

# 2014 Needs Assessment for Marshall

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## Accomplishments

The Health Committee partnered with local and states agencies to coordinate Public Service Announcements concerning nutrition and infant safety.

The Education Committee partnered with Albertville City Schools and Marshall Medical Centers to provide training for school counselors and school nurses from all five school systems. A different topic was provided quarterly with wonderful speakers and lunch provided by Marshall Medical Centers. It was a great success.

The Council hosted a regional workshop conducted by the Alabama Department of Children's Affairs.

Operation Save Teens was presented at Juvenile Drug Court for the youth and their parents.

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Marshall County Department of Human Resources is the agency to make abuse and neglect reports to.</li><li>2. School counselors in each school are taught to recognize signs of abuse and neglect and identify children who may be exhibiting signs of mental illness.</li><li>3. Our hospitals and the local mental health center are first responders to crisis of various forms.</li><li>4. School nurses help identify abuse, neglect and mental health issues.</li><li>5. School attendance officers identify individual children with habitual attendance issues</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Social Workers in the schools.</li><li>2. School counselors who are trained in mental health issues.</li><li>3. Mental Health counselors in all schools.</li><li>4. A school system employee with the ability to do daily home visits to follow up on attendance concerns for the school system.</li></ol>

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

1. Train school nurses in signs to look for when concerns appear related to drug abuse, adolescent depression and various other forms of crisis including rape.
2. Train school counselors on steps to take to identify and proper reporting concerning rape or other forms of sexual crisis.
3. Each school system designates their employee to perform home visits with the assistance of a school resource officer and/or juvenile probation officer.