



**YEAR END MONITORING REPORT**

**October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007**

The Monitoring Report covers the current status of programs funded from October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007.

When monitoring CSAC Staff checks files, the program's curriculum, and cancelled checks that were included in Reimbursement Requests. Also, all agencies receiving more than \$25,000 are required to have an annual audit by a Certified Public Accountant, and deliver a copy of the audit to the IRC Budget Department.

All programs were monitored at least once during this past year; some visits are scheduled and some are not. Agencies also prepare four, cumulative/quarterly, reports to the Children's Services Advisory Committee staff. The report supplies information on the agencies' progress towards goals, which were established when the agencies filed their Request for Proposals. Goals can be changed within certain limits, to more efficiently mark progress. Monitoring notes and additional information supplied at the monitoring, or during the grant year, is listed under "Comment". Generally, Monitorings were satisfactory.

#### Statistical Information/Cost Per Child.

When reviewing the report please remember there is a wide variety of a programs, addressing a wide variety of needs; therefore, statistical information (i.e.: total served) does not always represent a clear picture of the value of the individual programs. One program might serve a child for a week, another for a day, and still another for the entire year. The cost of the programs is also varied; as some programs offer 24-hour care, while others involve "clubs" or phone calls to deliver services.

#### Goals Met and Unmet.

Many agencies missed meeting a goal by a fraction of a percentage. It is helpful to read the explanation completely.

## **BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS Jump Into Reading Mentoring Program**

Grant: \$27,000  
Funds Used: \$27,000, 100%  
Outcomes Met: 67%  
Total Served: 108  
Cost Per Child: \$250

### **Outcomes**

- 1. 85% of the youth who have participated in reading mentor activities for 6 months or more will be promoted to the next grade level by June 2007. Baseline: 2006-07 IRC School Board promotion/retention records for enrolled boys and girls**

Goal Not Met. 88% of the targeted outcome. The actual achievement of this objective was: 15 out of 17 which is 88% (# achieving the goal divided by # served or working toward the goal).

Caseworkers continue to take a proactive approach by reviewing clients' academic progress on a regular basis during supervision calls/visits with volunteers, students, and teachers. Reports Card information is collected and evaluated quarterly to determine the need for additional referrals. If additional assistance is required, referrals are to be made to the school guidance counselor, or appropriate collateral agency. Parents are encouraged to enroll their child in a summer program such as T.E.A.M. at the Boys and Girls Club, Gifford Youth Center and Youth Guidance.

- 2. 80% of the youth who have participated in reading mentoring activities for 6 months or more will improve reading performance in one or more areas of the DIBLES by June 2007. Baseline: pre-test scores from the reading achievement instrument for 2006-07 school year.**

Goal Met. 17 out of 17, which is 100% of the targeted outcome (# achieving the goal divided by # served or working toward the goal), based upon results of DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Learners) testing.

- 3. 85% of the youth who have participated in reading mentoring for 6 months or more will improve performance in one or more areas of the Florida Outcome Assessment Report regarding: grades, attendance, discipline and/or socialization skills by June, 2007. Baseline: FOAR pre-test scores for 2006-07 school year.**

Goal Met. 26 out of 26, which is 100% of the targeted outcome (# achieving the goal divided by # served or working toward the goal).

Comment: The agency achieved 88% of Goal #1. (85% of youth in the program will be promoted by June 2007). Collaboration continues with the Boys & Girls Clubs T.E.A.M. Program, and IRC Youth Guidance Program. Thirteen referrals were made to other agencies.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Big Brothers Big Sisters served 108 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$250.00 per child. This does not include the families served this year.**

## **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB – SOUTH COUNTY**

Grant: \$30,000  
Funds Used: \$30,000; 100%  
Outcomes Met: 100%  
Total Served: 344 Registered Members  
Cost Per Child: \$87.21

### **Outcomes**

- 1. To maintain average daily attendance of South County Branch club members 100% (75 children) as reported by the 2006-2007 year end average daily attendance totals. Baseline: 2004-2005 average daily attendance totals.**  
Goal Met. Average Daily Attendance of 83 members was maintained.
- 2. To maintain juvenile crime rates of enrolled 10 -17 year old Club Members to less than 2% compared to non-club members which is 6% as reported by the 2003-2004 juvenile arrests. Baseline: 2003-2004 Indian River County statistics from the FL Department of Juvenile Justice Bureau Data. (6% of all 10-17 year olds) referred to the juvenile justice system.**  
Goal Met. Less than 1% of South County Club members were involved in juvenile crime. (This statistic does not include members who were referred to us by the juvenile justice system in the last year and became Club members upon referral.)

Comment: The South County Club is consistently full, with a waiting list; therefore, it was not necessary to distribute flyers. Space is limited and negotiations with the IRC Recreation Department continue. Transportation is provided through the IRC School System and the Club van. They collaborate with Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Indian River County (Jump Into Reading Program); have established a Passport to Manhood Program, a Torch Club (11-18 year olds), a FAN, (Family Advisory Network) Club, and continue to maintain existing programs.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Boys & Girls Club South served 344 children. The average Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$87.21 per child.**

## **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB – SEBASTIAN**

Grant: \$35,000  
Funds Used: \$35,000, 100%  
Outcomes Met: 100%  
Total Served: 621 Registered Members  
Cost Per Child: \$56.36

### **Outcomes**

- 1. To maintain an average daily attendance of members of 95 as reported by the 2006-07 year end average daily attendance totals. Baseline: 2006-07 average daily attendance totals.**  
Goal Met. An average daily attendance of 104 members was maintained.
- 2. To maintain juvenile crime rates of enrolled 10 -17 year old Club Members to less than 2%, compared to non-club members, which is 6%, as reported by the 2003-2004 juvenile arrests. Baseline: 2003-2004 Indian River County statistics from the FL Department of Juvenile Justice Bureau Data. (6% of all 10-17 year olds) referred to the juvenile justice system.**

Goal Met. Less than 1% of Sebastian Club members were reported to have been involved in juvenile crime. (This statistic does not include members who were referred to us by the juvenile justice system in the last year and became Club members upon referral.)

3. **Improve/maintain grade and skill levels of no less than 65% of Club members participating in its Power Hour programs by grants end September 30, 2007. Baseline: 1<sup>st</sup> quarter school grades compared to 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> quarter grades.**  
Goal Met. 81.6% of Club Members who participated in the Power Hour Program at least three times per week improved or maintained their grade/skill level
4. **Maintain 75% parent involvement of Sebastian Club members (204), as reported by the 2006-2007 Parent attendance at Club events. Baseline: 2005-2006 Parents attendance at Club events. Baseline: 2005-06 Parent attendance at the Club. Goal Met.** 76% of parents/ households participated in at least one activity/event/ orientation during the grant year.

Comment: Sebastian Club has an average daily attendance of 104. A Keystone Club was chartered that averages 23 members; a Torch Club averages 19 members; and 97 members graduated from the Smart Moves Program. There is also a Tennis program, which is run in collaboration with the Big Brothers & Big Sisters, a FAN (Family Advisory Network) Club, a Smart Moves Girls Program, and more. Flyers are distributed at Sebastian Elementary Schools; and transportation is provided. Thirty-five referrals were made, and there is a wait-list of 49.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Boys & Girls Sebastian Club served 621 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$48.31 per child.**

### **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB – YOUTH VOLUNTEER CORPS/TEEN CENTER**

Grant: \$36,000

Funds Used: \$36,000, 100%

Outcomes Met: 80%

Total Served: 1,143

Cost Per Child: \$31.50

#### **Outcomes**

1. **To maintain registered YVC members (1,300) as reported by the 2006-2007 year end YVC registered member totals. Baseline: 2005-2006 registered member totals.**  
Goal Not Met. There are 1,411 YVC members. We took over the administration of Sebastian Middle School IB program (240 youth) volunteerism (program) at the beginning of the 07/08 school year. Expecting to register more youth in the future.
2. **Maintain YVC service projects 100% (200), with service to 50 agencies as reported by the 2006-2007 year-end YVC service projects totals. Baseline: 2005-2006 service project totals.**  
Goal Met. There were 321 projects were offered, with service to 63 agencies.
3. **Maintain an average daily attendance of 15 teens per day participating in activities provided at the YVC Teen Center. Baseline 2005-2006 average daily attendance totals.**  
Goal Met. Sixteen teens participated daily in the teen program.

