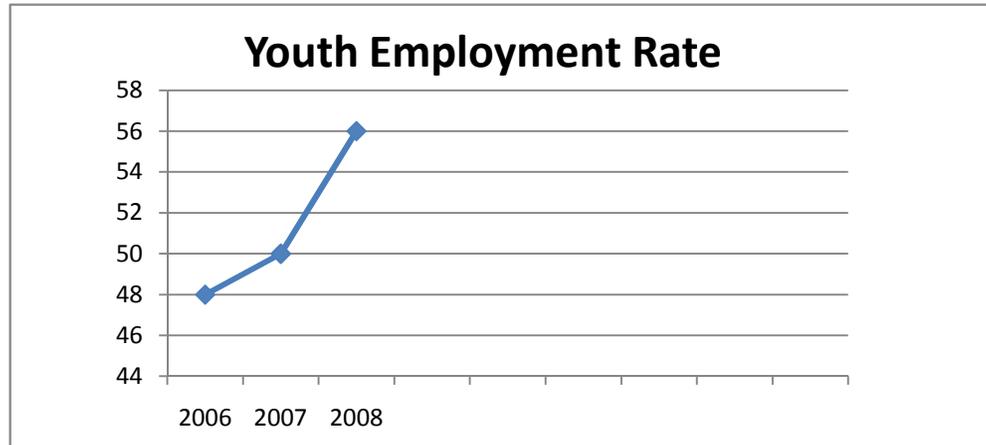
Add corporate agencies to sponsor programs with money, people, and time, and possibly help fund a program that

Intensive tracking of attendance, referrals, and recidivism rates of programs.

(No Cost/ low cost) Add media to CPC and include them in more meetings where we are developing programs.

Mobile Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Thriving



Story Behind the Numbers

Youth are not prepared for job opportunities. The value of employment (work ethic) should be taught as early as middle school. Youth need more job training and education to enter the workforce. New businesses such as ThyssenKrupp and European Aeronautic Defense and Space Company, Ship Building, Aircraft MAE (Mobile Aerospace Engineering and Speedway) can provide youth with future employment opportunities.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Incentives to complete probation are in development stage.

Probation officers are developing a menu of economic opportunities for youth (in collaboration with community and industry partners).

2010 Action Plan

Achieve a 50% reduction in positive drug tests for both youth and their parents, utilizing a combination of treatment options and education.

Develop a SAWDC Lifetech pilot program for youth probationers modeled after the Thomasville program.

Develop and implement a program focusing on healthy relationships, development, and sexual decision making.

(No cost/low cost) Systematic advocacy focused on the components of the annual plan aimed at continuing support for existing programs and developing new support.

Montgomery County

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Accomplishments

The Helping Montgomery Families Initiative(HMFI) continued to work with suspended students and their families that met the program's criteria during the 2009-2010 school term. Program activities were as follows: 2,197 Warning letters were sent to parents of students suspended for a serious infraction and 240 Mandatory Assessment letter sent to parents of students that received a subsequent suspension It appears that the initial letter sent to parents of suspended students continued to serve as a deterrent for future behavior for 81% percentage of students.

The Family Justice Center established through the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office addresses early detection and intervention in domestic violence referrals.

Obtained grant for Visitation Center to provide for violence free visitation at the Family Guidance Center.

Presentations to address social behaviors that may lead to problems with youth safety: Office of Highway Safety made over 20; Council on Substance Abuse-over 30; Mother's Against Drunk Driving- over 40; Department of Public Safety-33; Montgomery Sheriff's Department- over 200.

Teen pregnancies among 15-17 year old girls in Montgomery County are decreasing! (This means our initiatives in Montgomery Public Schools have been successful.)

Participated in the Montgomery Area Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy's Survive and Thrive 2010.

Had a presence at Carver High School and McIntyre Middle School PTA Meetings for the 2009 and 2010 school year to raise awareness about preventing unwanted pregnancies.

We are in the process of collaborating with community groups within the CPC and faith-based groups to expand the Montgomery Area Campaign's current programs.

Early Care and Education Subcommittee hosted "Stand For Children" event in June 2010. Developmental information was made available to parents by 18 participating agencies.

Alabama Partnership for Children, through volunteers from ECE, distributed approximately 3800 Parenting Kits to new mothers at Montgomery's 3 hospitals.

Family Sunshine Center made presentations to teen moms in the Montgomery School District's Parents As Teachers Program which highlighted the developmental/ emotional impact of witnessing domestic violence on young children. Approximately 50 teen moms attended.

The Center for Child and Adolescent Development (CCAD) made an effort to increase the number of parent conferences held with parents of children with developmental and behavioral health issues. 291 conferences were held in this past year.

The CCAD provided 185 developmental screenings for infants and toddlers during this past year. Infants identified as having delays were referred to early intervention programs for further services.

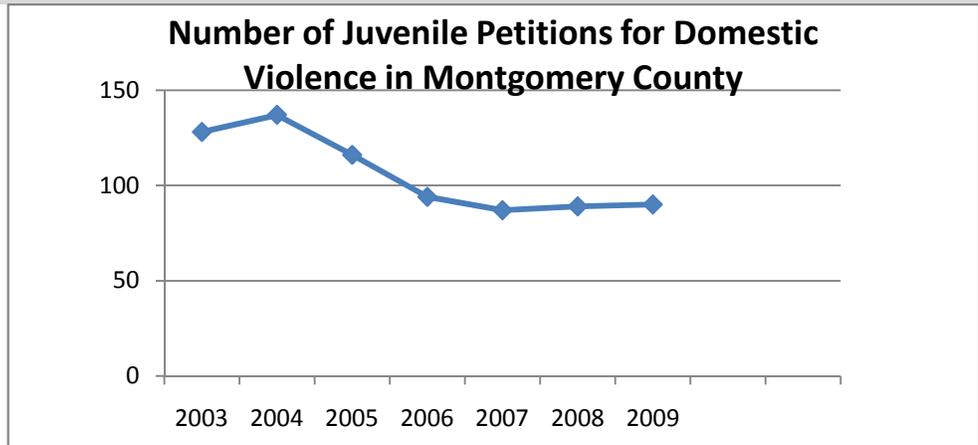
The USDA Food Safety Project at A.S.U. has served 185 children with Lessons-for Kids since January by providing 13 mini food safety workshops at pre-schools in Montgomery (and Wetumpka and Decatur).

Gift of Life educated a total of 611 adults during the past year on the 'Born Learning' Initiative by either providing handouts targeting their child's specific age and discussing age specific ways to stimulate that child or by showing a video regarding age appropriate development and stimulation.

During May 2010 Gift of Life and Montgomery Academy undertook a project to promote reading to infants. Montgomery Academy donated books. Gift of Life staff assembled packets of "Born Learning" info and the donated books. These were given to 130 moms on Medicaid who delivered during May at one of the 3 Montgomery area hospitals. Gift Of Life personnel distributed the material during the visit they make to the moms at the hospital prior to the mother's discharge.

Montgomery Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Possible factors in reduction of juvenile petitions for domestic violence:

- Coordinated community response

- Increased awareness

- Less reporting due to society becoming desensitized to violence and accepting it as a way of life.

What the numbers do not show:

- There were 9310 domestic violence calls to the Montgomery Police Department last year (60% of the calls had children on the scene)

- The number of domestic violence homicides is on the rise

- Domestic violence is becoming more severe and violent

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

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2. The Family Justice Center established through the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office addresses early detection and intervention in domestic violence referrals.
3. Obtained grant for Visitation Center to provide for violence free visitation at the Family Guidance Center.
4. Presentations to address social behaviors that may lead to problems with youth safety: Office of Highway Safety made over 20; Council on Substance Abuse- over 30; Mothers Against Drunk Driving- over 40; Department of Public Safety-33; Montgomery County Sheriff's Department- over 200.

2010 Action Plan

Continue support of and expand Helping Montgomery Families Initiative in Montgomery Public Schools to include a Truancy Intervention pilot.

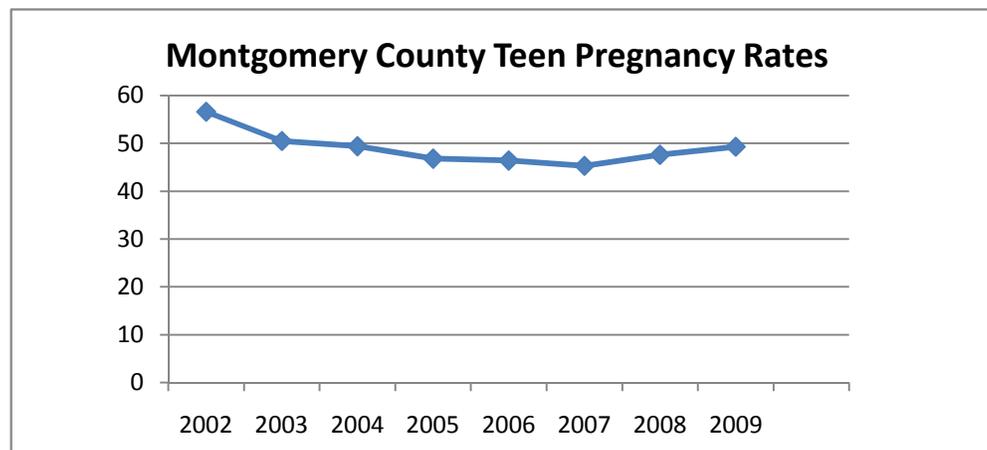
Support The Family Justice Center in its mission to address issues of domestic violence and the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence state-wide initiative with juveniles as perpetrators.

Sustain and support the Montgomery County Family Court's Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative in an effort to improve public safety, reduce delinquent behavior, eliminate inappropriate secure detention and to provide alternate treatment for youth.

(No cost/ low cost idea) PSAs/advertising/billboards used to reach youth regarding social problems to intervene before behavior becomes a problem. Billboards regarding child restraints; "Parents who host-lose the most" PSAs; and underage drinking PSAs.

Montgomery Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Increase in Montgomery County Teen Pregnancy rate (girls 10-19) from 45.3 per 1,000 girls 2005 to 47.6 per 1,000 girls in 2006. In 2007, the teen pregnancy rate decreased slightly to 46.8 per 1,000 in 2007, the figures are higher than the 2007 state average of 39.7 per 1,000. Plan is to develop new and support existing positive youth development programs that work toward preventing teenage pregnancy. Increase in Teen pregnancy rates can also be linked to messages from the media, troubled family settings, unhealthy peer attitude, and cultural perception that says it ok. Our plan is to develop new and support existing positive youth development programs that work toward preventing teenage pregnancy.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. Teen pregnancies among 15-17 yea old girls in Montgomery County are decreasing! (This means our initiatives in Montgomery Public Schools have been successful).
2. Participated in the Montgomery Area Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy's Survive and Thrive 2010.
3. Had presence at Carver High School and McIntyre Middle School PTA Meetings for the 2009 and 2010 school year to raise awareness about preventing unwanted pregnancies.
4. We are in the process of collaborating with community groups within the CPC and faith-based groups to expand the Montgomery Area Campaign's current programs.

2010 Action Plan

Partner annually with MPS and the Montgomery Area Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to provide education and service at Survive and Thrive.

Collaborate as a Children's Policy Council with community groups and faith based groups to expand use of current programs.

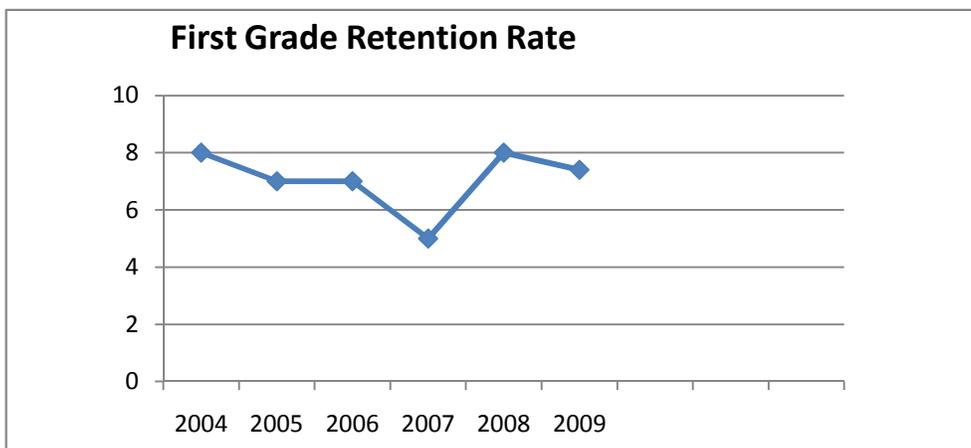
As a Children's Policy Council, have a presence at PTA meetings during the school year to raise awareness about unwanted pregnancies.

(No cost/low cost) Partner with local colleges and universities to raise awareness about preventing unwanted pregnancies among college-age youth.

Montgomery Children's Policy Council

3

Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Studies show that 85% of a child's brain develops by the time they are 5. These figures support the need for parents to be positively engaged in their children's development during the years birth to 5. Both the local community and parents need to have realistic expectations concerning the development of preschool children. Providing resources and information about early child development is the first step in getting children ready for school.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. Early Care and Education Subcommittee hosted STAND FOR CHILDREN event in June 2010. Developmental information was made available to parents by 18 participating agencies.
 2. Alabama Partnership for Children, through volunteer from ECE, distributed approximately 3800 Parenting Kits to new mothers at Montgomery's 3 hospitals.
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 4. The Center for Child and Adolescent Development (CCAD) made an effort to increase the number of parent conferences held with parents of children with developmental and behavioral health issues. 291 conferences were held in this past year.
- (See Montgomery County cover page for remaining accomplishments.)

2010 Action Plan

1. Programs that require the involvement of parents in the early care and education of their children (O.S.R.'s Pre-K program, Family Guidance Center's Success by 6 program, Montgomery Community Action Committee's Early Head Start/Head Start parent participation programs, HIPPPY's program of parents as teachers of their own preschool children) will continue to provide training and materials about development and school readiness issues.
2. Free trainings are offered to parents and/or child-care providers about developmental and school-readiness issues by many Montgomery agencies (Family Guidance Center, FOCAL, Kids and Kin, United Cerebral Palsy Child Care Training, Early Intervention, Family Sunshine Center, Gift of Life, D.H.R.'s Tools of Choice program, Montgomery Community Action Committee Head Start/ Early Head Start, Montgomery Achievement Network, Montgomery City County Library) D.H.R. supplies, upon request from parents and child-care providers, free copies of the Alabama Early Learning Guidelines.
3. Alabama Partnership for Children is including a newly developed HANDBOOK FOR ALABAMA PARENTS along with other developmental information/ health/ available services brochures in the parenting kits given to women who have just given birth at any of the 3 hospitals in Montgomery County.
4. New trainings based on information about how Abusive Head Trauma/ Shaken Baby Syndrome affect a young child's development are being developed and offered free of charge by several local agencies (Family Sunshine Center, Family Guidance Center's Child Care Training Department, Kids and Kin, United Cerebral Palsy's Child. Children's Rehabilitation Service has a Traumatic Brain Injury clinic that works with children who have become victims of Abusive Head Trauma.

Morgan County

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Accomplishments

The Morgan County Children's Policy Council had another great year! The dedicated members of the MCCPC have worked diligently to effectively collaborate with one another to provide services and programs to the children, youth and their families of Morgan County. We have a common bond of passionately caring about the members of our community. Our council enjoys "share and tell" time wherein we sit around the table and inform one another of programs developed to benefit the children and families of Morgan County.

Often times, it is at the "share and tell" table where a gap in services is identified and new programs are designed. Our lunch time bi-monthly meetings take place at host agencies. We have lunch together and learn from guest speakers. We, as a council, strive to become more equipped to meet the quickly changing needs of our community. We are always open to the idea of tackling a new project and implementing a new program. In addition to developing and maintaining programs to accomplish the items listed in our 2009 action plan, we had on average 21 members present at every meeting and we also added 10 new members. Each committee member has worked diligently toward reaching the goals in our Strategic Plan. We educate our members by bringing in guest speakers to address topics of concern.

Donna McKinley, Executive Director/Real Talk Youth Summit. Mrs. McKinley told the MCCPC that the Web site <http://realtalkyouthsummit.com> provides information for teenagers and adults about relevant issues of the youth culture. Individuals can research topics, read personal stories and contribute information. It is also set up to educate adults, reach schools and provide a place for teenagers to talk freely. Through a confidential on-line conversation with counselors at Real Talk, teenagers have the opportunity to talk with an anonymous person. Donna encouraged parents and other adults to spend more time with the teenagers in their lives. Mrs. McKinley stated that Real Talk offers programs for parents to help teach their teenagers coping skills. Educating adults is as important as educating teenagers. Parents, school personnel and concerned citizens can use the web site to become more aware of what is out there in the community and stay abreast of new drugs, etc. Donna stated that she and Mike Dunlap, the father of a 16 year old girl from Decatur, Alabama who committed suicide, would like to see Real Talk go statewide and reach teens across all of Alabama.

Joy Rhodes-Watkins, Tobacco Prevention and Control Coordinator, addressed the MCCPC about candy flavored cigarettes. Tobacco companies have been adding flavors such as chocolate, lime, pineapple, toffee, coconut, vanilla, berry, watermelon and apple flavors to cigarettes in an effort to addict kids and subject them to a lifetime addiction which could lead to possibly premature death. The Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act recently passed and gave the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) the authority to regulate tobacco products. Tobacco companies can no longer prey on America's kids with deceitful advertising and candy flavored cigarettes.

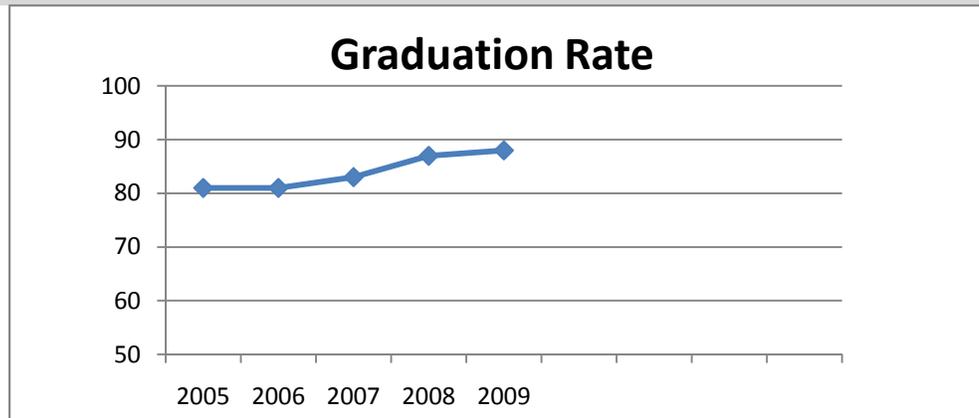
She encouraged the MCCPC to help make sure the FDA acts promptly to ensure compliance with the deadline banning candy flavored cigarettes by submitting comments in support of the implementation of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act. Some tobacco companies may try to claim that some flavored cigarettes are not covered by the law.

