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INTRODUCTION

The juvenile court is the subject of more criticism now than at any other period in its 80-year history. The proper jurisdiction of the court, the legal procedures, and the programs of the court are all being questioned, as is the underlying philosophy of juvenile court.

Those responsible for planning and implementing programs for juvenile delinquents must make decisions based on the basic question, "What works?" In spite of the fact that the last 25 years have produced an unparalleled amount of experimentation in new juvenile programs and research into their effectiveness, no easy or universal solution has yet been found. And, as these programs and the issues involved are examined, it becomes apparent that the complexity of the issues makes judgments about effectiveness very difficult.

The critical considerations in judging programs include the inherent limitations in any scientific study of human behavior; the nature of corrections seriously limits the use of genuine control groups because of the need to protect the community; the objectives of correctional programs are diverse and often conflicting. Should the court rehabilitate, deter, incapacitate, or provide retribution? Is society best served when the object of the court is to conciliate the victim, compensate the offender for benefits previously denied, or simply to protect society?

The sentencing objectives of a given court are usually an expression of community values, which vary widely from one jurisdiction to another. Given our pluralistic society and our multiple objectives, "What works" is a question highly laden with values and concerns which each community must realistically assess for itself. When a community assesses its own needs, problems, and programs, it usually produces reports for its own use. Consequently criminal justice planners often "reinvent the wheel" simply because they do not have access to the experiences and studies of others. The way in which probation departments use probation officers also varies widely. Some departments use probation officers as social workers in an authoritarian setting, and other departments are experimenting with substantially different management approaches.

The National Criminal Justice Reference Service plays an important role in collecting program descriptions and other reports to provide criminal justice practitioners with information about trends in program administration and case handling approaches. The citations in this bibliography have been selected from the NCJRS collection to disseminate some of the most relevant and useful studies about innovative nonresidential treatment for juveniles. Some of the documents cited describe programs for adult offenders that are applicable to juveniles. The citations are presented in 10 sections; however, the reader is encouraged to refer to all sections since many documents are relevant to several variations on juvenile probation.

- **Probation Officer as Social Worker.** Recent articles pertaining to the probation officer in a social work role provide insight into current views on this aspect of probation (Note: Many basic works on the role of probation officers as social workers were published before the 1972 creation of NCJRS.)
- **Intensive Probation.** Sample program structures, program guidelines, studies of caseload size, and evaluations of specific programs assess the value of intensive supervision as an alternative to institutionalization.
- **Contract Probation.** The nature and advantages of behavioral contracts for probationers and their families are discussed in studies of program effectiveness and descriptions of training programs for contingency contracting.
- **Peer Group Counselling.** Evaluations and program descriptions of programs that exploit juveniles' need for peer acceptance consider the role and impact of such programs.
- **Family Counselling.** Programs that recognize and treat juvenile problems as part of the larger family situation are described, including short-term crisis intervention approaches for both juvenile offenders and predelinquents.
• **Team Probation.** This alternative in probation management involves a variety of specialists, including members of the community, to provide supervision and other services to juveniles.

• **School Probation.** Delivering services to delinquents in the milieu in which they spend most of their time is described and studies of existing programs are included. Programs involving volunteer tutors are presented in the following section.

• **Volunteers in Probation.** Information on the cost of implementing volunteer programs is provided as are studies of the training, role, and effectiveness of volunteers in juvenile justice.

• **Restitution.** Victim compensation and community service are described with examples, analyses, and assessments of this sentencing alternative.

• **Short Term High-Impact Programs.** These programs use physical challenges and perceived danger as elements in rehabilitation programs.

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The presentence investigation report as a connecting link between the probation and judicial systems is explored in an analysis of 300 reports prepared by the New York City Probation Office for youthful offenders (ages 16-19). It was hypothesized that, in their reports, probation officers would reflect a diagnostic casework orientation, whereas judges would view cases primarily from a legal, criminological perspective. Fifty-six presentence report items (role of the youth in the offense, family setting, functioning in social settings, personal characteristics, contacts with social agencies) were rated for the reports of three disposition groups: suspended sentence, probation, and reformatory. The hypotheses could not be proved. Court and probation officers alike emphasized the legal aspect of the offense and the criminal history of the offender rather than the social aspects of the offense. Both judges and probation officials stressed the presence or absence of a criminal career, whether the youth was 'trouble-oriented,' whether the youth came from a broken home, and whether the youth was able to control impulses and adjust to authority. It is suggested that presentence reports should focus on the anticipated effect of various disposition alternatives. Study instruments, supporting data, and a bibliography are included. (Author abstract modified)

Supplemental Notes: COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY—DOCTORAL DISSERTATION. Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR MI 48106. Stock Order No. 91-17476.


The evolution of correctional thought and origins, present practices, and selection for probation and parole. A history of the correctional movement is presented with discussions on the classical, positivist, and humanitarian schools of thought. The origins of probation are discussed followed by comments on its organization today and the processes used. Following a history of parole, the author discusses the process today, parole agencies, supervision, revocation, and discharge. Comparisons are then made of the probation and parole processes. Also discussed are research on probation and parole selection, casework, community treatment programs, and the conditions required for probation and parole. Administrative considerations are presented along with new directions in which these processes are headed.

Availability: COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PRESS, 562 WEST 13TH STREET, NEW YORK NY 10025.


The bases upon which probation officers evaluate and develop casework strategies for new probationers are investigated, focusing on the officer and the social system framework. A group of Los Angeles County Probation Department officers was selected for this study, and their caseloads involved the most hard-core juveniles served by the department. The officers reviewed 80 randomly selected, closed cases. Most of the 20 variables used in the case summaries were suspected predictors of recidivism. The following questions were central to the investigation: on what basis does the officer decide how likely his client is to succeed during his incommunity probation period; how does the officer's prediction correspond to statistical predictions; how do the predictions relate to case plans for clients; are some client types more predictable; and do predictions and plans affect the officer's effectiveness. Predictions were subjected to a 'lens model' and relative weight analysis. The first analysis showed that not one of the officers was able to effectively use ecologically valid nonlinear variance in his predictions. The most accurate judges relied heavily on the fewest number of case summary variables, were most linear in their judgments, and were best at weighing the three most valid predictors. It was concluded that linear prediction models are preferrable. The relative weight analysis, which compared each officer weighing variables to ecological patterns and the officer concept of his weight variable, revealed that officers were far more confident in predictions of failure than of success. Officers tending to predict failure were less able to gauge the
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PROBABILITY OF BEING CORRECT, AND THOSE WHO WERE AWARE OF THE BASE RATE FOR CLIENT OUTCOMES WERE MORE LIKELY TO PREDICT SUCCESS. APPROPRIATENESS OF CONFIDENCE AND PREDICTIVE ACCURACY WERE SIGNIFICANTLY CORRELATED TO OFFICER SUCCESS FOR CLOSED CASES. FOR CASES PREDICTED TO FAIL, MORE EMPIRICISM WAS PLACED ON OUTSIDE AGENCIES FOR SUPPORT, AND LESS PLACED ON INTERPERSONAL AND INTRAPERSONAL DEVELOPMENT GOALS. SUPERVISORS' RATINGS SHOWED LITTLE INTERAGREEMENT, AND APPEARED TO BE DETERMINED BY THE DEGREE TO WHICH THEIR PROFESSIONAL ORIENTATION MATCHED THE PERCEIVED ORIENTATION OF CASE PLANS. APPENDICES CONTAIN PREDICTION RESPONSE WORKSHEETS, QUESTIONNAIRES, CASE SUMMARIES, AND OFFICERS' INSTRUCTIONS. REFERENCES ARE PROVIDED. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)

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GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION FOR PROBATION OFFICERS TOWARDS PROBATION FOR ASSUMING SUPERVISORY AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT RESPONSIBILITIES THROUGH A MASTER'S CURRICULUM IN SOCIAL SERVICE DELIVERY. SELECTED PROBATION OFFICERS WERE GRANTED ACADEMIC LEAVES DURING THE TWO YEARS OF THE TRAINING, AND GRADUATE STUDENTS WERE ASIGNED TO DO THEIR FIELD WORK IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THE EVALUATION WAS CONDUCTED USING INTERVIEWS WITH THOSE INVOLVED IN OR AFFECTED BY THE PROJECT. MEASURED THE IMPACT ON PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL GROWTH OF THE DEPARTMENT, THE UTILIZATION AND PLACEMENT OF RETURNING OFFICERS, PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS AND INNOVATIONS, AND THE EFFECT OF A CHANGED SERVICE PATTERN ON CLIENT BEHAVIOR. EVALUATORS CONCLUDED THAT THE GRADUATE TRAINING PROGRAM HAD MET ITS EXPECTATIONS AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE CONTINUED WITH BUILT-IN EVALUATION AND TESTING COMPONENTS. RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ALSO MADE IN RELATION TO IMPROVING CONDITIONS FOR ACADEMIC LEAVE AND ENCOURAGING THE PARTICIPATION OF PROBATION OFFICERS WHO ARE NOT LOOKING TO FILL SUPERVISORY OR ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS.


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AN ARGUMENT FOR RELIEVING OF THEIR SUPERVISORY FUNCTION IS PRESENTED, WITH ATTENTION TO PROFESSIONAL AUTONOMY VS PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, SUBMISSION TO THE COURTS, AND ORGANIZATIONAL EXPECTATIONS. THE ORIGINS OF THE PROBATION SYSTEM IN GREAT BRITAIN ARE TRACED TO THE PENAL REFORM MOVEMENT OF THE 1800'S. AT THAT TIME THE MOVEMENT WAS UNSHAMEDLY RELIGIOUS AND CONSISTED OF LAY COUNSELORS SUPERVISED BY LAITY PERSONNEL. THE EXISTING STRUCTURE OF THE PROBATION SERVICE HAS NOT KEPT UP WITH THE CHANGES IN TRAINING, EXPECTATIONS, AND THE TYPES OF OFFICERS SERVED. THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THAT PROBATION OFFICERS ARE INCREASINGLY SUBJECT TO DEMANDS FOR PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY, AS MEASURED BY RECIDIVISM RATES. NEITHER COUNSELING NOR SOCIAL SERVICES GUARANTEE LOWER RECIDIVISM RATES. SERVICE IS GEARED TO PERIODIC REPORTS FROM OFFENDERS, WHETHER OR NOT INDIVIDUAL SITUATIONS WARRANT IT. SOME OFFENDERS MUST REPORT WEEKLY BECAUSE THE COURT HAS ORDERED THEM TO DO SO, REGARDLESS OF INDIVIDUAL NEEDS. WHILE OTHER OFFENDERS WHO COULD BE HELPED BY THE AGENCY ARE DENIED SERVICES BECAUSE THE COURT HAS NOT ORDERED PROBATION. AS A CONSEQUENCE, SOME OFFENDERS GO UNATTENDED WHILE PROBATION OFFICERS SPEND A DISPROPORTIONATE AMOUNT OF TIME DOING TASKS FOR WHICH THEIR TRAINING HAS NOT EQUIPPED THEM. THE SOCIAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS OF COURT ORDERS SHOULD BE MONITORED AND FULLY EXPLAINED BY COURT PERSONNEL OTHER THAN TRAINED PROBATION OFFICERS. ALSO, THERE IS A NEED TO ESTABLISH, AS A VALUE, THE IMPORTANCE OF SOCIAL WORK PROVISIONS AND COUNSELING FOR OFFENDERS, IRRESPECTIVE OF THE EFFECT OF THESE MEASURES ON THE CRIME RATE. REFERENCES ARE PROVIDED.

Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR MI 48106. Stock Order No. 72-14321.
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8. J. McCARTHY, Ed. INNER LONDON PROBATION AND AFTER CARE SERVICE—COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT—A WORKSHOP PARTY REPORT, NOVEMBER 1976. INNER LONDON PROBATION AND AFTERCARE SERVICE, 73 GREAT PETER STREET, LONDON SW1P 2BN, ENGLAND. 42 p. 1976. United Kingdom. NCJ-43334 THE RATIONALES FOR BROADER APPROACH TO PROBATION CASEWORK TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY WORK ON BEHALF OF A CLIENT IS PRESENTED, AND PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION ARE DISCUSSED. THE TRADITIONAL ONE-TO-ONE APPROACH TO PROBATION CASEWORK IS VIEWED BY THE WORKING PARTY TO BE BASED ON A PSYCHOANALYTIC APPROACH TO BEHAVIORAL CHANGE THAT HAS BEEN SHOWN TO BE TOO NARROW IN ITS EXCLUSION OF THE QUALITY OF CURRENT COMMUNITY STIMULI AS CRITICAL IN BEHAVIORAL PATTERNS. WHILE IT IS NOTED THAT CERTAIN PROBATION OFFICES AND INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS ACT AS CATALYSTS IN INFLUENCING VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT PROBATION AIMS, THERE IS NO DEVELOPED STRUCTURE FOR SUCH WORK, BASED ON RESEARCH AND ANALYZED EXPERIENCE. COMMUNITY WORK BY PROBATION OFFICES IS DEFINED AS 'ANY PROJECT RUN BY THE SERVICE (PROBATION OFFICE) FOR OR WITH ITS CLIENTS WHICH ATTEMPTS TO MAKE USE OF EXISTING COMMUNITY RESOURCES, HELPS THE CLIENT TO MEET THE COMMUNITY OR THE COMMUNITY TO MEET THE CLIENT.' SUCH WORK IS DIVIDED INTO THREE CATEGORIES: AGENCY AND INTERAGENCY COOPERATION INVOLVING THE COORDINATION OF ALL AVAILABLE COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR THE BENEFIT OF CLIENTS; THE PROVISION OF SERVICES FOR SPECIAL NEEDS INVOLVING A COMMUNITY APPROACH IN MEETING THE MATERIAL AND SOCIAL NEEDS OF CLIENTS; AND USING SELF-HELP GROUPS SO THAT CLIENTS BECOME INVOLVED IN NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS ESTABLISHED TO EFFECT CHANGE IN A SPECIFIC AREA OF NEIGHBORHOOD LIFE AND ENVIRONMENT. IMPLICATIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF PROBATION SERVICES AND THE USE OF RESOURCES IS DISCUSSED. THE APPENDIXES CONTAIN DESCRIPTIONS OF PROBATION COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS OPERATING THROUGHOUT ENGLAND AS OF 1976. A BIBLIOGRAPHY IS INCLUDED. Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

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DRUG OR ALCOHOL ABUSE, AND FINANCIAL, MEDICAL, PSYCHIATRIC, AND EDUCATIONAL HISTORIES. AFTER GATHERING THIS DATA, A LIST OF BASIC PROBLEM AREAS IS FORMULATED, AND THE SERIOUSNESS OF EACH IS NOTED. THEN, UNDER EACH PROBLEM, THE PROBATION WORKER SHOULD INCLUDE THE PROBATIONER'S THOUGHTS ON THE PROBLEM, AN ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION, AND A PLAN FOR DEALING WITH THE SPECIFIC PROBLEM. THE AUTHOR MAINTAINS THAT WHEN ORGANIZED IN THIS MANNER ALL THE RELEVANT DATA IS READILY VISIBLE AND PROBLEM AREAS CANNOT BE IGNORED OR FORGOTTEN. ANOTHER IMPORTANT FEATURE OF THIS PROBLEM ORIENTED RECORD SYSTEM IS THE PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE. DURING WEEKLY TWO-HOUR MEETINGS, INDIVIDUAL CASES ARE REVIEWED IN THEIR ENTIRETY BY ALL PROBATION WORKERS. IN THIS MANNER, SUGGESTIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS ON CASE HANDLING CAN BE MADE AND SPOT CHECKS ON PROBATION OFFICER'S WORK CAN BE CONDUCTED. Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

10. P. T. STEEN. STUDY OF FAIRNESS IN JUVENILE PROBATION SERVICES. 320 p. 1962. NCJ-48311 A QUESTIONNAIRE DEVELOPED TO MEASURE ATTITUDES LEADING TO FAIRNESS IN JUVENILE COURT PROBATION WAS GIVEN TO 35 PROBATION OFFICERS. SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION DID NOT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE AN APPRECIATION OF DUE PROCESS. THE MAJOR PORTION OF THIS STUDY WAS DEVOTED TO ISOLATING 21 CRITERIA TO SPELL OUT THE MEANING OF FAIRNESS IN THE JUVENILE COURT PROBATION SETTING AND TO DEVELOPING A QUESTIONNAIRE OF 210 ITEMS TO MEASURE THESE FACTORS. THE QUESTIONNAIRE WAS THEN ADMINISTERED TO 35 PROBATION OFFICERS. A PRELIMINARY TEST WITH THIS GROUP RESULTED IN 50 DISCRIMINATING ITEMS. BOTH THE ORIGINAL LIST OF 210 ITEMS AND THE SECOND LIST WERE THEN TESTED FOR VALIDITY. FINALLY, THE QUESTIONNAIRE WAS ADMINISTERED TO 35 PROBATION OFFICERS TO SEE IF THOSE WITH SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION IDENTIFIED MORE COMPLETELY WITH SOME ASPECTS OF FAIRNESS. WHEN THE RESPONSES GIVEN BY THOSE WITH SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION WERE CHECKED AGAINST IDEAL RESPONSES, IT WAS FOUND THAT THEY GAVE ANSWERS CLOSER TO THE IDEAL IN 30 OF THE 50 discriminating items, BUT THOSE WITHOUT SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION WERE NEARER THE IDEAL 20 ITEMS. THE FINDINGS WERE NOT STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT BUT THEY DID SUGGEST SEVERAL AREAS FOR FURTHER WORK. FIRST, THE TWO GROUPS WERE NOT COMPARABLE IN AGE, SEX RATIO, MARITAL STATUS, OR SOCIAL POSITION OF FAMILY ORIGIN. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT A LARGER STUDY BE MADE WHICH CONTROLS THESE VARIABLES. IT IS SUGGESTED, THAT IF FURTHER RESEARCH SHOWS CONTINUED WEAKNESS IN THE AREAS OF DUE PROCESS AND INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS OF BOTH FAMILY AND CHILD, THAT SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION BE AMENDED TO MAKE THE RIGHTS OF THE CLIENT AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE CURRICULUM. THE FINDINGS ARE PRESENTED IN TABLE FORM. A BIBLIOGRAPHY, A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE SIGNIFICANT CRITERIA, A COPY OF THE SURVEY INSTRUMENT, A DETAILED DISCUSSION OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE INSTRUMENT, AND A DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEM OF DEFINING FAIRNESS ARE ALL INCLUDED. Supplemental Notes: UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA—DOCTORAL THESIS. Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR MI 48106. Stock Order No. 60-2532.
COUNTY JUVENILE OFFER UNIQUE PROBATION SERVICES TO CLIENTS, OR BOTH. CITY.

633 TO YOUTH SERVICES COUNSELING IN AVAL PROVIDING DEPARTMENT'S CASELOAD FROM ECT MORE INTENSIVE SUPERVISION TO MEASURING VARIOUS ASPECTS OF INTENSIVE SUPERVISION, WERE REDUCED. THE NUMBER OF JUVENILES ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT OR IN NEED OF SUPERVISION, THE PERCENTAGE OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S CASELOAD FROM TARGET AREAS, AND THE NUMBER OF TARGET AREA COMMITMENTS TO STATE JUVENILE INSTITUTIONS WERE REDUCED. METHODS OF INCREASING PROJECT DATA AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF THE PROJECT WERE BEING DEVELOPED.


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11. ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA GOVERNMENTS, 4801 CLASSSEN BOULEVARD, SUITE 200, OKLAHOMA CITY OK 73118. PROJECT CRIME (COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH TO IMPROVE METHODS OF EVALUATION—PROJECT REPORT 1—AN EVALUATION OF COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO JUVENILE COURT SERVICES PROJECT. 100 p. 1975. NCJ-35143 EVALUATION OF A PROJECT TO DECREASE DELINQUENCY AND INCREASE DIVERSION OF JUVENILES FROM THE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN OKLAHOMA CITY BY PROVIDING INTENSIVE PROBATION AND YOUTH SERVICES COUNSELING IN TROUBLED AREAS OF THE CITY. THE PROJECT ORGANIZED YOUTH-SERVING CENTERS IN THE NORTHWEST AND NORTHEAST QUADRANTS OF THE CITY IN RESPONSE TO A SURVEY WHICH IDENTIFIED THESE SECTORS AS PROVIDING 61 PERCENT OF THE REFERRALS TO THE OKLAHOMA COUNTY JUVENILE COURT. PROBATION COUNSELORS PROVIDED MORE INTENSIVE SUPERVISION TO A SMALLER CASELOAD AND CONDUCTED MORE INTENSIVE FAMILY COUNSELING WHILE YOUTH SERVICES COUNSELORS WORKED IN CLOSER PROXIMITY TO PREDELINQUENT REFERRALS. FINDINGS INCLUDE THE NUMBER OF JUVENILES ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT OR IN NEED OF SUPERVISION, THE PERCENTAGE OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S CASELOAD FROM TARGET AREAS, AND THE NUMBER OF TARGET AREA COMMITMENTS TO STATE JUVENILE INSTITUTIONS WERE REDUCED. METHODS OF INCREASING PROJECT DATA AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF THE PROJECT WERE BEING DEVELOPED.


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12. J. BANKS and R. L. RARDIN. MEASUREMENT PRACTICE IN INTENSIVE AND SPECIAL ADULT PROBATION. SAGE PUBLICATIONS, INC. 275 SOUTH BEVERLY DRIVE, BEVERLY HILLS CA 90212; GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, EVALUATION QUARTERLY, V 2, N 1 (FEBRUARY 1979), P 127-139. NCJ-45588 THIS STATE-OF-THE-ART PAPER DISCUSSES THE PROBLEMS OF MEASURING VARIOUS ASPECTS OF INTENSIVE AND SPECIAL PROBATION PROJECTS, BASED ON THE STUDY OF 28 RESEARCH DESIGNS. FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS, RESEARCH HAS BEEN CONDUCTED ON PROBATION INNOVATIONS THAT SEEK EITHER TO ACHIEVE A SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN CASELOAD, OR TO OFFER UNIQUE PROBATION SERVICES TO CLIENTS, OR BOTH. THE PROBLEMS ARISE WHEN ONE MUST DETAIL THE PROCESSES LEADING TO PARTICULARLY GOOD OR PARTICULARLY BAD RESULTS. A COMMON MEASURE IS THE 'AVERAGE CASELOAD.' THIS SEEMS SIMPLE ENOUGH ON THE SURFACE. HOWEVER, MANY PROGRAMS, ESPECIALLY INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS, USE VOLUNTEERS OR OTHER NONTRADITIONAL SUPERVISORY PERSONS WHO MAY OR MAY NOT LESSEN THE WORKLOAD FOR REGULAR SUPERVISORS. NONE OF THE PROJECTS EXAMINED HAD A SUCCESSFUL SOLUTION TO THIS QUESTION. ANOTHER PROBLEM ARISES IN DETERMINING THE NUMBER OF ACTIVE CASES, AS SOME CASES REQUIRE FAR MORE TIME THAN OTHERS. VARIOUS TYPES OF WEIGHTING ARE COMMON IN EVALUATIONS TO TRY TO COMPENSATE FOR THIS VARIABLE. THE RELIABILITY OF CASE CONTACT MEASURES IS ALSO SUSPECT. THERE IS SERIOUS QUESTION ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FREQUENCY OF CONTACT AND QUALITY OF CONTACT. ONLY TWO STUDIES MADE ANY SERIOUS EFFORT TO MEASURE QUALITY; BOTH EMPLOYED A SURVEY OF SUPERVISOR AND CLIENT OPINION ABOUT VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE SUPERVISION. OTHER MEASURES ENCOUNTERED WERE URINALYSES IN CONNECTION WITH DRUG-OFFENDER PROGRAMS, CLIENT REFERRALS TO COMMUNITY AGENCIES, PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATIONS PERFORMED, GROUP COUNSELING SESSIONS HELD, VOLUNTEERS RECRUITED, AND TESTS ADMINISTERED. ANOTHER MAJOR CLASS OF MEASURES IS THOSE WHICH ATTEMPT TO DOCUMENT CHANGES IN PROBATIONERS THAT MAY HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY PROJECT ACTIVITIES. THE MOST COMMON IS A RECIDIVISM MEASURE, SUCH AS UNSUCCESSFUL PROBATION TERMINATION, ARREST, OR RECONVICT. FOR EACH OF THESE THERE ARE ATTEMPTS TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN 'TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS' OF PROBATION (NOT CALLING THE PAROLE OR PROBATION OFFICER) AND ACTUAL CRIMES. THESE MEASURES ARE DIFFICULT TO VALIDATE FOR SHORT PERIODS OF TIME AND ALSO ARE AFFECTED BY THE AMOUNT OF SUPERVISION—INTENSIVE SUPERVISION MAY ACTUALLY UNCOVER MORE MINOR INFRACTIONS. THE ONLY OTHER OUTCOME MEASURE USED EXTENSIVELY IS EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS. THIS MEASURE IS OBTAINED EITHER FROM REPORTS TURNED IN BY THE PROBATIONERS OR BY FOLLOWUP STUDIES. HOWEVER, PROBATIONERS DO NOT INFORM THEIR EMPLOYERS THAT THEY ARE ON PROBATION, AND DIRECT VERIFICATION OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT STATUS MIGHT JEOPARDIZE THEIR JOBS. COST-BENEFIT ANALYSES ARE MADE IN SOME STUDIES. THE MOST EXTENSIVE OF THESE WAS IN CONNECTION WITH A PENNSYLVANIA BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE PROJECT WHICH CONSIDERED DIRECT AND INDIRECT COSTS OF THE PROJECT, COSTS OF DETAINING ARRESTED CLIENTS, WELFARE SUPPORT COSTS FOR UNEMPLOYED CLIENTS, AND TAXES PAID BY EM-