**4. Maintain YVC members' cumulative volunteer hours will exceed 10,000 hours. Baseline: 2005-06 YVC cumulative volunteer hours total.**

Goal Met. YVC members completed 11,088.5 hours during the grant cycle.

Comment: YVC took over the administration of the Sebastian Middle School's IB Program, which added 240 youth; but fell short of their goal to maintain a membership of 1,300 youth. Volunteer projects are made available almost every weekend, daily after school and during school vacations. YVC also has a Smart Moves with eighteen participants and eight graduates, a Keystone Club with an average of twelve members, and fourteen youth nominated as Youth of the Year.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Youth Volunteer Corps served 1,143 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$31.50 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES - SAMARITAN CENTER**

Grant: \$40,000

Funds Used: \$40,000, 100%

Outcomes Met: 60%

Total Served: 58 (58 non-duplicate; 179 duplicates)

Cost Per Child: \$689.66

#### **Outcomes**

- 1. Resident children who are age 4 and over will increase their self esteem by showing an average of 5-10% increase on the self-esteem pre & posttests given at the beginning and end of each 8-week session. As measured by total number of age related children entering the program during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Baseline: 2005-2006 resident children who are 4 years old through 17 years.**  
Goal Met. Resident children who are age 4 and over have increased their self esteem by 10.5%.  
Age 4-6 - 17.2%  
Age 7-9 - .4.7%  
Age 10-12 - 9.7%  
Age 13-17 - 10.55%
- 2. Resident children who are age 4 and over will demonstrate a 10-15% increase on their knowledge of character values pre & post tests given at the beginning and end of each 8-week session. As measured by total number of age related children entering the program during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Baseline: 2005-2006 resident children who are 4 years old through 17 years.**  
Goal Not Met. Resident children who are age 4 and over have increased their knowledge of character values by 9.7%.  
Age 4-6 - 0%  
Age 7-9 - 16%  
Age 10-12 - 17.4%  
Age 13-17 - 5.5%
- 3. Resident children who are age 4 and over will demonstrate a 5-10% increase on their behaviors measurement form that will be given at the beginning and end of**

**each 8 week session. As measured by the total number of age related children entering the program during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Baseline: 2005-2006 resident children who are 4 years old through 17 years.**

Goal Not Met. Resident children who are age 4 and over have increased their behaviors measurement by 4.2%.

Age 4-6 - 12.6%

Age 7-9 - 3.5%

Age 10-12 - 0%

Age 13-17 - 0.6%

- 4. Adult residents will increase their knowledge and skills in the area of health and safety for children by a minimum of 5-10% as evidence through a health and safety pre & posttest given at the beginning and end of the 8-week parenting classes. As measured by total number of parents entering the program during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Baseline: Test results on total number of parents entering the program during the 05-06 fiscal year.**

**Goal Met:** Adult residents have increased their knowledge and skills in the area of health and safety for children by 16.11%.

- 5. Adult residents will increase their knowledge and skills in the area of positive discipline for children by a minimum of 5-10% as evidence through a health and safety pre& posttest given at the beginning and end of the 8-week positive discipline classes. As measured by total number of parents entering the program during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. Baseline: Test results on total number of parents entering the program during the 05-06 fiscal year.**

Goal Met. Adult residents had a pre-test result of 86.43% and a posttest result of 86.88%; therefore, a 10.42% increase was the result.

Comment: Samaritan Center is fifteen years old this year, and has assisted 1,200 individuals since 1992. The Children's Program has operated at capacity most of the year, servicing ages 3 months to 13 years. The program is flexible in order to accommodate the changes in population. In addition to addressing self-esteem issues, this year the program includes academic assistance and tutorial support. Children's grades, behavior and objectives are tracked, they receive homework assistance, and staff maintains a relationship with teachers and PTA in order to help the child excel in school. Pre-school age children receive assistance in self-esteem, character self-confidence. The center has created an E-Bay Sales Website of donated items for the purpose of training residents in computer skills, while raising additional funds.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Catholic Charities/Samaritan Center served 58 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$689.66 per child. (This does not include parents served, or the 179 "duplicates" served).**

## CHILD CARE RESOURCES – CHILD CARE ACCESS

Grant: \$190,000  
 Funds Used: \$190,000, 100%  
 Outcomes Met: 99%\*  
 Total Served: 160  
 Cost Per Child: \$1,187.50

### Outcomes

- 1. The percentage of Childcare Resources “graduates” that will enter kindergarten with school readiness skills will increase by 2% using a baseline of the 2005 DIBELS (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Learning Screening). This consists of two sections: letter naming fluency and letter sound fluency. This will include only those children who were in the Childcare Resources program a minimum of one year. Baseline 2005: 31% at or above grade level in letter naming fluency. 53% at or above grade level in letter sound fluency.**

Letter naming fluency: Goal was met. This year 56% were at or above grade level in letter naming fluency (31% last year).

\*Letter sound fluency: Goal was not met. This year 52% were at or above grade level in letter sound fluency (53% last year). **(Note: goal not met by .001%)**

It should be noted that we are evaluating a small pool of students (21 students) and small differences make large differences in the percentage outcomes.

- 2. Outcome 2: 85% of the children enrolled in the Childcare Resources program a minimum of one year will show progress in development in the course of the school year as measured by: Speed Dial R, Devereaux Early Learning Childhood Assessment (DECA), Ages and Stages, pre and post tests (raw scores).**

Goal was met. Speed Dial R: 96% of the children showed growth. DECA: 100% improved in at least one of five categories, 36% improved in every category, 72% improved in four of five categories. Ages & Stages: 88% showed growth in all five areas, 92% showed growth in three out of five areas, 100% showed growth in two out of five areas.

- 3. To maintain program quality in Childcare Resources centers during the 2006-2007 school year as measured by: teacher-student ratios, staff salaries, staff turnover, staff in-service hours, teacher certifications and center accreditations. Baseline: 2005-2006 data for each of the above criteria.**

Quality Indicator	2005-2006	2006-2007
<b>Teacher to student ratio</b>	Ratios met in all centers	Ratios met in all centers
<b>Staff in-service hours</b>	21 average	22 average
<b>Staff turnover</b>	6% (62 of 66 teachers still employed at end of school year)	14% (59 of 70 teachers still employed at the end of school year)
<b>Teacher certifications</b>	84% completed 40 hour certificate in early education. Another 8% were in process of completion.	85% completed 40 hour certificate in early education. Another 9% are in process of completing classes.
<b>Center accreditations</b>	75% accredited (6/8). Two others in process.	86% accredited (6/7). One of our contracting centers is



		no longer NAEYC accredited and we are no longer in partnership with them. Of the remaining 7, six are accredited. The 7 <sup>th</sup> is in the re-accreditation process. Two new centers have entered the accreditation process and we look forward to contracting with them.
<b>Staff salaries</b>	Average yearly low: \$9.82 Average yearly high: \$9.96	Average yearly low: \$10.12 Average yearly high: \$10.39

Goal was met. All areas maintained quality levels with the exception of staff turnover.

