

# 2014 Needs Assessment for Pike

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## **Accomplishments**

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## First Priority

### Need related to children of this county

Strengthen Families

<b>Existing resources available to help meet this need include:</b>	<b>Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:</b>
Pike Regional Child Advocacy Center - parenting classes Assistance to families with children with disabilities East Central Mental Health Collaborative program Individual and family counseling in conjunction with schools, DHR, and Juvenile Probation Services Parent-to-parent and peer-to-peer groups	Parent Project Additional transportation services Additional job training and job opportunities for adults/parents Effective in-home family counseling

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

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## Second Priority

### Need related to children of this county

Quality Education

<b>Existing resources available to help meet this need include:</b>	<b>Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:</b>
Law enforcement presence in schools Automated phone systems in schools Communication and coordination between Juvenile Probation Service and alternative learning centers Response to Instruction program - monitoring and intervention for children with risk issues	More effective truancy prevention and intervention tools Increased coordination between DHR, Juvenile Probation Service and school systems Increased participation by private entities Cross training between DHR, Juvenile Probation and teachers

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## Third Priority

### Need related to children of this county

#### Substance Abuse

<b>Existing resources available to help meet this need include:</b>	<b>Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:</b>
Adolescent Substance Abuse Prevention program Red Ribbon Week Prevention programs in schools Prevention partnership between East Central Mental Health and Boys' and Girls' Club	Programs to educate parents regarding substance abuse and prescription drug abuse Programs to address intensive substance abuse in children and parents More effective substance abuse educational programs within school systems Intensive probation with enhanced drug testing Program to redirect offenders and at-risk children

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