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A REPORT ON THE STATUS OFFENDER PROGRAM (SOS)
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STATUS OFFENDER PROGRAM (SOS)

Tarrant County, Texas

Children's conduct over which the juvenile court exercises its jurisdiction is commonly viewed as falling into two categories: (1) delinquency - conduct which would violate a criminal statute if committed by an adult, and (2) status offenses - children's behavior which would not be criminal if committed by an adult.¹

The two most common "status offenses" are truancy from school and runaway. Research has repeatedly shown that these "offenses" are highly predictive of further and more serious delinquent behavior. Records of delinquent youth and adult criminals often show truancy and runaway as the first indication of future problems with the law.

The proper management of status offenders has been a center of controversy for years. In 1967 the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice concluded, ". . . serious consideration should be given to complete elimination of the [juvenile] court's power over children for non-criminal conduct".³ The National Council on Crime and Delinquency has repeatedly called for removal of non-criminal behavior (status offenses) from the jurisdiction of the court and deinstitutionalization of status offenders.⁴

Others have taken the completely opposite view and held that although status offenses are not "crimes" per se, they represent conduct prohibited by law and therefore may only be

properly handled by the courts. Anthony Guarino in a recent issue of Juvenile Justice maintains that due process requires the courts intervention and that the determination that a child is a status offender has a legal connotation and therefore due process and constitutional safeguards must exist before the state may intervene in the life of the child.⁵

Although the question of the proper role of the juvenile court is yet unanswered, the necessity to remove status offenders from secure detention and correctional facilities has become evident. The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-415, amended in 1977) requires, as a requisite for continued federal funding for criminal justice programs to states, that, within specified time frames, all states must develop alternative plans to institutionalization of "juveniles who are charged with or who have committed offenses that would not be criminal if committed by an adult".⁶

Tarrant County, Texas Response

In response to federal legislation and the growing concern by professionals and laymen alike to seek out and resolve the problem of the status offender, officials in Tarrant County, Texas developed a status offender section (SOS) within the Tarrant County Juvenile Probation Department early in 1976.

Funding for the program was an innovative cooperative effort between the county, the State Department of Human Resources and the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration of the Federal Government.

The Tarrant County Juvenile Probation Department entered

into a contract with the Texas Department of Human Resources for \$213,000 of Title 20 funds and received a L.E.A.A. grant in the amount of \$116,453 to establish the program. Tarrant County Commissioners contributed \$53,250 for first year operations as well as allocating office and work space for the additional sixteen staff members hired under the contract. Initial funding for the SOS unit, thus, was a three agency cooperative effort requiring the coordination and cooperation of federal, state, and local funding.

TABLE I

Initial Funding of SOS Unit (1976)

State of Texas	\$213,000
L.E.A.A.	\$116,453
Tarrant County	\$ 53,250

Since 1976 the participation of Tarrant County has substantially increased as the program success has been demonstrated.

TABLE II

1979 Funding of SOS Unit

State of Texas	\$245,026
L.E.A.A.	\$ 52,000
Tarrant County	\$193,000

Concurrent with the development of a staff to work strictly with the status offender, a second agreement was reached between the State Department of Human Resources and Tarrant County of-

officials to construct and staff a modern emergency shelter for runaway, dependent or neglected children. This facility built with county funds, is staffed by county juvenile department personnel paid under contract with the State Department of Human Resources. The sixteen bed, non-secure facility, operated and staffed twenty-four hours a day, provides emergency residential facilities for non-delinquent children for up to thirty days in any six month period. During a child's stay in the shelter, he or she receives counseling, medical care, academic classwork, and a warm non-threatening residential environment while SOS staff develop more permanent living arrangements or attempt to work out the problems in the child's home in order that he/she may return and cope with the home environment more successfully.

Armed with a residential facility for short term placement for status offender children who, for one or more of many reasons cannot or will not live at home, a staff of thirteen counselors and a \$165,000 budget for services, the SOS unit began in 1976 to intervene at the crucial beginning stages in a future delinquents' life.

Aspects of the SOS Program:

- A. Early in the project it was determined that the juvenile court would retain jurisdiction over the status offender, the SOS project would work "outside" the court structure. An informal agreement between the child, his parents or guardians and the SOS staff is reached in each case. A "contract" is signed in which the client and parents agree to participate in a wide range

of services, counseling and supervision for a six months period. No petition is filed in juvenile court and no coercive measures are applied. SOS staff utilize persuasive skills and intensive personal contact to maintain the child and parents in the program.