This study of intensive probation programs, those offering intensive supervision or unique forms of service, examines program structure, implementation, and evaluation frameworks for assessing programs. A literature review was conducted, and opinions of probation experts were collected, to produce a paper identifying the important concepts and controversies in the design and evaluation of probation programs. A list of 126 active projects appeared to meet the definition of intensive special probation (ISP), and 46 projects were determined to be actually active within ISP scope. Twenty of these projects were selected for site visits during which researchers gathered a great deal of information about intervention strategies, measurements, and evaluation. Some general findings were that there are no standardized measures for process or outcome of variables in ISP; there is some doubt that truly intensive supervision can ever exist since client contact can only occur for such a small duration of the probationer's waking hours, and there is almost no real cost evaluation in ISP. In fact, almost every element of information about ISP is known only through direct empirical study, but almost nothing is scientifically known. A critical review of evaluation results of the 20 sites show that there is no significant difference in probation results if officers carry reduced case loads; no significant success with probationers resulting from use of special forms of probation including volunteer probation counselors, classification of probationers, specialization of treatment, and decentralization of service; and the evaluation designs and implementation methods used in most programs are unsatisfactory and yield little effective information. The knowledge base in intensive special probation is observed from the intensity of probation service, treatment and client change, and effectiveness versus cost, but the projects visited used evaluation designs that made unscientific assumptions about the desirability of service intensity and about program structure. References are provided.

**Supplemental Notes:** Submitted to the National Conference on Criminal Justice Evaluation, Washington, DC, February 1977.


15. **A. Froehlich. Contribution of Probation Supervision Toward the Modification of Certain Attitudes Toward Authority Figures.** 173 p. 1957. NCJ-49343

The effects of intensive probation supervision on attitudes toward authority figures and on social conformity are explored in a study of 29 male probationers, aged 16 to 30, in Brooklyn, N.Y. The subjects, who included 15 whites and 14 blacks, were assigned to experimental and control groups. Experimental subjects received 6 months of intensive supervision, including weekly and/or bimonthly face-to-face contact with workers to make an attempt to establish a permissive, therapeutic relationship and to avoid the use of authority. Control subjects received 6 months of minimal supervision, consisting of monthly 5-minute interviews. The establishment of a counseling relationship was avoided, as was treatment. Attitudes toward authority figures and social conformity were measured immediately before treatment and after 3 months and 6 months of treatment. Experimental subjects showed significantly greater improvement in their attitudes toward authority figures in the social conformity than did control subjects. Implications of the findings are discussed. Supporting data, copies of study instruments, and a bibliography are included. (Author abstract modified)

**Supplemental Notes:** New York University—Doctoral Dissertation.

Availability: University Microfilms, 300 North Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor MI 48106. Stock Order No. 56-00639.


Final report on an impact cities program to reduce recidivism by providing intensive probation and processing services to 200 target offenders identified by the Fulton County (GA) Juvenile Court. This evaluation presents statistics contained in 1260 intermittent evaluation reports. It was found that the goals of reducing post-treatment recidivism and serving a target group of 200 have been met or exceeded while those of reducing target cases and crimes had not been achieved. Findings also revealed that the rate of reoffending is lower when probation officers have a higher degree of supervisory control.

Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.
Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


19. MONTGOMERY COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. MONTGOMERY COUNTY (PA)—JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT INTENSIVE PROBATION UNIT—FINAL EVALUATION REPORT. 23 p. 1974. NCJ-255506

AN ASSESSMENT OF THIS PROBATION PROJECT WHICH FURNISHED INTENSIVE PROBATION TO A REDUCED NUMBER OF SERIOUS DELINQUENTS IN AN EFFORT TO DIVERT THESE YOUTHS FROM INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND TO DECREASE DETENTION PERIODS. OTHER PROJECT OBJECTIVES WERE: TO TEST THE FEASIBILITY OF MANAGING SERIOUS DELINQUENTS IN THE COMMUNITY; TO REDUCE THE COMMITMENT RATE; TO INDIVIDUALIZE TREATMENT AND MAXIMIZE EFFECTIVE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION; AND TO DEVELOP ALTERNATIVE TREATMENT PLANS. SELECTION CRITERIA FOR THE PROGRAM ARE DESCRIBED. CASELOADS OF EIGHT TO TEN CLIENTS WERE PLANNED FOR THE PROBATION OFFICERS. EVALUATION ACTIVITIES INCLUDED ON-SITE DISCUSSIONS, A REVIEW OF PROJECT MATERIALS, REVIEWS OF REPORTS AND DATA GATHERING FORMS, DATA COLLECTION THROUGH EVALUATION FORMS AND INTERVIEWS WITH STAFF, YOUTHS, AND FAMILIES. IT WAS FOUND THAT THE STAFF HAD DEVISED INDIVIDUAL PROGRAMS FOR YOUTHS AND OPERATED AS A TEAM IN SCREENING CASES, AND THAT THE PROJECT STAFF PROVIDED A CONSULTATION RESOURCE TO THE REST OF THE DEPARTMENT. IT WAS FOUND THAT THE STAFF DID DEAL WITH A TARGET GROUP OF YOUTHS WITH SEVERE FAMILY AND DELINQUENCY PROBLEMS. IMPACT ON INSTITUTIONALIZATION WAS DIFFICULT TO ASSESS, SINCE THE DROP IN NUMBER OF YOUTHS INSTITUTIONALIZED COULD BE DUE TO OTHER FACTORS. HOWEVER, ONLY 17 OUT OF 46 SERIOUS DELINQUENTS TREATED WERE RECOMMENDED. PROJECT IMPACT ON DETENTION WERE MINIMAL. IT IS CONCLUDED THAT ALTHOUGH THE PROJECT DID NOT PROVIDE A SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT KIND OF PROGRAM, EXTENSIVE CLIENT CONTACTS WERE MADE. IN ADDITION, CONSIDERABLE STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND SKILL IMPROVEMENT RESULTED FROM THE PROGRAM.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


THIS PAPER ANALYZES THE VALUE OF PAST RESEARCH ON CASELOAD SIZE, REVIEWS CLASSIFICATION AND MATCHING STUDIES, AND SUGGESTS THAT THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MODELS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR MEANINGFUL SUBSEQUENT RESEARCH. THE AUTHORS BEGIN THEIR STATE-OF-THE-ART REVIEW IN CALIFORNIA WITH A LOOK AT THE FOUR SPECIAL INTENSIVE PAROLE UNIT (SIPU) STUDIES THAT TOOK PLACE BETWEEN 1953 AND 1967. THE RESULTS, WHICH FOR THE MOST PART WERE EQUIVOCAL, ARE NOTEWORTHY FOR SEVERAL REASONS. THE PHENOMENON OF MORE VARIATION IN CONTROL GROUP'S THAN IN EXPERIMENTALS WAS ENCOUNTERED. THOSE EXPERIMENTALS WITH THE HIGHEST VIOLATION POTENTIAL SEEMED TO PERFORM MORE POORLY THAN CONTROLS WHILE THREE OTHER EXPERIMENTAL GROUPS OUT-PERFORMED COMPARABLE CONTROLS. IT WAS ALSO FOUND THAT 15-MAN CASELOADS DID NOT NO MORE THAN 30-MAN CASELOADS. THE ONLY VARYING ITEM RELATED TO PAROLE OUTCOME AFTER THE FOUR SIPU STUDIES WAS, APPARENTLY, THE AMOUNT OF TIME THE OFFICER DEVOTED TO Supervision. IN OTHER STUDIES, A POSITIVE CORRELATION WAS DISCOVERED BETWEEN INTENSITY OF SUPERVISION AND THE NUMBER OF TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS REPORTED. SOME STUDIES WERE HAMPERED BY THEIR INATTENTION TO FACTORS SUCH AS A LACK OF ADEQUATE CONTROLS (ADDICT EXPERIMENTALS WERE TESTED FOR DRUGS WHILE CONTROLS WERE NOT), OR A FAILURE TO CONSIDER THE DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AREA INTO WHICH THE PA
INTENSIVE PROBATION

ROLE OR PROBATIONER IS RELEASED, THE AUTHORS CONCLUDE THAT CASELOAD SIZE MAY BE ONLY MINIMALLY (AND TANGENTIALLY) RELATED TO VIOLATION RATES. THE RELATIONSHIP MAY BE NOTEWORTHY ONLY UNDER EXTREME CONDITIONS—SUCH AS THE INSTANCE WHERE A PAROLE/PROBATION OFFICER HAS SO MANY CASES HE HAS NO CHANCE TO TREAT ANY OF THEM. AMONG THEIR SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH IN THIS AREA, THE AUTHORS SUGGEST THAT CASELOAD SIZES MIGHT BE DETERMINED ON A UNIT RATING BASIS. THIS WOULD INOLVE ASSIGNING VALUES TO THE EXPECTED DIFFICULTY OF EACH CASE AND IT WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE NUMBER OF PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATIONS EXPECTED OF A CASEWORKER. A 71-ITEM BIBLIOGRAPHY IS INCLUDED.

Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

Availability: National Center for Juvenile Justice, 3900 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15260; NCJRS Microfiche Program.


STUDY OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF A COMMUNITY BASED CORRECTIONAL PROGRAM IN PORTLAND (OR) TO PROVIDE INTENSIVE PROBATION AND COUNSELING SERVICES TO JUVENILES WHO HAVE COMMITTED CERTAIN TARGET CRIMES. THIS PROJECT WAS UNDERTAKEN TO REDUCE THE FREQUENCY WITH WHICH OFFENDERS SERVICED BY CMCS (CASE MANAGEMENT CORRECTIONS SERVICES) COMMIT TARGET OFFENSES. THE TARGET OFFENSES ARE IDENTIFIED AS BURGLARY, ROBBERY, ASSAULT, HOMICIDE, RAPE, AND MENACING WITH A WEAPON WHEN SUCH CRIMES DO NOT INVOLVE PERSONS WELL KNOWN TO THE OFFENDER. DATA BASED ON IN-SERVICE AND POST-SERVICE OFFENSES COMMITTED BY CMCS CLIENTS IS COMPARED WITH SIMILAR DATA FOR JUVENTILE OFFENDERS ROUTED THROUGH THE COURT SYSTEM. THE CMCS PROGRAM WAS ABLE TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE TOTAL OFFENSE BEHAVIOR OF THEIR CLIENTS DURING AND AFTER SUPERVISION COMPARED TO REGULAR COURT CONTROL CLIENTS. FOR PREVIOUS EVALUATIONS, SEE NCJ-15722, 15723, 18835, NCJ-19550, AND 28856.


22. PIMA COUNTY JUVENILE COURT CENTER, 2225 EAST AJO WAY, TUCSON AZ 85713. NEW MODEL OF JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM. 69 p. 1972. NCJ-100117


Availability: Pima County Juvenile Court Center, 2225 East Ajo Way, Tucson AZ 85713. NCJRS Microfiche Program.