Marsha Hill, SERT (Student Emergency Response Training)/CERT (Citizen Emergency Response Training) coordinator from the Volunteer Center of Morgan County, presented "I'm Ready, Are You?" training for MCCPC members. Additional information was given to each member including an "Are You Ready?" handbook an in-depth guide to citizen preparedness published by FEMA. Alarmingly, this year alone, we have been faced with disasters including tornados and oil spills. It is becoming more necessary for citizens to become emergency ready in order to lend a hand.

Lesley Shelton of Youth Villages informed the MCCPC about Youth Villages and who their programs serve, including children with behavioral problems, DHR preservation cases and multi-needs children and children in need of intensive in-home services targeting child behavior and parent/child interaction.

Morgan Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Graduation rates have been poor in our county. Graduation rates are improving as a result of more emphasis being placed on children being successful in school. Increased funding along with effective educational programs, improved teacher training, and increased parental involvement have helped increase graduation rates.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Credit Recovery Program: The Credit Recovery Program offered at Decatur City, Hartselle City, Morgan County Schools and Morgan County System of Services has recovered more than 700 course credits of struggling high schools students during 2009.

Decatur City Policy Department's ACES program: More than twenty-five children were enrolled in the Decatur Police Department's ACES program during 2009. ACES is a week long summer program designed to present youth with alternatives to drugs and gangs, provide them with positive role models and improve law enforcement-youth relationships in this area.

Trauma Prevention Program: The partnership between Morgan County Juvenile Court, Decatur General Hospital and Children's Hospital continued to develop. Juveniles who have engaged in high-risk behavior are shown the consequences of violence and other bad choices. The juvenile court conducts the program to show youth how dangerous choices can cause injury or death.

In Morgan County our top priority is Children are Successful in School. We know that children can only be successful if they are safe in school. That is why we are so very proud that several schools have been recipients of the Attorney General's Safe School Award for exhibiting extraordinary efforts toward providing a safe learning environment - most recently, Brookhaven Middle School, Cedar Ridge Middle School, and Chestnut Grove Elementary School.

Morgan County Juvenile Court – Excessive truancy component continues on the Parent Docket to monitor parents' involvement to insure their children attend school. Parents are made a party and placed on two years probation in an effort to reduce truancy in the school system.

Morgan County System of Services - Students prepare for the GED exam with certified teachers using the computer assisted PACE program and individualized academic instruction. SOS also provides instruction for students expelled from public school but who are expected to return.

Mental Health Association of Morgan County- Bully Proofing the School - A prevention program designed to help students and adults work together to create a safe and caring school community where teachers can teach and students can learn. The program utilizes a team approach involving administrators, teachers, support staff, students and the community to change the climate in the school.

Volunteer Center of Morgan County- Friend 2 Friend Mentoring Program. This is a one-to-one mentoring service that pairs an adult volunteer with a child in need of additional time, support and attention. Volunteer mentors commit to spend one hour per week or three hours per month with their student for at least one school year. Mentors can choose their mentee's age group (K-12) or specific school to visit. All mentoring visits are held during the school day on school property. The day and time is set around the mentor's schedule. Mentors are currently in schools in Decatur and Hartselle.

Community Action Partnership – Head Start Programs - Added four regular HS classrooms in Morgan County added 48 slots (five early HS Classrooms and one Home Based Option) in May; maintained full enrollment and achieved an 85.5% attendance rate overall;

Youth Development – offers an academic enrichment program. Jump into Action Summer Day Camp which is designed for low income families with students entering 9th grade living in the Hartselle area (but open with special consideration) who are struggling with math and science. The program focuses on enrichment classes to jump-start the transition from junior high to high school

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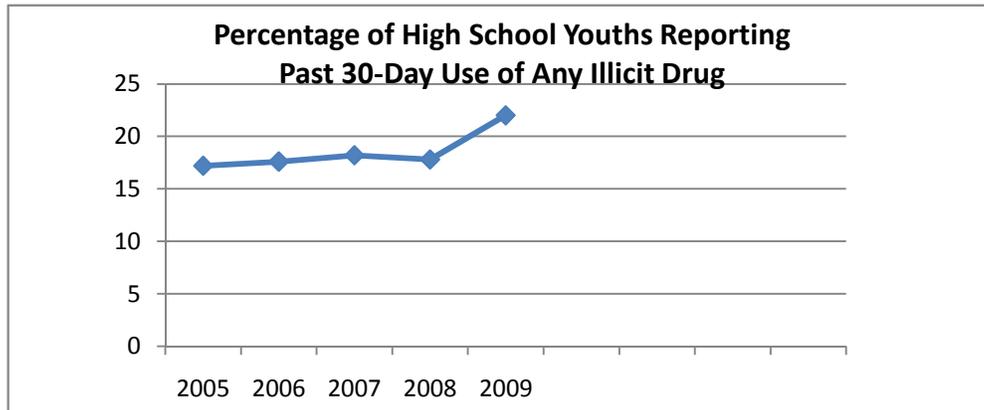
Continue to support and encourage students to participate in Credit Recovery Program available at all three school districts within our county - Decatur City, Hartselle City, Morgan County Schools and Morgan County System of Services.

Continue to teach the Bully Proofing curriculum in our school systems in order to promote school safety.

No Cost/low cost idea- Continue to implement the Intensive Supervision Probation Program wherein Juvenile Probation officers, working on adjusted full-time schedules, make at least 2 personal contacts and 1 telephone contact each week with youth coming back into their home from out of home placement - ex. boot camp or inpatient treatment. This program helps the youth to adjust back into their community and continue their education.

Morgan Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

PRIDE data being used along with other community Needs Assessment data to identify the priority of substance abuse problems in Morgan County. Through a Drug-Free Communities Grant, the coalition will create and implement a comprehensive substance abuse plan for Morgan County.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Morgan County Juvenile Court system implemented mandatory drug testing of parents of juvenile delinquents at the recommendation of juvenile probation officers and families of juveniles appearing in the juvenile court system were required to apply for All Kids and/or Medicaid for their child.

The Decatur School System expanded their school resource officer program by adding a new officer, Maddie. She is a full time drug dog who is devoted to Decatur City Schools during the school year. She is supervised by SRO Mike Landrum. She is the only school system assigned drug dog in the state and is paid for by a partnership with the Decatur Police Department and community donations. She aids in random searching of student lockers, vehicles and classrooms.

In addition to students participating in extracurricular activities and sports, Decatur City Schools continued to randomly drug test registered student drivers in efforts to deter drug usage.

The Morgan County Substance Abuse Network is a substance abuse prevention community coalition serving Morgan County, Alabama. Its primary mission is to reduce and eliminate the causes and impact of substance abuse among youth. Its dual goals are to prevent and reduce substance abuse by youth and strengthen community collaboration among community-based, private and governmental entities to prevent and reduce youth substance abuse. For example, each year MCSAN hosts a Child Safety Conference wherein the MCCPC members collaborate with various other agencies in an effort to educate the community. The emphasis this year was on underage drinking; school safety in response to on-campus shooters; technology's impact on teens and pornography addiction; recent research on how brain imaging can identify adolescent behavior to help reduce risk factors; infectious diseases that affect children and current legal and illegal youth trends and how to view the trends. The conference is always very well attended by educators, nurses, social workers and parents.

ABC Board - Responsible Vendor Training - The Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, the Morgan County District Attorney's Office and the Morgan County Substance Abuse Network sponsored Responsible Vendor Trainings in September 2009. The trainings were focused on front-line workers - cashiers and managers - to teach proactive ways of avoiding violations and decreasing the current percentage of successful buys of alcohol and tobacco by minors.

Mental Health Association -Project ID - The goal of Project ID is to reward students who make the decision not to use drugs. Based on reward, not punishment, Project ID is simply positive reinforcement of a drug free lifestyle. This is a voluntary drug testing program in which students may participate. The total number of student participants in 2009 was 2,134 with 99% testing drug free. This year Hartselle City Schools also participated in Project I. D. In addition, athletes and club members are also randomly drug tested. If they test positive, they can receive free counseling and a mental health counselor comes to the school once a week.

A Parent Handbook - "What You Need to Know" was distributed to every child enrolled in school in Morgan County, Decatur City and Hartselle City. More than 7,000 copies were distributed.

Red Ribbon March - More than 1,000 individuals participated in the 18th Annual Red Ribbon Youth March on October 3, 2009. This Drug Free Parade consisted of school age children in Morgan County.

Parents Who Host, Lose the Most - MSCAN and Channel 31, ABC affiliate cosponsored the Parents Who Host Campaign and was supported by Quest Recovery Center. This public awareness campaign was developed by the Ohio Drug-Free Action Alliance in 2000. The campaign objectives are to educate parents about the health and safety risks of serving alcohol at teen house parties and to increase awareness of and compliance with underage drinking laws.

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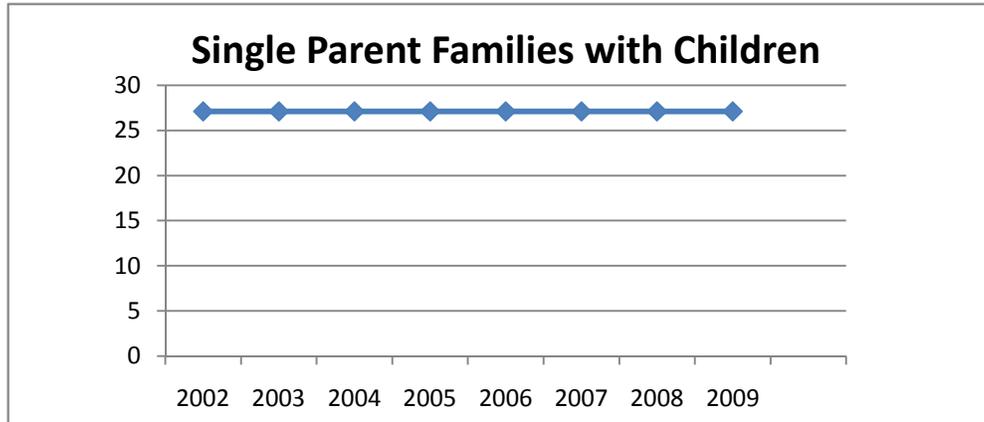
Parent Accountability Act - Continue mandatory drug testing of parents of juvenile delinquents appearing in the juvenile court system at the recommendation of JPOs.

Continue to utilize school resource officers in Decatur City, Hartselle City and implement the use of school resource officers in Morgan County schools in order to investigate program or counseling to aid and assist a juvenile sexual offender where there are allegations but no formal charges being filed.

(No cost/low cost) Develop AllKids convenience kiosks in local agencies and at school open houses to aid in the application process.

Morgan Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Generally, but not always, single family homes encounter more economic difficulties, disciplinary problems, family resources for support of the family, fewer alternatives for mentors, males in strong leadership roles, and dropout rates.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

FACT (Family Assistance through Community Ties) - The FACT program is currently in Austinville, Banks-Caddell, Frances, Nungester, Sommerville, and West Decatur Elementary Schools and Brookhaven Middle School. Thanks to the vision of the Decatur City Schools' Board of Education, FACT is continuing to enable teachers to concentrate on the job of teaching each child in the classroom. Trained professionals in the FACT project continue to bring a supportive environment to each student. Spanish translation is also available to assist families with needs in the areas of communication. The FACT program gives referrals and offers assistance in locating community services relating to housing, family counseling, clothing, emergency assistance, recreational activities and medical services. ** English as a Second Language (ESL) classes have provided instruction for adults whose native language is not English. Beginning, intermediate, and advanced classes were offered weekly on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Decatur Dream Center. Classes are a result of a cooperative effort between the Dream Center, Calhoun Community College and local volunteers. ** Morgan County has a multitude of well supported after school and summer activities. Member agencies work together throughout the year to devise programs to suit the needs of a diverse population of youth. These programs address a variety of needs within the community. ** Decatur Youth Services saw an increase in the number of youth applying for Summer Youth Service. More than 1,237 children were served throughout the year. DYS anticipates even larger numbers this summer in their Summer Youth Employment Work Training Program which places youth ages 14-15 at non-profit sites to work 4 hours each day, 5 days a week for a total of 120 hours. If they complete the program they get a stipend of \$375.00. Additionally, DYS offers a Summer Day Camp for kids ages 6 through 13, 5 days a week, 8:00 am. until 4:00 PM. The camp focuses on reading and math, arts and crafts, Girls Scouts, Decatur Youth Symphony, Extension System and other community agencies. ** DYS offers a Summer Lunch Program feeding approximately 1600 hundred kids 18 and under each day lunch and breakfast. DYS ends the summer with a Back to School Jam, where they give over one thousand student book bags and school supplies. ** Mental Health Center - Summer Camp - A two week camp for children that have been medically diagnosed with emotional conflicts or attention deficit disorders. ** The Boys & Girls Clubs of Morgan County - Power Hour: Making Minutes Count and Project Learn - programs focus on assisting youth with skills necessary to excel in school. ** Parent Project - Offers parenting tips to parents of strong willed children. The classes are 10 sessions. ** PACT (Parents and Children Together) - Baby Talk - Baby Talk is a series of 8 prenatal classes for expecting parents or other caregivers. All classes are free and are offered at the PACT office. These classes offer support and training in all vital areas of childbirth and infant care. The Spanish version of Baby Talk is offered throughout the year with a Spanish interpreter translating for these classes. Healthy Relationships 101: "Healthy Marriages Matter" -Goals are to promote healthy and stable marriages, to create viable statewide healthy relationship initiatives, and to significantly reduce risk for children and adults. ** Newborn Program -The newborn program offers a packet of literature to all new mothers who deliver in the two hospitals in Morgan County: Trained volunteers deliver these packets which include the following information: normal child growth and development; immunizations; shaken baby syndrome; child passenger safety; safe sleeping habits for baby; expectations for new fathers; parent resource phone book. Parents as Teachers (PAT) - Parent education program that provides month-by-month guidelines on what to expect as your child grows and develops. This helps parents give their children the best possible start in life. PACT offers PAT to the community, as well as to Decatur City high school students. ** A resource directory of activities for children/youth is being developed by the Volunteer Center of Morgan County, Morgan County Children's Policy Council and Mental Health Center of Morgan County. An on-line guide for the community will be established using funding from the drug-free community grant.

2010 Action Plan

Promote the Peace Project - collaboration between Decatur City Municipal Court, Limestone Co. District Court, Calhoun Community College, Morgan Co. Juvenile Court and Mental Health Ctr. of No. AL & Fatherhood Initiative providing a class for those individuals charged with 3rd degree domestic violence

FACT - Continue to endorse and support the FACT program in Decatur City Schools through multi-agency collaboration.

Continue to support the Parent Project available at Morgan County System of Services and Decatur Youth Services

Collaborate with Decatur General Hospital using their "Girl Talk" program to educate girls ages 8-18.

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Accomplishments

Judge McMillan conducted Moot Court for Robert C. Hatch High School

Judge McMillan coached baseball and golf to small children

Cross Ties provided over 300 turkey dinners for Thanksgiving for the needed families

Perry County DHR provided Child Abuse/Neglect Training to parents of the Head Start Program

Perry County DHR provided Head Start students with pamphlets pertaining to Child Abuse/Neglect, Drug Abuse, and Positive Self-Esteem

Perry County DHR provided Child Abuse/Neglect Training to Hippy (Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters) Program at Albert Turner, Sr. Elementary School

Perry County DHR distributed toys to children during the Christmas Holiday

Cahaba Mental Health Center provided the elementary school teacher with in-service on Children's mental health issues in the classroom

Cahaba Mental Health Center provided psychiatric medications for children who could not afford the

medications

Cahaba Mental Health Center provided family and children counseling

Cahaba Mental Health Center provided child psychiatric services

Cahaba Mental Health Center held joint services with DHR, JPO, and the schools

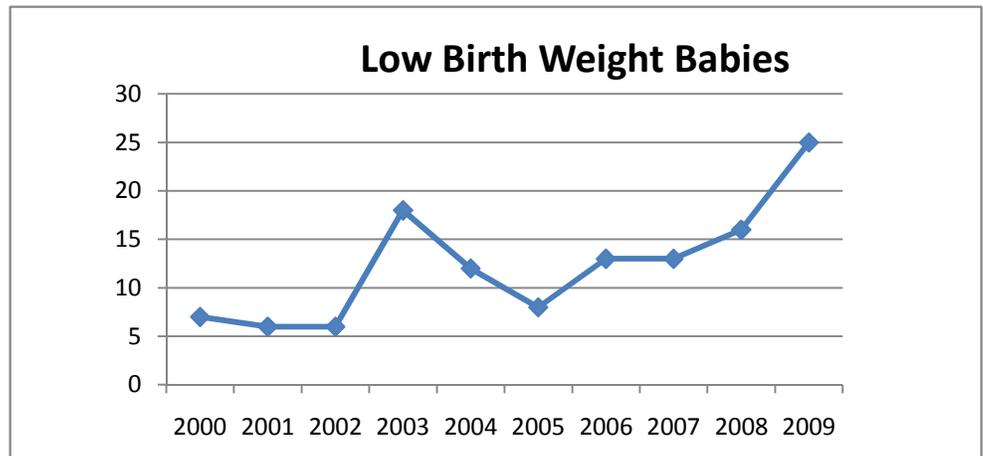
Cahaba Mental Health Center held in-services for Head Start students on mental health issues

Cahaba Mental Health Center provided case management services for Perry County children at risk

Cahaba Mental Health Center provided substance abuse prevention programs for school age children

Perry Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

- Mothers are not receiving prenatal care
- Mothers are using drugs and alcohol during pregnancy
- Mothers are smoking cigarettes during pregnancy
- Mothers are receiving prenatal care late
- Mothers do not have transportation to get to the doctor.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- Sowing Seeds of Hope sponsored Health Fair at Perry County Health Department and Uniontown City Hall for low income families.
- An OBGYN comes once a week to the Perry County Health Department to see expectant mothers.
- Advertised more WIC commercials.

2010 Action Plan

Will continue to support WIC programs

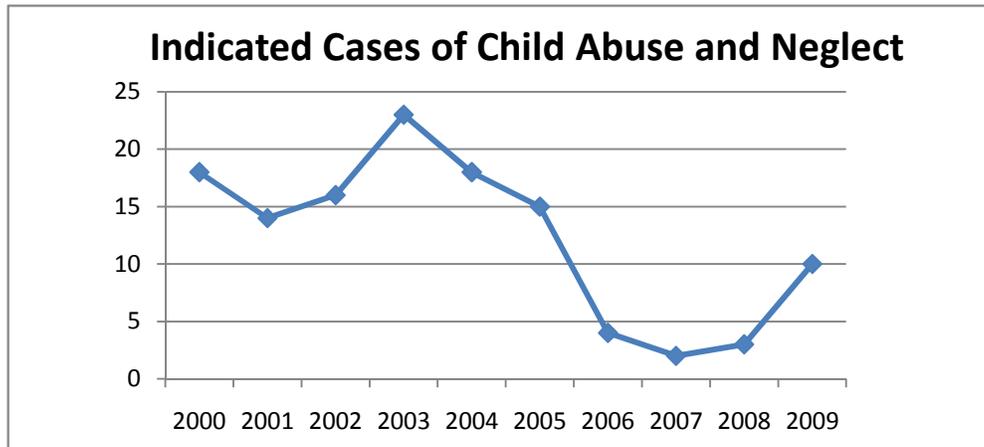
Will continue to have more Health Screenings for low income families

Will continue to provide transportation to expectant mothers

(No cost/ low cost idea) Will continue to have prenatal care class for expectant mothers

Perry Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Parenting skills
Teenage Parents
Parents are on alcohol and drugs
Children in Care of siblings
Parents are not available to raise their children
Economic Stress
Single Parent Homes

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

DHR provided Child Abuse Prevention Programs.
Issued PALS information out in Child Support Court.
Provided community health drives.
DHR provided Child Abuse/Neglect Training to parents of the Head Start Program.
Provided Head Start students with pamphlets pertaining to Child Abuse/Neglect, Drug Abuse, and Positive Self Esteem.
Cahaba Mental Health Center provided Family Counseling.