**4. Childcare Resources parents will maintain 100% compliance in all areas of required parent participation during the 2006-2007 school year as measured by the parent participation log.**

Goal was met. There was 100% compliance in all areas of participation, which included orientation meetings, parent-teacher conferences, and other parent education programs.

Comment: Childcare Resources has instituted a seminar program for all agencies and interested parties; Getting Ready to Read, Creating the School Family, and Sanity Savers, are some of the subjects covered; and the seminars are very successful. They are also in the process of re-accrediting five of their centers, which is a full time job for one staff member. The position of Recruitment Specialist has been added this year; who will be looking for new agencies interested in accreditation. Child Care Resources is also a member of the Success By Six - Infant/Childcare Task Force, which is researching solutions to the lack of infant/toddler childcare in Indian River County.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Childcare Resources-Children in Centers served 160 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$1,187.50 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

**CHILDCARE RESOURCES – MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

Grant: \$7,000

Funds Used: \$7,000, 100%

Outcomes Met: 100%

Total Served: 65 (29 individuals, plus 36 in classroom settings)

Cost Per Child: \$107.69

**Outcomes**

**1. 80% of those families referred for treatment will participate in treatment as measured by the number of completed Mental Health Provider forms.**

Goal met. From October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007, 22 new referrals were made for psychological services. 19 of those people attended at least one session (86%). One child was still receiving services that were referred prior to October 1, 2006.

**2. 85% of individuals attending more than two therapy sessions will raise their functioning within the school year, as measured by the discharge score for Global**

**Assessment of Functioning (GAF) test or other screening devices. Baseline: Admission GAF scores.**

Goal met. Of the individuals attending two or more therapy sessions, 100% showed improvement in their GAF scores.

- 3. To increase the level of appropriate behavior of children who have received clinical intervention during the 2006-2007 school year by an average of 10% as measured by the spring DECA and/or classroom teacher assessments. Baseline: Teacher assessments and/or fall DECA assessments.**

Goal met. Two of the four children referred and seen more than twice, were referred because of behavior problems. One was facing expulsion from his preschool. His DECA scores improved in 4 of 5 areas and stayed the same in the 5<sup>th</sup> area. He was no longer facing expulsion and was allowed to enroll for the coming school year. The other child referred for behavior problems improved greatly in his DECA scores.

Comment: This year Childcare Resources has signed an agreement with the IRC Mental Health Association to have Childcare Resources families seen for the cost of \$50 per visit. This is a significant savings and will enable more families to seek counseling. The program currently serves 96 children and their families. The increase is more families are comfortable seeking counseling due to their long-term relationship with Childcare Resources Staff.

**In 2006-2007 funding year CCCR/ Psychological served 65 children (29 individually and 36 in classroom settings). The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$107.69 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## **DASIE HOPE CENTER**

Grant: \$63,400

Funds Used: \$63,400, 100%

Outcomes Met: 100%

Total Served: 127

Cost Per Child: \$499.21

### **Outcomes**

- 1. To decrease disciplinary reports of enrolled youth by at least 55% during the 2006-07 academic year. Students 2006 academic records will be compared to their 2007 records.**  
Goal Met.
- 2. To increase academic performance of enrolled youth by at least 25% during the 2006-07 academic year. Baseline: Students 2006 academic records.**  
Goal Met. Academic achievement is up this year; the number of honor roll & A-B honor roll increasing by 35%.
- 3. To increase the change of life management skills of enrolled youth by at least 55% during the 2006-07 academic year. Baseline: students 2006 Life Management Skills record.**  
Goal Met.

Comment: Two new modules are being added to accommodate a new computer lab and two classrooms. Academic achievement is up this year; the number of honor roll & A-B honor roll increasing by 35%, thanks to the Dasieville Mall, where children spend tokens earned by good

behavior and study habits. During the holiday season the Dasie Baker's established a (in-house) baking business. Funds earned selling "BrownKnees" are deposited to a scholarship account. Dasie Hope welcomed a newly elected board member, Maj. General Eugene Cromartie (who was born & raised in Wabasso), who speaks to DHC children and encourages them to continue to strive for their dreams. There will be a bi-monthly "Farmers' Market" on Saturdays. The program is operating at capacity.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Dasie Hope Program served 127 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$499.21 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **EARLY LEARNING COALITION CHILDCARE – LOCAL MATCH FOR WORKING POOR**

Grant: \$30,000

Funds Used: \$29,966: 99%

Outcomes Met: 75%

Total Served: 1,375

Cost Per Child: \$21.82

#### **Outcomes**

The first year of implementation of the Developmental Screening and Assessment Program is now complete. In the beginning of the fiscal year the purchase of the new developmental screening and assessment instruments occurred, followed by an intense training period with our early childcare providers. Staff of approximately 32 childcare providers in Indian River County was trained during the year. The providers were charged with performing the screenings and assessments on all ELCIRMO-funded children. Results for Indian River County are as follows:

- 1. 90% of children 0-3 years enrolled in early learning programs for 9 months or more will experience developmental gains based on the E-LAP assessment tool**  
Goal Not Met. This fiscal year ended with 676 of 756 children assessed. This represents 89%.
- 2. 90% of children 3-5 years enrolled in early programs for 9 months or more will experience developmental gains based on the LAP-3 assessment tool.**  
Goal Met. The fiscal year ended with 676 of 756 children assessed. This represents 90%.
- 3. The Ages and Stages screening instrument will be administered to 90% of eligible children 0-3 years.**  
Goal Met. The LAP-D screening instrument will be administered to 90% of eligible children 3-5 years.
- 4. The LAP-D screening instrument will be administered to 90% of eligible children 3-5 years.**  
Goal met. The fiscal year ended with 679 of 756 children screened. This represents 90%.

Overall, we are pleased with this program's outcomes. We recognize that the learning curve was steep for our providers, and the 90% objective was challenging. The intensive training required for such a large number of teachers was demanding, and teacher turnover required an

even larger pool of teachers to be trained. We expect performance in subsequent years to stabilize at 90%, as providers' staff becomes familiar with the instruments used.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Early Learning Coalition Program served 1,375 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$21.82 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## **EXCHANGE CLUB CASTLE SAFE FAMILIES**

Grant: \$47,000  
Funds Used: \$46,118, 89%  
Outcomes Met: 100%  
Total Served: 213  
Cost Per Child: \$220.66

### **Outcomes**

- 1. Reduce the risk factors associated with child abuse for families in the Safe Families program by at least one, during enrollment in the program and /or at the conclusion of the program, for 92% of families who have been enrolled at least 3 months, as measured by a risk assessment tool (see appendix). No more than 8% of families who have been enrolled for 3 months or more will show no (zero) risk factor reduction. 2005/2006 baseline: 100% of families reduced at least one risk factor. 0% showed no risk factor reduction.**  
Goal Met. At the finish of the 4th quarter, 60 families have received services for 3 months or longer or have completed services. Of the 60 families, 59 have all been assessed as having reduced at least one risk factor. This is a 98%% success rate.
- 2. Maintain the reduction in risk factors (by at least one) for a period of 90 days after enrollment, for families who have successfully completed the program, as measured by a risk assessment tool (see appendix) in 90% of families. No more than 10% of families who have successfully completed the program will fail to maintain a risk factor reduction. 2003/2004 baseline: This is a new goal, baseline will be determined this year.**  
Goal Met. None of the families surveyed reported a negative change in risk factors following case closure.
- 3. Increase the protective factors associated with a reduction in the risk of child abuse for families in the Safe Families program by at least one, during enrollment in the program and /or at the conclusion of the program, for 92% of families who have been enrolled for at least three (3) months, as measured by a protective factor assessment tool. No more than 8% of families who have been enrolled for at least 3 months will fail to increase at least one protective factor. 2005/2006 baseline 100% of families increased at least one protective factor. 0% of families failed to increase at least one protective factor.**  
Goal Met. Of the 60 families being measured, 59 were assessed as having enhanced one or more protective factors. This is a 98% success rate.
- 4. Maintain the increase in protective factors (by at least one) for a period of 90 days after enrollment for families who have successfully completed the program, as measured by a protective factor assessment tool (see appendix) in 90% of**

**families. No more than 10% of families who have successfully completed the program will fail to maintain an increase in at least one protective factor.**

**2005/2006 baseline: This is a new goal, baseline will be determined this year.**

Goal Met. All the families surveyed reported they maintained the protective factor increase from the time of case closure.