23. WORCESTER JUVENILE COURT, 75 GROVE STREET, WORCESTER MA 01605; YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES UPHOLED, INC. 75-G GROVE STREET, WORCESTER MA 01605. DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION—DATA ON ONE COMMUNITY BASED ANSWER. 114 p. NCJ-32758

AN EVALUATION, BASED ON INTERVIEWS AND JUVENILES AND RECIDIVISM DATA, OF YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES UPHOLED, INC., INTENSIVE PROBATION PROGRAM, A COMMUNITY BASED RECRUTING PROGRAM ESTABLISHED IN 1971 IN WORCESTER, MA. OFFENDERS ARE DIRECTED TO THE PROGRAM BY THE COURT. THEY ATTEND ONE WEEK LONG PROGRAM ON A DAILY BASIS, AFTER SCHOOL, FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER TWELVE WEEKS ON A WEEKLY BASIS, AND A FINAL TWELVE WEEKS WHICH INCLUDE A TERMINATION INTERVIEW AND EVALUATION. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES COUNSELING, FAMILY THERAPY, MEDICAL CARE, GROUP 'RAPS', EDUCATION-VOCATION ASSISTANCE, AND RECREATION. DATA INDICATE THAT THE LIKELIHOOD OF RECIDIVISM IS ABOUT EQUAL FOR PROGRAM AND REGULAR PROBATION YOUTH, ALTHOUGH EIGHT PERCENT OF PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS WERE EFFECTIVELY TREATED WHILE CONTINUING TO LIVE AT HOME AND ATTEND THEIR OWN SCHOOLS. ANTISOCIAL PASSIVE AND ANTISOCIAL AGGRESSIVE OFFENDERS WERE FOUND TO BE MOST DIFFICULT TO TREAT. PARTICIPANTS TENDED TO VIEW THE PROGRAM IN POSITIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE TERMS. THE REPORT CONCLUDES, HOWEVER, THAT THERE CONTINUES TO BE A NEED FOR INTENSIVE, SECURE TREATMENT FACILITIES FOR A SMALL NUMBER OF OFFENDERS WHO REMAIN BEYOND THE REACH OF COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS.

Availability: NCJRS Microfiche Program.
CONTRACT PROBATION


Probation officers can use the social work concept of 'setting the contract' to give clarity to their role and avoid the disillusionment of trying to accomplish the impossible. Three types of contracts are described (the barebones legal contract, the counseling contract, and the supportive relationship). It is important to include the probationer in the contract. Once the type of contract is decided upon, the probation officer can determine the necessary amount of time to allocate for each client.


Suggested objectives for achieving correction of delinquent behavior in juveniles over a reasonable period of time through the supervision of probation officials are presented. In order to supervise adequate probation procedures, a systems approach to probation, which utilizes specific actions performed by members of a probation team, is necessary. The basic goal of probation supervision is to correct the delinquent behavior of the juvenile. Objectives for reaching that goal are controlling the behavior of the child so that he may be able to function in the community, protecting the community from further delinquent crimes, helping the child realize that he must account for his own behavior, and providing parental guidance to enable parents to achieve control of the juvenile's development and behavior. Procedures for reaching these objectives are suggested as follows: (1) use of a written probation contract clearly pointing out behavior expectations and consequences for violation; (2) monitoring juvenile behavior through consistent surveillance by probation officers; (3) enforcement of violations of the contract; and placing responsibility on the parents for assuming the central role in the care and supervision of the child.


Results of a study which tested the effects on compliance with parole conditions when positive contingencies of reinforcement were used in the form of contingency contracts. Instead of applying the usual negative sanctions such as incarceration or additional fines to motivate probationers, this study proposes the use of positive contingencies. A contingency contract is defined here as the written specifications of what reinforcers will be given if and when certain behaviors occur. Twenty subjects, male juvenile probationers ranging in age from 14 to 17 years, were selected randomly from a population pool of 86 boys placed on probation. Each of these boys was on probation for the first time and was ordered to pay fines by working at the neighborhood counseling houses. The boys were assigned to four groups—a control group, a group where a contingency of time off probation was applied for work done, a group where activities were the contingencies for work done, and a group where both time off probation and activities were the contingencies for work done. The boys were allowed to work any time the centers were open; it was found that the control group had a group total time of 6 hours and 45 minutes, the time off group had 50 hours and 30 minutes, the activity group had 127 hours and 45 minutes, and the combination group had 187 hours and 30 minutes. It is concluded that these reinforcing contingencies provide a means to encourage probationers to meet the work conditions set by the court. (Author abstract modified)


This three-year project was designed to develop a training program and train juvenile caseworkers and supervisors in applied behavioral analysis and the technique of contingency contracting. Other project objectives included developing data collection sys-
TEMs for client and field agent performance and comparing the effectiveness of behavioral strategies with that of other strategies. Individual chapters in this report cover the project procedure, characteristics of the caseworkers, characteristics of the subjects, field implementation/consultation, examples of client treatment and contract negotiation, and client outcome evaluation. Following a "triadic" implementation model, project staff first trained supervisory personnel who were in turn responsible for training their own staff. Thirty-three supervisors and 132 field officers from sixteen probation units located in eight adjacent counties participated in the project. They each received at least 40 hours of basic training and, together, approximately 2,000 hours of consultation in contingency contracting from project staff. Project evaluation showed that 91 percent of the supervisors and 77 percent of the field officers achieved 100 percent of the training objectives, although success in training was not predictive of field performance. Among the 412 project probationers, 46 percent of the behavior problems identified and targeted for change were in remission by the end of probation. When behavioral contracting was used, a significantly greater percentage of the problem behaviors was resolved—43 percent by the usual program versus 5 percent by contingency contracting. However, the difference in the six-month recidivism rates of contracted clients and noncontracted was not statistically significant. In addition, compared with regular units, officers in subsidy and special low-case load units wrote more contracts, wrote more high-quality contracts, and were more successful in remitting a greater percentage of problem behaviors, although a higher proportion of clients from subsidy units violated probation within six months. Recommendations for the future include adoption of long-range programs toward the goal of establishing continuous evaluation programs and requiring that all correctional personnel should have a basic knowledge of applied behavioral analysis. An extensive appendix contains copies of data collection instruments, for a training manual in contingency contracting. See NCJ-188707. (Author abstract modified)

Sponsoring Agencies: California Council on Criminal Justice, 7171 Bowling Drive, Sacramento CA 95823; US Department of Justice Law Enforcement Assistance Administration.

Availability: NCJRS Microfiche Program.


The author discusses the advantages of using behavioral contracts to control delinquent behavior and provides a system of establishing behavioral contracts as an aid to parents, teachers, and probation officers. Behavioral contracting involves the systematic negotiation between a mediator (parent, teacher, social worker, probation officer, unit counselor, or supervisor) and a target (delinquent adolescent) of the behaviors to be performed within a given environment and the specific reinforcing consequences to be provided when performance requirements are met. Suggested elements of the contract are listed. These include: 1) a behavior analysis of the behavior to be contracted; 2) specification of each condition in the contract; 3) fair treatment for both the contractor and contractee; 4) emphasis on positive terms of the contract; 5) use of an arbitrator in establishing the contract; 6) use of a written contract signed by all concerned parties; and 7) a listing of both the consequences of completion of the contracted behavior and the consequences which follow noncompletion. Several case studies and sample behavioral contracts are included. (Author abstract modified)

Availability: NCJRS Microfiche Program.


Following a discussion of reasons underlying conflicting trends in correctional reform, the use of contract programming in probation is explored as one approach to resolving this dilemma. Philosophically, correctional literature has reflected growing disenchantment with rehabilitative/reformative objectives and renewed interest in retributive or deterrent goals. Pragmatically, however, there has been increasing development in the use of community-based alternatives to institutionalization. The movement toward punitiveness is grounded in three factors: the heightened public desire for deterrence, the logic of retribution and the failure of rehabilitation. The movement toward alternatives to incarceration is based on a number of factors, among them the court's perception that incarceration is too severe either for some offenses or some offenders. However, sentences involving alternatives have come to be unfairly perceived as lenient, to avoid such a characterization, a policy of primary reliance on probation-based sentences is needed to provide a range of sentencing alternatives that could meet retributive/deterrent objectives as well as reformative/rehabilitative ones. Incarceration should be reserved for offenders with whom public protection objectives are mandatory. Contract programming in probation, similar to mutual agreement programming in parole, may be capable of satisfying these conflicting correctional approaches. Consideration of contract programming efforts in New York and Michigan suggests that they are rational approaches to structuring probation supervision. After conviction but before sentencing, nonserious offenders negotiate a contract detailing specific employment, education, and training goals and a program designed to meet them. The potential probationer is involved from the beginning in planning eventual supervision, and the sentencing judge is provided with additional information on program plans as well as on the client's motivations. A model for a contract probation program is proposed, with emphasis on minimizing the inherent disparities between the probationer and the court or probation department representatives in negotiations. Administrative preparations, client selection, contract negotiation, and modification, repercussions to the contract and evaluation procedures are discussed, along with appeal and evaluation processes. Reference notes are provided.

Availability: Institute for Scientific Information, 325 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia PA 19106.


A program of intensive, brief behavioral treatment was implemented with 26 male and female probationers and
THEIR FAMILIES; NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE WAS NOTED. THIS STUDY OF CONTINGENCY CONTRACTING WITH FAMILIES, WHICH HAS BECOME A POPULAR INTERVENTION STRATEGY FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS, WAS CONDUCTED IN VENTURA, CALIF. TWENTY-EIGHT FAMILIES WITH A PROBATIONER BETWEEN 14 AND 17 YEARS OF AGE WERE REFERRED TO THE VENTURA COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT; 16 COMPLETED THE FIRST HOME VISIT, 8 FINISHED THE BASELINE PERIOD, AND 8 COMPLETED THE FIRST 3 HOME INTERVENTIONS AND FOLLOWUP. THOSE WHO COMPLETED THE THREE WEEKLY FAMILY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS RECEIVED COMMUNICATION SKILLS TRAINING WITH VIDEOTAPE FEEDBACK AND CONTINGENCY CONTRACTS WERE DRAWN. BEHAVIORS MEASURED WERE VERBAL ABUSIVENESS, CURFEW COMPLIANCE, SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, AND PERFORMANCE OF CHORES. THE ONLY BEHAVIOR THAT SHOWED ANY MARKED CHANGE WAS VERBAL ABUSIVENESS AND THEN ONLY IN THE THREE CASES IN WHICH THE ADOLESCENT CONTRACTED TO REDUCE VERBAL ABUSIVENESS. THE OTHER BEHAVIORS WERE ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED BY THE INTERVENTION, EVEN WHEN CHANGE HAD BEEN CONTRACTED FOR. IT IS CONCLUDED THAT BY THE TIME A CHILD REACHES ADOLESCENCE, THE PARENTS HAVE LOST MUCH OF THEIR REINFORCEMENT CONTROL OVER THEIR OFFSPRING; THUS, WITHOUT ENGAGING THE PEER GROUP IN AN INTERVENTION STRATEGY LITTLE CAN BE DONE WITH FAMILY THERAPY ALONE. WITH LESS DEVIAN'T AND DISORGANIZED FAMILIES, CONTINGENCY CONTRACTING MAY BE EFFECTIVE. AT PRESENT THIS TECHNIQUE SHOULD BE USED WITH CAUTION AND ONLY FOR LIMITED OBJECTIVES.

Sponsoring Agency: CALIFORNIA COUNCIL ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE, 7171 BOWLING DRIVE, SACRAMENTO CA 95823.


THIS MANUAL IN JUVENILE CORRECTIONS CASEWORK WAS DESIGNED TO TEACH CASeworkERS HOW TO ANALYZE AND EVALUATE THEIR WORK AND TO INTRODUCE WORKER CONTINGENCY MANAGEMENT USING APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS. THIS TRAINING MANUAL WAS DEVELOPED FROM MATERIALS USED IN TRAINING PAROLE, PROBATION, AND INSTITUTIONAL STAFF OF EIGHT NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNTY AND STATE AGENCIES PARTICIPATING IN THE COOPERATIVE BEHAVIOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECT. THE GOALS OF THIS PROJECT WERE THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVALUATION METHODOLOGIES IN COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENTS AND STATE PAROLE CENTERS AND THE SUBSEQUENT EVALUATION OF CLIENT OUTCOMES OF THE TREATMENT PROVIDED BY THOSE DEPARTMENTS. THIS MANUAL FIRST DESCRIBES HOW CONTINGENCY MANAGEMENT AND APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS HAVE DEVELOPED HISTORICALLY, AND HOW IT MAY BE USED TO EVALUATE CASEWORK IN GENERAL. IT THEN EXPLAINS THE NECESSARY COMPONENTS OF CASEWORK EVALUATION, PROVIDING STUDY MATERIALS AND EXERCISES DESIGNED TO PREPARE CASeworkERS TO EVALUATE THEIR INTERVENTIONS. A THIRD SECTION INTRODUCES CASEWORKERS TO THE CONTINGENCY CONTRACTING STRATEGY AND INCLUDES STUDY EXERCISES AND MATERIALS TO PREPARE TRAINEES TO APPLY THE STRATEGY AND TO EVALUATE ITS APPLICATIONS. EACH MAJOR SECTION OF THE MANUAL INCLUDES TWO OR THREE STUDY UNITS, PRECEDED BY STUDY-GUIDE QUESTIONS. FIELD EXERCISES ARE EMPHASIZED; ONE GUIDES THE TRAINEE THROUGH AN ACTUAL CASEWORK EVALUATION AND ANOTHER DIRECTS THE TRAINEE THROUGH THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION, AND EVALUATION OF A CONTINGENCY CONTRACTING EFFORT. A FOUR-PAGE LIST OF REFERENCES IS INCLUDED. APPENDED ARE SAMPLE PROJECT DATA COLLECTION INSTRUMENTS AND COPIES OF SEVERAL CONTRACT FORMS.