2010 Action Plan

Will continue to support DHR with Child Abuse Prevention Programs

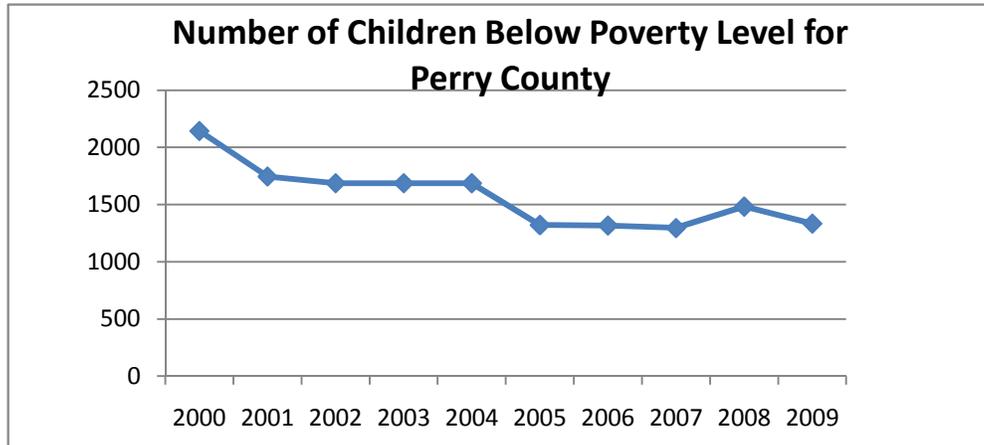
Will continue to offer PALS in Child Support Court

Will continue to support community health drives

(No cost/ low cost idea) Will continue to raise awareness about child abuse and neglect

Perry Children's Policy Council

3 Communities are Thriving



Story Behind the Numbers

Jobs are unavailable
Single Parent families
Substance abuse families
Lack of transportation to get to work
Mental Health issues

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Katrina Easley sponsored a Career Fair at Francis Marion High School, which provided information for students to learn how to write checks and how to budget their money.
Career Link posts available job opportunity.
Career Link utilized summer youth programs.
Judge Wiggins offered summer jobs for youth in Perry County.

2010 Action Plan

Will continue to support diversity of education resources.

Will continue to support job skills through DHR

Will continue to support teaching parents how to apply for jobs.

(No cost/low cost idea) Develop a resource guide

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Accomplishments

Pickens County Children's Policy Council has been meeting regularly with a better attendance and better support of the District Judge.

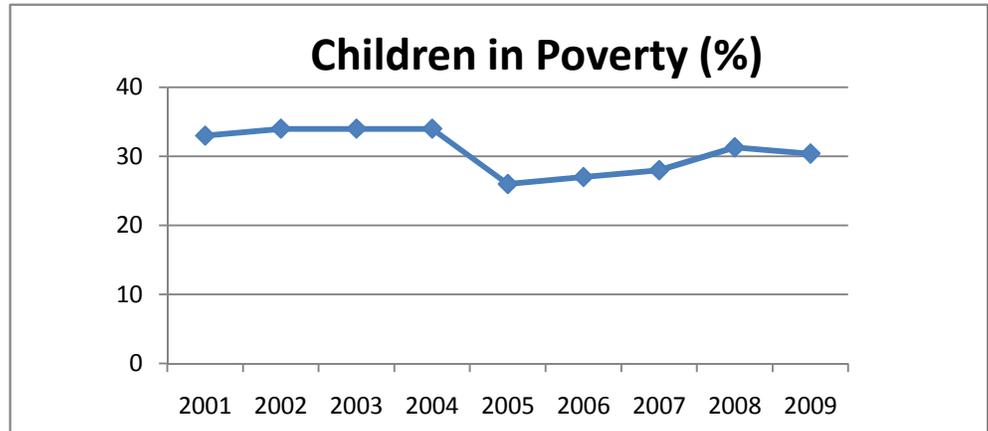
Strengthening collaborative partnership with the area Career Link has greatly enhanced our job placement for area residents, many with jobs at the construction companies working on the Women's Correctional Facility.

Partnerships for wellness activities remain strong with a youth wellness day camp planned for July 2010.

Through grants written by CPC member agencies, more creative outlets have been provided for youth; drama, art, music and dance.

Pickens Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

High unemployment
Lack of Jobs
Poor job readiness
Commute to jobs out of county

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Collaborative partnerships with area career center has been established and used to assist job placement for area residents.

Area Career/Skills Center has developed a current list of job openings for the area. This service has taken the place of the Career Hot Line in recent months.

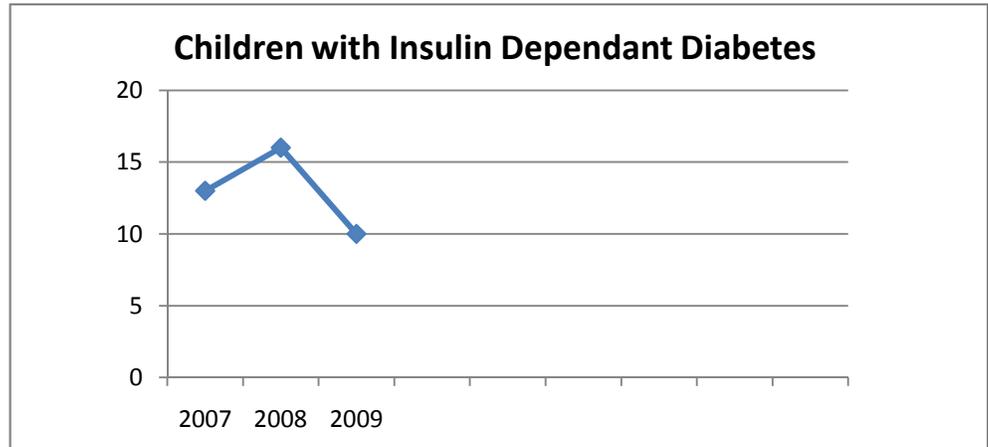
2010 Action Plan

Developing a collaborative partnership with area Career/Skills Center to help unemployed residents post their resume

(No cost/Low cost) Use of the Career Center's job search and placement assistance.

Pickens Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Number of overweight children
Number of diabetic children in school
Number of children without health insurance

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Partners are committed to providing health screenings and wellness education to children.

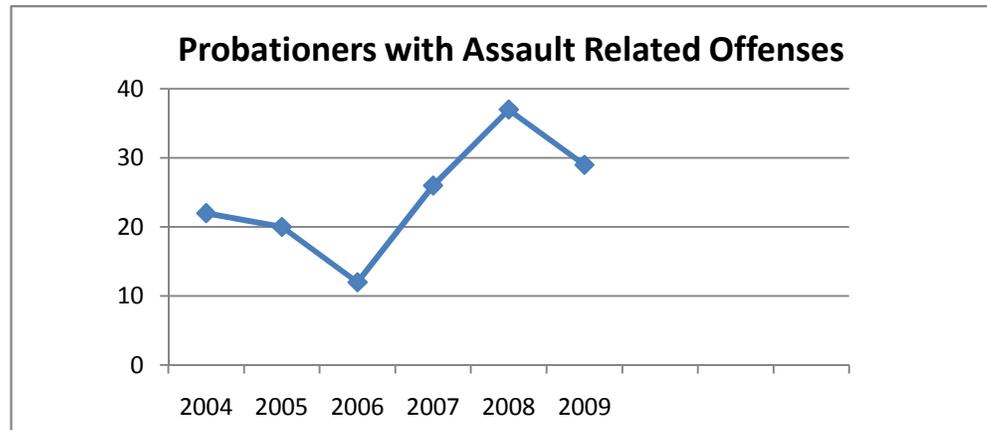
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Wellness Day Camp planned for late July.

(No cost / Low cost) Collaborative partners are willing to donate their time to provide services.

Pickens Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Substance abuse
Availability of meth, cocaine, marijuana, and prescription drugs
SIRS report incidents of fights, harassment, and threats

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Children in all elementary schools are involved in more creative outlets such as plays, dance and art education and activities.
Assistance in providing wholesome activities for youth, mentors and other assistance with youth is being developed with faith based
Grant programs provide violence prevention activities through Too Good for Drugs and Violence.
New Horizons (formerly the ReDirection Program) has served 45 probationers with 33 completing programs, 5 re-offended.

2010 Action Plan

Encouraging positive behaviors through protective factors of providing more creative outlets and activities.

Involvement of faith based community.

Faith based community assistance with positive role models and supervised activities for children and youth.

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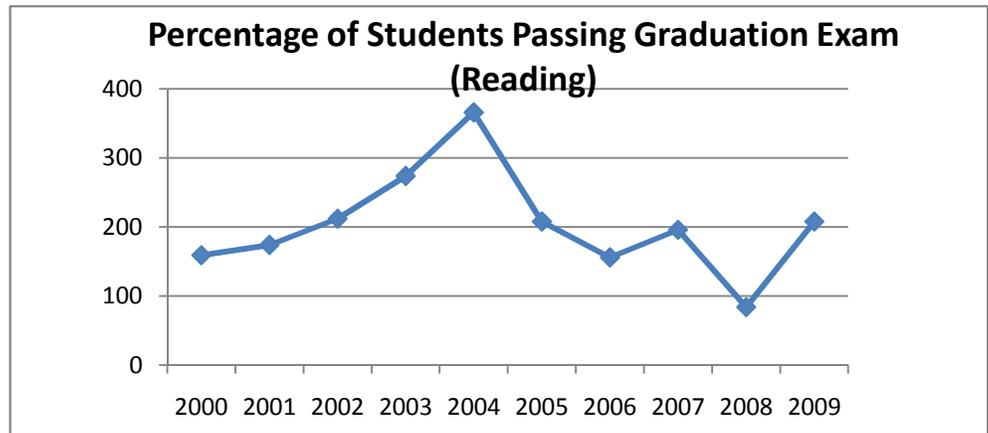
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Accomplishments

East Alabama Mental Health Center was awarded a System of Care grant. The goal of this project is to develop a collaborative, community-based system of care that caters to the needs of children and youth with serious mental illnesses and their families.

Pike Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

In Pike County we realize that stable, properly functioning families are critical to developing the next generation of productive citizens. We have noticed that many of the troubled children we encounter are being raised in families which are dysfunctional because of one or more factors, including absent parents, poor parenting, substance abuse, and domestic violence.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued Partnerships with the following: Child Advocacy Center, East Central Mental Health, Parents, Department of Human Resources, and Juvenile Probation Office

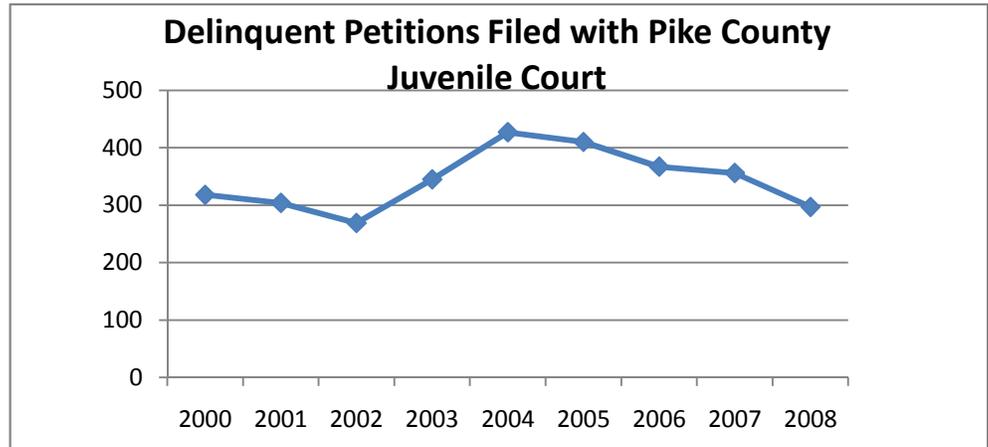
2010 Action Plan

Implementation of HIPPY Program

System of Care (after school programs, summer programs for youth, and substance abuse services)

Pike Children's Policy Council

2 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

We believe the downward spiral in the life of a troubled child accelerates when that child violates the law and enters the juvenile justice system

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued Partnerships with the following: Sheriff's Department, Child Advocacy Center, East Central Mental Health, Youth Villages, Juvenile Probation Office, Community Churches, Parents, Department of Human Resources, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Board of Education

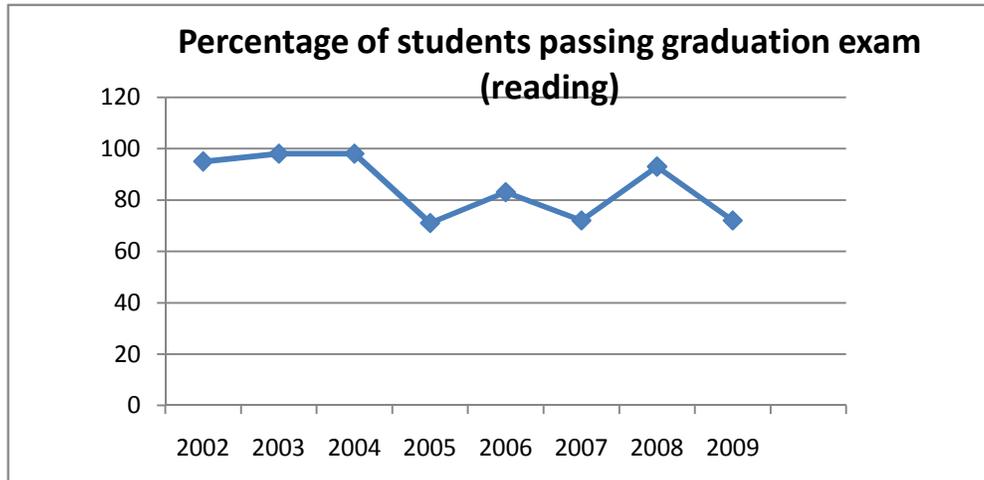
2010 Action Plan

Pursue the establishment of a Boys and Girls Club

System of Care (after school programs, summer programs for youth, and substance abuse services)

Pike Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Education serves to engage a child in productive activities and prepare a child for success in adulthood. Improved educational performance is of great importance in the proper advancement of a child.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Added the following partners: Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, Department of Human Resources Continued Partnerships with the following: Sheriff's Department, Child Advocacy Center, AIM, East Central Mental Health, Volunteer Retired Teachers, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Juvenile Probation Office, ALL Kids, Parents, Board of Education

Training of HIPPY instructors this summer

Worked with partners to help prepare children for success and improved educational performance

2010 Action Plan

Implementation of HIPPY Program

Continue working with partners to help prepare children for success and improved educational performance

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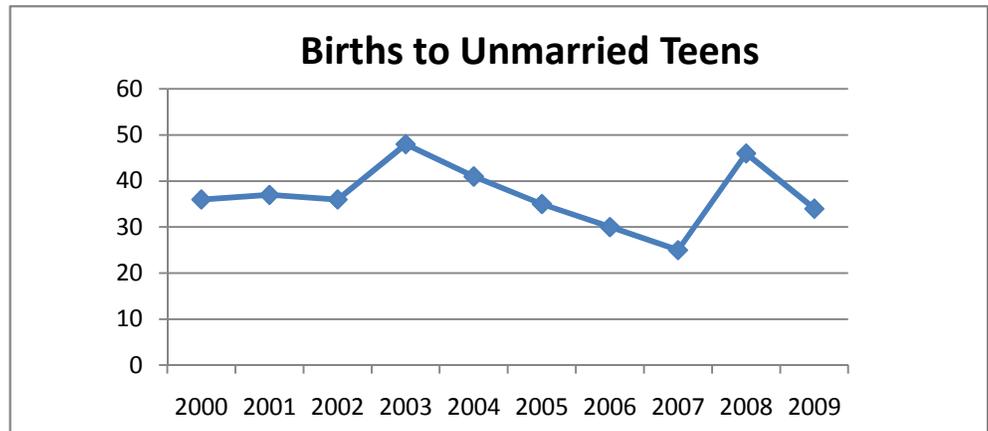
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Accomplishments

Established Family, Adult, and Juvenile Drug Court Programs
Procured grant monies to establish resources such as counseling, Parenting Classes, Anger Management, and Equine Therapy for juveniles.