Direct services by SOS counselors, purchased and referral services from community and private social agencies are utilized to "turn around" the youth involved. Some of the methods and programs available in this endeavor are:

1. Direct casework - SOS staff work directly with the client and his family and school on an intensive basis. All clients are seen in their home at least once each week by the SOS counselor. In 1978 SOS staff recorded 15,578 counseling sessions, more than 1550 per caseworker.
2. Referral to other community agencies - When SOS staff determine that an existing community agency can provide needed services, the client and/or his family is referred and the services provided are monitored and often purchased by the SOS unit. During 1978 the following Tarrant County agencies provided services to status offenders often referred by the SOS unit.
 - a. Texas Rehabilitation Commission - job training and evaluation as well as job placement for clients or parents.
 - b. C.E.T.A. - job training and placement in summer jobs for SOS clients.

- c. Fort Worth Independent School District -
Alternative schools for SOS youth experiencing
problems in normal school classrooms.

Tutoring - under contract with the SOS unit the FWISD provides twenty-two regular classroom teachers who tutor SOS clients two nights a week during the school year and daily during the summer months. Often this close relationship between teacher and student and the low student - teacher ratio at tutorial sessions allows the client to "catch up" and return to his regular classroom - more often, the summer tutoring has provided the necessary skills to allow the student to "pass" into the next grade even though he may have failed during the school year.

Athletic - FWISD coaches, under contract, participate during summer months in organized recreational and athletic activities with SOS clients. Often the success of a student in the summer program has increased the students self image and confidence and allowed a more successful transition into school in the fall term.

Liason - FWISD has assigned a liason officer in each school to identify and refer the truant to SOS. These liason officers work to increase cooperation efforts between SOS and the individual schools in the community.

- d. Foster Homes - SOS maintains private foster homes under contract for clients whose home situations have deteriorated to a point where they cannot continue in the present family situation. A foster home often provides the child with a "surrogate" family with all the aspects of a normal home but without the conflict present in the natural home.
- e. Other Rehabilitation Facilities - For children who cannot work out in a foster home, boy's ranches, boarding schools and residential treatment facilities are available. SOS pays these facilities on a per diem basis for the placement and treatment of referred children.

In both the foster home and residential facility the emphasis is upon successful resolution of children and/or families problems and subsequent reintegration of the child into his own home.

- f. Psychological and Medical Services - The SOS unit purchases private psychological and psychiatric treatment for those children requiring more professional and skilled counseling than that available from the staff. Medical and dental services are also purchased from doctors, dentists, and hospitals in the community.
- g. Family Counseling - Whenever the family situation is beyond the skills of the staff, referral is

made to local family counseling programs and these services purchased by the SOS unit.

- h. Summer Program - After the first year of operation the SOS found referrals tended to fall off considerably during the summer months and it became hard to maintain contact with the clients between June and September. In 1977 a summer program of tutoring, recreation and athletics was developed. During that summer almost two hundred SOS clients were involved in a continuous summer program. See Appendix A for a detailed discussion of the Summer Program. The program was continued in 1978 and will be an integral part of the 1979 status offender program.

Program Results and Accomplishments:

During 1976 nine hundred twenty-five children were referred to the status offender unit for truancy and runaway. The following year reflected an overall 9.2% DECREASE in the number of youth referred to the Juvenile Probation Department for criminal offenses. The decrease in theft was over 30% alone.

Local authorities attribute a large percentage of this significant decrease in juvenile crime to the early intervention of the status offender program in the preceding year.

During 1978 Tarrant County schools were polled as to the impact of the SOS unit on the problem of truancy and school misbehavior. An overwhelming majority of local school administrators indicated a reduction in truancy and acting-out behavior in their schools and credited the SOS intervention with this reduction.

Although the status offender unit has served over fifteen hundred youngsters in its three year history, records show that only one hundred twenty-three have been subsequently adjudicated delinquent for a criminal offense after participating in the SOS program. This recidivism rate of approximately 12% may be considered extremely low and is a tribute to the dedication of the SOS unit, the support of the juvenile judge, Tarrant County Juvenile Board and Commissioners Court.

The support of the county has been a major if not overriding factor in the success of this program. Despite having little precedent upon which to establish such a program, it was established, funded, and supported. In February 1979 when presented with a funding request in excess of one-quarter million dollars for the continuation of the SOS project, the Tarrant County Commissioners Court not only approved the budget but unanimously approved a resolution by the Tarrant County Judge commending the Juvenile Department and SOS staff for their success, work, and dedication.

Summary:

It has been said by juvenile justice authorities that the greatest opportunity for meaningful intervention in the life of a child in trouble lies in the community itself where the problem began. Courts and closed institutions provide an artificial environment where change and resocialization become thwarted, even impossible to accomplish.