FOR THE FINAL REPORT ON THE COOPERATIVE BEHAVIOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECT, SEE NCJ-19848.

Sponsoring Agencies: CALIFORNIA COUNCIL ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE, 7171 BOWLING DRIVE, SACRAMENTO CA 95823; US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
PEER GROUP COUNSELING

32. R. G. JOEHN. PEER GROUP COUNSELING—A SCHOOL-BASED JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM. GATEWAY INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC. 92 p. 1976. NCJ-30621

EVALUATION REPORT ON A PROGRAM TO DIVERT JUVENILES FROM FURTHER INVOLVEMENT OR FUTURE INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM OR DRUGS THROUGH THE USE OF DAILY PEER GROUP MEETINGS IN 11 SCHOOLS. THESE 11 ROCK ISLAND (IL) SCHOOLS CONSIST OF A HIGH SCHOOL, FOUR JUNIOR HIGH, AND SIX ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS. THE GROUPS ARE COMPRISED OF THE NATURAL LEADERS IN EACH SCHOOL. PARTICULAR EFFORT IS MADE TO INVOLVE STUDENTS WHO ARE USING THEIR LEADERSHIP ABILITIES IN A HARMFUL WAY. OTHER, MORE PASSIVE STUDENTS MAY BE ADDED WHO ARE IN NEED OF REPRESSION OR BASIC VALUES CLARIFICATION. ALTHOUGH THE CORE OF THE GROUP CONSISTS OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND MEETINGS FULL-TIME, OTHERS ATTEND ON A PART-TIME BASIS OFTEN TO DEAL WITH A SPECIFIC PROBLEM. A CENTER FOR YOUTH SERVICES GROUP LEADER IS ALSO PRESENT AT THE MEETINGS. THE EVALUATION CONSISTS OF MEASUREMENTS OF THE BEHAVIORAL AND ATTITUDINAL IMPACTS OF THE PROGRAM ON STUDENT PARTICIPANTS AND OF OBSERVERS' PERCEPTIONS OF THE VALUE OF THE PROGRAM.

Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


THE IMPACT OF A PEER GROUP COUNSELING (PGC) PROGRAM IN BERRIEN COUNTY, MICH., ON STUDENT BEHAVIOR, VALUES, AND ATTITUDES IS EXAMINED. PGC CONSIDERS ITSELF A JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM. REFERRALS MAY COME FROM SCHOOL OFFICIALS, PGC GROUP LEADERS, PARENTS, TEACHERS, OR COMMUNITY AGENCIES. PGC IS A GROUP COUNSELING PROGRAM WHOSE GROUPS ARE LED BY NATURAL LEADERS IN EACH SCHOOL. EACH GROUP IS COMPRISED OF 10 TO 12 STUDENTS OF THE SAME SEX. PGC OPERATES ON A PROBLEM-SOLVING APPROACH, AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE GROUP PROCESS WILL GENERATE A CULTURE OF CARING. THE EVALUATION OF PGC WAS DESIGNED TO MEASURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAM IN FOUR BERRIEN COUNTY SCHOOLS. A VARIETY OF QUESTIONNAIRES AND INTERVIEW SCHEDULES WERE ADMINISTERED TO AN UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF. STUDENTS REPORTED THAT PGC MADE THEM MORE RESPONSIBLE, INCREASED SELF-ESTEEM, AND MADE THEM BETTER PEOPLE. ALMOST 87 PERCENT OF THE PARTICIPANTS AGREED OR STRONGLY AGREED THAT THE PROGRAM WAS WORTHWHILE. PGC WAS SEEN ALSO AS CONTRIBUTING TO A FAVORABLE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND AS DEVELOPING IN-SCHOOL FEELINGS OF RESPONSIBILITY. A HIGHER EMphasis ON HELPING AND CARING IS ALSO ATTRIBUTED TO PGC'S PROGRAM. IN THE AREA OF BEHAVIORAL CHANGE, PGC IMPACTED SIGNIFICANTLY ON THE RATES OF DISCIPLINARY VIOLATIONS, DELINQUENT BEHAVIOR, AND DRUG USE. PGC DID NOT BRING ABOUT A LOWER TRUANCY RATE. THE SURVEY OF FACULTY AND STAFF REVEALED GENERAL SUPPORT FOR THE PROGRAM, WITH COUNSELORS BEING LESS RECEPTIVE THAN MOST OTHERS. GOAL ACHIEVEMENT COULD NOT BE ASSESSED AT THIS TIME, BUT CONTINUED FUNDING IS URGED. TABLES AND DATA-COLLECTION INSTRUMENTS ARE INCLUDED.

Sponsoring Agency: MICHIGAN OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAMS, LEWIS CABS BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR, LANSING MI 48913.

Availability: BERRIEN COUNTY JUVENILE COURT DIRECTOR OF COURT SERVICES, COURTHOUSE, ST JOSEPH MI 49085.

34. BRUCE ELLIOTT MALT ASSOCIATES, P O BOX 240066, MIAMI FL 33124. LONG WAY THERE. 1978. NCJ-50648

THREE MIAMI, FLORIDA, HALFWAY HOUSES FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS ARE DESCRIBED IN THIS VIDEOTAPE PROGRAM. INTENDED FOR USE BY COMMUNITY INTEREST GROUPS, PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICERS, CORRECTIONAL WORKERS WHO DEAL WITH JUVENILES, AND PARENTS, THE PROGRAM FEATURES TALKS WITH STAFFS OF THE CENTERS, VOlunteER WORKERS, AND THE OFFENDERS. THE BASIC FUNCTIONS OF EACH TREATMENT PROGRAM ARE DISCUSSED, EXPLAINING HOW EACH HALFWAY HOUSE USES YOUTH COUNSELORS AND PEER GROUP COUNSELING TO HELP REHABILITATE THE CLIENTS. THE REHABILITATIVE EFFECTS OF THE CENTERS ARE DESCRIBED, SHOWING THAT THE COMMUNITY TREATMENT PROGRAMS HELP CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN IN TROUBLE WITH THE LAW. RESULTS OF STUDIES HAVE INDICATED THAT COMMUNITY-BASED CENTERS ARE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN INCARCERATING JUVENILES IN AN INSTITUTION, AND THEY HAVE ALSO PROVEN TO BE AN ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY. THE INTERVIEWS WITH THE OFFENDERS SHOW THAT THEY PREFER THIS FORM OF REHABILITATIVE TREATMENT TO THE TRADITIONAL TYPES OF INCARCERATION,
PEER GROUP COUNSELING

AND THEY ALSO THINK THAT THE PROGRAMS ARE WORTHWHILE AND EFFECTIVE.

Supplemental Notes: 40 MINUTES, COLOR VIDEOCASSETTE, 1978 RENTAL AVAILABLE.

Sponsoring Agency: FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, FLORIDA STATE OFFICE BUILDING, 1350 NORTHWEST 12TH AVENUE, MIAMI FL 33136.

Availability: BRUCE ELLIOTT MALT ASSOCIATES, P O BOX 249865, MIAMI FL 33124. (Film)


FIVE SEPARATE EVALUATION PERSPECTIVES OF THIS YOUTH DIVERSION DEMONSTRATION PROJECT WHICH USES A TREATMENT PROCESS OF FAMILY, INDIVIDUAL, AND PEER COUNSELING. THIS REPORT PRESENTS CASE RECORD FINDINGS AND DESCRIBES THE TREATMENT MODALITIES EMPLOYED BY THE ALTERNATE ROUTES STAFF. PARENT-YOUTH ASSESSMENTS OF THE PROJECT AND THE EFFECTIVENESS OF ITS SERVICES ARE ALSO DISCUSSED. A COST COMPARISON STUDY OF THE TREATMENT PROCESS WITH THAT OF THE MORE TRADITIONAL JUSTICE SYSTEM IS CARRIED OUT. FINDINGS ARE DOCUMENTED BASED UPON PERSONAL INTERVIEWS WITH COMMUNITY LEADERS. THE STUDY POINTS OUT THAT NOT ONLY HAVE THE GOALS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED BUT THAT THE PROJECT HAS BEEN WELL RECEIVED IN THE CITIES OF PLACENTA AND FOUNTAIN VALLEY. GENERALLY, YOUTH AND PARENTS LIKE THE PROGRAM AND AGREE IT IS HELPING YOUTH. POLICE AND SCHOOLS STATE THE PROJECT IS ENABLING THEM TO DIVERT YOUTH FROM THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM. AN ANALYSIS OF CASE RECORDS SUGGEST THE TREATMENT PROCESS IS A HIGHLY EFFECTIVE MEANS TO REDUCE INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR AND SOCIAL DYSFUNCTION. IT ALSO POINTS OUT THE METHODS OF TREATMENT EMPLOYED IN PROVIDING THIS TREATMENT FROM COUNSELOR TO YOUTH AND FAMILY. FINALLY, THE STUDY REVEALS THAT ALTERNATE ROUTES HAVE REDUCED TIME REQUIRED OF THE TRADITIONAL JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM TO PROVIDE TREATMENT FOLLOWING ARREST TO AN AVERAGE OF 27 DAYS. AN ANALYSIS OF THE COST SAVINGS CASE RECORD SUGGESTS THE ALTERNATE ROUTES PROJECT HOLDS CONSIDERABLE COST REDUCTION POTENTIAL FOR THE ENTIRE ORANGE COUNTY JUSTICE SYSTEM. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)

Sponsoring Agency: ORANGE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT, P O BOX 10260, SANTA ANA CA 92711.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

36. D. WALES. SOLUTIONS TO VANDALISM. RAINBOW PRODUCTIONS, INC. 345 WEST FULLERTON AVENUE, PARKWAY, CHICAGO IL 60614. 1978. NCJ-48807

THIS FILM IS INTENDED FOR USE BY EDUCATORS, POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS DEPARTMENTS, AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS, AND SHOWS WHAT SEVERAL COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAVE DONE ABOUT THE PROBLEM OF VANDALISM. THE FILM DEPICTS HOW SIX DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES HAVE CONFRONTED WILLFUL DESTRUCTION AND VIOLENCE IN THEIR AREAS. LOCAL LEADERS HAVE TAKEN THE INITIATIVE IN EACH OF THE COMMUNITIES AND FOUND SOLUTIONS TO VANDALISM—IN LARGE CITIES LIKE PITTSBURGH, PA., WHERE SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE INVOLVED IN VANDALISM PATROLS; IN SEATTLE, WASH., WHERE A STUDENT VANDALISM COMMITTEE CONDUCTS HEARINGS ON CASES OF VANDALISM; AND IN LOS ANGELES, CALIF., WHERE A SCHOOL PRINCIPAL INVOLVED PARENTS AND TEACHERS IN AN ANTI-VANDALISM CAMPAIGN. IN SMALLER URBAN AREAS, SUCH AS BILLINGS, MONT., STUDENTS WERE GIVEN A CHANCE TO WORK IN THE CAFETERIA, OFFICE AND LIBRARY IN ORDER TO IN-STILL IN THEM A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT VANDALISM. THE SUBURBAN AREA OF WAUWATOSA, WISC., CONDUCTED A VANDALISM AWARENESS PROGRAM, WHERE OLDER STUDENTS TALKED TO THE YOUNGER STUDENTS ABOUT VANDALISM; AND IN BERrien COUNTY, MICH., A PEER GROUP COUNSELING PROGRAM IS USED TO COUNTERACT VANDALISM. THESE PROGRAMS HAVE YIELDED DEFINITE COST SAVINGS AS WELL AS LESS TANGIBLE BUT PERHAPS EVEN MORE SIGNIFICANT RESULTS, SUCH AS DIVERTING YOUTH FROM DESTRUCTIVE PURSUITS TOWARD PRODUCTIVE ACTIVITY. POSSIBLY THE MOST IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THESE PROGRAMS IS THE FACT THAT THE SOLUTIONS WERE NOT HANDED DOWN FROM WASHINGTON OR STATE CAPITALS, BUT WERE DEVELOPED IN THE AFFECTED COMMUNITIES BY LOCAL PEOPLE THEMSELVES, RURAL, URBAN, AND SUBURBAN COMMUNITIES HAVE EACH BEEN ABLE TO MEET AND DEVISE INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS TO SOLVE THEIR OWN VANDALISM PROBLEMS. THE FILM IS INTENDED TO SPARK ENTHUSIASM FOR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO FIGHT VANDALISM.