- 5. Maintain at 94%, the number of families who complete the Safe Families program that will have no confirmed reports or re-reports of abuse for up to one year after completing services as measured by the state data base on abuse. No more than 6% of the families who complete the Safe Families program will have a confirmed report or re-report of abuse for up to one year after completing services.**

**2005/2006 baseline: 98% of families had no reports or re-reports of abuse. 2% had a report or re-report of abuse.**

Goal Met. No re-involvement with the Department of Children and Families for the families that completed services has been reported to the Safe Families Program.

- 6. Maintain at 92% the number of families who, after successfully completing the Safe Families program, show improvement on the AAPI test, as measured by comparing their pre-test score to their post-test score. No more than 8% of families who, after successfully completing the program, will have no increase in a post test score. 2005/2006 baseline: 95% of families who successfully completed the program improved on their post test AAPI scores. (5% did not improve.)**

Goal Met. Of the 60 families reported on during this period, 1 family moved without notice and a post- test did not occur. All of the 59 families taking the post- test showed an improvement in one or more constructs of the AAPI measurement tool, which is 100% success rate.

- 7. Ninety percent of parents participating in the parenting education services (groups) will demonstrate an improved knowledge of parenting issues, as measured by a survey after each group session. Baseline: This is a new goal, baseline to be determined.**

Goal Met. There were 58 clients participating in parenting classes during the reporting time. All demonstrated an improved knowledge of parenting issues at the close of each session.

Comments: This is an in-home program. CASTLE has three full-time counselors for IRC. One is bi-lingual. All families who received services for three months or longer have completed services. Collaboration is with the Homeless Family Center, treating clients and conducting parenting classes.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Exchange Club Castle/Safe Families served 213 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$220.66 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## EXCHANGE CLUB CASTLE VALUED VISITS

Grant: \$13,500  
Funds Used: \$13,500, 100%  
Outcomes Met: 100%  
Total Served: 49  
Cost Per Child: \$275.51

### Outcomes

- 1. 95% of the visits occurring will be successful in that they will not be terminated for rules.**  
Goal met. 99% of visits were successful this reporting period. One visit was terminated for violation of program rules.
- 2. 90% of the non-residential parents taking parenting classes will take a competency-based posttest after each session to ensure learning of parenting skills.**  
Goal met. 100 % of the non-residential parents took parenting classes and their competency-based posttests reflect that they comprehended the parenting skills.
- 3. 85% of residential and non-residential parents completing the satisfaction survey will express satisfaction with the program.**  
Goal met. 100 % of satisfaction surveys indicated satisfaction with the program. A total of 53 questions were answered on satisfaction surveys this quarter. All questions showed positive feedback.
- 4. 20% of families who have been linked with services will be surveyed within 90 days of referral to ensure that any service linkages were successful.**  
Goal met. 20% of the families who were linked with services were given a follow-up survey within 90 days of their referral to ensure that linkages were successful.

Comment: The program continues to thrive and all goals were met. Non-residential parents took parenting classes only one visit was terminated for violation of program rules. Exchange Castle continued to offer evening hours to accommodate more court appointed visits and parents who work evenings.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Exchange Club Castle/Valued Visits served 49 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$275.51 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## GIFFORD YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER SUMMER CULTURAL CAMP

Grant: \$27,000  
Funds Used: \$27,000, 100%  
Outcomes Met: 100%  
Total Served: 158  
Cost Per Child: \$170.89

### Outcomes

1. **Provide an increase in affordable arts and cultural programs for children ages 7-12, enrolled in a free/reduced lunch program by providing one and two-week no-cost arts programs.**

Goal Met. During the first three weeks 158 children attended Riverside Children's Theatre and Vero Beach Arts Museum.

2. **Increase appreciation of their own artistic ability by children ages 7-12 as shown by an increase in positive self-reports after the cultural camp experience as measured by a pre-test at the start of the program, compared to the self-report on a post-test at the end of the program.**

Goal Met. Of the 102 children who attended the Vero beach Museum of Arts 89 showed an increase in positive self reports.

3. **Increase the number of positive and trusting young adult and adult role models for children ages 7-12 in the free/reduced lunch program as shown by self-reports after the cultural camp experience as measured by a pre-test at the start of the program, compared to the self-report on a post-test at the end of the program.**

Goal Met. 102 of program participants reported an increase in the number of young adult and adult role models at the end of their participation in the program.

**Comment:** This program was run in conjunction with the Vero Beach Museum of Art and the Riverside Children's Theater; which utilized young adult volunteers to act as role models and mentor younger children. The program encompassed the entire summer session, including the two weeks prior to the start of school.

**In 2006-2007 funding year GYAC Cultural Summer Camp served 158 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$170.89 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### GIFFORD YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Grant: \$30,000

Funds Used: \$30,000, 100%

Outcomes Met: 100%

Total Served: 96

Cost Per Child: \$312.50

### Outcomes

1. **To decrease aggressive and/or angry behavior in 30-35 elementary school children by learning to manage anger as evidenced by pre/post tests and mediations by 9/30/07.**

Goal Met. The GYAC program referred 65 children. 21 children were assessed by MHA; both group and individual secessions were conducted all children. The remaining 44 students were seen by the Dean of Students and referred to GYAC Guidance staff, Dr. J. Hannam and Dr. J Fitzgerald.

2. **To decrease depression and feelings of hopelessness in 30 teens by enhancing self-esteem as evidenced by satisfaction surveys by 9/30/07.**

Goal Met. 31 teens and their families have been seen by the GYAC Guidance staff (Dr. J. Hannam and Dr. J Fitzgerald).

**3. To increase knowledge of parenting strategies and behavior management of their children with 34-40 parents.**

Goal Met. 45 famines have met with guidance counselors and were given parental and marital strategies.

Comment: The intake process was improved this year, resulting in an additional 51 children identified for counseling; educational and guidance staff meets with all students and parents to monitor progress. This program will not be funded in 2007-08.

**In 2006-2007 funding year GYAC Mental Health Services Program served 96 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$312.50 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

**GIFFORD YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTER  
TEEN/FRONTLINE PROGRAM**

Grant: \$52,000

Funds Used: \$52,000, 100%

Outcomes Met: 100%

Total Served: 150

Cost Per Child: \$346.67

**Outcomes**

- 1. 60% of participants will decrease their referrals by 50% on One Year as evidenced by discipline referrals, and will demonstrate improved behavior and academic performance in and out of school settings, by the end of the contract period, as measured by number of discipline referrals in school.**

Goal Met. Based on daily attendance of 62, we had a total of 10 ISS (In-school suspension) and 1 actual suspension, for a total of 23 out of 100 (98%).