Randolph Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Sex Education/ Abstinence Program

Drug Abuse

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Successful implementation of sex education and abstinence programs
Continued partnership with the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

2010 Action Plan

Continue sex education and abstinence based programs

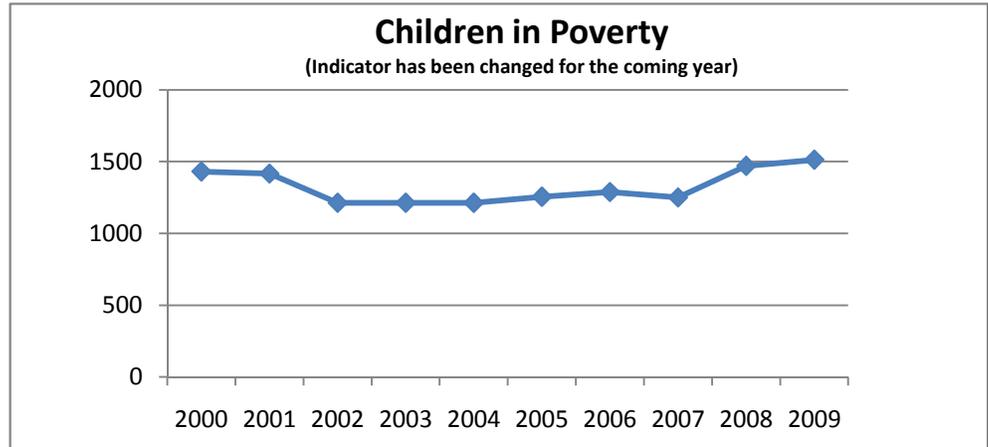
Continue to work with the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy

Seek funding to expand mentoring programs and parenting classes

(No cost/ low cost idea) Reality Check

Randolph Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Unemployment up

Transportation (lack of rural area)

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

The Backpack Program continues to donate food to children throughout the summer months

The Foster Parent Association is very active and continues operate a clothes closet for needy children and families as well as other programs

2010 Action Plan

Partner with other agencies to raise awareness through community information fairs about available resources

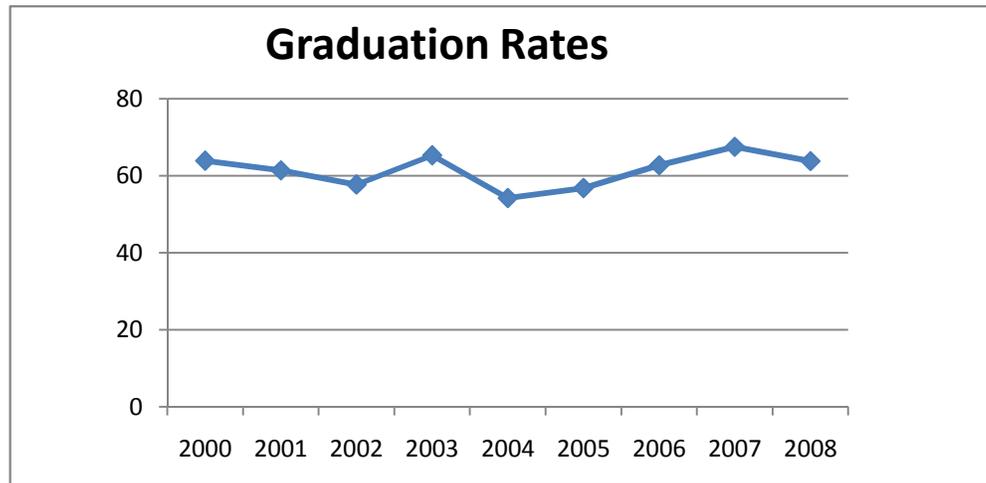
Health Fairs

Parenting Project

(No cost/ low cost idea) Continue to support with the Backpack Program and The Foster Parent Association

Randolph Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of Parental Support
Failing Grades
Drug abuse

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continued success of mentoring programs
Continued success of GED classes

2010 Action Plan

Continued growth of mentoring programs

Continued growth of GED Programs

Youth Vision Meetings

(No cost/ low cost idea) Reality Check

Russell County

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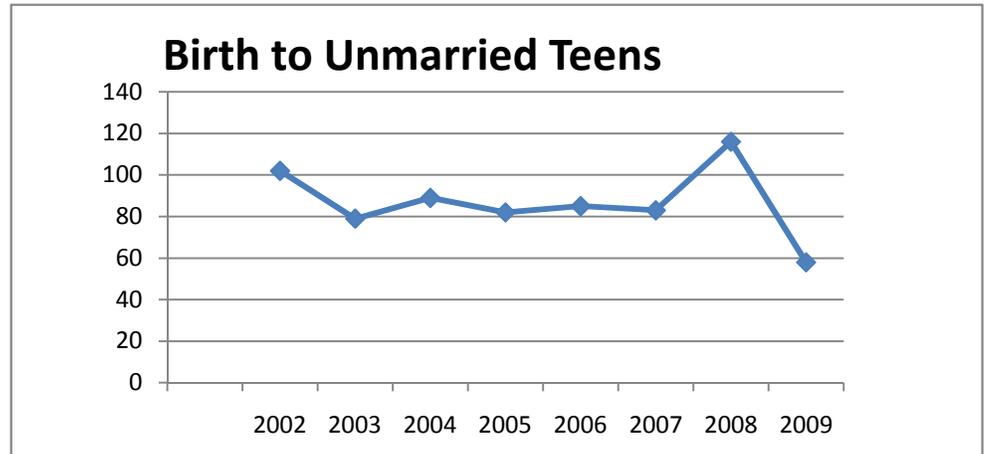
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Accomplishments

1. Juvenile Drug Court established and operating
2. Each child that appears in Juvenile Court parent is made aware of how to access All-Kids/Medicaid health insurance
3. Russell CPC in process of developing the PATS (Prevention and Treatment Program), a collaborative community program of a system of services for delivering services without duplication
4. Letters of support and referrals to the Children and Family Connection, Inc.
5. More activities for teens through request for United Way to fund Phenix- Russell Youth Center
6. Local library has year round children's program and 300 + children who attend the summer program
7. Phenix City schools have qualified for a librarian for 1/2 day at school
8. Local retirees helping with children in the school system
9. System-wide school program for 1/2 day for 2 months tutorial program in math/reading for any child
10. Career Day has discussed program and has CPC support
11. Mental Health, EAMH, has summer program with a focus on budgeting and ILP for teens
12. Reality Check has presented program to Russell CPC
13. Presentation of Reality Check program for Russell County Foster Children 14+ annually
14. Credit Recovery and Grade Recovery thru school systems via public announcements; handbook/parental signatures to show they've read the handbook distributed annually
15. 9th graders who fail can use elective class to study for grade recovery in Phenix Schools

Russell Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

High drop out rates, Population increase, Teens not having anything to do, Single Parent, Lack of supervision, Increase substance abuse among parents, Change in school's AYP. Lack of funding for program.

2009 Accomplishment from Action Plan

Career Day has discussion of usages/earnings and CPC support

Mental Health agency, EAMH, has summer program with focus on budgeting and ILP (Independent Living)

Reality Check has presented program to Russell CPC

DHR provides Reality Check to Russell County foster children ages 14+ annually

Credit Recovery and Grade Recovery thru school systems via public announcements; handbook/parental signatures to show they've read the handbook distributed annually

9th graders at Phenix City Schools can use next semester's elective class for grade recovery if they have failed

2010 Action Plan

School systems to get PSA's to announced credit / grade recovery programs throughout year

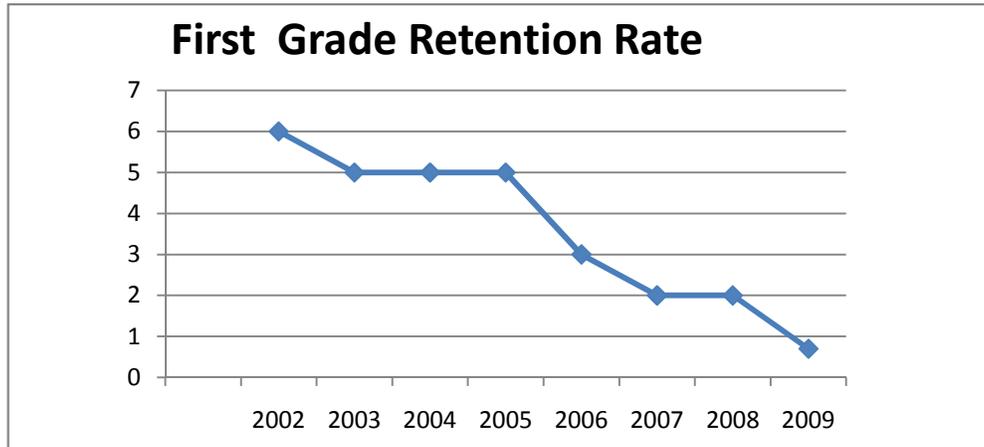
Flyer from school systems to be provided to all agencies, churches, CPC members to post and provide to families about the credit/grade recovery programs available

Gather statistics from CHINS program to show increase in school attendance and better behaviors

(No cost/ low cost idea) PSA alerts about the credit/grade recovery programs available

Russell Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Ready for School



Story Behind the Numbers

There is a need for more Pre-K and Head Start Classrooms, more awareness about special education needs early on. Schools are not doing the basics, more focus on compliance. Issues of Poverty and transportation. Lack of value of education from parents, Lack of skills to be able to help children with homework.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Prevention and Treatment Program (PATS) being developed through Children's Policy Council
Letters of support and referrals to Children and Family Connection, Inc.
Request from Children's Policy Council to United Way to fund Phenix -Russell Youth Center

2010 Action Plan

Form committee to work on New Beginnings, a program for pregnant teens in school, to be provided in the county schools

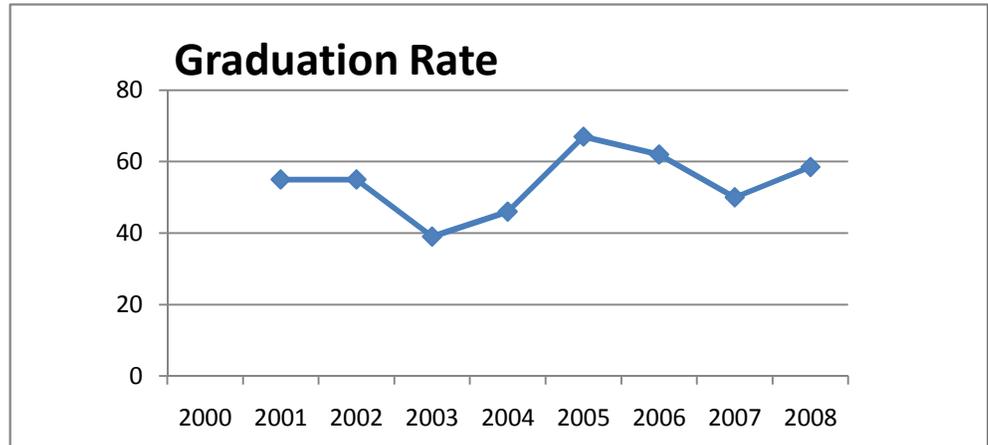
Access local media to raise awareness

Develop and get word out regarding PATS

(No cost/low cost idea) Media Awareness

Russell Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful in School



Story Behind the Numbers

Change in superintendent, Change in compliance, Children left behind because of testing, Giving up because students fail test, Students missing too many days in school, Unmotivated students, Lack of value in education from parents.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Local library has year round children's program with 300+ children participating in summer program

Phenix City schools qualified for a librarian for 1/2 day at the school

Local Retirees helping children within school system

System wide school program for 1/2 day for 2 months with tutorial math/reading for any child

2010 Action Plan

Expand library services to pre-school children i.e. Head Start

Read to Head Start children regularly by service organizations

Support local library efforts

(No cost/ low cost idea) Schools to make general public more aware about the Credit Recovery and Grade Recovery program.

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Accomplishments

The Shelby County Children's Policy Council members have continued to work hard to accomplish improvements in the services we are providing for our children and their families. One identified gap in service was an after-school program for at-risk middle school youth. The Mental Health & Safety and Education Committees developed an after-school program called the SKAATER (Shelby Kids Academic, Arts & Technology Enrichment Resource). They worked with Montevallo Middle school and the Shelby County Board of Education to submit a grant for funding but was not funded. They are currently seeking funding for that program.

The Economic Security Committee put on a Financial Fitness Fair that included the Reality Check for teens, a Piggy Bank contest for youth, ages 6-18, and all types of exhibits and lectures for adults in the area of financial fitness and resources. They have continued funding for the Work To WIN program for youth to obtain their Alabama Career Readiness Certification. Through four years of the grants, over 800 youth have been certified.

The Health Committee brought in resources to talk about teen pregnancy prevention efforts, health issues and is working to assemble a resource directory in a printable form to offer to school nurses and counselors as well as the general public. They also promoted the H1N1 vaccination campaign effort by the Public Health Department and distributed flyers and posters to the community.

The Early Care & Education Committee has worked to distribute information on funding available to establish more pre-K sites in the county.

The Parent Involvement & Skills Committee has been combined with the Shelby County Drug-Free Coalition Services Committee to work on getting information out to parents about the effects of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs on their children. They have also worked hard to inform the community about the extent of the problem with underage drinking in Shelby County. Some of their many accomplishments include assisting the ABC Board in alcohol compliance checks by providing funding for underage decoys to enforce established laws and educating elected officials on the benefits of limiting location and density of alcohol retail outlets and of Clean Indoor Air ordinances. The Shelby County Drug-Free Coalition also hosted a Town Hall meeting on underage drinking featuring Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb as guest speaker. This event was covered by five media representatives. They also have provided parent workshops to the community to provide parents with the tools they need to prevent substance abuse in their own home. They have provided "smoke free" signs for area athletic fields as well as recorded 30-second smoke free messages that were provided to several high schools and three city youth athletic leagues to be broadcast during school and athletic events. Their committees have continually worked for a "smoke free Shelby County" through various outlets including media, brochures, a website and presentations to elected officials. An education campaign on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs utilizing all media outlets continues through public service announcements, distribution of a parent handbook, brochures, city newsletters to provide accurate and reliable information on the hazards associated with the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, and prescription drugs. In a partnership with the Sheriff's Office, the Drug-Free Coalition distributed and collected "report cards" throughout the community to anonymously report suspicious activity. They also distributed warning messages about prescription drug abuse to area pharmacies to encourage them to distribute these messages with each prescription dispensed as well as distributing them at area doctor's offices. The Coalition has also promoted a teen safe-driving initiative and has promoted the PAST (Passengers, Alcohol, Seat Belts, Text/Talk) message throughout the county through displays and presentations.

The School of Technology conducted the construction camp for girls again this summer which always fills up very quickly. The Calera High School design class, under Brian Copes, once again won first place in a national contest to design and construct a utility vehicle that could be easily shipped to a third-world country and assembled for use with minimal effort. This is the third year that Mr. Copes' classes have won this contest that consists mainly of competing entries from colleges around the USA. Their design has been picked up by a major manufacturer for possible mass production.

Barbara Williams served on the Shelby County Census Committee to help distribute information and bring awareness of the Census 2010 campaign of Shelby County to improve their reporting percentage.

The Shelby County Family Resource Center partnered with the CPC to put on a community Blue Ribbon Tree display to recognize April as Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Month. Eight agencies as well as county administration joined the effort by decorating trees with blue ribbons honoring children in different circumstances. The Juvenile Services Office issued a challenge to other offices in the courthouse to a contest with the winner receiving a \$50 gift certificate at a local restaurant. The Office of Probate and the Circuit Clerk's Office competed with the Juvenile Services Office with the winning entry going to the Office of Probate with an outstanding hand-made tree honoring those children with whom they had helped with

adoptions. Mayor Sonny Penhale of Helena, Mayor Allen Lowe of Columbiana and Superintendent of Education Randy Fuller issued proclamations citing April as Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention month.

The Shelby County Juvenile Drug Court continues to be a model for the state. Their efforts to help teens change their lifestyle has met with outstanding success.

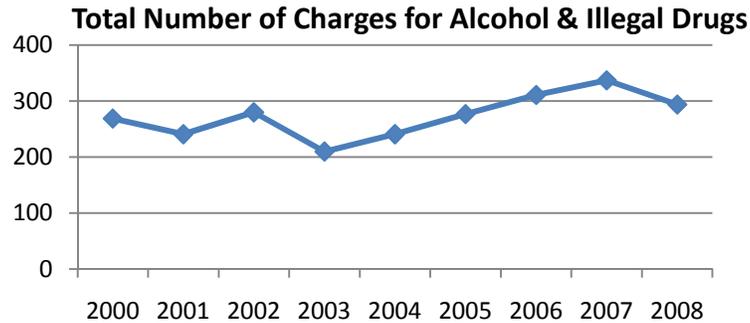
The Parent Project continues to provide valuable lessons for parents of strong-willed teens to help them discover why their parenting techniques are not currently working. This has become a strong component of the juvenile court system and the Supporting Families Initiative.

We have had outstanding speakers for our CPC meetings including Commissioner Marquita Davis, Melissa Nelson from UAB Dept. of Pediatrics on the Shaken Baby Syndrome, John Hooper from the Alabama Department of Public Health on the H1N1 virus and Representatives Cam Ward and Mike Hill to talk about upcoming state legislation and the funding crisis of state government.

The Shelby County Juvenile Information Sharing System (SCJISS) efforts are in a holding pattern until we get permission from the Administrative Office of Courts to proceed with our plan. We have worked very hard in this effort with many community partners including DHR, Board of Education, local police departments, the Juvenile Court, service agencies and the Sheriff's Office. We hope to get clearance very soon as this is a much needed opportunity to make it easier and more convenient to better serve our families.

Shelby Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Increase in population overall * Increase in Hispanic population * Alcohol, marijuana and prescription medications are the drugs of choice for Shelby County teens with alcohol the most used and abused drug * Youth are using/abusing drugs both at home and at their friends' homes * Alcohol is easily obtained as are prescription medications * Parents consider alcohol use by teens as a "rite of passage" * Parents disapproval of teens' alcohol use decreases as teens get older * Youth not engaged in pro-social after school activities are most at-risk for drug usage and other negative behaviors * Parents are unaware of their teens' activities

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Shelby County Drug-Free Coalition and the Parent Involvement & Skills group accomplished these things:

- (1) Parent Resource Handbook was redesigned and updated to include timely information on "sexting" and cyber-bullying. First distribution will be made to parents at registration at all 38 schools this school year.
- (2) Sponsored a county-wide Town Hall meeting on "underage drinking" with Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb as featured speaker.
- (3) Sponsored anti-drug messages in church and chamber bulletins, newspapers, public service announcements, publications and billboards.
- (4) Shelby County Drug-Free Coalition Speaker's Bureau gave many lectures and presentations in the school, churches and community meetings.
- (5) Continued to place anti-smoking signs in neighborhood parks and athletic fields throughout the county
- (6) Continued to promote the "Tip hot-line" referral system for the community to report illegal activities to the sheriff's office.
- (7) Delivered prescription pads with warnings about the abuse of prescription drugs to area pharmacies and doctor's offices for distribution with prescriptions dispensed.
- (8) Promoted PAST (Passengers, Alcohol, Safety Belts and Talk/Texting) teen safe-driving initiative and messages throughout the school system.
- (9) Assisted the ABC Board with vendor compliance checks for selling alcohol or tobacco products to minors.

2010 Action Plan

Work with the Sheriff's Office to design and implement a "Take Back" program for unwanted prescription drugs.

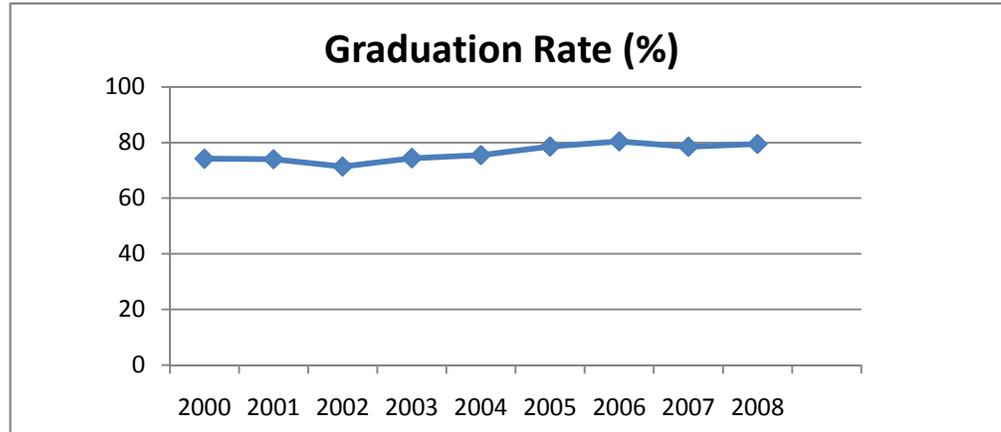
Work with the local ABC Board officers to implement a stronger Responsible Vendor program in our county as we still find that too many vendors are selling alcohol and tobacco products to minors.