Supplemental Notes: 35 MINUTES, 16MM COLOR, 1978.

Availability: PERENNIAL EDUCATION, INC, 477 ROGER WILLIAMS, P O BOX 655, RAVINA, HIGHLAND PARK IL 60035. Stock Order No. 1080. (Film)


PROBATION SUPERVISION PROGRAM IN CALIFORNIA DESIGNED TO HELP YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS AFTER THEIR RELEASE FROM CORRECTIONAL CAMPS. FAMILY COUNSELING, PEER GROUP SESSIONS, PARENT AND YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS, AND REFERRALS TO MEDICAL AND PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES WERE UTILIZED IN TREATMENT EFFORTS. THIS GUIDANCE PROJECT REDUCED THE PERCENTAGE OF RECIDIVISM AND FURTHER DELINQUENT BEHAVIOR BY JUVENILE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.
FAMILY COUNSELING

38. AKRON (OH)—LIEBERMAN FAMILY CRISIS CENTER—EXEMPLARY PROJECT VALIDATION REPORT. 64 p. 1975. NCJ-30725

This project was designed to serve youth whose antisocial or deviant behavior is determined to be a function of the breakdown in family communications and interpersonal relationships. Youths who are referred at intake to the family center participate with their families in a process of short-term (90 days), goal-specific, conjoint therapy, which is based on the premise that the youth's behavior is inextricably dependent upon the interactions of the family members, and that in order to treat one, all members must be involved. Attempts are made to induce specific behavioral changes and, through them, to establish within the family the capacity to resolve other problems that may arise in the future. The eligibility of potential project participants was according to criteria thought to be indicative of amenability to family therapy and included seriousness of offense, duration of the problem leading to the court referral, prior contact with social and legal agencies, behavior, parental and family structure, effect demonstrated by family members, socio-economic level, school performance, and family willingness to engage in conjoint counseling. This validation report examines project strengths and weaknesses in relation to the exemplary project selection criteria of goal achievement, replicability, measurability, efficiency, and accessibility. Major project strengths included project integration into the operation of the juvenile court and a well conceived and executed training program; project weaknesses involved problems of program evaluation caused by a lack of similarity between control and experimental groups and a strained relationship between the center and its referral source, the intake probation office. This project did not receive an exemplary designation. (Author abstract modified)


Availability: ABT ASSOCIATES, INC, 55 WHEELER STREET, CAMBRIDGE MA 02138; NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


Review of a project that applied a family counseling and systems analysis approach to working with delinquent and predelinquent youth, providing a viable alternative for youth who encounter the criminal justice system. Since the project's inception in January 1976, it has received self, school, police, and probation referrals. One of its goals was to avoid negative labeling of youth who are involved in the program. The project was also designed to demonstrate interagency and intergovernmental cooperation. Presented in the report is information on the staff, the client population served, cost analysis, and feedback on the project. (Author abstract)

Sponsoring Agency: PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR'S JUSTICE COMMISSION ALLEGHENY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


This research design tested the efficacy of a short-term, specific, behavioral family treatment for delinquent teenagers. Based on prior family interaction studies and a systems conceptualization of deviant behavior, a specific, short-term behaviorally oriented family intervention program designed to increase family reciprocity, clarity of communication, and contingency contracting was developed for delinquent teenagers. The results indicated that 45 families receiving the program demonstrated significant changes in three family interaction measures at the end of therapy, and also significantly reduced recidivism rates at follow-up when compared to 39 families receiving alternate forms of family therapy and a total of 52 families receiving no professional treatment. The study emphasized the utility of a therapy evaluation philosophy that includes a clear description of intervention techniques, a description of expected process

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
CHANGES. STRINGENT NONREACTIVE OUTCOME MEASURES, AND CONTROLS FOR MATURATION AND ATTENTION PLACEBOS. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT)


CHANGES IN BEHAVIOR OF SIBLINGS OF 27 BOYS JUDGED PREDELINQUENT AND REFERRED FOR FAMILY BEHAVIOR THERAPY INTERVENTION ARE OBSERVED; SIBLING BEHAVIOR IMPROVED. PARENTS OF 27 BOYS WHOSE AGGRESSIVE OR DEVIAN BEHAVIOR HAD LED THEM TO BE LABELED 'PREDELINQUENT' WERE REFERRED TO THE SOCIAL LEARNING PROJECT AT THE OREGON RESEARCH INSTITUTE BY COMMUNITY AGENCIES. AT THE PROJECT THESE PARENTS WERE TRAINED IN SOCIAL LEARNING TECHNIQUES OF CHILD MANAGEMENT. TRAINED OBSERVERS WENT INTO THE HOMES OVER A 12-MONTH PERIOD TO OBSERVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE NEW TECHNIQUES OF CHILD MANAGEMENT. THIS HOME OBSERVATION DATA SHOWED THAT AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR FOR THE TREATED BOYS DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY BELOW 450 AGGRESSIVE RESPONSES PER MINUTE, THE MOST EFFICIENT CUTTING SCORE FOR DIFFERENTIATING SUCH BEHAVIOR. HOWEVER, THESE OBSERVATIONS ALSO SHOWN CHANGES IN SIBLING BEHAVIOR. DURING BASELINE OBSERVATIONS DEVIAN SCORES FOR THE PROBLEM CHILDREN WERE 798, FOR THE SIBLINGS 563. BY THE END OF THE STUDY DEVIAN BEHAVIOR SCORES FOR BOTH SIBLINGS AND PROBLEM CHILDREN HAD DROPPED TO UNDER 390. COMPLETE 12-MONTH FOLLOWUP WAS AVAILABLE FOR 16 FAMILIES. IN THESE THE CHANGES IN SIBLING BEHAVIOR CONTINUED TO IMPROVE. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT OFTEN AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR IN THE 'PROBLEM' CHILD IS TRIGGERED BY THE SIBLING AND, CONVERSELY, A PROBLEM CHILD TRIGGERS AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR. IT IS APPARENT THAT THE PARENTS WHO RECEIVE THE INTERVENTION TRAINING LEARN A SET OF SKILLS WHICH THEY CAN APPLY TO ALL THEIR CHILDREN AND THAT INTERVENTION WITH ONE CHILD CHANGES THE WHOLE FAMILY SYSTEM.


42. R. BARON and F. FEENEY. JUVENILE DIVERSION THROUGH FAMILY COUNSELING—AN EXEMPLARY PROJECT. 441 p. 1976. NCJ-330282


Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LEAA NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE, 1800 FIFTH AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20537

Availability: GPO. Stock Order No. 027-000-00371-1; UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS CENTER ON ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DAVIS CA 95616.

43. R. BARON. PROBATION OFFICERS, FAMILY CRISIS COUNSELING AND JUVENILE DIVERSION (PARTS 1 AND 2). 472 p. 1977. NCJ-49344

JUVENILE PROBATION

TIONAL COURT PROCEDURE TO SUCCESSFULLY HANDLE STATUS OFFENDERS, AND THE PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN IMPLEMENTING THE FAMILY THERAPY PROGRAM ARE ALL DISCUSSED. THE BASIC CONCEPTS OF FAMILY CRISIS COUNSELING ARE EXPLAINED AND APPLICATION OF THESE CONCEPTS IN THE CRISIS SETTING IS DETAILED. THE THESIS ALSO COVERS APPLICATION OF THE BASIC CONCEPTS OF FAMILY CRISIS COUNSELING TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, TO PROBATION OFFICERS AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS PARENTS, AND TO SPECIAL DIVERSION UNITS WITHIN A DEPARTMENT. INTAKE AND DISPOSITION OF CASES AND PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS ARE COVERED. THE MANUAL CONTAINS SAMPLES OF ALL FORMS USED IN THE PROJECT, AN OVERVIEW OF SIMILAR PROJECTS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES, A PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR PROBATION COUNSELORS, A PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR TRAINERS, AND A PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR SUPERVISORS. EACH MANUAL CONTAINS NUMEROUS CASE STUDIES AND SAMPLE THERAPY INTERACTIONS. TABLES PRESENT STATISTICS FROM THE SACRAMENTO PROJECT. REFERENCES ARE PROVIDED.

Supplemental Notes: WRIGHT INSTITUTE—DOCTORAL DISSERTATION.

Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR MI 48106. Stock Order No. 77-29,584.

44. D. BEAL and P. DUCKRO. FAMILY COUNSELING AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO LEGAL ACTION FOR THE JUVENILE STATUS OFFENDER. JOURNAL OF CLINICAL COUNSELING, 225 YALE AVENUE, CLAREMONT CA 91711. JOURNAL OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELING (JANUARY 1977), P 77-81. NCJ-40766

DESCRIPTION AND EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF A FAMILY COUNSELING INTERVENTION PROGRAM THAT IS OPERATING IN A LARGE SOUTHWESTERN CITY TO DEAL WITH JUVENILE STATUS OFFENDERS. THE INTERVENTION IS BASED ON A PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH AND IS OPERATING THROUGH FAMILY COUNSELORS, 225 YALE AVENUE, CLAREMONT CA 91711. JOURNAL OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELING (JANUARY 1977), P 77-81. NCJ-40766


FIRST-OFFENDER YOUTHS WERE SUCCESSFULLY REHABILITATED THROUGH A TREATMENT METHOD THAT USED FAMILY THERAPY IN COUNSELING THE JUVENILES. REDUCTION OF THE NUMBER OF CASES BEING HANDLED BY THE JUVENILE COURT WAS THE RESULT OBTAINED BY THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY DIVERSION PROJECT THROUGH SHORT-TERM FAMILY COUNSELING. THIS TECHNIQUE WAS USED BY THE JUVENILE HALL WHICH DEVELOPED A TREATMENT UNIT CALLED THE PREPLACEMENT INTERVENTION TEAM (PIT). THE TEAM OPERATED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTEXT OF A JUVENILE HALL SIMILAR TO THE FAMILY SETTING OF YOUTHS WHO WERE SUCCESSFULLY RETURNED TO THEIR FAMILIES. ALL PIT RESIDENTS HOME-PLACEMENT FAILURES WHO HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THEIR HOMES BY COURT ORDER TO AWAIT OTHER PLACEMENT. GROUP THERAPY WAS STRUCTURED WITHIN THREE GROUPS: ONE GROUP FOR THE YOUNGER RESIDENTS PROVIDED ACTIVE TECHNIQUES SUCH AS SCULPTING, ART, AND ROLE PLAYING; A

SECOND GROUP FOR OLDER RESIDENTS WHO DEMONSTRATED MORE MATURE PROBLEM-SOLVING ABILITIES; AND A THIRD GROUP FOR THOSE RESIDENTS WHO DID NOT APPEAR TO FIT INTO EITHER OF THE OTHER GROUPS. ALL GROUPS WERE COED. THE SAMPLE INCLUDED 41 RESIDENTS. THE FINDINGS SHOWED THAT 71 PERCENT OF THE PIT YOUTHS WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN DESIGNATED HOME-PLACEMENT FAILURES WERE STILL AT HOME AFTER PARTICIPATING IN THE PIT PROGRAM. THIS STUDY IS CONSIDERED TO BE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO EXPERIMENT WITH FAMILY COUNSELING WITH GROUPS OF INCARCERATED HOME-FAILURE YOUTHS.

46. A. GIROLAMO. JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND FAMILY CASEWORK IN PROBATION AND PAROLE. NEW YORK STATE PROBATION AND PAROLE ASSOCIATION. PROBATION AND PAROLE, N 5 (SUMMER 1973), P 51-63, NCJ-12242

DEVELOPMENTAL PROCESSES AND DELINQUENCY CAUSATION AS A BASIS FOR UNDERSTANDING THE IMPORTANCE OF INTENSIVE FAMILY THERAPY IN THE TREATMENT PROCESS. A BASIC PREMISE OF THIS PAPER IS THAT TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION OF JUVENILE DELINQUENTS WHICH IGNORES WORK WITH THE FAMILY MAY BE INJURIOUS TO THE CHILD'S WELFARE WHERE HE/SHE IS RETURNED TO HIS/HER HOME AND COMMUNITY. FOCUSING UPON DELINQUENCY CAUSATION, THIS PAPER EXAMINES THE PSYCHOLOGICAL, SOCIOLOGICAL, AND FAMILIAR DIMENSIONS OF DEVELOPMENT, DRAWING ON PREVIOUS RESEARCH AND THEORY, IN ILLUSTRATING THE APPLICATION OF FAMILY CASEWORK WITH JUVENILE OFFENDERS, THE AUTHORS DISCUSS THE CASEWORK POLICY AT AN INSTITUTION FOR BOYS ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT BY THE FAMILY COURTS OF NEW YORK STATE. REFERENCES ARE INCLUDED. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)

47. W. GRAY and L. R. GRAY. SYSTEM SPECIFICS IN 'BREAK-IN'—A THERAPEUTIC APPROACH. JOURNAL OF JUVENILE FAMILY COURT CLINIC IN THE MALDEN DISTRICT COURT IN MASSACHUSETTS USED THIS KNOWLEDGE OF SYSTEM PRECURSOR-SYSTEM FORMATION MECHANISMS TO TREAT JUVENILE AND YOUNG ADULT OFFENDERS CHARGED WITH THE CRIME OF BREAKING AND ENTERING. THE REALIZATION THAT THESE OFFENDERS WERE FREQUENTLY THE VICTIMS OF, AND THEREFORE REACTING TO, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL 'LOCK-OUT' IN THEIR PERSONAL LIVES LEAD TO THE FORMATION OF A SYSTEM DIAGRAM WHICH, WITH THE HELP OF ROLEPLAYING, PSYCHODRAMA, AND FAMILY THERAPY, ALLOWED FOR THE IDENTIFICATION AND ACTING OUT OF LEGALLY AND SOCIALLY APPROPRIATE (NON-CRIMINAL) FORMS OF 'BREAK-IN' (INTERRUPT, CONTRADICT, CONFRONT). SIX BRIEF CASE STUDIES ARE PRESENTED TO ILLUSTRATE THE USE OF THE LOCK OUT-BREAK IN PARADIGM.