- 2. 60% of participants will pass the test administered during the class mini-workshops and increase in knowledge and ability in personal development and decision making skills, by the end of the contract period, as measured by pre and post-test during classes and mini-workshops.**

Goal Met. 60 of the 62 participants completed the "tough Choice" assessment tests on Anger Management, Drugs on the Bran, and Peer Pressure (96%).

- 3. 3.60% of the students will reduce illegal activities by 50% as compared to the previous year as evidenced by Police Reports, measured by reports from school resource officers, Indian River County Sheriff's office, Vero Beach Police Department and/or the Juvenile Justice Department.**

Goal Met. 4 out of the 62 participants enrolled in the program the past fiscal year were involved with law enforcement, based on the Department of Juvenile Justice statistics (93%). One child was placed at the Eckerd Boys Camp program this year, as a result of misbehavior.

- 4. 60% of the students' parents will participate in family activities held by Frontline staff as evidenced by the sign-in-roster.**

Goal Met. As of the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter between 30 and 40 parents attended the three summer parent workshops.



Comment: The counseling and positive socialization aspects of the program resulted in significant improvement from the year before, with in-school school referrals at 20% of the 2005-2006 total in 2006-2007. All of the children feel comfortable and accepted, and the group functions as a cohesive unit. This program will not receive funding in the 2007-08 year, at the request of the GYAC. GYAC is re-organizing their programs and will apply for assistance in the future.

**In 2006-2007 funding year GYAC/ Teen/Frontline Program served 150 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$346.67 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **HEALTHY START OF IRC HEALTHY FAMILIES**

Grant: \$55,000

Funds Used: \$55,000, 100%

Outcomes Met: 100%

Total Served: 228 Children (215 Families)

Cost Per Child: \$241.23

#### **Outcomes**

- 1. Ninety (90) percent of target children will be fully immunized by age two (2).**  
Goal exceeded 93%
- 2. Ninety (90) percent of target children will be up-to-date with Well-Baby Checks by age two (2).**  
Goal exceeded 93%
- 3. Ninety-five (95) percent of the children in families who participate in HF-IRC for six months or longer will have no findings of some indications or verified child maltreatment while receiving Healthy Families services.**  
Goal exceeded 100%
- 4. At least eighty (80) percent of all assessments must occur, either prenatally, or within the first two weeks after the birth of the target child.**  
Goal exceeded 99%
- 5. Ninety-five (95) percent of target children enrolled six months or longer will be linked to a medical provider.**  
Goal exceeded 100%
- 6. Ninety (90) percent of families enrolled 90 days or longer will have updated their Individual Family Support Plan within the previous ninety days.**  
Goal exceeded 96%
- 7. At least ninety (90) percent of target children enrolled nine months or longer will have had the most recent developmental assessment according to the schedule of the Ounce/HFF approved developmental assessment instrument.**  
Goal exceeded 92%

- 8. One hundred (100) percent of eligibility assessments will be conducted using a standardized tool.**

Goal met 100%

- 9. Caseloads are maintained according to the leveling system.**

Goal met 100%. The Supervisors will work with all FSW's to determine leveling of HF clients and appropriate caseloads for each FSW as determined by standardized formula utilized by HF America.

#### **SET B**

1. At least 95% of children in families who participate in HF – IRC for six months or more will have no findings of some indication or verified child maltreatment while receiving HF – IRC services.

Goal exceeded 99%

2. **90% of the infants of families who participate in HF – IRC for six months or longer will be in conformity with well child / EPSDT standards.**

Goal exceeded 100%.

3. **At least 70% of program participants having reached the highest level (Level IV) will have involved themselves in some type of self-sufficiency improvement program such as gainful employment as indicated by WAGES reform, GED / educational program, vocational program, or job training.**

Goal not met 63%. Explanation - particular moms will always be a stay home mom, and Father will be the provider. We offer on fathers' intake, if they will provide information in order for the family to obtain employment credit.

4. **70% of referrals made will be identified as effective by enrolled families who have accepted long term, home based services.**

Goal exceeded 80%

5. **90% of participants will have the baseline Parenting Stress Index administered to them according to the designated intervals of the tool.**

Goal exceeded 94%

6. **90% of participants will have the most recent Parenting Stress Index administered to them according to the designated intervals of the tool.**

Goal exceeded 100%

Comment: Continuing its fifth year of practicing a pro-active approach to child abuse. This program is proven successful and is operating at capacity. (The State of Florida dictates the number of families per caseworker ratio). Twenty-three families graduated from the program in 2006-07. This year there are seven (long-term employed) Family Support Workers, working at capacity. Eighteen families were turned away in one month; although they were referred to other agencies. The State has not increased the Healthy Start funds for three years. Without additional funds they cannot assist any additional families.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Healthy Start/ Healthy Families served 228 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$241.23 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## HEALTHY START OF IRC TLC NEWBORNS

Grant: \$25,000

Funds Used: \$25,000. 100 %.

Outcomes Met: 100 %

Total Served: 1,190

Cost Per Child: \$21.01

### Outcomes

- 1. 93% of mothers visited by TLC Family Associates in the hospital will accept the invitation to participate in the TLC Newborn Program.**  
Goal Met. There were 308 mothers made available to TLC Newborn staff of which 302 agreed to participate. This calculates into 99%, which exceeds our goal of 93%. Annual total of 98% for the 2006-07 fiscal year.
- 2. 15% of families enrolled in TLC will call to request additional information, validation or referrals.**  
Goal Met. There were 302 families enrolled in TLC Newborn, and a total of 108 incoming calls were received. This calculates into 36%, which exceeds our 15% goal. *Annual total of 36%*
- 3. 80 % of TLC families who respond to the survey will agree that TLC Newborn is a valuable resource.**  
Goal Met. The surveys indicated that 100% of parents felt that TLC was a valuable resource. This exceeds the goal of 80%. Annual total of 98%.
- 4. 50% of TLC families responding to the survey will report they are better able to meet their baby's needs because of information received from TLC.**  
Goal Met. The survey's indicate that 96% Of families report they are better able to meet their baby's needs because of information received from TLC. Annual total of 90% for the 2006-07 fiscal year.
- 5. 75% of families calling to request additional information will report their issue resolved or managed by TLC's response.**  
Goal Met. Of the 108 incoming calls regarding parenting issues, 106 clients responded that TLC helped to manage or resolve that particular concern or question. This translates to 98%, which exceeds the goal of 75%. Annual total of 98%.
- 6. 75% of TLC parents who wish to breastfeed their infant would receive evidence based lactation education in the hospital from TLC Newborn staff.**  
Goal Met. Out of the 302 mothers who were seen by TLC Newborn staff 245 chose to BF (80%). 228 received evidence based lactation education and information in the hospital from TLC. This calculates into 100%, which meets and exceeds the goal of 75%. Annual total of 100%.
- 7. 75% of Indian River County maternal/child health practices will have a minimum of one staff person equipped with evidence based lactation information and best practices guidelines.**  
Goal Met. 100% of Indian River County Pediatric and Obstetric practices (also the Health Department, WIC and IRMC) were visited and provided with the CDC Guide to

Breastfeeding Interventions and a Laminated Guide to Local Breastfeeding Resources.  
This exceeds our goal of 75%.