Have someone from the Alabama Department of Public Health to come to speak with the community about the ramifications of the federal Health Care Reform Bill.

(No cost/low cost) Continue presenting and promoting anti-drug and anti-smoking information and messages to the community through all means possible.

Shelby Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Increasing population growth in Shelby County (fastest in the state) * Increasing Hispanic population with limited English skills. * Kids that can't read are most susceptible to dropping out of school, involvement with juvenile court, substance abuse and sexual involvement. * Some kids are "hands-on" learners and need more experiential technology opportunities before the 11th grade to keep them engaged in school. * All youth need to have skills to transition into the workforce before they leave the educational system. * At-risk youth are not engaged in their school or community.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- (1) SKAATER (Shelby Kids Academic, Arts and Technology Enhancement Resource) Program was developed for middle school youth to increase school attendance, grades and opportunities for personal growth through tutoring, the arts, life skills training and other extracurricular activities.
- (2) Juvenile Drug Court established pro-social activities for court-involved youth, provided scholarships for treatment for youth and some parents, provided staff training and devised a resource distribution list for parents of drug-court involved youth that maintained their confidentiality.
- (3) School of Technology again offered a Construction Camp for girls which was well attended.
- (4) The Supporting Families Initiative worked with an array of families whose children had chronic truancy or behavior problems this past year to provide them with an variety of community services according to their needs free of charge.
- (5) The Work To Win program provided oversight and testing for 161 students to obtain their Alabama Career Readiness Certification.
- (6) Calera High youth designed and built a vehicle to be used cost-effectively in Third World countries. They competed in a competition in Cleveland, Ohio against a majority of college teams and won First Place in their class. The design was picked up by a major industry to be built and distributed nationally. The prototype used for the competition will be donated to a resource in Nicaragua.

2010 Action Plan

Work with the school and community resources to develop programs on bullying, suicide prevention and transitioning from elementary to middle to high school and into the work force.

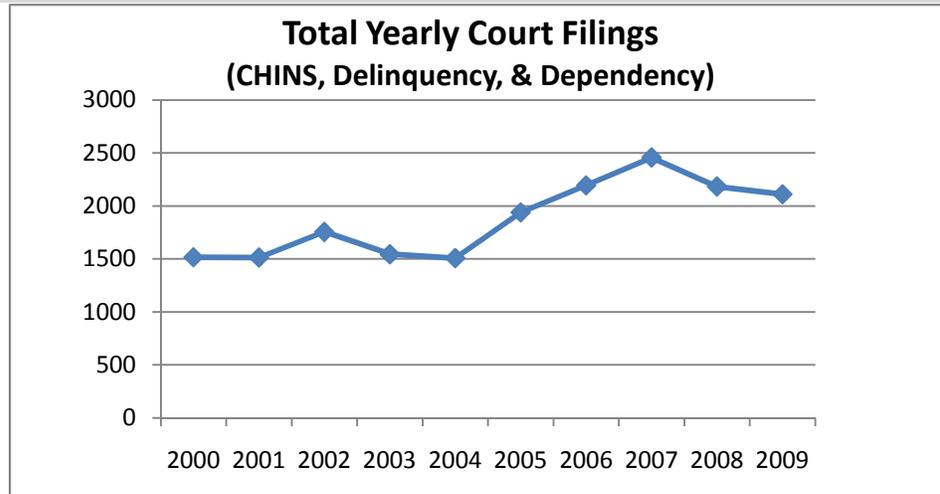
Work with local faith-based and community resources including the Sheriff's Office and local police departments to develop a program providing at-risk youth a means to participate in athletics who would not qualify for school teams to

Increase opportunities for experiential education activities for youth.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Increase opportunities for youth to engage in community service projects.

Shelby Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Increase in overall population (fastest growing county in the state) * Increase in Hispanic population with cultural differences * Lack of adequate community resources to provide services to entire family * Children younger than 12 are being referred to juvenile court Early Warning for truancy and conduct issues * Parents need skills to begin "parenting" their children, not be their friend * Changes in Juvenile Code in 2009 will change how Shelby Co. schools and Juvenile Court can address conduct and truancy issues

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

- (1) The Supporting Families Initiative was able to serve more "at-risk" families referred by the school system this year with more needed services. We are still seeking funding for in-home wraparound services for our families.
- (2) Our Shelby County Juvenile Information Sharing System (SCJISS) has been planned up to a point where we have to have permission for the system implementation from the Administrative Office of Courts. We are awaiting those decisions before proceeding further.
- (3) We provided a Financial Fitness Fair for the community that provided a Reality Check program for teens, a Piggy Bank contest for ages, 6-18, and many resources and information from our financial and business partners and the Greater Shelby and South Shelby Chambers of Commerce for the adults.
- (4) Our member agencies sought grants and funding to help assist the families currently finding themselves in economic crisis. A group of emergency assistance providers were awarded a grant to prevent homelessness that is to be administered by the Family Connections agency.
- (5) Food drives were conducted by churches, non-profit groups and member agencies to increase the availability of emergency food supplies for families suddenly finding themselves without jobs and desperate to feed their families.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to explore options and funding to provide in-home services as well as supervised visitations for court-involved and DHR families. Judge Kramer is seeking grant funding to establish a separate dependency court to help these families with community

Continue with efforts to develop a model juvenile information sharing system for juvenile courts and their supporting services.

Continue to strengthen the efforts of the Supporting Families Initiative and resulting services we can provide to families.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Invite local psychologists to meet with court representatives to discuss provision of timely results of psychological evaluations for juveniles and their families involved with the court system to speed up provision of services.

St. Clair County

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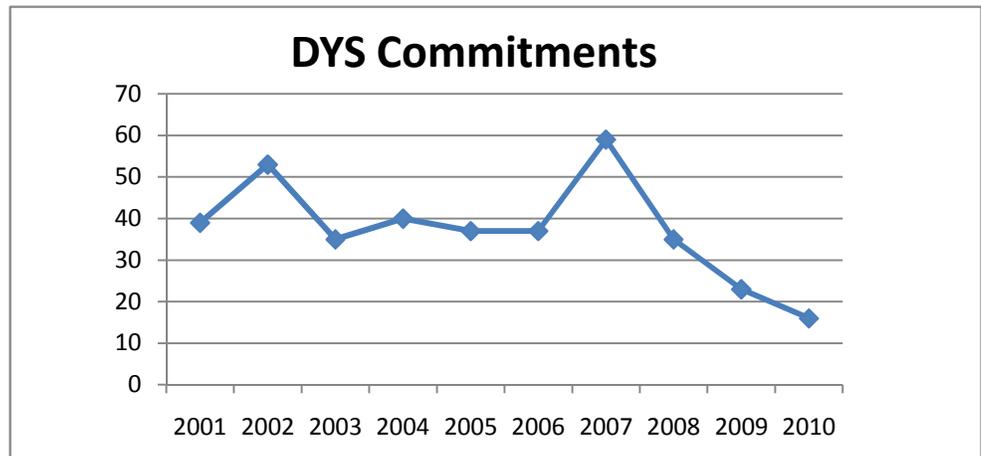
During a severe economic down turn St. Clair County has been able to continue to provide the following: Juvenile Drug Court through collaborative effort continues to work with approximately 30 youth. Juvenile Drug Court expanded services to include electronic monitoring, community service, curfew checks and intensive out patient treatment.

St. Clair County Day Program continued to provide academic remediation, counseling and behavior management for 75 St. Clair County youth. Services include parent project, equine therapy, ropes course training and art therapy for targeted youth.

Pell City School System provides six week abstinence education program for 6th graders. Children's Advocacy Center presented "Bear Facts for Families" to 45 families. St. Clair County continues to work closely with KidOne to provide transportation.

St. Clair Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Lack of Parental Guidance, no stable home involvement.

Parents having a favorable attitude toward unhealthy behavior. Broken homes (single parents)

Lack of success in school

Close supervision by juvenile probation office

Lack of positive relationships between schools, parent, and child. Economics-low income.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

St. Clair County Juvenile Drug Court expanded and enhanced during 2009.

St. Clair County Day Program

Juvenile Drug Court continues to provide a low cost approach in dealing with a specific population of youth experimenting with and abusing drugs

2010 Action Plan

Maintain and enhance delivery through St. Clair County Day Program

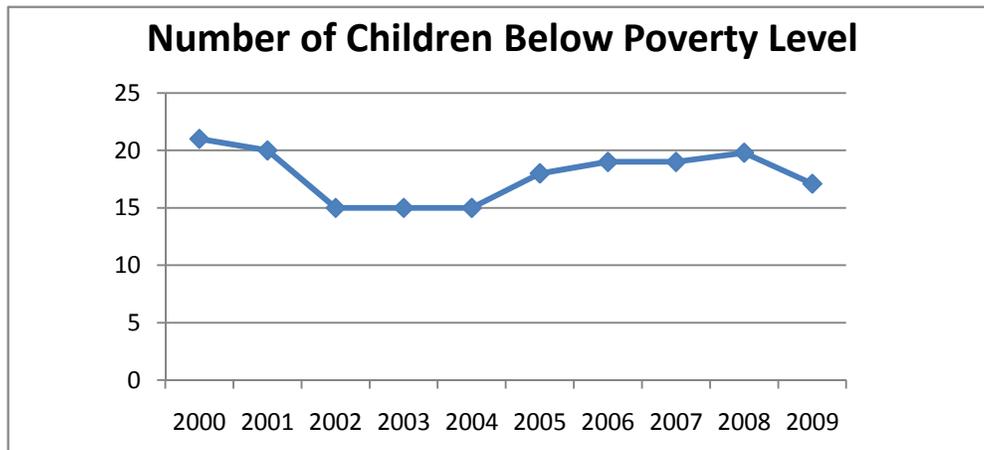
Maintain and enhance delivery through St. Clair County Juvenile Drug Court

Pursue expansion and enhancement of school based prevention services for at-risk youth in grades 5-8

(No cost/low cost idea) Maintain and enhance Juvenile Drug Court as it proves to be a low cost approach in dealing with youth abusing alcohol and drugs

St. Clair Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Education levels of Parents

Single Parent Families with children continue to rise

Unemployment of Parent

Teen Births

Substance abuse/Mental Health

Lack of affordable transportation

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Continuing to increase diversity of educational resources

Continuing to increase access to parent education

2010 Action Plan

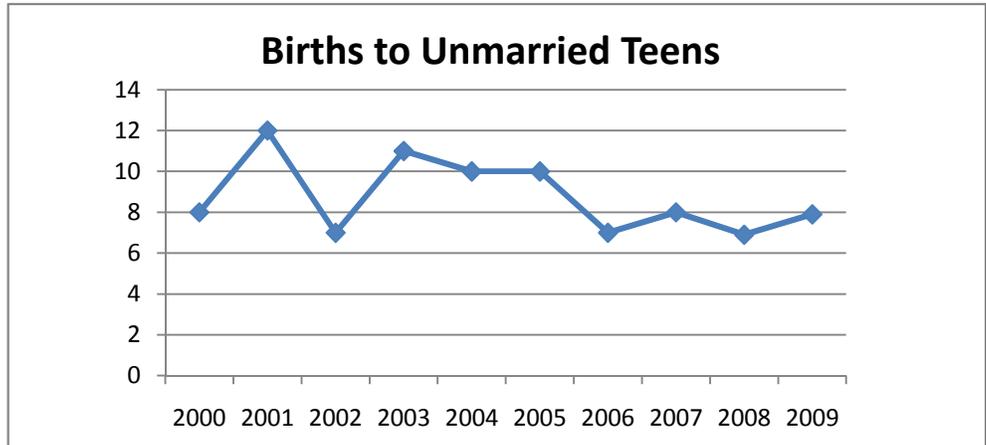
Encouraging parents of children below poverty level to become involved in local Career Centers for job training and development, along with GED development

Provide community wide opportunities for parents to learn more effective parenting and family development

(No cost/low cost idea) Peer tutoring and community seminars through Health Department, Department of Human Resources, and Chamber of Commerce

St. Clair Children's Policy Council

3 Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Teen Pregnancy
Lack of Education
Lack of Parental Supervision
Substance Abuse
Economics

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Six week abstinence education program for 6th graders in the Pell City School System.
Continued to work closely with KidOne to provide transportation.
Presented "Bear Facts for Families" to 45 families through the Children's Advocacy Center.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to work in the community through parenting programs at the Advocacy Center

Continue abstinence education with the St. Clair County/Pell City Schools

Continue to work with KidOne to help provide transportation

(No cost/low cost idea) Prenatal sessions monthly with girls who are pregnant at Pell City High School

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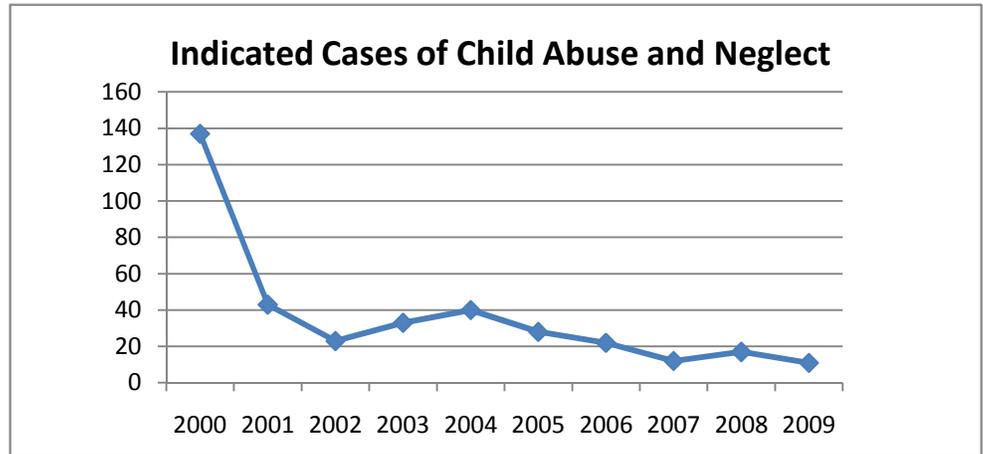
The attachments detail the numerous events and 100% achievement of our 2009 identified priorities and action plan. Our CPC continues to partnership with the surrounding business community, media, juvenile court system, Alabama Dept. of Public Health, Alabama Dept. of Public Safety and our Sumter Co. Board of Education to advocate on behalf of children. Our CPC is responsive to all Sumter Co. citizens. Our CPC is energized, task oriented, motivated and achievement oriented. A comparison of the ratio of our achievements and population exceed the achievements ratio comparison of comparable urbanized counties.

Our most notable accomplishment include recognition by the Alabama Legislature and the United States Congressional Record for our 10th Anniversary; ADECCA Grant in the amount of \$35,910 to combat juvenile crime in Sumter Co.; DYS Grant in the amount of \$37,320 to employ an electronic monitoring system to surveil serious juvenile offenders within the county rather than DYS detention; Continuous partnership with Pizza Hut to participate in it's Food Harvest Program via our food bank. We supply excess pizza to athletic programs (City of Epes Softball Club, Bellamy Softball Club); high school athletic programs, after school academic programs, participants in government housing developments clean up programs and juvenile court group probation sessions. Our CPC invests in the total development of the child.

Our motto, "It takes a whole village to raise a child" is descriptive of our focus on hunger without food bank, our attack on illiteracy with our Books-A-Million event and college scholarship award; our effort to promote healthy development and positive self-esteem with our uniform exchange; our effort to combat juvenile crime with our mock trial for 5th graders and our effort to promote good decision making with our newly instigated fairy mock trial for 3rd graders; our effort to discourage high school juniors and seniors from getting involved with alcohol and drugs with our Fatal Vision Program that is held before the prom and our recent development of a Youth Empowerment Group that is designed to encourage youths to perform community service (Valentine's Day at the nursing home and a Haitian Earthquake victims project).

Sumter Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

The drop in the number of incidents of child abuse and neglect between 2000 and 2002 can be attributed to our DHR gaining assertion of conversion in Sept. 2002. Their use of the protocol warranted their vigilance in handling this type of cases. Caseworker's efforts to react to reports, timely process cases, take corrective. Measures including removal of the child, rehabilitating the parent or caregiver, providing parenting skills training and providing reasonable efforts to reunite families has proven to make the declining trend of indicated cases an expected ongoing trend.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. We hosted our Annual Mock Trial: "Guns and Drugs Are Out" for the entire enrollment of 5th graders in Sumter County.
2. We combined our efforts to combat alcohol, drugs and tobacco during the two Mock Trial events to maximize the deterrent effect with our efforts.

2010 Action Plan

We expect to host our Annual Mock Trials involving 4th graders to dissuade the children from using drugs and guns.

We will host the Fairy Tale Mock Trial for 3rd graders to impress upon the students the ideals of truthfulness, accountability and civic responsibility.

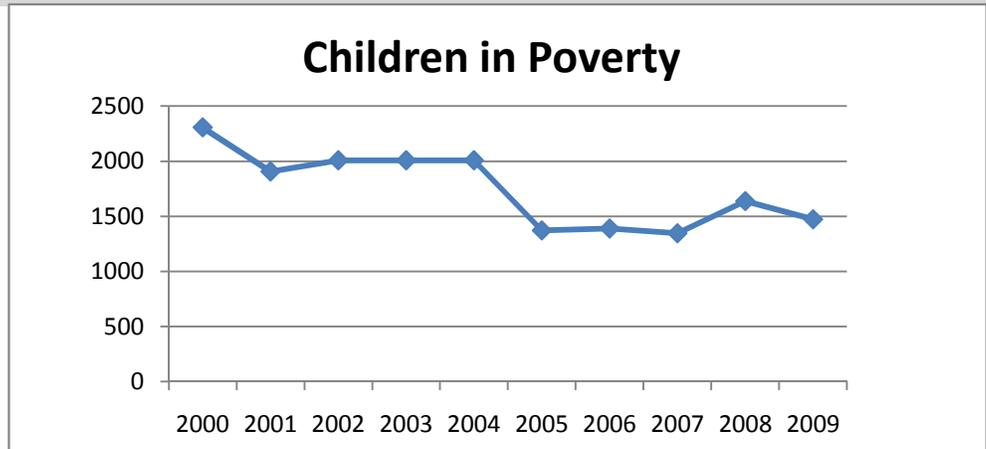
We will stage our Fatal Vision Campaign at City of Livingston Community Center for 11th graders.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Contacting businesses and companies for donations from those businesses where our CPC invest our monies.

other programs that proved to be an enticing mechanism. These measures will be continued for 2010.

Sumter Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Our area is largely poverty stricken due to the lack of manufacturing jobs. Children suffer due to the economic plight of their parents. Many single parent families survive on food stamps, TANF, and social security disability. Out of county jobs are prohibitive because of a lack of transportation, gas money, rising energy cost and food expenses.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. We successfully maintained the corporate support for the development of our Family Resource Center.
2. Individual donors and religious organization enabled us to continue financing our food bank.

2010 Action Plan

Seek a renovation grant from a corporate sponsor.