An approach to dealing with families' resistance to participating in the therapy of a delinquent family member is discussed, like psychosomatic patients. Families of delinquents tend to focus on the symptom and to demand its removal, i.e., the families emphasize the delinquent member's behavior, demanding changes in that behavior but refuse to recognize the situation which gives rise to the behavior. This attitude accounts for the unwillingness of many families to become involved in the treatment of a delinquent member. By not participating, families attempt to ensure that nothing will happen to disturb their customary way of functioning. Some families flatly refuse to accept a family evaluation, but most families will agree to a contract for three meetings. In the first meeting, during which families tend to 'tell tales', about the delinquent member, it is useful to ask members, how the child's delinquent behavior has affected them, thus encouraging family members to express their concerns and feelings. During the second meeting, the family should be encouraged to think about what their situation would be had the delinquency that brought them into contact with the court not occurred. The therapist must remember the nature of the problems that may be causing defensive behavior on the part of families (e.g., reluctance of parents to assume adult responsibility, marital conflict, a parent's alcoholism, a father's alienation from his family). Strategies of resistance—omission of a family member from a treatment session, the delinquent member's insistence upon being the family problem—should be recognized by the therapist and dealt with firmly yet gently. Although families generally are reluctant to hear the therapist's evaluation of their problems, there is evidence that therapists' statements and recommendations can provide some family members with the opportunity to free themselves of their situation. Two case studies are cited.


This report explores what value family therapy has and who can benefit from it. The data reported in this study are the result of therapy with families of adjudicated delinquent or pre-delinquent youth in Iowa. The evaluation, however, did not yield vital long-term follow-up data on the subject children and subject families. Therefore, the evaluation consultant recommended that consideration be given to a grant to provide for follow-up of the subjects in the evaluation. With the limited results that were obtained, it was demonstrated that family therapy can be helpful with delinquent and pre-delinquent children.

Supplemental Notes: Community Corrections Project No 702-73-00-0472-43-04.

Sponsoring Agencies: US Department of Justice Law Enforcement Assistance Administration; Iowa Crime Commission.

50. D. A. Shostak. Family Versus Individual-Oriented Behavior Therapy as Treatment Approaches to Juvenile Delinquency. 146 p. 1975. NCJ-45394

Research conducted to evaluate the relative effectiveness of the individual- and family-oriented treatment models of intervention for juvenile delinquents made use of matched subjects and uniform criteria. Most behavioral therapy efforts at the time of the study included the entire family of the delinquent in continuing treatment. The rationale behind the family focus rests on theory and research espousing a systems view of maladaptive behavior. Within this framework, 'symptoms' of the individual are seen as having a functional significance which can be understood within the context of that person's social or interpersonal matrix. By extension, change in the individual (i.e., the delinquent) can be achieved through a restructuring of the interaction at the level of the larger social unit (i.e., the family). The study was devised to determine empirically which intervention, individual-oriented behavior therapy (IOT), or family-oriented behavior therapy (FOT), is more effective in the treatment of delinquency. It was expected that the family focus would provide for greater improvement on process measures and fewer cases of recidivism than the individual focus. Experimental subjects and controls were status offender youths and their families referred to the University of Virginia's Department of Psychology by the Juvenile Court and other social service agencies in Charlottesville, Virginia. The names, court records, and demographic characteristics of each family were secured from a court-appointed probation officer. The 24 adolescent status offenders and their families were randomly assigned to 1 of 3 experimental conditions: FOT; IOT; or a waiting list control condition, in which treatment was deferred pending completion of the study. Following a series of 8 1-hour treatment sessions, clear behavioral outcome differences were found between groups, with FOT resulting in significantly fewer cases of court referral than IOT or controls. Consistent, although less concise, evidence in behalf of the greater effectiveness of FOT was found along therapeutic process dimensions. No improvements were found for IOT as compared with non-treated controls. The differential results for these two treatments are discussed from a systems perspective. Background information, research methodology, and results are described in depth. Tabular data are included throughout, and supporting documents are appended. References are provided. (Author Abstract Modified)

Supplemental Notes: UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA—DOCTORAL DISSERTATION.

Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR MI 48106.


The impact of CHIP is evaluated by comparing recidivism rates for CHIP clients with rates for other children in need of supervision (CHINS) offenders in Bernalillo County, New Mexico. CHIP is intended to divert status offenders away from traditional dispositions and toward special programs providing intensive individual and family counseling. A 50-percent random sample of CHIP cases served as the experimental groups in the evaluation. The control group was drawn from CHINS cases given other informal dispositions by the Juvenile Probation Office. Prior record and offense charged, the foremost contributors to recidivism, affected differences in posttreatment success between the two.
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GROUPS. CHIP CLIENTS HAD A SLIGHTLY HIGHER RECIDIVISM RATE THAN CONTROL CLIENTS, PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE GREATER PROPORTION OF RECIDIVISM-RELATED FACTORS AMONG CHIP CLIENTS. CHIP TENDED TO RECEIVE DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH NUMBERS OF HIGH-RISK CASES (RUNAWAYS AND CLIENTS WITH RECORDS OF PRIOR REFERRALS TO JUVENILE AUTHORITIES) AND DISPROPORTIONATELY LOW NUMBERS OF LOW-RISK CASES (E.G., SHOPLIFTING). NEVERTHELESS, 67 PERCENT OF THE CHIP CLIENTS STUDIED AVOIDED SUBSEQUENT CONTACT WITH JUVENILE AUTHORITIES. DETAILS OF EVALUATION METHODOLOGY AND SUPPORTING DATA ARE PROVIDED. TABULAR AND GRAPHIC DATA ARE INCLUDED.

Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.
Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

52. UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS CENTER ON ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DAVIS CA 95616. CONFERENCE ON FAMILY COUNSELING AND JUVENILE DIVERSION. 350 p. NCJ-32252
THE SACRAMENTO '601' JUVENILE COURT DIVERSION PROJECT FOR INCORRIGIBLE YOUTHS IS DESCRIBED. PROCEDURE MANUALS ARE PRESENTED IN ROUGH FORM FOR PROBATION COUNSELORS, TRAINERS, AND SUPERVISORS; FAMILY COUNSELING IS STRESSED. THE SACRAMENTO PROJECT PROVIDES INTENSIVE, IMMEDIATE FAMILY COUNSELING THERAPY FOR FAMILIES WITH INCORRIGIBLE CHILDREN WHO COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE POLICE. THIS REPORT DESCRIBES THE PROJECT, DISCUSSES WAYS OF DETERMINING WHETHER OTHER COMMUNITIES NEED SIMILAR PROJECTS, AND TELLS HOW TO SET THEM UP IF THERE IS NEED. THE FOUR TRAINING MANUALS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT—FOR PROBATION COUNSELORS, TRAINERS, SUPERVISORS, AND FAMILY COUNSELORS—ARE PRESENTED PARTLY IN THE FORM OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, AND PARTLY AS STRAIGHT EXPOSITORY MATERIAL. THE MANUAL FOR FAMILY COUNSELORS DISCUSSES SPECIFIC EXPERIENTIAL THERAPEUTIC TECHNIQUES THAT ARE USED IN THE PROJECT.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
TEAM PROBATION

53. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF THE YOUTH AUTHORITY, 4241 WILLIAMSBOROUGH DRIVE, SACRAMENTO CA 95823. INCREASED PAROLE EFFECTIVENESS PROGRAM. CALIFORNIA YOUTH AUTHORITY QUARTERLY, V 25, N 1, SPECIAL ISSUE (SPRING 1972), COMPLETE ISSUE. NCJ-103886

The statewide reorganization of parole by the California Youth Authority emphasizes a team approach. The increased parole effectiveness program (IPEP) is a planned approach to casework, case management, unit organization, regional and divisional programming. It attempts to change parole operations from an individual to a team approach. Its primary objectives are to reduce crime committed by wards of the youth authority and to reduce parole returns to institutions. A research plan for IPEP is presented, as well as innovative programs initiated by the various regions of the California Youth Authority. These programs include a man-woman parole team and a settlement house established as temporary quarters for parolees.


Results of a program designed to compare the efficacy of team, traditional, and volunteer probation management, as measured by recidivism, cost, length of time to achieve correctional goals, and frequency of contact. The subjects for the study were those juvenile offenders living in Bernalillo County (NM) who were on probation when the research began and those juveniles placed on probation for the 13 month period from April 1, 1976 through April 30, 1976. Cases were to be carefully assigned between the three types of probation in order to ensure random assignment. Considerable difficulties were experienced in adhering to the randomization plan. Data was gathered on such factors as frequency of contacts, kinds of contacts, correctional goals, recidivism of probationers, the probationer's attitudes toward probation, demographic characteristics of probationers, and criminal history of probationers. It is noted that many problems were experienced in obtaining adequate or complete data. Because of the problems of data collection and random assignment of probationers, the authors note that many of the program results represent only trends in the data rather than rigorous research results. No significant difference was found between recidivism rates for team probation and traditional probation. The authors conclude that while team management did not appear to help or hurt in any significant way, it was less expensive in terms of service delivery than traditional management.

Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


Article describes the operations of a community-gearred probation and parole program. Ten probation and parole agencies from states west of the Mississippi were selected for training in this program, called the Community Resources Management Team (CRMT). The philosophy behind the CRMT was that probation and parole staff must assume advocacy roles in negotiating appropriate community-based services for offenders, and that they must assume a community organization and resources development role for needed services that do not exist. The team approach is considered an improvement over the individual officer and 'case' relationship. The final results of the CRMT program were not in at the time of the article, but team members spoke highly of its effectiveness.

56. DENVER JUVENILE COURT, DENVER CITY AND COUNTY BUILDING, DENVER CO 80202. DENVER—COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROBATION EXPERIMENT—FINAL REPORT. 150 p. 1974. NCJ-39547

Final report of the Denver Impact Cities Project to reduce the recidivism rate of adjudicated youthful target offenders through provision of intensive supervision services. The community outreach probation experiment (COPE) used seven teams composed of para-professional streetworkers and streetworker trainees along with field probation officers to pro-

The project, which provides community planning and services for juveniles committed to correctional institutions both during and after their stay, was considered to be achieving most of its objectives. The picture project involves the use of the team approach as parole counselors work with the client and family and correctional personnel during the client's institutional stay. The client continues to be supervised in the community after his release. Team members work to coordinate health planning, education needs and programs, employment training and job referrals, family counseling, out-of-home care and group home placement, as well as extensive recreational activities. In evaluating the impact of the picture project, a comparison group compatible to picture clients was assigned as a 'control' caseload to receive traditional services. The criteria for evaluating impact were A.W.O.L. rates, parole, participation in parole, and post-program offense rates. The data considered for this report does confirm that the project was adequately achieving most of its objectives during the first 15 months of project operations. It is stated, however, that only through the analysis of more terminated cases followed up for longer time periods can the effectiveness of the program be accurately assessed.