The Tarrant County Status Offender Program has rallied the community; its people, institutions, agencies, and local government to support a community based, voluntary effort to short

circuit potential delinquent or criminal careers by intervening at the earliest stage wherein a child begins to show potential for becoming tomorrows school drop out, delinquent, and adult criminal. Truancy and runaways, both indicators of deeper problems and predictors of future criminal behavior are attacked on an intensive, personal, and intimately community level. The key work is DIVERSION - rechanneling the youthful "status offender" conduct and attempting to reintegrate the youth into the family home, school, and the community at large, and away from the courts and detention facilities.

Although the Tarrant County program is no panacea, its three year history has shown significant results is decreasing in the incidence of juvenile crime in this community.

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APPENDIX A

A Report on the SOS Summer Program

(1978)

THE STATUS OFFENDER SECTION
SUMMER PROGRAM PROJECT

INTRODUCTION, PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW

The tutorial and recreational Summer Program is built upon the concept of arousing and sustaining an interest in the learning process for the truant/runaway juvenile. Meeting the needs of the status offender child are basic to satisfying the deficiency needs whether they be physiological, security, or self-esteem. The Summer Program encourages and enhances the attractions and growth choices for each individual child. The Program personnel from the Status Offender Section of the Tarrant County Juvenile Probation Department and the Fort Worth Independent School District tutors and recreational P.E. teachers direct the learning experiences toward feelings of success in an effort to encourage a realistic level of aspiration. Other goals are an orientation toward achievement, a positive self-concept, and a reduction in youth crime and delinquency by diverting youths from the juvenile justice system.

The development of a desire to achieve goals and objectives that are challenging, but attainable comes through different segments of the Summer Program. Tutoring, recreation, instructional courses and tours provide the backbone of the project. These activities along with youthful and experienced Project personnel provide constructive competition with peer-group social interaction and appropriate role models. The Program personnel and the C.E.T.A. sponsored

youth monitors (present or former Status Offender Section juveniles) encourage cooperation and "sharing" throughout the Summer Program.

The eleven week Summer Program begins June 5, 1978, and concludes August 16, 1978. The exception being the "Back-to-School Fashion Show" at Dillard's, August 30, 1978. Activities are held daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Fridays are used as an evaluation and planning day, also, visitation with clients not involved with the Summer Program. The Status Offender Section caseworkers and teachers bring the children in daily to the program and two Fort Worth Independent School District school buses transport the children home in the afternoon. Lunches are provided by the FWISD and a portion from the Mayor's Council on Youth. The different segments of the Summer Program are as follows:

Academic tutoring

Recreational activities

Instructional courses

Educational tours, picnics and special events

Super Picnic (Awards and certificates) Back-to-School Fashion Show

SUMMER PROGRAM SCHEDULE

June 5, 1978 through August 16, 1978

Date: Monday, June 5, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m.
Area: Eastern Hills High School (EHHS)
Monitors: Status Offender staff and FWISD tutors and P. E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Recreation (EHHS Gym
volleyball and basketball)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Planned Parenthood Class
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Recreation (baseball)
3:00 p.m. Buses home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, June 6, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section
Monitors: Status Offender staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Recreation (softball, ping-
pong, pool and volleyball)
3:00 p.m. Buses home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, June 7, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Marine Park
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Bus to Marine Park
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Picnic including Recreation,
Lunch, R&R and swimming
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, June 8, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Recreation (softball and
volleyball)
12:00 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. R&R (free time)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, June 12, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Recreation - EHHS Gym
(volleyball and basketball)
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Planned Parenthood Class
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EHHS pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, June 14, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Six Flags
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Bus to Six Flags
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Six Flags
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, June 15, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. EHHS Gym (gymnastics)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EHHS pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, June 19, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Recreation - EHHS Gym
(volleyball and basketball)
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EHHS pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, June 20, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
12:00 p.m. - 12:20 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball and
volleyball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Pate Museum of Transportation
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and
P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Recreation - EHHS Gym
(volleyball)
11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Lunch
12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Bus to Pate Museum
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Pate Museum
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, June 22, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. EHHS Gym (gymnastics)
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Dance and free time
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. EHHS pool (swimming)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, June 26, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Recreation (volleyball and basketball)
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Planned Parenthood Class
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. EHHS pool (swimming)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, June 27, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball and volleyball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, June 28, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Burger's Lake
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Bus to Burger's Lake
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Burger's Lake included recreation, picnic lunch and swim.
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, June 29, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. EHHS Gym (gymnastics)
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Dance and R&R
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. EHHS pool (swimming)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, July 5, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EIHIS and Forest Park Zoo
Monitors: SOS Staff and FWISD tutors and P.E.

teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Bus to Forest Park
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Tour of the Zoo
12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Picnic at Forest Park
recreation, lunch and
swimming
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, July 6, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EIHIS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers

Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. EIHIS Gym (gymnastics)
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Dance and R&R
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 Swimming (EIHIS pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, July 10, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EIHIS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers

Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Student Leadership Training
Session
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EIHIS pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, July 11, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers

Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball and
volleyball)
1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, July 12, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Randol Mill Park
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E.
teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Student Leadership Training
Session
10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Bus to Randol Mill Park
11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Recreation (softball,
volleyball, lunch and
swimming)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, July 12, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: ehhs
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. EHHS Gym (gymnastics)
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Dance and R&R
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. EHHS Pool (swimming)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, July 17, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Tandy Center
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E.
teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Student Leadership Training
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Recreation (volleyball at
EHHS Gym)
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Bus to Tandy Center
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Ice Skating
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, July 18, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball and
volleyball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, July 19, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EIHS and Six Flags
Monitors: Sos staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Student Leadership Training Session
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Bus to Six Flags
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Six Flags
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, July 20, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EIHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Gymnastics (EIHS Gym)
10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Dance & R&R
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette Course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EIHS Pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, July 24, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EIHS and GM Plant, Arlington
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD Tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Student Leadership Training
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. G. M. Tour (Cancelled)
12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Lunch and R&R
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EIHS Pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, July 25, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball and volleyball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Grooming and etiquette Course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, July 26, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Burger's Lake
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Student Leadership Training
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Bus to Burger's Lake
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Burger's Lake Picnic
included recreation, Lunch
and swimming
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Thursday, July 27, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Recreation (EHHS Gym,
volleyball and basketball)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette Course
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EHHS Pool)
5:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, July 31, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and American Airlines Training Center
Monitors: SOS Staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Bus to American Airlines
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. American Airlines Tour
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Bus back to EHHS
12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Planned Parenthood Class
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EHHS Pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, August 1, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation
1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
5:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, August 2, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Tarrant County Youth Center, Eagle Mountain Lake
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Bus to T.C.Y.C.
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Recreation and tour facility
12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (Burn's Landing Twin's Point)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Monday, August 7, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Wax Museum, Arlington
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Bus to Wax Museum
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Tour Wax Museum
12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Bus back to EHHS
1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Swimming (EHHS Pool)
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, August 8, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Bowling (Meadowbrook Bowl)
11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch
12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Recreation (softball and volleyball)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Grooming and etiquette course
3:00 p.m. Bus home (North and South)

Date: Wednesday, August 9, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, - 12:00 Noon, Thursday, August 10.
Area: EHHS and Justin Dude Ranch, Irving
Monitors: SOS STAFF and FWISD tutors
Activities: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Lunch and Recreation
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Caseworkers transport to JDR
1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Horseback riding and recreation at Justin Dude Ranch

5:30 p.m.	-	6:00 p.m.	Transport to Villa Inn Motel
6:00 p.m.	-	7:30 p.m.	Check-in, swim and clean-up
7:30 p.m.	-	8:00 p.m.	Transport back to JDR
8:00 p.m.	-	8:45 p.m.	Cookout and recreation
9:00 p.m.	-	10:30 p.m.	Hay Ride
11:00 p.m.	-	11:30 p.m.	Return to Villa Inn for the night

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7:30 a.m.	-	8:00 a.m.	Checkout and transport back to Justin Dude Ranch
8:00 a.m.	-	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	-	11:30 a.m.	Horseback riding
12:00 p.m.			Caseworkers transport kids home

Date: Monday, August 14, 1978

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Area: EHHS and Children's Museum

Monitors: SOS staff, FWISD tutors and P.E.

Activities:	teachers	
	9:00 a.m.	- 10:15 a.m. Tutoring (academics)
	10:30 a.m.	- 11:00 a.m. Bus to Children's Museum
	11:00 a.m.	- 12:00 p.m. Tour Children's Museum
	12:00 p.m.	- 12:30 p.m. Bus back to EHHS and lunch
	1:00 p.m.	- 2:00 p.m. Swim Tournament (EHHS Pool Debbie Taylor, monitor)
	2:00 p.m.	- 3:00 p.m. Swim
	3:00 p.m.	Bus home (North and South)

Date: Tuesday, August 15, 1978

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Area: Status Offender Section and Meadowbrook Bowl

Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD P.E. teachers

Activities:	9:00 a.m.	- 12:00 p.m.	Bowling Tournament (Victor Herrera)
	12:00 p.m.	- 12:30 p.m.	Lunch
	12:45 p.m.	- 1:45 p.m.	Recreation (softball and volleyball)
	1:45 p.m.	- 2:45 p.m.	Grooming and etiquette Course
	3:00 p.m.		Bus home (North and South)

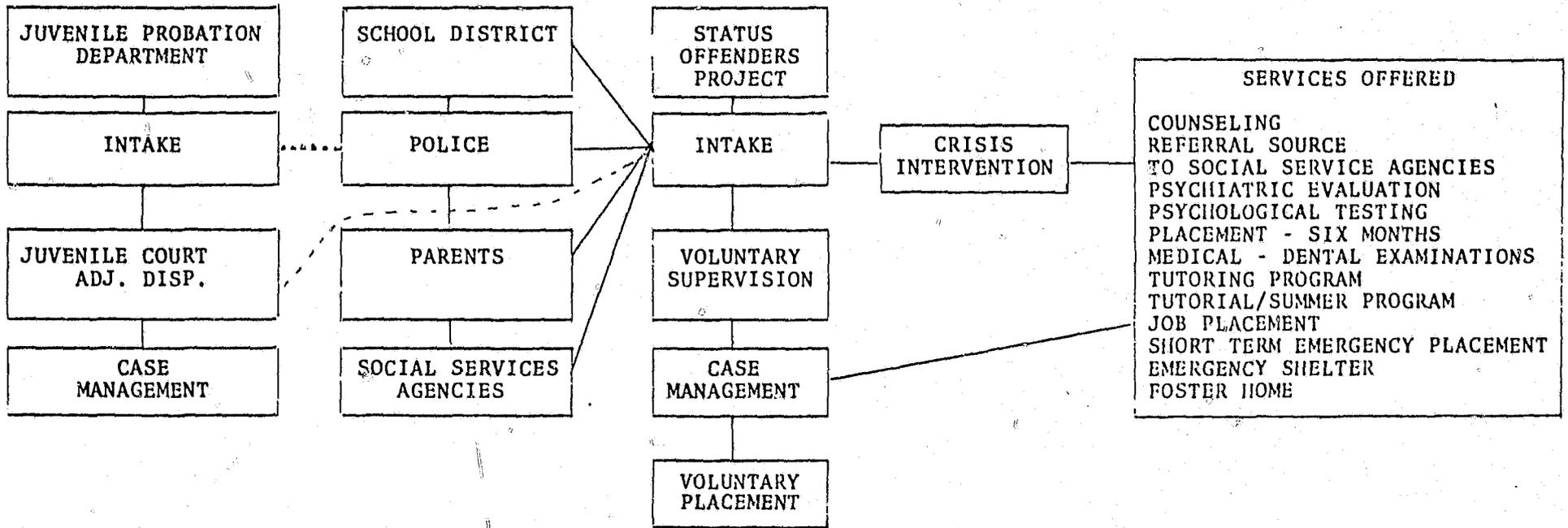
Date: Wednesday, August 16, 1978
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Area: EHHS and Burger's Lake ("Super Picnic")
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors and P.E.

Activities:	teachers	
	9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Tutoring (academics post-tests)
	10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Bus to Burger's Lake
	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Volleyball Tournament
	11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Presentation of certificates and ribbons and trophies
	12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Picnic Lunch
	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Swim
	3:00 p.m.	Bus home (North and South)