Comment: TLC celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> birthday; serving over 10,000 babies since its conception. Additional parenting classes have been added to the lactation and basic classes; i.e.: comforting and soothing skills for babies; and education has increased for staff in subjects as Post Partum Depression. Client contact is maintained with a monthly newsletter (Printing is donated by a TLC mother) and internet-based support program, which is facilitated by TLC staff. TLC is also a member of the Infant/Toddler Task Force, investigating ways to improve and increase childcare costs. Of course, TLC works in conjunction with Healthy Families.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Healthy Start/TLC served 1,190 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$21.01 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S CENTER CRISIS NURSERY**

Grant: \$20,000  
Funds Used: \$17,599, 88%  
Outcomes Met: 100 %  
Total Served: 56  
Cost Per Child: \$357.14

#### **Outcomes**

- 1. To maintain at least 95% of the families served will have no verified reports of abuse or neglect during services.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%. There are no known verified abuse reports at this time.
- 2. For those clients who successfully complete the program 95% of client satisfaction surveys will indicate a satisfactory or better rating.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%
- 3. 95% of the families served will show an increase in one of four domains at posttest utilizing the AAPI.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%
- 4. 95% of families completing the program will demonstrate knowledge and competency in accessing community resources on their own by identifying three relevant resources for their family with the resources name and instructions on how to make a self-referral.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%

Comments: Hibiscus maintained all goals this year; but was not recommended for funding in 2007-08 due to a high number of Sheriff's Office calls made to the 12<sup>th</sup> Street facility. The committee is investigating this issue.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Hibiscus Children's Center/Crises "Nursery" Program served 56 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$357.14 per child. (This does not include the 44 parents served.)**

**HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S CENTER  
HIBISCUS H.O.P.E.  
(Healthy Opportunity for Parenting Excellence)**

Grant: \$9,600  
Funds Used: \$8,800, 92%  
Outcomes Met: 100%  
Total Served: 5  
Cost Per Child: \$1,920

**Outcomes**

- 1. To maintain at least 95% of the families served will have no verified reports of abuse or neglect during services.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%
- 2. For those clients who successfully complete the program 95% of client satisfaction surveys will indicate a satisfactory or better rating.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%
- 3. 95% of the families served will show an increase in one of four domains at posttest utilizing the AAPI.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%.
- 4. 95% of families completing the program will demonstrate knowledge and competency in accessing community resources on their own by identifying three relevant resources for their family with the resources name and instructions on how to make a self-referral.**  
Goal Met. The actual achievement of this objective was: 100%.

Comment: This year the program has operated at capacity. A large portion of the children served is from single families, and/or teen parents.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Hibiscus H.O.P.E. served 5 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$1,920 per child. (This does not include 6 parents served.)**

**H.O.P.E. ACADEMY  
(Helping Other People Excel)**

Grant: \$90,000  
Funds Used: \$90,000, 100%  
Outcomes Met: 80%  
Total Served: 429  
Cost Per Child: \$209.79

**Outcomes**

- 1. To increase our 04 -05 enrollments of 347 by 40% for 2006 – 2007.**  
Goal Not Met. We came very close to reaching this goal with a total enrollment for this fiscal year of 429.

2. **In 06 – 07 school year 88% of students attending HOPE Academy for the 2006-2007 school year will return to school with their assignments completed.**  
Goal Met. This goal has been met for this quarter and 88% of the students that have attended HOPE have completed their school assignments.
3. **65% of our students will return to school with improved anger management skills for the 2006 – 2007 academic school year.**  
Goal Met. This goal has been met with 65% of our total enrollment for this quarter with improved anger management skills.
4. **Maintain the recidivism rate at less than 20% of the school year as recorded by the School District Informational Services.**  
Goal Met. We have met this goal with a current recidivism rate of 11%.
5. **Increase 06 -07 numbers of parents attending HOPE monthly Parenting Class Breakfast Workshops by 60% of 04 – 05 end of the year enrollment of 155.**  
Goal Not Met. We exceed our 04-05 numbers with a total of 200 parents in attendance at the end of this 06-07 academic school year. It left us slightly below 60% nevertheless a tremendous improvement has been made with this service goal since 04-05. Our September total enrollment was down this year. More schools within the school district are using positive behavior support techniques to handle discipline infractions; which make speak to a lower rate of suspensions

Comment: HOPE has exceeded Goal for the number of parents attending “Breakfast Workshops” on parenting skills, anger management and other subjects. Over 200 parents attended, an improvement in numbers of 04/05. Goal fell slightly short of goal of increasing enrollment by 40% (429 children) by 56 children. HOPE attributes this to the school district’s new program of using behavior support techniques to address discipline infractions.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Project H.O.P.E. served 429 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$209.79 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **ST. PETERS HUMAN SERVICES BOYS TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT CAMP**

Grant: \$36,000  
Funds Used: \$32,016.75, 88.94%  
Goals Met: 100%  
Total Served: 48  
Cost Per Child: \$750

#### **Outcomes**

1. **Improve academic performance. Seventy-five percent (75%) of program participants will increase their GPA (grade point average) by a minimum of 25% by June 20, 2007.**  
Goal Met. Report cards for the end of the year were distributed on June 4, 2007. Seventy-nine percent of the students increased their GPA by at least 35%. Twenty-one percent of the students maintained their GPA throughout the year, with no child averaging less than a 2.0.

- 2. Sixty-five percent (65%) of participants will have reduced the number of school behavior referrals for disruptive behavior, including bullying and aggression towards peers and adults, as measured by school disciplinary records and weekly parent behavior report forms.**

Goal Met. Weekly behavior reports and feedback from parents indicates that participants made steady progress in reducing problem behavior and office referrals. Fifteen percent (15%) of the children continue to struggle with problem behavior, while 85% have maintained appropriate behavior.

- 3. Reduce juvenile delinquency. Sixty-five (65%) percent of the participants will not enter/re-enter the juvenile justice system for the first six months after completion of the program as measured by subsequent referrals to the Department of Juvenile Justice for delinquency offenses.**

Goal Met. During the 2006-2007 year, none of the program participants entered or re-entered the juvenile justice system. Students are tracked through parental contact, schools, Faith based, and community partnerships.

- 4. Raise awareness level of chemical addictions, STD and HIV for enrolled boys. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the boys will show increased knowledge of drug abuse, addictions and effects, STD, and HIV by the end of the program each year as indicated in pre and post surveys and questionnaires.**

Goal Met. Guest speakers were invited throughout the year from the Substance Abuse council, Indian River County Health Department, and other agencies. Training sessions were held by Substance Abuse Council, IRC Health Department, the DEA, and other Agencies that address alcohol, drug abuse, STD, HIV, abstinence, etc. Measuring tools: pre-post tests/questionnaire. The Institute holds a minimum of four sessions per year. One hundred percent (100%) of the children participated and increased their awareness.

- 5. Increase community awareness and develop community attachments for youth through participation in community service projects.**

Goal Met. Program participants take part in at least three major community service oriented projects each and community clean-up events each year. For 2006-07 Projects were: Keep Indian River County Beautiful at Pelican Island, Project Hope, and cleaning elderly people's landscape by cutting lawns, picking up trash, and planting flowers.

Comment: In addition to 24-hour operation on weekends, program staff provides on-site visits weekly, monitoring participants' behavior in school and counseling. The staff continues to work collaboratively with District school personnel, teachers, and parents to track the progress of each participant throughout the school year. This year the program was available in the summer months.