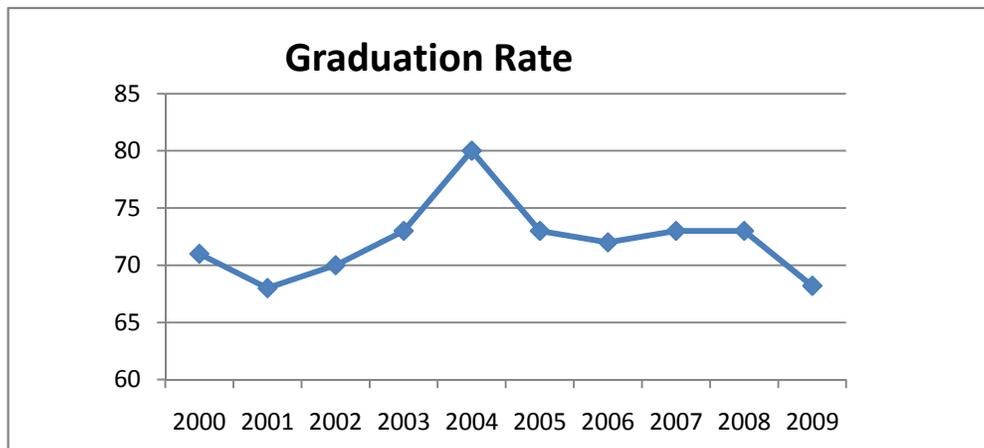
Maintain DYS grant that provides electronic monitoring of serious juvenile offenders within the county.

Maintain ADECCA grant that permitted our CPC to hire a program coordinator to administer prevention and intervention programs to combat juvenile crime.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Maintain level of pursuit of grants by CPC Executive Board and District Court staff.

Sumter Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

The drop in the number of dropouts in the Sumter County school system is attributable to a holistic approach toward making sure that each student has an opportunity to earn a diploma. The reorganization of our Board of Education/central office staff, investment in getting teachers certified, the institution of a dropout prevention plan, Saturday school and summer school programs plus education extra-curricular activities invite students to learn in a nurturing environment.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

1. Corporate and individual donors for our scholarship fund enabled us to award high school graduates that attend college during 2009.
2. Local banks and businesses were supportive of our effort to award scholarships to Sumter County graduates.
3. Local businesses donated incentives for our students.
4. The media, radio, TV and newspaper publicized our events, grant awards, scholarship announcements and PSA's.

2010 Action Plan

Award scholarships in four categories.

Continue to pursue scholarship funds.

Continue to offer incentives to students to build self-esteem and high academics.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Contacting businesses and companies for donations from those businesses where our CPC invest our monies.

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Accomplishments

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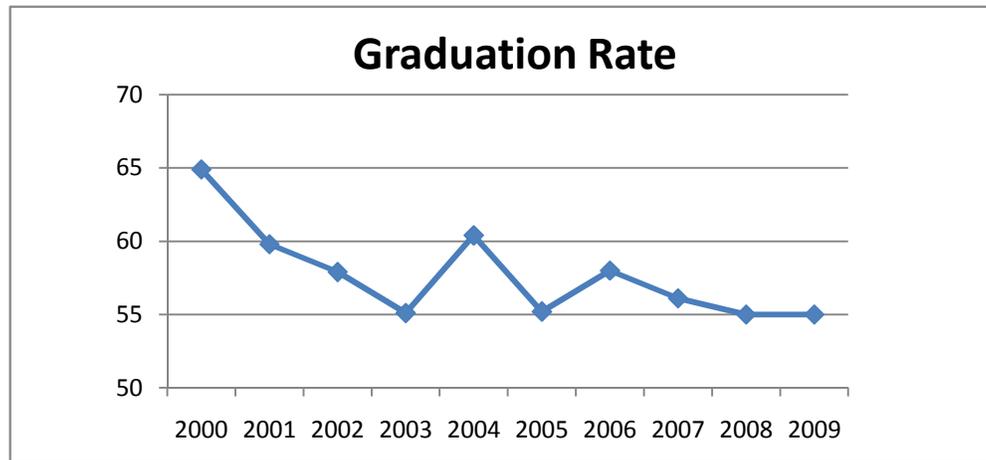
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2) Pertaining to Result Three in our Needs Assessment - Children Stay Out of Trouble, we again show a low number of juveniles having been held in detention as of June 23, 2010. The figures are calculated on a fiscal year system, and October 01, 2009 through June 23, 2010, there have been only 55 youth from Talladega County placed in detention.

And, Judge Rumsey has sought other alternatives - when appropriate - than Department of Youth Services commitments, such as ordering Community Service which in turn has helped the local Animal Shelter and Community Garden. Many juveniles have already completed countless hours in these community service placements.

Talladega Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Why students are dropping out and not remaining in school:

Bored

Lack of parental involvement

If get into legal trouble, fall behind

Grade failure causes lack of belief in self to succeed

Lack of vocational classes being offered in high school

Lack of early intervention between school and legal system concerning truancy

Accomplishments from 2009 Action Plan

The three school systems in Talladega County continue to work together and with the Juvenile Court in an ongoing effort to reduce truancy and other school-related problems that lead to being unsuccessful in school.

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Early Warning Program for Truancy - Court sessions held monthly to address complaints filed by schools in Northern and Southern divisions of the county

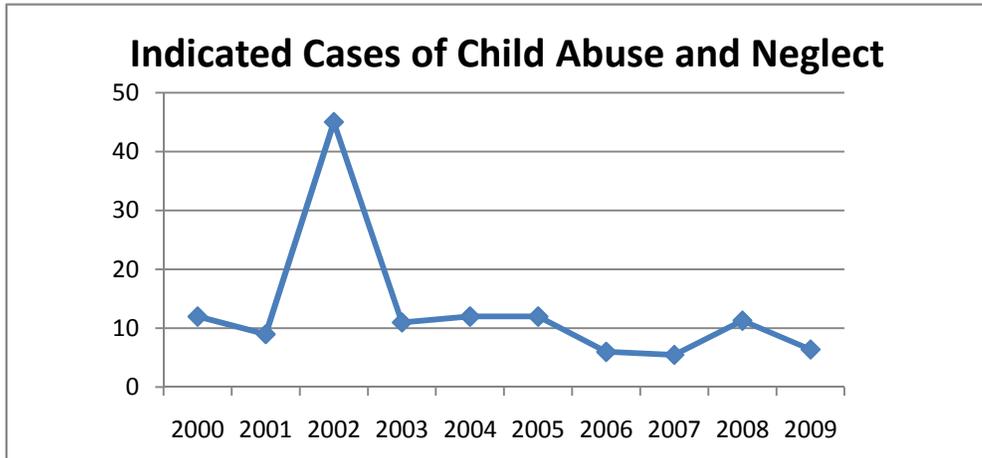
Turning Point Program (Parent - Child attended program using "Changing Directions") offered by SAFE Family Service Center in both Talladega and Sylacauga

Parenting programs through FIRST and SAFE Family Service Center

(No cost/ low cost idea) Reality Check program through the Alabama Cooperative Extension Office

Talladega Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Young and teenage parents
Unmarried parents
Poverty Level
Lack of Parenting skills

Accomplishments from 2009 Action Plan

No Accomplishments Submitted

2010 Action Plan

Parenting programs through FIRST and SAFE Family Service Centers

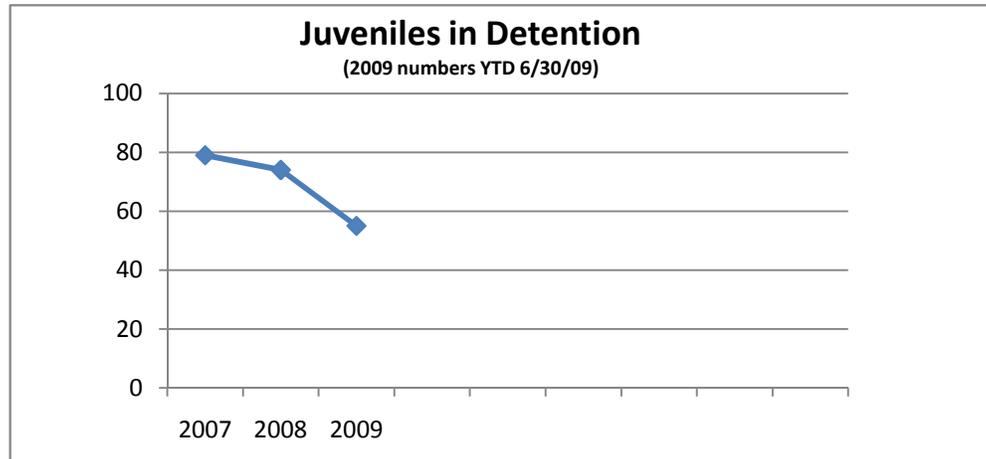
Anger Management Instruction; continued collaboration among area agencies such as Mental Health to provide services

Establishment of Drug Court with target area being Dependent Court family parties.

(No cost/low cost idea) Reality Check program through the Alabama Cooperative Extension Office

Talladega Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Stronger guidelines enacted with newly legislated revision of Juvenile laws in 2008. Will become effective October 2009.

Lack of emphasis on community intervention

Less effective parenting skills within the homes

Single parent households

Latch-Key children

Accomplishments from 2009 Action Plan

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Big Brothers Big Sisters Program just introduced to Talladega County area.

(No cost/ low cost idea) Contact/create other community "partners" to work with Talladega County Court in helping juveniles

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Accomplishments

- Partnered with East Alabama Mental Health for the Tobacco Grant
- Partnered with the SADD group at BRHS on the Tobacco Grant
- Collaborated with the City Council to develop a Smoke Free Ordinance for the City of Alexander City
- Referred several children to agencies that could provide special help to them and their families
- Provided abstinence program, Choosing the Best, for all Tallapoosa County Schools
- Provided dental screenings for 353 children through a partnership with local dentists
- Development of juvenile substance abuse outpatient treatment program at East AL Mental Health
- Provided information on Medicaid, All Kids, dental education, toothbrushes and dental floss to children and their parents

Tuscaloosa County

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Accomplishments

The Tuscaloosa County CPC considered and supported various grants requests submitted to the Department of Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention by participating organizations to continue and develop programs as follows:

Big Brothers Big Sisters of West AL: Community Based Mentoring (CBM) and School Based Mentoring (SBM)
Child Abuse Prevention Services: Nurturing Program, Second Step Program, Safe Steps Program
BabyTALK
United Cerebral Palsy of West AL: UCPWA HEARTS
Tuscaloosa's One Place: DADS Are Dynamite, Ready to Excel, No Place Like Home, Families are Our Future
Parenting Assistance Line (PAL)

The Tuscaloosa CPC supported a grant request submitted to the Department of Children's Affairs to match funding for the CPC Coordinator position.

Tuscaloosa Promise in collaboration with the University of AL, and the "Doing What Matters" Committee submitted an application to the 100 Best Communities grantors

Tuscaloosa Co. CPC members have participated in the developing and supporting the following City and/or County School System programs:

Tuscaloosa Center for Technology - The Dropping-In program: provides high school students the opportunity to recover and/or earn additional credits in an attempt to graduate in the summer of 2010. The program is designed for students who have fulfilled the requirements to earn at least a credit based diploma but lack two or fewer credits to graduate. PLATO, Access Online, and Correspondence will be used as the primary means of either recovering or earning credits.

All three City School System high schools will run credit recovery labs for those students in need of credits from previously failed courses.

Adopt-A-School Programs: Currently ninety-three businesses and organizations work with fifty-six schools in the Tuscaloosa City and County School Systems. Each school has at least one business partner and forty-three schools have two or more partners.

Helping Educators Linking Parents - a collaboration between City and County schools, Tuscaloosa Police and the District Attorney. HELP targets students who have been suspended, along with parents, to develop a plan for returning to school. Fall semester (2009-2010) suspensions were reduced by 355 occurrences compared with Fall 2008-2009.

Alabama Blues Project – teaches children about music and instruments in local schools and in the summer.

The CPC has also supported or hosted a number of events in Tuscaloosa County including the following:

School Supply Drive for students in Tuscaloosa City and County schools
C.I.T.Y. Program Golf Tournament
Doing What Matters for Tuscaloosa's Children Conference
Tuscaloosa's One Place Spring Fling and Easter Egg Hunt; Children's Trust Fund Rally; Brazos
Abiertos/Open Arms Community Festival
PRIDE "Kick Butts" Campaign
CAPS Tuscaloosa Sky Lantern Festival
Family Solutions Annual Yard Sale

The CPC also continues to support the following local and community programs:
Annie E. Casey Foundation's Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiatives (JDAI). Several members of the CPC serve on JDAI committees and are essential to the success of implementing this initiative in Tuscaloosa County. The efforts of this initiative have contributed to the success of reducing the number of youth committed to the Alabama Department of Youth Services, which is the CPC's current number one priority. Tuscaloosa County's current success in reducing the number of commitments has led to an increase in community-based programs that assist both the efforts of the initiative and the goals of the CPC.

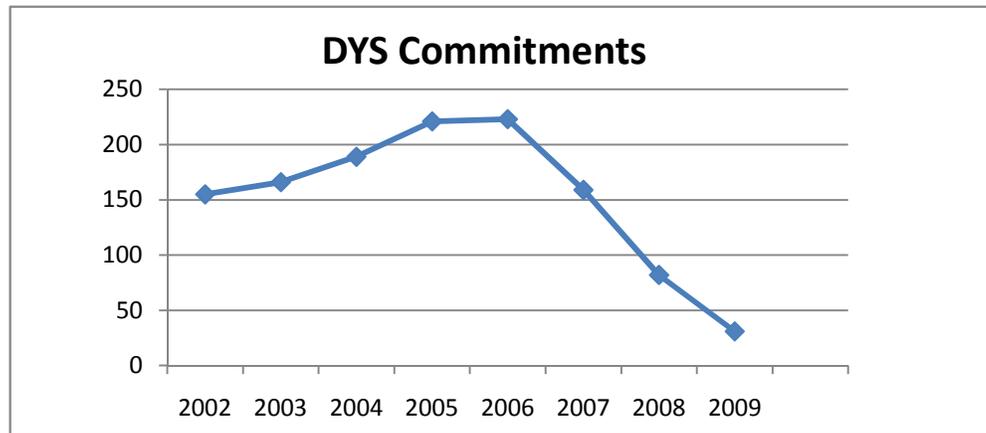
"Grow to College: Planting the seeds of success for K-12 Students" a grassroots effort featuring monthly activities that help K-12 students think and talk about future plans with parents and other adults.

CAPS Tuscaloosa's The Nurturing Program - a fifteen week seminar, from January through April of each year, where parents with children ages 4-12 are taught caring and positive ways to build family relationships.

The Junior League of Tuscaloosa Resource Room, housed at CAPS, the facility provides a wealth of literature about child development and parenting. Some of the issues addressed include discipline, toilet training, learning disabilities, balancing work and family, and more. The Resource Room is open to the public at no charge

Tuscaloosa Children's Policy Council

1 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

School Juvenile Court receives a high number of referrals from the school system and resource officers. This results in a large volume of children under the Court's supervision for truancy and behavioral issues. There are not enough community based resources to supervise youth properly in the community and provide additional resources to the families in the community. There are high numbers of children living in single parent homes or in non-parent homes (grandparents or other relative placement); this population of youth is at risk for need of out of home placement or other resources not currently available in the community.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Tuscaloosa's pre-K is a partnership between the City Council, City schools, University of Alabama, United Way, Stillman College and others to improve early childhood learning. The Tuscaloosa Pre-K Initiative is nationally recognized and is serving as a model for the state of Alabama.

RISE (Rural Infant Stimulation Environment) provides pre-school for special needs children. For the past five years, 100% of RISE graduates have been placed in kindergarten classrooms with non-disabled peers.

Dolly Parton Imagination Library - provides a free book monthly from birth to 5th birthday in targeted schools Sponsored by United Way, Junior League, Chamber of Commerce, and Rotary.

Tuscaloosa's One Place serves over 500 during the school year and 350 in the summer at 11 schools. Children receive tutoring, character education and enrichment activities. Kids have a one-on-one mentor. Families receive services such as home visits. Transportation is provided by schools.

CAPS Tuscaloosa partners with the school systems to provide the following school programs:

Safe Child - a three-day program taught to first graders in Tuscaloosa City, Tuscaloosa County Schools. Participating children learn how to set personal boundaries and what to do when those boundaries are threatened.

Second Step - a violence prevention program, offered at selected local elementary schools, designed to reduce impulsive and aggressive behavior. Children learn anger management, impulse control, and empathy skills.

After-school Life-skills Lessons - CAPS partners with other agencies to provide at-risk students at selected schools with skill-building in decision making, problem solving, communications, and conflict resolution.

2010 Action Plan

Enhance/Maintain early intervention programs to work with the school system

Continue to create mentoring programs for at risk youth and their families

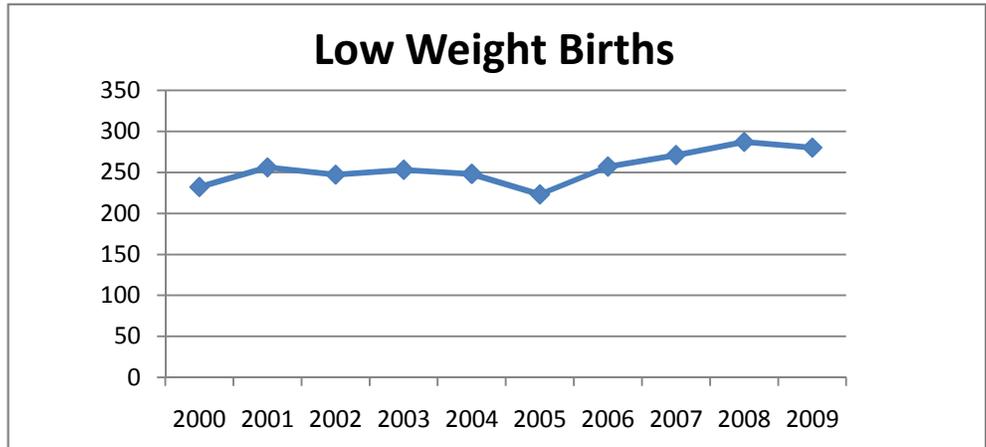
Increase community based programs to meet the needs of our youth and families

Work with the faith based community to restore a sense of community in our neighborhood

Tuscaloosa Children's Policy Council

2

Families are Hopeful and Positively Engaged in Children's Development



Story Behind the Numbers

Teen pregnancies and substance abuse by pregnant women contribute greatly to the lack of adequate prenatal care for children. Many of these children end up involved in the court system, either through abuse and neglect cases or delinquency charges. Children who have children are much less informed about the need for prenatal care. They tend to be emotionally immature and minimally educated, and, therefore, less likely to be able to provide for the needs of their unborn child. Pregnant females of any age who abuse drugs are less likely to seek prenatal care for fear of adverse legal consequences. All of these factors can contribute to premature and increased risk for birth defects.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

CAPS Tuscaloosa facilitates Healthy Steps for Teen Parents Program -a three session program covering prenatal care, labor & birth, and postpartum recovery. The classes include parenting techniques that encourage healthy newborn development and encourage continued education.