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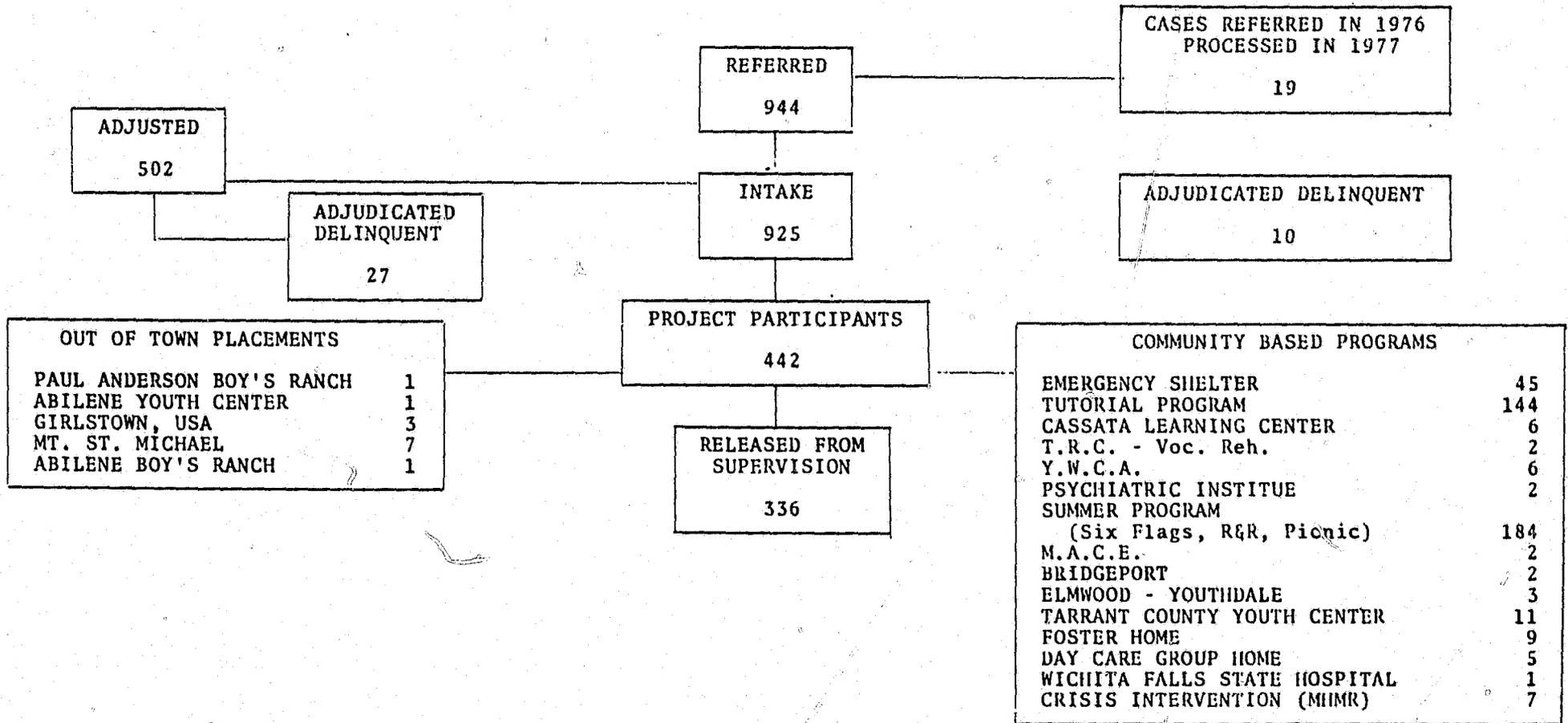
Date: Wednesday, August 30, 1978
Time: 12:00 Noon - 1:00 p.m.
Area: Dillard's in the Tandy Center
Monitors: SOS staff and FWISD tutors
Activity: "Back to School Style Show" - Members of the Grooming etiquette course.

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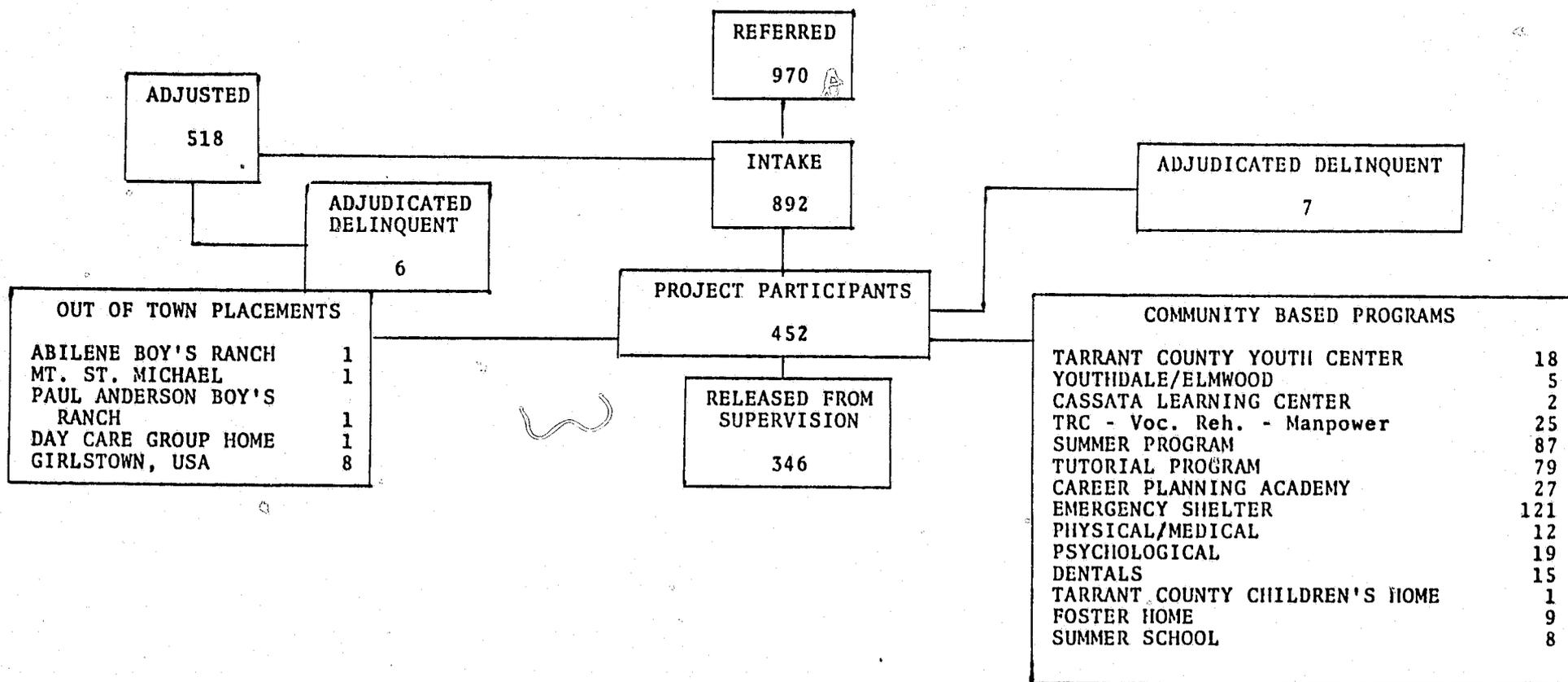