**In 2006-2007 funding year St. Peters Human Services/ Boys Development & Training Program served 48 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$750 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

**ST. PETERS HUMAN SERVICES  
VILLAGE OF EXCELLENCE TRAINING FOR GIRLS**

Grant: \$27,000

Funds Used: \$23,247.56, 86.10%

Goals Met: 100%

Total Served: 25

Cost Per Child: \$1,080

**Outcomes**

- 1. Improve academic performance. Seventy-five percent (75%) of program participants will increase their GPA (grade point average) by a minimum of 25% by June 20, 2007.**

Goal Met. Report cards for the end of the school year were distributed on June 4, 2007. Eighty percent (80%) of the students increased their GPA by at least 35%. Twenty percent (20%) of the students maintained their GPA throughout the year with no child averaging less than 2.0.

- 2. Reduce juvenile delinquency. Sixty-five (65%) of participants will not re-enter the juvenile justice system for the first six months after completion of the program as measured by subsequent referrals to the Department of Juvenile Justice for delinquency offenses.**

Goal Met. During the fiscal Year 2006-2007, none of the programs participants entered or re-entered the juvenile justice system. Students are tracked through parent contact, schools, faith-based, and community partnerships.

- 3. Decrease negative/disruptive behavior. Sixty-five percent (65%) of participants will have reduced the number of school behavior referrals for disruptive behavior, including bullying and aggression towards peers and adults, as measured by school disciplinary records and weekly parent behavior report forms.**

Goal Met. Weekly behavior reports and feedback from parents indicates that participants made steady progress in reducing problem behavior and office referrals. 5% of the children continue to struggle with problem behavior, while 95% have maintained appropriate behavior.

- 4. Raise awareness level of chemical additions, STD and HIV for enrolled girls. Eighty-five percent of the girls will show increased knowledge of drug abuse additions and effects, STD and HIV by the end of the program each year as indicated in pre and post surveys and questionnaires.**

Goal Met. Guest speakers were invited throughout the year from the Substance Abuse Council, Indian River County Health Department, and other agencies. Training sessions were held by Substance Abuse Council, IRC Health Department, the DEA, and other Agencies that address alcohol, drug abuse, STD, HIV, abstinence, etc. Measuring tools: pre-post tests/questionnaire. The Institute holds a minimum of four sessions per year. One hundred percent (100%) of the children participated and increased their awareness.

Comment: Like the Boy's program this also includes an overnight stay (Friday), a dinner with guest speakers, tutoring, mentoring, marching drills, and more. Overall the program ran smoothly during the 2006-2007 fiscal year. The girls participated in several workshops throughout the year, and went on several field trips and recreational activities.



In 2006-2007 funding year St. Peters Human Services/ Village of Excellence Training Institute for Girls served 25 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$1,080 per child. (This does not include parents served.)

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL LIFE SKILLS PROGRAM**

Grant: \$90,000  
Funds Used: 90,000 100%  
Goals Met: 100%  
Total Served: 3,952  
Cost Per Child: \$22.77

### **Outcomes**

- 1. To decrease by 5% the “first use” numbers of drug and alcohol use among middle school (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade) students over a period of one year as reported by 2006 FYSA survey. Baseline 2004 FYSAS Survey.**

Goal Met. According to the 2006 Indian River FYSA Survey administered in the spring of 2006, 10.0% of middle school youth reported “ANY ILLICIT DRUG USE” in their lifetime. (This figure is down from 19.6% in 2004.

It is important to note that the initial age onset of substance abuse use has increase from:

- Alcohol from 12.3 years in 2000 to 11.4 years in 2006.
- Tobacco from 12.0 years in 2000 to 11.3 years in 2006.
- Marijuana from 13.2 years in 2000 to 12.6 years in 2006.

- 2. To decrease by 2% the incidences of sixth grade adolescents reporting the use of “Any illicit drug use ” following the first year of the LST program as reported by the 2006 FYSA Survey.**

Goal Met. According to the 2006 Indian River FYSA Survey administered in the spring of 2006, 22.2% of middle school youth reported “Any illicit drug use ” in their lifetime. (This figure is down from 33.23% in 2000 and down from 25.5% in 2004.

- 3. To decrease by 2% the incidences of seventh grade adolescents reporting the use of “Any illicit drug use ” following the second year of the LST program as reported by the 2006 FYSA Survey.**

Goal Met. According to the 2006 Indian River FYSA Survey administered in the spring of 2006, 22.2% of middle school youth reported “Any illicit drug use ” in their lifetime. (This figure is down from 33.23% in 2000 and down from 25.5% in 2004.

- 4. To decrease by 1% the incidences of eight grade adolescents reporting the use of tobacco, alcohol and marijuana following the second year of the LST program as reported by the 2006 FYSA Survey.**

Goal Met. According to the 2006 Indian River FYSA Survey administered in the spring of 2006, 22.2% of middle school youth reported “Any illicit drug use ” in their lifetime. (This figure is down from 33.23% in 2000 and down from 25.5% in 2004.

- 5. To increase audience knowledge by 25% following educational presentation forums concerning drug and their harmful effects as reported by self –disclosure on pre-testing.**

Goal Met. Program data indicates a 56% increase in knowledge as reported by self – disclosure on pre-post testing of program participants.

Comment: Life Skills Program has been operating for eight years, but is a model “blue Ribbon” program that is 30 years old. Statistics have proven that there is a reduction of poly drug use for 3 years after administration of the program. The program is conducted in all the public, and some private, schools in Indian River County. This program also reinforces the IRC DARE Drug program, which is a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade only program. The program has three instructors, one for Sebastian River Middle, Oslo Middle, and Gifford Middle School.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Substance Abuse Council/Life Skills served 3,952 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$22.77 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL RIGHT CHOICE PROGRAM**

Grant: \$90,000  
Funds Used: \$90,000, 100%  
Goals Met: 100%  
Total Served: 295  
Cost Per Child: \$305.08

#### **Outcomes**

- 1. To decrease the number of positive drug screens among enrolled Right Choice participants by 75% over a 26-week period as reported by random drug screens.**

Goal Met. Program data indicates that 93.2% of program participants continue to test negative following entering in the program.

We provided a total of twenty-two (26) 1 ½ hour Right Choice psycho-education group and one (1) individual sessions to 295 youth. Each youth is provided a total of twenty six (26) weekly 1-½ hour ongoing education sessions on various substance abuse and resiliency skills building topics. Sessions are based upon Adolescent Recovery Plan Program by Hazelton, which focuses upon increasing protective factors and decreasing risk factors.

- 2. To increase audience knowledge of program participants by 25% following educational presentation forums concerning drug and their harmful effects as reported by self-disclosure on pre-testing.**

Goal Met. Program data indicates that a 61% increase in knowledge based upon pre-post tests.

- 3. To reduce self reported high-risk behavior responses reported by group participants by 20% following educational presentation forums.**

Goal Met. Program data indicates an 84 % decrease in high-risk behavior responses of program participants.

- 4. To decrease the past 30-day use of marijuana of Right Choice program participants by 50% as reported by self reported ATOD use surveys and random drug screens.**

Goal Met. Program data indicates an 87% decrease in self reported ATOD use on surveys and random drug screens. (Our drug screen process provides the program with

a rate of confirmed metabolites present in the screen. The program monitors this rate of metabolites present to monitor that the levels are decreasing, as it might take a while for the marijuana metabolite to dissipate from the participant.)

- 5. Reduce the re-offend rate for program completers to 10% for six (6) months following the completion of the Right Choice program. Baseline: Offender rate prior to admittance into the Right Choice program**

Goal Met.