Baby TALK supports parents in nurturing of small children by providing basic child development information and suggestions for developmentally appropriate activities - volunteers represent Junior League, Retired Senior Volunteer Program, Community Service Programs of West Alabama, and several other community organizations.

2010 Action Plan

Continue partnerships with the school systems to increase awareness of the need for prenatal care

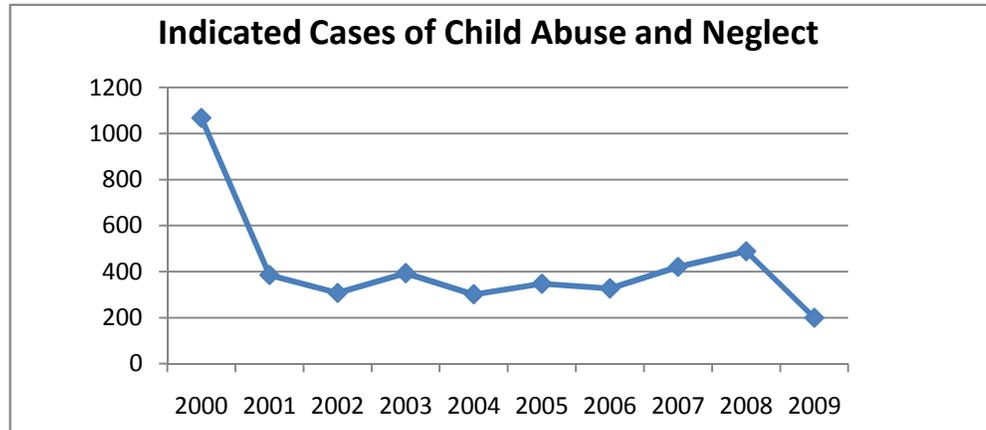
Increase availability of transportation to and from services related to prenatal care

Raise awareness in the community concerning the need of prenatal care and the resources currently available for prenatal care

Educate the community concerning the effects of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco on the unborn child.

Tuscaloosa Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

There are a number of factors that contribute to indicated cases of abuse and neglect. The definition of the traditional family has changed. The number of teen pregnancies and single family homes are just the tip of the iceberg. Younger parents and those who are not exposed to a two parent household tend to lack parenting skills necessary for their own children. Many children are raised by a grandparent or other family member. Due to the various factors in those non-traditional homes, many children do not receive constant supervision and redirection. Other factors such as mental health issues, substance abuse issues, and a general apathetic attitude, especially among sexually active teens, also greatly contribute to the problem.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Independent Living Program through the Department of Human Resources assists children in foster care in making a successful transition to adulthood, 40 participants

Boys and girls club programs address issues the environment, health, the arts, careers, alcohol/drug and pregnancy prevention, gang prevention, leadership development and athletics

Bradford Health Services facilitates the:

-Parent Support meetings to provide support, guidance, information, referrals, literature, and other useful resources to parents who are striving to improve their families' circumstances and confront their children's behavior.

-Free on-site emergency consultation service (ECS) and referral offered 24/7 for adolescents, adults, and families.

UCPWA HEARTS Respite Program provides families with in home respite services, training opportunities on dealing with stress, where to find help as well as reimbursement for respite to families who face financial burdens.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to create programs to partner with the school system to increase awareness of the signs of abuse and neglect

Provide educational opportunities to address the impact of domestic violence on these matters

Increase awareness of mental health and substance abuse issues and the role they play in abuse and neglect cases

Increase awareness and availability of therapeutic counseling and in home services.

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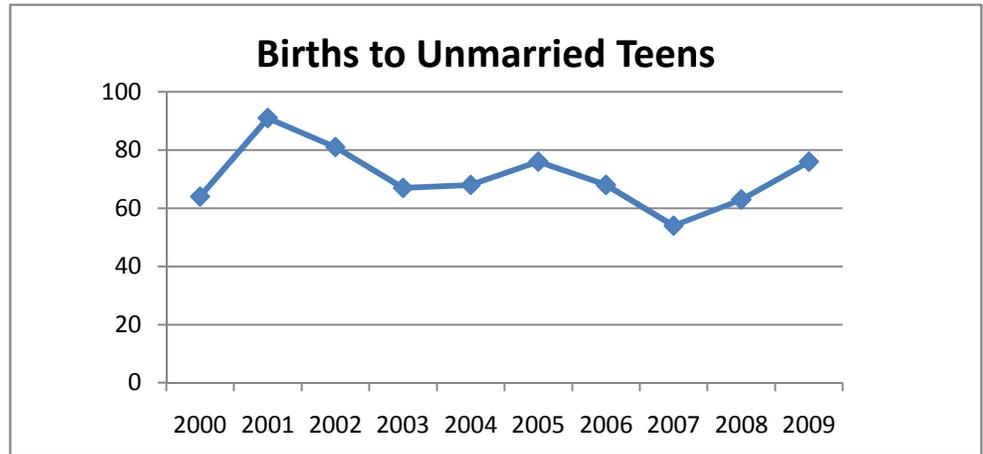
Accomplishments

Summer camp for ages 3-18 for youth with intellectual difficulties.
Community outreach program on brain development for children 0-5.
Youth Employment Program for county youth ages 15-24.
Robotic Project with students SOS students and center of technology.
STI system established in county school system.
Two parent workshops at each county school.
Compass Learning at each high school.
Curry Middle School grant-access learning lab/technology grant.
30 graduates with HIPPIY program.
Communities CAN Day (awareness with the community)
April Child Abuse Awareness/Blue Ribbon Trees
20 new slots for preschool program with Adam Bishop Center
Revised addition of Know Your Body in school system

Get Real About Violence utilized in school systems
School Climate Surveys conducted
4 CPC members trained with Critical Life Skills Training

Walker Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Shift in society values/morals

Lack of support systems,

Absent father

Families need job skills/education to have strong and stable families

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Baby TALK, Fatherhood and Parent Project worked with unmarried teens on lifestyles

Pregnancy Test Center - provided parenting, resources and mentoring

Steps Ahead/Health Dept/Walker Baptist Medical Center

SAFE/teen pregnancy prevention taught in schools

2010 Action Plan

Current Parenting Programs/services will continue to provide life skills training to unmarried teens

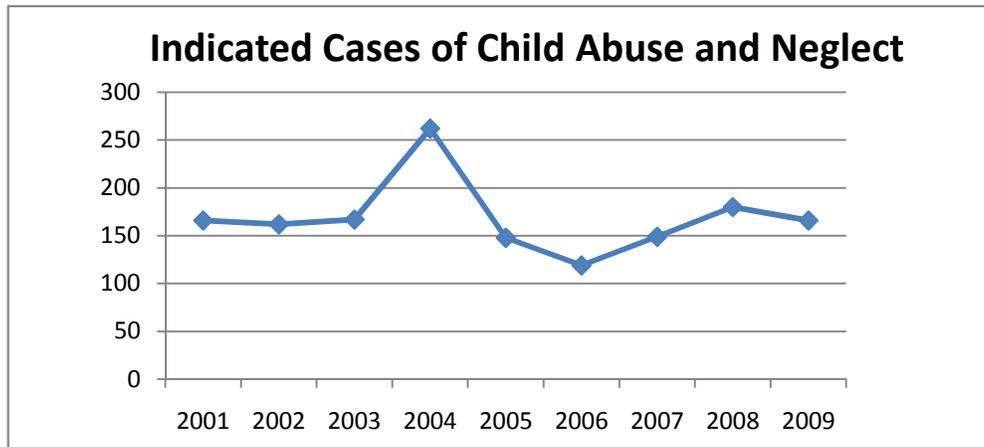
School systems offer prevention training for teens

Four individuals to be trained with Critical Life Skills through the University of Missouri

(No cost/ low cost idea) PSA with local media

Walker Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Safe



Story Behind the Numbers

Seeing an increase of sexual abuse cases

Children go out of the county to be interviewed, no local child advocacy Center in Walker County

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Community Awareness events (Communities CAN, Blue Ribbon Trees, Editorial)

Council met with community leaders regarding establishing child advocacy center

Local programs purchased Shaken Baby Simulator

Grant collaborations

Jasper Area Family Services Center nominated for children's advocate award

2010 Action Plan

Cross training with community agencies on awareness and mandatory reporting.

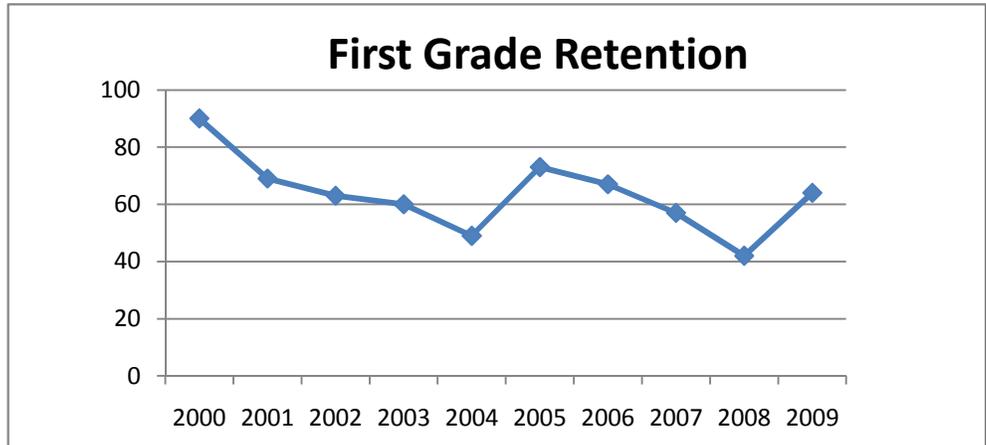
Seeking funding for SROs

Seeking resources to establish Child Advocacy Center

(No cost/ low cost idea) DHR Blue Ribbon Campaign downtown or on business sites, city council proclamation, stiffer penalties for perpetrators, increase parent education for basic parenting, safety knowledge about infants (bedding, water safety, car, nutrition, etc.)

Walker Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Ready For School



Story Behind the Numbers

Need for increased Pre-K programs
If children are not prepared for school, it is difficult for them to catch up
Places children at higher risk for drop out

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Head Start - 12 sites/14 class rooms in Walker County
HIPPPY completed third year
Success By Six distributed materials to community partners
Childcare Resources working with local agencies
ABC/Adam Bishop Center added 20 new slots for preschool program
STI system began in county school system

2010 Action Plan

Committee will work to identify pre-k and kindergarten students for at-risk indicators and referral for services

Mentoring programs for preschool age children

Explore new funding sources for pre-k initiatives

(No cost/low cost idea) Community awareness, school readiness with partners, Success by Six materials, initiatives to promote parental involvement

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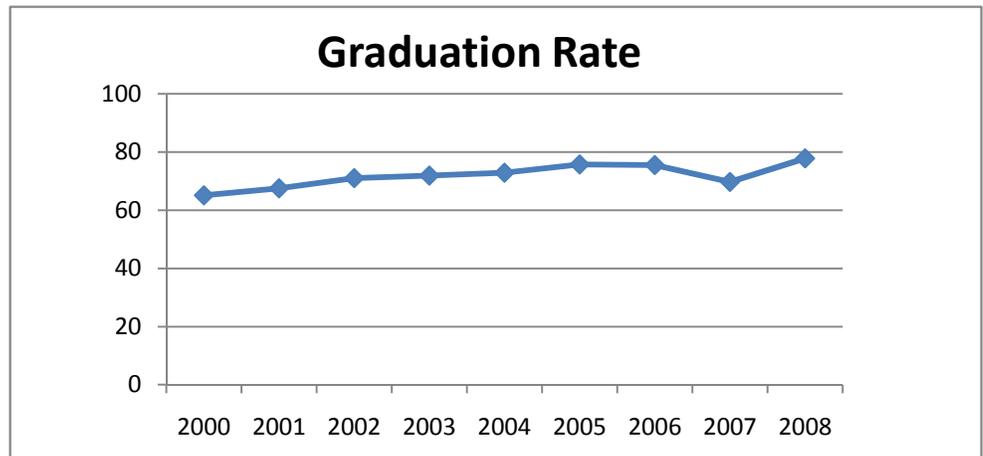
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Accomplishments

No accomplishments submitted.

Washington Children's Policy Council

1 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Failing Grades
Not able to keep up with school work
Truancy
Substance abuse
Teen pregnancy
Lack of parental involvement

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Summer programs open to all children in Chatom, Fruitdale and Millry

2010 Action Plan

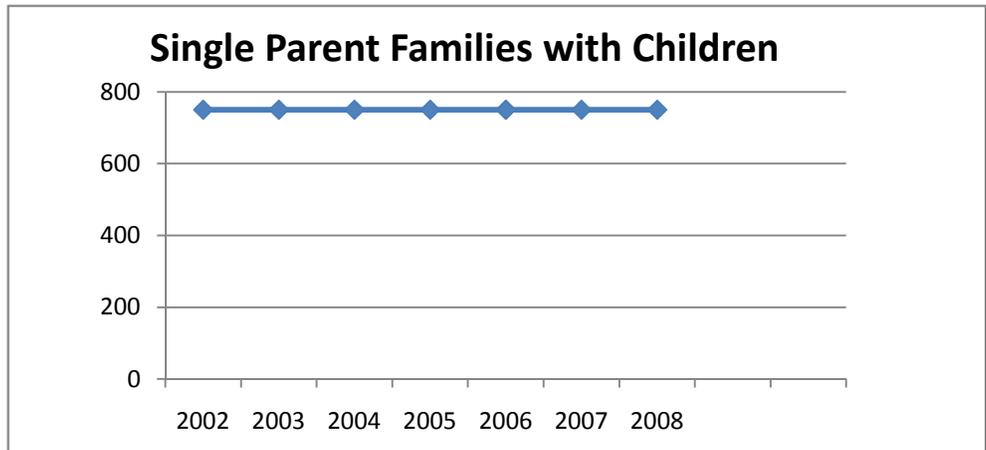
Mentor program in schools

More after school activities

(No cost/low cost idea) Reality Check

Washington Children's Policy Council

2 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Teen Pregnancy
Substance Abuse
Lack of positive role models

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Drug prevention programs implemented
Community Counseling Center offers programs
Partnership with Mobile Alta Point to provide services
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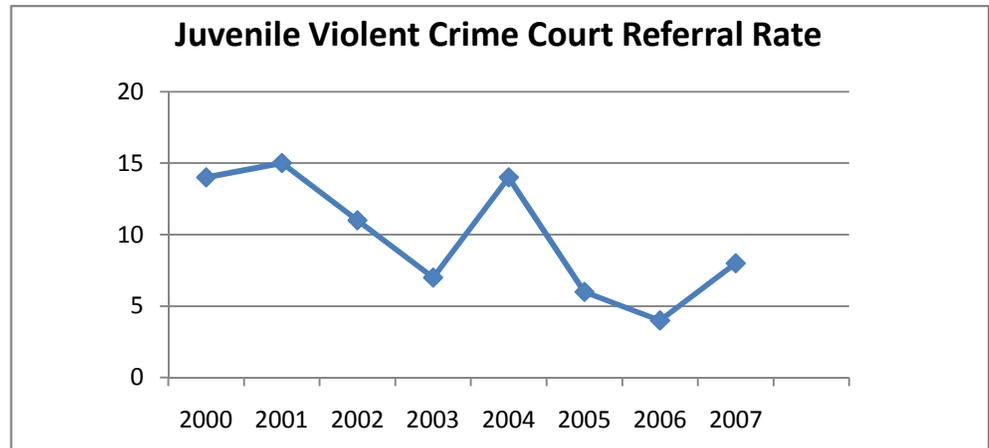
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Continue current services

Mental Health counselor in the schools

Washington Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Substance Abuse
Lack of supervision
Unstable home environment
Lack of success in school
High Poverty rates
Single Parent homes
Truancy

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Health Department offered free health screenings to teens

2010 Action Plan

Partner with Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to offer programs in schools

Partner with churches to provide mentoring programs

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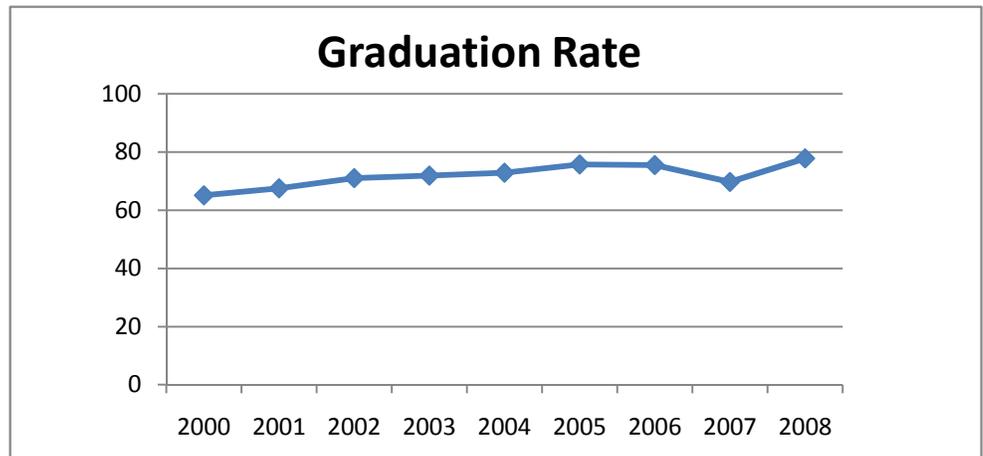
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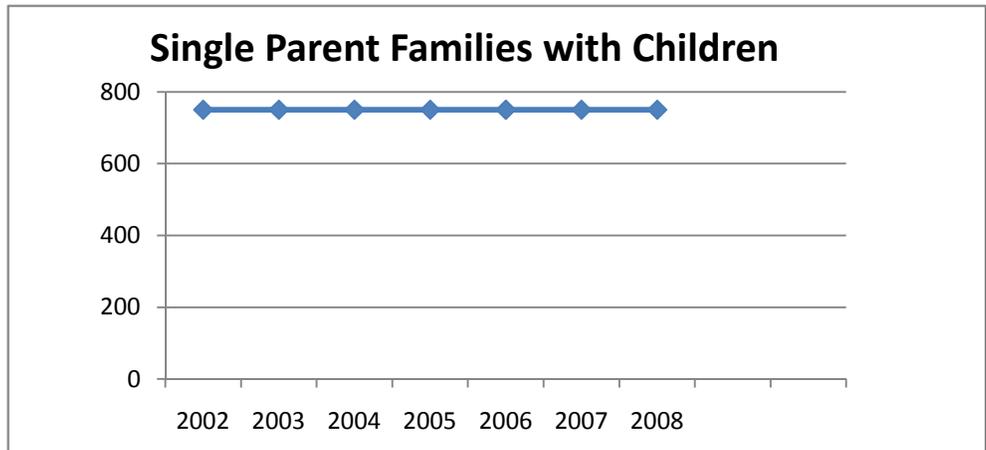
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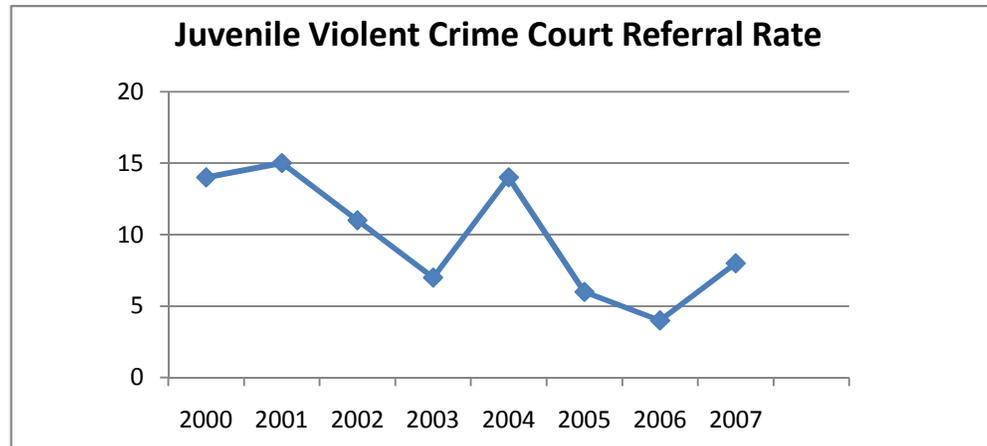
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Lack of supervision
Unstable home environment
Lack of success in school
High Poverty rates
Single Parent homes
Truancy

