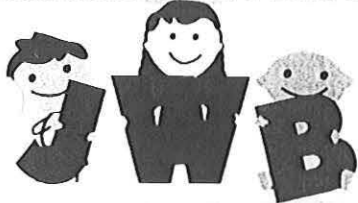


Juvenile Welfare Board



The Children's Services Council
of Pinellas County

Board of Directors Meeting

March 13, 2008

Site Visit Schedule & Reports

Item VI.D.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS PLAN STATUS REPORT & RELATED ISSUES

| | <u>Beginning Date</u> | <u>Status</u> |
|---|-----------------------|--|
| YWCA – Adolescent Pregnancy & Parenting | 4/5/07 | The monitoring phase is still in process. The 05-06 and the 06-07 data has been corrected in SAMIS |
| YWCA - All | 10/15/07 | In process. |

SITE VISIT SCHEDULE

March, 2008 – May, 2008

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|--|------------------------------|
| Big Brothers/Big Sisters – Comprehensive Mentoring | March 17, 2008 |
| Pinellas County Health Dept. – Healthy Families | March 18, 24, 25, & 28, 2008 |
| Pinellas Village – Family Services | March 31, 2008 |
| Religious Community Services – Grace House | March 5 & 7, 2008 |
| The Haven | March 10, 2008 |
| Suncoast Center for Community Mental Health – Children’s Outpatient Program | March 19, 2008 |
| Intensive Family Services | March 12, 2008 |
| South County Brief Intervention Partnership | March 18, 2008 |
| Therapeutic Preschool | March 11, 2008 |
| Therapeutic Solutions for Schools and Families | March 10, 2008 |
| Total Family Strategy | March 17, 2008 |

Board Members are invited to participate in site visits. For information, please contact Lisa Sahulka, 547-5643.

AGENCY SITE VISIT SUMMARIES

Site visits are conducted annually, and are a means to evaluate performance, monitor program delivery and recommend improvements as necessary. Serious program deficiencies result in a Corrective Action Plan being issued, with a deadline of up to 10 months for resolution and implementation. These actions are included in the quarterly Compliance Report. An agency's failure to respond to the Corrective Action Plan, continued under-performance may lead to a recommendation for further action, such as probation and/or termination of the contract.

State Attorney's Office – Safe School Initiative

SITE VISIT SUMMARY

AGENCY: State Attorney's Office
PROGRAM: Safe School Initiative
DATE OF VISIT: December 6, 11 & 18, 2007

FISCAL YEAR: FY 07-08
BUDGET: \$540,589
JWB ALLOCATION: \$365,627
COST PER CLIENT (FY 06-07): \$854.01

Program Description: Services are being provided as per the methodology. The State Attorney's Safe Student Initiative is dedicated to working with middle school and high school youth who are referred for delinquent behavior by using the power of the prosecutor. The goals of the program are to ensure that youth are held accountable for his or her behavior, and gain some element of enhanced skills to avoid risky behavior in the future. The program places experienced prosecutors in middle schools and high schools where they become part of the school community working in a preventative effort to reduce crime. Community-based prosecutors decide whether or not an individual is charged with and prosecuted for an offense. This diversion program is a viable alternative to utilizing the costly process of full court proceedings. It also provides the offender the ability to avoid criminal records, court appearances, and increases the ability to monitor the case for public safety purposes. The program is available countywide to all middle and high schools in Pinellas County. The program staff provides both individual services for participants referred to the diversion program and civic responsibility classes to all sixth graders in Pinellas County Schools. Based on the methodology, the maximum length of stay is 6 months. The program supports JWB's Strategic Plan goals of providing services to reduce early risk behaviors in middle school-age youth as well as youth development.

Site Visit Findings: The program is meeting all of the conditions of the JWB contract. The program allocation was decreased by \$64,000 effective FY 07-08. The program eliminated one position and refocused another position on high-school based offenses, countywide, and offenses referred by State Attorney's regular prosecutors. Overall the program has had a decrease in eligible cases which must meet the criteria of first time offense and referred for prosecution. The program continues to transfer SAMIS data through EDI and then updates MO data manually. The program director reviews files on a monthly basis and upon closure. Fiscal review has also been incorporated into the results management process to ensure that the program director is kept abreast of reimbursements and budget year to dates.

Accomplishment on Measurable Objectives and Contracted Service Levels for FY 06-07: The program met both of its SAMIS measurable objectives. The manual contracted service level for the group activity MO was exceeded. The contracted service level was not met due to a reduction of juvenile eligible for diversion and cases referred for prosecution.

| Service Component | Objective Language | # Measured | # Met objective | % met | Goal |
|--|---|------------|-----------------|-------|------|
| SASS/Compass Diversion Monitoring Rule/Policy Compliance | Seventy five percent (75%) of primary youth will complete seventy five percent of referred interventions as measured through the Youth Diversion Contract. | 493 | 397 | 81% | 75% |
| Follow-up Recidivism | Sixty percent (60%) of primary youth who successfully complete the SASS/COMPASS Diversion program will not receive any juvenile referrals within twelve months of program completion. | 354 | 300 | 85% | 60% |

| Contracted Service Levels for FY 06-07 | | | |
|--|-----|---------------|------------|
| | CSL | Number Served | % Achieved |
| Primary Youth (includes 18 year olds who are still enrolled in school) | 800 | 633 | 79.13% |

The contracted service level was not met as the program reported a decrease in eligible cases which must meet the criteria of first time offense and referred for prosecution.

• **Accomplishment on Measurable Objectives and Contracted Service Levels for FY 07-08:** The program submits individual data through the Electronic Data Interface quarterly or bi-annually so no data is reportable for the current FY.

Program Recommendations

1. All support staff should receive written annual performance reviews as per the personnel handbook.
2. Either the agency or CSC case number should be documented in each participant file.
3. At least one other staff member should be trained and familiar with SAMIS EDI and SAMIS data entry as currently one staff member is relied upon for this information.

Agency Corrective Action Plan

N/A

Fiscal and Administrative Site Visit Recommendations

This is a government-contracted agency therefore JWB waives the fiscal site visit requirement.

Contract Manager: Pamela Needham, Sr. Contract Manager