

SUPPORT CONTINUED RECURRING FUNDING OF JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTERS AS A WISE INVESTMENT FOR FLORIDA



2009-2010 Update

- Three JACs have closed
- Two of the three JACs that closed served 7100+ youth and diverted 2100+
- 21 FTEs were lost because of the 2 closings; remaining JACs lost 8 FTEs

Juvenile Assessment Centers - A Solution For

- Increased public safety
- Early identification of youth in trouble
- Smart utilization of limited resources

Fast Facts

- JACs are the "front door" to the juvenile justice system
- State and local partnership -- legislative state appropriation represents only 25% of JAC operating budget — local investments average 75%
- 94,176 Youth were served and 30,872 Youth diverted in FY 2008-2009

Benefits/Value

- More law enforcement time on the street -- JACs allow officers to spend an average processing time of only 23 minutes vs 5.7 hours without JACs
- 540,075 law enforcement hours saved per year = 223 law enforcement positions.
- \$16.1 million -- total law enforcement costs saved through JAC efficiencies
- \$20.1 million -- additional costs to screen, process and staff if JACs didn't exist
- 13,000 juveniles are eligible for civil citation programs (25% of misdemeanors) --between \$4.7-\$5.8m annual savings by participating in civil citation programs

What is a (JAC) Juvenile Assessment Center?

- 24 hour facilities, 7 days a week
- Consistent coordinated response to juvenile crime
- Co-located central intake, screening services for youth referred to DJJ
- Community resource that reduces crime through effective blending and utilization of local and state funding streams

Services Offered

- Central point for delivery for law enforcement
- Comprehensive risk, mental health, substance abuse and suicide screening
- Co-location of service providers
- Integrated information systems for more effective interventions
- Civil citation and diversion programs to reduce entry of youth into the juvenile justice system

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Alachua - Circuit 8
 3,240 youth served
 1,087 youth diverted
 \$495k in yearly cost /savings
 19 community partners
 34 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Broward - Circuit 17
 7,234 youth served
 4,116 youth diverted
 \$2.1m in yearly cost /savings
 8 community partners
 19 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Collier - Circuit 20
 3,420 youth served
 300 youth diverted
 \$415k in yearly cost /savings
 7 community partners
 4 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Duval - Circuit 4 (Re-opened 10/2008)
 7,925 projected youth served
 3,161 youth diverted
 yearly cost /savings
 13 community partners
 10 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Hillsborough - Circuit 13
 10,760 youth served
 3,466 youth diverted
 \$2.5m of yearly cost /savings
 12 community partners
 7 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Lee - Circuit 20
 5,028 of youth served
 1,683 youth diverted
 yearly cost/savings
 12 community partners
 9 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Leon - Circuit 2
 2,007 youth served
 665 youth diverted
 \$305k yearly cost /savings
 15 community partners
 20 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Manatee - Circuit 12
 2,388 youth served
 866 youth diverted
 \$501k yearly cost /savings
 6 community partners
 8 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Miami/Dade - Circuit 11
 9,750 youth served
 3,032 youth diverted
 \$33m yearly cost /savings
 17 community partners
 37 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Marion - Circuit 2
 No information provided

Orange - Circuit 9
 8,700 youth served
 3,028 youth diverted
 \$1.6m of yearly cost /savings
 10 community partners
 10 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Palm Beach - Circuit 15
 12,013 youth served
 2,641 youth diverted
 \$2.8m in yearly cost /savings
 7 community partners
 28 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Pasco - Circuit 6
 1,624 youth served
 619 youth diverted
 \$340k in yearly cost savings
 6 community partners
 6 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Pinellas - Circuit 6
 7,978 youth served
 1,247 youth diverted
 \$1.2m yearly cost /savings
 4 community partners
 13 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Polk - Circuit 10
 4,072 youth served
 2,095 youth diverted
 \$632k in yearly cost /savings
 14 community partners
 25 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Sarasota - Circuit 12
 1,443 youth served
 396 youth diverted
 \$251k in yearly cost /savings
 8 community partners
 8 law enforcement agencies use JAC

Seminole - Circuit 18
 3,471 youth served
 1,000 youth diverted
 \$566k in yearly cost /savings
 7 community partners
 9 law enforcement agencies use JAC

St. Lucie - Circuit 19
 3,920 youth served
 1,012 youth diverted
 \$670k in yearly cost /savings
 4 community partners
 12 law enforcement agencies use JAC