

2014 Needs Assessment for Marion

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Accomplishments

Continued to utilize the adolescent abuse program thru the NorthWest Alabama Mental Health Center
Continued to support the Alternative School Program that provide services to At-Risk children
Continued to provide drug testing for children & parents involved with the juvenile court system
Continued to support and utilize parenting programs for at-risk families

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First Priority

Need related to children of this county

Bullying

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
None	Additional training on how to handle these case Programs for school age children concerning this issue

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

Training provided by State Agencies

The education systems providing programs within the school system for the children, parents and educators

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Second Priority

Need related to children of this county

High School Graduation Rate

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
Youth Success Program available at Bevill State & NorthWest Shoals Community Colleges Upward Bound Program available at Bevill State & NorthWest Shoals Community Colleges GED Classes available at Bevill State & NorthWest Shoals Community Colleges Alternative School Programs available for At-Risk students Providing school supplies for At-Risk students	Transportation for students to Bevill State & NorthWest Shoals Community Colleges Funding for GED testing Tutoring services

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

Continue to partner with the local school systems, the local community colleges and the Career Center

Continue to assist the county school systems in the enforcement of the truancy laws

Continue to provide school supplies for the children involved with the juvenile court and/or DHR

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Third Priority

Need related to children of this county

Foster Care

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
Gas vouchers for parents to visit their children in foster care placements	Group Home type placements for older foster children closer to the community Additional funding to provide gas vouchers Trained, approved volunteers to provide transportation of children and families

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

Partner with the community to ensure that parents can attend required family sessions with their child in placement

Providing gas vouchers for parents to visit their children in placements outside of the community