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Health Department offered free health screenings to teens

2010 Action Plan

Partner with Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to offer programs in schools

Partner with churches to provide mentoring programs

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Accomplishments

During the 2009 - 2010 council year the Wilcox County Children's Policy Council worked extremely hard for the children of our county. Activities included, but are not limited to the following:

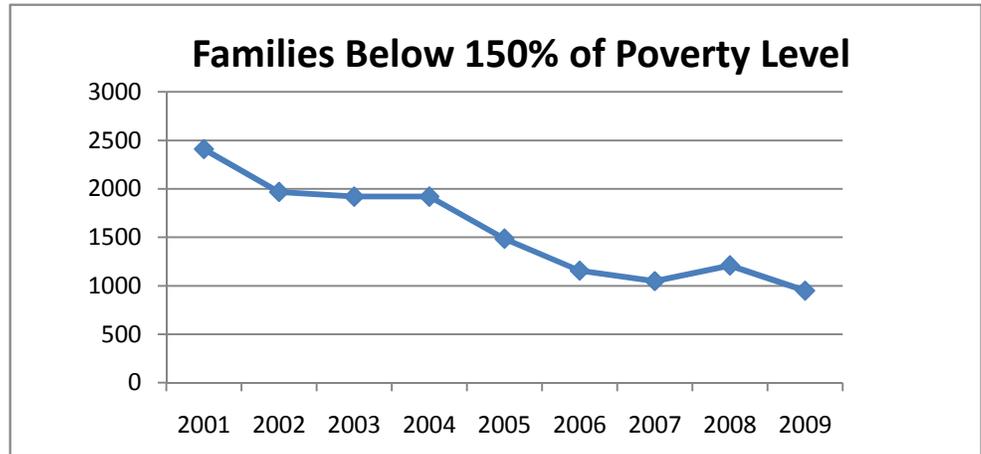
- Held monthly meetings from September 2009 - June 2010
- Members raised funds, contributed their personal funds to continue the efforts of providing books to every

child in Wilcox County under the age of five (50 received and age appropriate book).

- Workforce Development Committee, working with AIDT, sponsored a county-wide workforce development meeting for county residents in an effort to create employment opportunities in Wilcox County.
- Co-sponsored an Enrichment Summit for at-risk youth
- Sponsored our annual fourth Wilcox Family Summit in April 2010
- Sponsored our 1st annual book fair for children under the age of five in April 2010
- Continuing relationships with AIDT, local officials, Alabama Southern Community College, the business community, and the Office of Secondary Education to bring a comprehensive welding program to Wilcox Central High School for students and community membership committee. This welding program is up and running with forty students.
- Received grant from the Department of Children's Affairs
- Co-sponsored a county-wide Easter egg hunt and fun day with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. for youth.
- Several Council members attended the Children's Policy Council Conference in Marion Alabama.
- Communicated with 89 community churches, informing them of the Children's Policy Councils activities and recruiting their support and participation.
- Co-sponsored a county-wide Youth Sabbath Day and a Youth Revival
- Co-sponsored KIDCHECK at J.E. Hobbs Elementary. The staff was able to screen about 300 children

Wilcox Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

Why are families in Wilcox County living below the poverty level?

Wilcox County has experienced little to no economic growth

Adults have to travel long distances to secure good jobs

Few job opportunities are in Wilcox County

Most of our residents work in other counties and have to spend a lot of money on travel

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Co-sponsored fourth annual Family Summit

Continued to work with the County Commission to bring quality workforce development to our county; 40 students are enrolled in our new welding program

Worked with the Wilcox County School System to aid the youth in passing the Graduation Exit Exam and get more youth enrolled in the dual enrollment program

Co-sponsored the Kids Count Health Fair

Co-sponsored the Easter egg hunt as a wholesome family activity

Sponsored the book fair

2010 Action Plan

Planning the fifth Family Summit

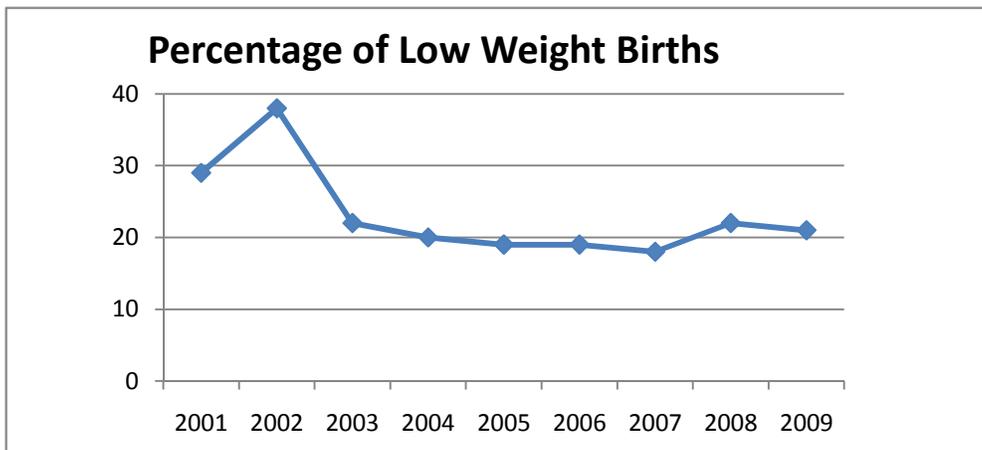
Continue partnership with the community regarding workforce development coming to our county

Work with the Board of Education to assist youth in graduating

(No cost/low cost) Family Summit and gaining support from the community to bring businesses to the county

Wilcox Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Why are babies born at low birth weights in Wilcox County?

Children are born at low birth weights because expectant mothers are not receiving adequate prenatal care.

Expectant mothers lack transportation to doctors for appointments out of the county because Wilcox County does not have a resident OBGYN;

Some expectant mothers do not have any health insurance;

Some mothers do not have a good diet, due to lack of knowledge regarding available resources.

Some mothers do not have a good diet, due to lack of income to purchase fresh vegetables and fruits

Some mothers don't have knowledge regarding available resources (volunteer and faith based initiatives) that provide health care; and some expectant mothers don't have a support system to assist them or advocate for them

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Family Resource Fair held during the Family Summit

Kids Count Health Fair held and co-sponsored by the CPC

Health insurance (ALLKids) information provided to all churches and numerous parents

2010 Action Plan

Co-sponsor the 2011 Kids Count Health Fair

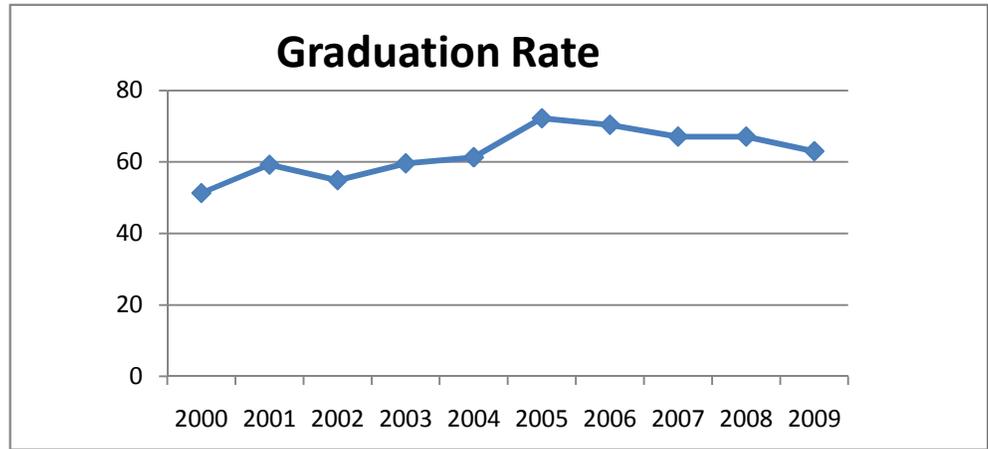
Engage County Extension to provide additional nutrition education

Provide additional parent education programs

(no cost/low cost idea) Work with the Board of Education to increase play for youth

Wilcox Children's Policy Council

3 Children are Successful In School



Story Behind the Numbers

Why are children dropping out of High school in Wilcox County?

Children are dropping out of school in Wilcox County because they are not successful in passing the Alabama High School Graduation Examination

Students lack strong family support regarding their educational future

Most children are products of families where education is not seen as the avenue of change and success

Most children are living below the poverty level

There are not ample tutorial opportunities for all children. Most children are from families that don't have funds for vacations and other educational opportunities

Children are not given the opportunities for mentoring by successful individuals

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Held book fair for pre-school age children

Partnered with community groups to increase the number of high school graduates

Sponsored a Family Summit

Provided study guides to youth who needed to pass the graduation exam

Provided handout encouraging parents to read to their children from before birth until they go off to college

2010 Action Plan

Provide book fairs in five communities

Provide a junior deputy program to encourage youth to stay in school

Sponsor the Family Summit and provide assistance to parents to help students be successful

Work with the Board of Education to secure a parenting program to teach parents how to teach

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Accomplishments

The Winston County Children's Policy Council was active during the 2009-2010 fiscal year. It has continued to develop partnerships within our communities so that the lives of our children can be enhanced.

This past year, the Winston County CPC applied for grants with ADECA and the Department of Public Health. These grants combined brought approximately \$59,500 into our county for substance abuse prevention. These programs were implemented in both Winston County Schools and Haleyville City Schools.

The CPC was also instrumental in the development of our Bridges to Success, which seeks to divert students who are at-risk from becoming involved in the Juvenile Justice System. This program was unfunded by outside money; however, because of the CPC's relationship with its existing partners, municipal police departments, county law enforcement, both school systems, Freedom Hills Community Center and the Juvenile Court, we were able to begin the development of this program and during the last semester of school, we began seeing results!

The CPC with its subcommittees, Winston Adolescent Substance Abuse Prevention, SOS (Save Our Students) and partner, Freedom Hills Community Center, was able to sponsor and present a Youth Minister's Summit during the month of March 2010. This summit was attended by youth ministers throughout the county and

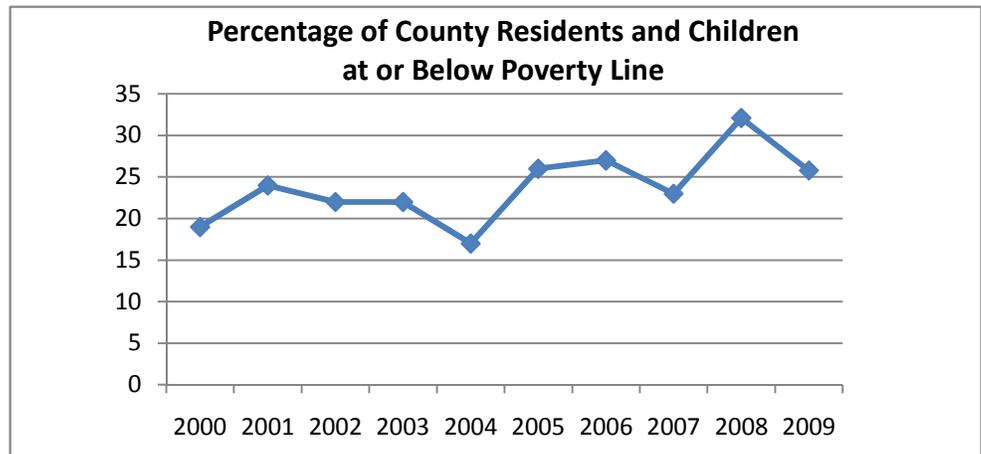
from various denominations. Its purpose was to educate the youth ministers about the prevalence of drug use/abuse by our youth. Its second purpose was to engage the youth ministers in dialogue which would seek to find solutions to the problems our youth face today. Its third purpose was to develop a curriculum to address these problems, so that this resource could be used throughout the county in all denominations of churches.

The CPC also participated in Professional Development for Winston County Schools. The presentation consisted of a special speaker from Bradford Health Services who discussed youth substance abuse and delinquency. The speaker challenged teachers and administrators to think about students as individuals and seek to address each student's needs. A former student and his mother each spoke about their trials and tribulations related to the student's drug use. The sister and mother of a former student spoke about how drug abuse had affected their family.

Lastly, the CPC with partners, Freedom Hills, Winston ASAP, and Mainstreet Ministries, applied for and was accepted by the Governor's Office for Faith Based Initiatives.

Winston Children's Policy Council

1 Families are Strong and Stable



Story Behind the Numbers

37.4% of population 25 years of age or older do not have a high school diploma

38% of county households live on a yearly income of \$25,000 or less

Decreased number of home owners

Projected dropout rate increased from 14.7% in 2002 to 18% in 2004

In 2006, 44.4% of births per 1000 were to unmarried women. 87.7% of these births were Medicaid births.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Bridges to Success was developed through our CPC and has begun its referrals to partner agencies.

An up to date resource directory was developed and continues to be further developed. It has been distributed to principals, partner agencies and courthouse personnel.

We have sought funding for a CPC coordinator who works with the Judicial Assistant of the Family Court Judge.

Resources continue to be shared among partner agencies.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to develop Bridges to Success program, seeking innovative ideas to address the needs of students who are at risk of failure, drug use or delinquency

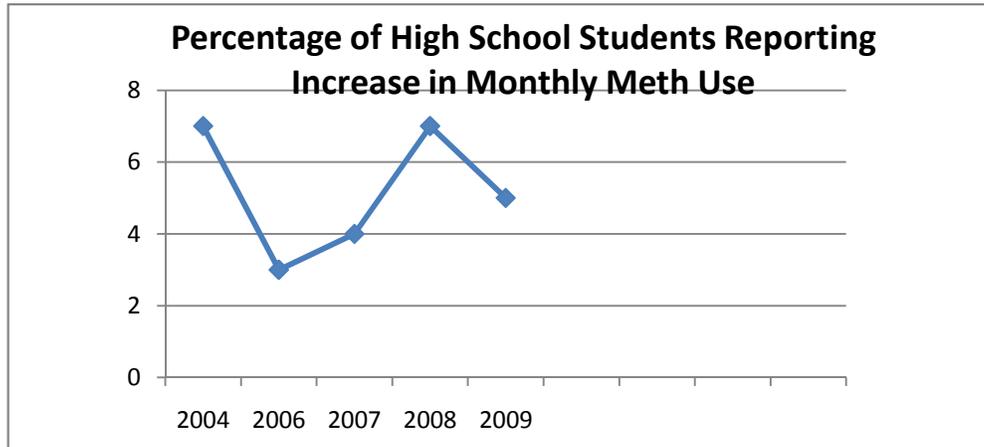
Continue to work with partner agencies to seek funding

Increase the capacity of the CPC through recruitment of new members

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue to share resources among CPC members

Winston Children's Policy Council

2 Children are Healthy



Story Behind the Numbers

Monthly use of methamphetamine increased in grades 7, 8, 9, 11, and 12--2007.

Monthly use of Oxycontin increased in grades 11 and 12-- 2007.

Monthly use of alcohol increased in grades 8, 9, and 12--2007

Alabama ranked 47 out of 50 for infant mortality in 2006.

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Through funding from ADECA, the Department of Public Health, Northwest Alabama Mental Health Center and federal drug free schools monies, all classes (K-12) received universal prevention curriculum during the 2009-2010 school year. Through partnerships with each school system's Parental Involvement Committees, participation by parents in school functions, events, etc. has increased, as reported by the Federal Programs directors for each system.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek sustainable funding for universal prevention programs

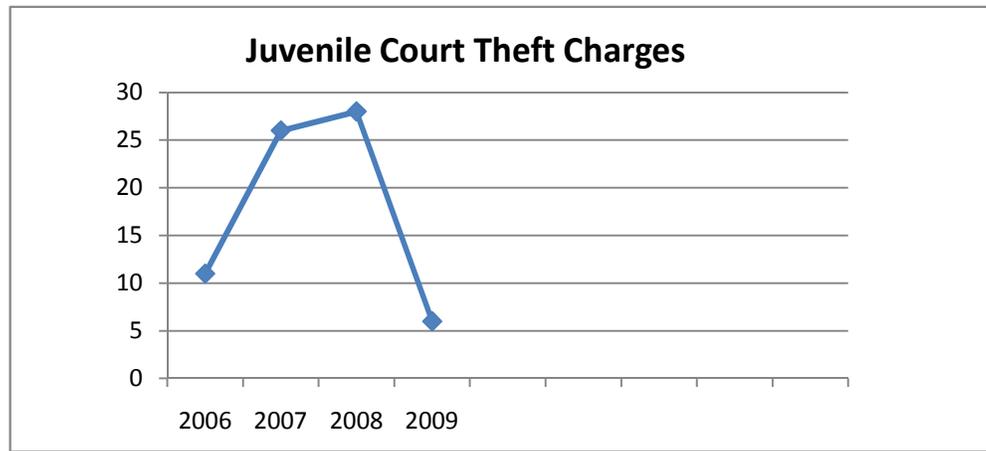
Work with partners to present "The Drug Scene" to all 6th and 7th grade students in both school systems

Continue to develop Bridges to Success program to identify students who are at risk

(no cost/low cost idea) Continue with parental involvement committees for each school system

Winston Children's Policy Council

3 Children Stay Out of Trouble



Story Behind the Numbers

Number of crimes (juvenile offenders) involving theft and burglary increased 73% in 2007

4 juveniles charged in 2007 with Making Terrorist Threats

192 counts of defiance of authority in Winston County Schools during 2007 school year

Sheriff estimates 85% of crimes in Winston County are connected to drug use (Adults)

2009 Accomplishments from Action Plan

Universal prevention programs were presented in both school systems in Winston County, Alabama.

Bridges to Success, a referral system among CPC partners, was developed and continues to be revised as needed in order to meet the needs of students and families in our county.

2010 Action Plan

Continue to seek funding for programs to address at-risk behaviors of students

Continue the development of the Bridges to Success program

Professional development for teachers and providers

(no cost/low cost idea) Referrals among partners.