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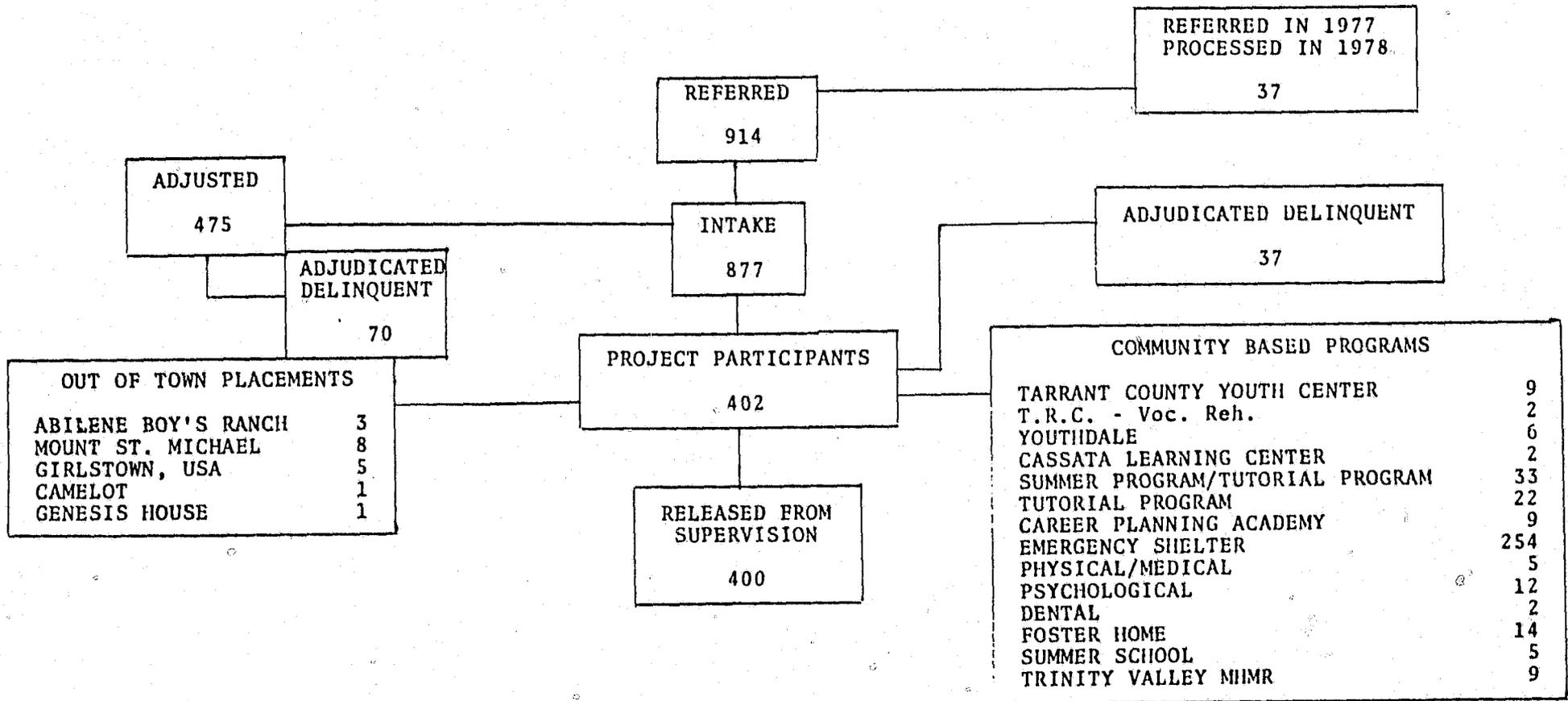
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