Comment: This is a program for youth who have exhibited signs of substance use. It includes regular (random) drug testing and intense counseling. Groups are separated into youth with drug issues, and youth with violence (and/or drug) issues. It is 26-week program. In order to graduate, the youth must be drug-free for 45 days. If they "fail" their drug screen, they stay an additional 6 weeks. SAC is in the process of creating a Graduate Program so youth who have formed an attachment to SAC can stay and encourage others to refute drug use.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Substance Abuse Council/Right Choice served 295 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$305.08 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## **SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY PREVENT!**

Grant: \$80,000

Funds Used: \$80,000, 100%

Goals Met: 100%

Total Served: 3,395

Cost Per Child: \$23.56

### **Outcomes**

- 1. To decrease the number of positive drug screens among enrolled PREVENT! participants by 80% over 10 weeks as reported by random drug screen. Baseline: Initial drug screening results prior to admission to PREVENT program.**

Goal Met. A total of 68 youth or a total of 100% of the 68 youth who reported involvement in high-risk behaviors. These youth (61) 89.7% were referred to PREVENT! Individual and small group sessions. A total of 7 youth were referred to other outside program or agencies as needed. (Ie: DATA, Center for Drug Free Living, etc.)

- A total of ten (10) weekly 1 hour individual and group sessions on various substance abuse and resiliency skills building topics are provided to the youth. Session are based upon Behavioral Therapy for Adolescent Program which focuses upon increasing protective factors, decreasing risk factors, Stimulus Control, Urge Control and Social Control
- Additionally, these youth were randomly drug tested following weekly participation in the program. Of the 61 youth in the program, 90% (55) have attained and continue to maintain a negative drug screen following enrollment and participation in the program.

- 2. To increase audience knowledge of program participants by 25% following Deep Impact- TARGET educational presentation concerning drugs and their harmful effects as reported by self-disclosure on pre-testing. (Baseline: Individual and group administered Pre-tests of forum participants.).**

Goal Met. The data indicated that that audience knowledge of program participants increased by 29% following Deep Impact- TARGET educational presentation.

- Factual, current and up-to-date information was provided via Deep Impact- TARGET sessions concerning drugs and their harmful effects.
- Pre/ post testing was conducted and rated to indicate a 29% change in knowledge.
- A total of 3,395 youth participated in Deep Impact –TARGET educational presentations during the 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Of these 3% or (68) youth reported involvement in high-risk behaviors. Of these 68 youth, 89.7% or 61 youth self-reported for additional services; i.e.: Counseling via individual or group involvement.

**3. To reduce self-reported high-risk behaviors responses reported by audience participants by 20% following Deep Impact- TARGET educational presentation forums. (Baseline: Individual and group administered KABP [Knowledge, attitude, belief and practice] of forum participants.)**

Goal Met. YES The results of the data collected indicate that self-reported high-risk behaviors responses reported by audience participants was reduced by 39.3% following Deep Impact- TARGET educational presentation forums. Pre/post evaluations of the KABPs to indicate a change in participation in high-risk behaviors.

Comment: The Troupe is currently ten youth that perform in schools, for youth groups and other community events. The group meets weekly to practice skits and skills to related to youth who question them about possible help with drug abuse and a variety of other problems. The Troupe also attends an annual convention/workshop, which is funded through other sources. This program assists the entertainers as well as the audience, and serves as a conduit to other agencies providing assistance.

**In 2006-2007 funding year Substance Abuse Council/Prevent served 3,395 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$23.56 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

**UNITED FOR FAMILIES  
FOSTER PARENT RETENTION/MENTORING PROGRAM**

Grant: \$20,000

Funds Used: \$14,395.63, 71.98%

Goals Met: 66%

Total Served: 88

Cost Per Child: \$227.27

**Outcomes**

**1. To decrease the number of disruptions to Indian River County child placements by 25 percent in one year as reported by 2006 UFF placement records. Baseline: 2005 placement and disruption records (12 children).**

Goal Met. From the time of commencement of the grant until now, there have been a total of 8 disruptions to children placed in Indian River County. The number of disruptions to children placed in Indian River County has decreased by more than 25%. All eight of these disruptions occurred in the beginning of the grant year. The last placement disruption in a foster home occurred in April and there has not been another disruption through the rest of the grant year, which ended in September. Unfortunately,

when the data was calculated initially the information contained many "good disruptions" such as adoptions, unplanned reunifications, and runaways who returned home. This new number of disruptions is only for children in licensed foster care.

- 2. To decrease by 30 percent the number of Indian River County foster parents who rescind their licenses following a year in the program as reported by 2006 re-licensing reports. Baseline: 2005 re-licensing reports (7 closures).**

Goal Met. For this quarter, there have been 2 foster home closures in Indian River County. The total number of foster parents who rescind their licenses following a year in the program is currently 4 foster homes.

There have been a total of 9 foster homes that have closed through this grant year. However, there was no way to prevent five of these homes from closure. Three homes closed due to moving out of state. One home closed due to long-term financial difficulty and the last home closed after finalizing their third adoption. There were only four foster home closures due to foster parents who rescinded their license following a year in the program. Therefore, this goal was met.

- 3. Increase by 50 percent the number of Indian River County foster parents who attend monthly Foster Parent Association meetings as reported by monthly sign-in sheets. Baseline: 2005 attendance average (10 parents).**

Goal Not Met. The average number of foster parents who attend the monthly Foster Parent Association meetings during the grant year has maintained at 12 parents. This has increased 20 percent from the 2005 attendance average of 10 parents.

Comment: The number of disruptions to child placement has reduced to five children, from the number of twelve children being re-settled last year, the number of foster homes closed has decreased, and the attendance at monthly Foster Parent Association meetings has increased 20%.

**In 2006-2007 funding year United for Families/Foster Parent Mentoring Program served 88 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$227.27 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

## **UNITED FOR FAMILIES CAMP FOSTER CHILD**

Grant: \$17,600

Funds Used: \$12,896, 73%

Outcomes Met: 100%

Total Served: 32

Cost Per Child: \$550

### **Outcomes**

- 1. Increase by 27% the number of foster children who attend camp during the summer of 2007. Baseline: 2005 enrollment records 16 children).**  
Goal Met. A total of 32 children went to camp during the summer of 2007, which is a 100% increase from the previous year.
- 2. Decrease the number of disruptions of Indian River County child placements by 25% in one year, as reported by 2007 UFF placement records. Baseline 2005 placement and disruption records (12 children).**

Goal Met. From the time of commencement of the grant until now, there have been a total of 8 disruptions to children placed in Indian River County. The number of disruptions to children placed in Indian River County has decreased by more than 25%. All eight of these disruptions occurred in the beginning of the grant year. The last placement disruption in a foster home occurred in April and there has not been another disruption through the rest of the grant year, which ended in September. Unfortunately, when the data was calculated initially the information contained many "good disruptions" such as adoptions, unplanned reunifications, and runaways who returned home. This new number of disruptions is only for children in licensed foster care.

Comment: Program pays camp fees for children placed in foster care, needing a safe and stable environment, as well as providing respite to the families who care for them. Every effort is made to place the foster child in a camp that would be beneficial in increasing their self-esteem and positive behaviors. In addition to the 88 children served, 28 unduplicated families were served.

**2006-2007 funding year United for Families/ Camp Foster Child served 32 children. The average of Children Services Advisory dollars spent on this program was \$550.00 per child. (This does not include parents served.)**

### **Forensic Exams Children's Home Society**

Budgeted: \$20,000

Funds Expended: \$29,250, 146%

Total Served: 117

As per FS 39.204 each county is responsible for paying for all Forensic Exams performed. The Children's Home Society performed 117 exams for children in Indian River County this past year.

**In 2006-2007 funding year The Children's Service Advisory Committee paid \$20,000 and the Human Service Department of Indian River County paid \$9,250.**

As of October 1, 2007, IRC placed this item in the Human Services budget.

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