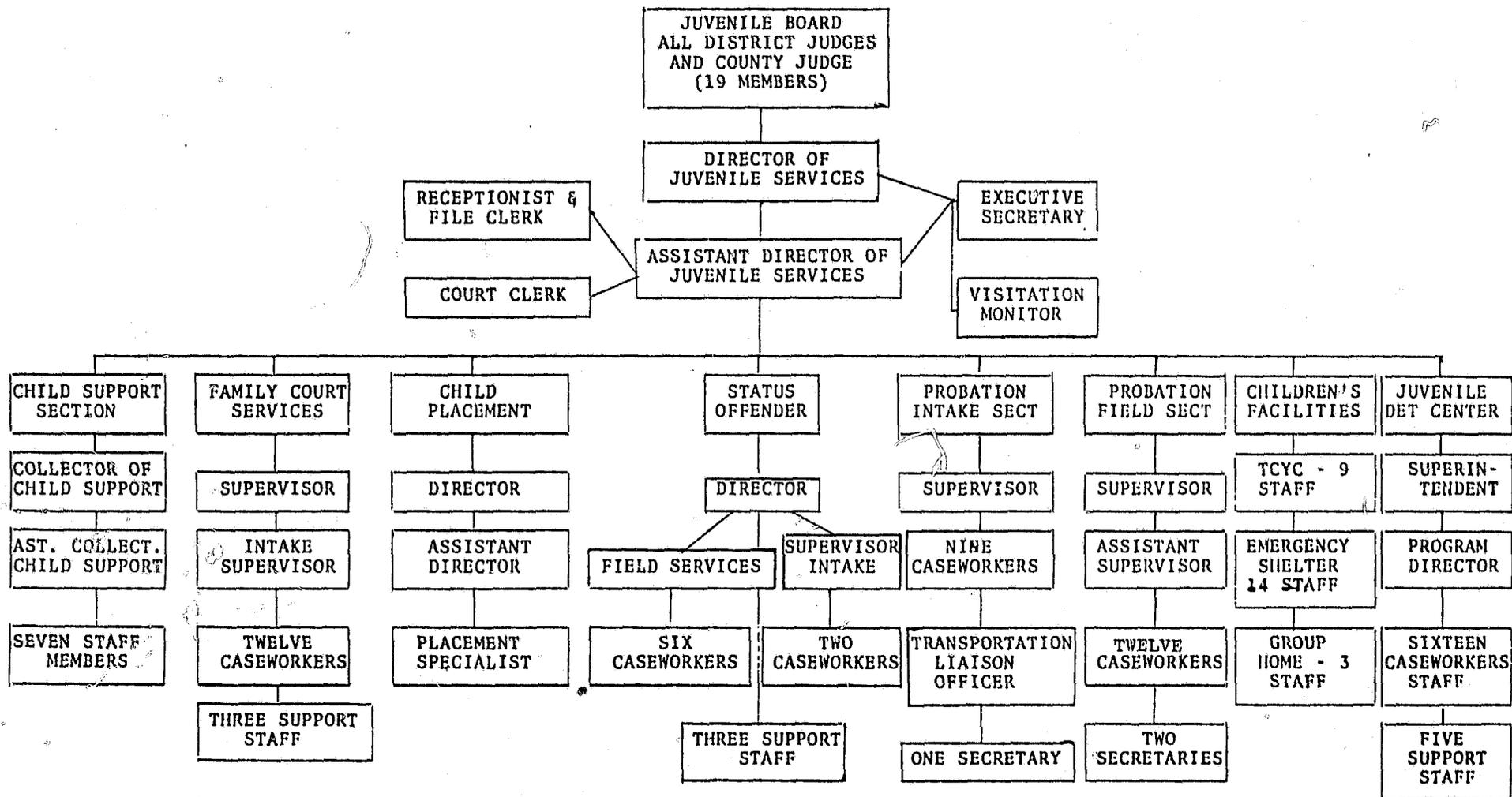


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