Assessment of the Employment Advocacy Teams composed of a parole officer, ex-offender, job development specialist and vocational rehabilitation specialist developed to aid juvenile parolees with employment-related problems. The advocacy teams set up in three Texas cities—Dallas, Fort Worth, and San Antonio—were designed to augment the skills and resources of the Texas Youth Council parole officers and the Texas Rehabilitation Commission vocational rehabilitation specialists. The goal of the project was to reduce recidivism in youthful offenders by monitoring the parolee's progress, alleviating some handicapping conditions, securing cooperation of employers, providing support and motivation, and developing community support and resources. Juveniles were randomly assigned to project and control groups. Data forms were completed on each experimental and control parolee. On-site visits to the three area offices, and interviews with staff and community were also conducted. The success of the project was measured by the reduction in recidivism. It was found that the project contributed to substantially reducing the recidivism rates of parolees assigned to the project, that the project was generally able to triple the amount of contact the juvenile has with helping agencies, and that the project had made a contribution by arranging for vocational training and developing job opportunities. Recommendations and a sample data form are also included.

Sponsoring Agencies: US Department of Justice Law Enforcement Assistance Administration; Texas Criminal Justice Council.

Availability: NCJRS Microfiche Program.
CRISIS PREVENTION STRATEGIES IN DEALING OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA. BOROUGH SOURCES IN ONE FIELD SUCH AS EDUCATION OR THE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING ACCESS TO COMMUNITY REPUT FORTH IN WHICH PROBATION OFFICERS WOULD EACH PROPOSED WHICH STRESSES OFFENDER-MATCHING SERVICES. PROY, PONENTS OF KANSAS CITY'S INTAKE PROGRAM INCLUDE DIS- PROGRAMS FOR PROBATIONERS IN SPRINGFIELD THAT THE INTRODUCTION OF PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP. SPECIALIST TRAINING WOULD ALSO OCCUR LATERALLY, ON THE BASIS OF ROTATION OF LINE OFFICERS AMONG UNIT POSITIONS. REFERENCES ARE PROVIDED.

60. J. E. MARKHAM and M. R. READING, Eds. COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS. MISSOURI BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE, BOX 267, JEFFERSON CITY, MO 65101. REVIEWS ABOUT PROGRAMS, V 1, N 2 (JULY 1977). WHOLE ISSUE. NCJ-43486

COMMUNITY SERVICE-ORIENTED ACTIVITIES AND INTAKE PROGRAMS OF PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICES IN MISSOURI ARE DESCRIBED IN SUMMARY REPORTS ON SEVEN PROGRAMS IN KANSAS CITY, COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TEAMS COMPOSED OF SEVERAL PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS, EACH A SPECIALIST IN A PARTICULAR AREA OF SERVICE, GUIDE CLIENT PROGRESS. THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TEAM APPROACH INCORPORATES CONCEPTS OF CASELoad POOLING AND BROKERAGE/ADVOCACY FUNCTIONS. A MODIFIED VERSION OF THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TEAM HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED IN ST. LOUIS, WHERE, IN ADDITION, A COMMUNITY RESOURCE UNIT PROVIDES SUPPORT SERVICE TO EIGHT PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICES IN THE AREA. THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE UNIT IS STAFFED BY RESOURCE DEVELOPERS, WHO CONCLUDE THEMSELVES WITH THE NEEDS OF THE Entire CASE LOAD OF THE REGION RATHER THAN WITH INDIVIDUAL CLIENTS. AN INTAKE GROUP COUNSELING PROGRAM FOR PROBATIONERS IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY ENROLLED 1,042 CLIENTS BETWEEN AUGUST 1975 AND MAY 1977. EVALUATION FINDINGS SUGGEST THAT THE 7-WEEK PROGRAM IS OF GREATEST REHABILITATIVE VALUE TO THOSE IN GREATEST NEED OF HELP. INTAKE GROUP PROGRAMS FOR PROBATIONERS IN SPRINGFIELD AND NORTH ST. LOUIS CITY COVER THE PHILOSOPHY OF PROBATION AND PAROLE, CONTAINMENT THEORY, AND REALITY THERAPY. COMPONENTS OF KANSAS CITY'S INTAKE PROGRAM INCLUDE DISCUSSIONS OF THE CONDITIONS OF PROBATION, REALITY THERAPY, VALUE JUDGMENT, AND CLIENT PARTICIPATION IN PLANNING. COPIES OF MATERIALS USED IN THE SPRINGFIELD PROGRAM ARE INCLUDED.

61. J. P. MISCHIONE. BROKERAGE—A REALISTIC APPROACH TO PROBATION SUPERVISION. WEST TX REGIONAL ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT, COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING, 4824 ALBERTA, SUITE 361, EL PASO TX 79903, 12 p. 1976. NCJ-38590

THE TRADITIONAL CONCEPT OF PROBATION CASework IS CHALLENGED ON THE BASIS OF EFFECTIVENESS—A NEW APPROACH, THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TEAM (CRMT) IS PROPOSED WHICH STRESSES OFFENDER-MATCHING SERVICES. A BROKERAGE CONCEPT OF PROBATION SERVICE DELIVERY IS PUT FORTH IN WHICH PROBATION OFFICERS WOULD EACH BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING ACCESS TO COMMUNITY RESOURCES IN ONE FIELD SUCH AS EDUCATION OR EMPLOYMENT. THIS WAY EACH PROBATIONER WOULD BE PROVIDED ONLY WITH THOSE SERVICES THAT COULD BENEFIT HIM MOST.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


DESCRIPTION OF AN INTERAGENCY NEIGHBORHOOD COOPERATIVE APPROACH UTILIZING BOTH CRISIS INTERVENTION AND CRISIS PREVENTION STRATEGIES IN THE YERBA BUENA COMMUNITY OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA. THE FOCUS OF THE PROGRAM IS THE COORDINATION OF PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP—SCHOOLS, POLICE, PROBATION, SOCIAL SERVICES, ETC.—TO DEAL WITH THE PROBLEMS OF FAMILY, SCHOOL, AND NEIGHBORHOOD. COMPONENTS OF THIS IN-SCHOOL PROGRAM INCLUDE 24-HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR ADOLESCENTS, AND CRISIS PREVENTION THROUGH EARLY IDENTIFICATION OF THE CRISIS-PRONE STUDENT, SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL PRESCRIPTION, TEACHER TRAINING, PARENT EDUCATION, AND PEER COUNSELING.

63. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PROBATION OFFICERS, AMBASSADOR HOUSE, 1800 SADDLEBROOK ROAD, HEATH, SURREY CR4 7JQ, ENGLAND. PUTTING THE SACRED COWS OUT TO GRASS. PROBATION JOURNAL, V 24, N 3 (SEPTEMBER 1977). P 92-96. NCJ-52846

THE TEAM APPROACH TO PROBATION SERVICES IS ILLUSTRATED BY EXAMINING THE WORK OF THE PRESTON WEST TEAM, ONE OF THREE PROBATION TEAMS IN THE PRESTON AREA OF ENGLAND. THE BENEFITS ARE SEEN AS FAR OUTWEIGHING THE PROBLEMS. THE FRUSTRATIONS ENCOUNTERED IN MOVING FROM A TYPICAL BUREAUCRATIC PROBATION SERVICE TO A TEAM-ORIENTED APPROACH IS DESCRIBED IN DETAIL. THE FIRST STEP WAS TO HAVE A DEPARTMENT MEETING TO ANALYZE EACH OF THE 306 ACTIVE CASES. IT WAS FOUND THAT ONLY A THIRD WERE RECEIVING ACTIVE SUPERVISION. REASONS FOR THIS WERE IDENTIFIED AND COMMUNITY AGENCIES WHICH COULD BE ENLISTED TO MEET NEEDS WERE SOUGHT OUT. SKILLS AMONG DEPARTMENT MEMBERS WERE IDENTIFIED AND A SYSTEM DEVELOPED TO MATCH CASES TO THREE PROBATION OFFICERS WITH THE SKILLS BEST SUITED TO CLIENT NEEDS. AN ORGANIZATIONAL CHART ILLUSTRATES VARIOUS CLIENT SERVICES OFFERED THROUGH THE NEW SYSTEM. THE FOLLOWING 'SACRED COWS' HAD TO BE OVERCOME: (1) THE MYTH THAT A ONE-TO-ONE RELATIONSHIP IS THE ONLY WAY TO HANDLE A PROBATION CLIENT; (2) THE TRADITIONAL HIERARCHICAL SUPERVISION SYSTEM; (3) THE MYTH THAT INDIVIDUAL AUTONOMY IS ESSENTIAL; (4) OVEREMPHASIS ON PROFESSIONALISM WITH A REJECTION TO SHARE RESPONSIBILITY; AND (5) RECORDKEEPING AS AN END RATHER THAN A MEANS.


A DESCRIPTION OF A DIFFERENT CONCEPT FOR PROVIDING SERVICES TO MISDEMEANANTS ON PROBATION IS PRESENTED IN THIS ARTICLE. PROBATION UNITS CALLED CRMT'S (COMMUNITY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT TEAMS) ARE PRESENTLY BEING TRIED IN SEVENTEEN PROBATION ORGANIZATIONS IN FIFTEEN COUNTRIES. THE TEAM APPROACH TO PROBATION SERVICES IS ILLUSTRATED. THREE CRMT UNITS ARE PROBATION DIVISIONS OR ENTIRE DEPARTMENTS THAT OPERATE ON BROKERAGE MODELS. EACH PROBATION OFFICER FUNCTIONS AS A SPECIALIST IN TWO AREAS OF CLIENT NEEDS, REFERING CLIENTS TO PARTICULAR COMMUNITY AGENCIES WHICH CAN PROVIDE THE NEEDED SERVICES. PROGRAMS IN DES MOINES AND EL PASO ARE DESCRIBED.

65. D. C. SULLIVAN. TEAM MANAGEMENT IN PROBATION, SOME MODELS FOR IMPLEMENTATION. NATIONAL COUNCIL ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY, CONTINENTAL PLAZA, 411 HACKENSACK AVENUE, HACKENSACK NJ 07601. 45 p. 1972. NCJ-10125

PROPOSAL TO STRUCTURE PROBATION ORGANIZATIONS INTO TEAMS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE MORE OBJECTIVE NATURED STYLES AND INNOVATIVE TREATMENT CONCEPTS. IN VIEW OF INCREASING CASELoadS, THE DIVERSITY OF OFFENDERS, AND THE SHIFT TOWARD COMMUNITY REINTEGRATION, A CHANGE IN THE GOAL ORIENTATION OF PROBATION SERVICE IS ESSENTIAL. PROBATION ORGANIZATIONS ARE FACED WITH SPECIFIC DILEMMAS ON THREE LEVELS OF ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITY—(1) GOAL DIRECTED ACTIVITIES, (2) ADAPTATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES, AND (3) INTERNAL MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES. THEREFORE, FLEXIBILITY IS IMPORTANT. THIS BOOKLET PROPOSES THAT THE FRAMEWORK OF BUREAUCRATIC PROBATION ORGANIZATIONS BE RESTRUCTURED INTO SMALLER WORK
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UNITs OR TEAMS. IN THIS CONTEXT, THREE POSSIBLE MODELS FOR ORGANIZING TEAMS ARE CONSIDERED. A COORDINATING MODEL, A REINTEGRATION TEAM MODEL, AND A NEW CAREERS MODEL. IN ADDITION, TEAM COMPOSITION AND DEVELOPMENT ARE DISCUSSED. THE CONCEPT OF TEAM MANAGEMENT HAS PROVED SUCCESSFUL IN INDUSTRIAL SETTINGS, IT IS CONTENDED THAT THE APPLICATION OF THIS METHOD TO THE CORRECTIONAL FIELD SPECIFICALLY PROBATION AND PAROLE, WOULD ALSO MEET THE NEEDS OF CHANGING CORRECTIONAL POLICY.


Availability: NATIONAL COUNCIL ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY, 1101 15TH STREET, NW, WASHINGTON DC 20005.


THE USE OF A COMMUNITY RESOURCES MANAGEMENT TEAM (CRMT) MODEL IN THE REORGANIZATION OF THE VENTURA COUNTY, CA., PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS DETAILED. CRMT PUTS PROBATION OFFICERS ON TEAMS WITH POOLED CASeloads, DECISIONS ARE SHARED WITH A TEAM OF 5 TO 10 OTHER OFFICERS. EACH OFFICER SPECIALIZES IN ONE SUBSYSTEM, SUCH AS ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE, MENTAL HEALTH, OR JOB PLACEMENT. THE CRMT MODEL IS A SYNTHESIS OF FOUR ELEMENTS: NEEDS ASSESSMENT, RESOURCE BROKERAGE, POOLED CASELOADS, AND TEAM MANAGEMENT. IN VENTURA COUNTY, THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TEAM CONSISTS OF: 1 TEAM MANAGER, 4 PROBATION OFFICERS, AND 1 COMMUNITY WORKER; THE GROUP SHARES 400 CLIENTS. THE TRANSITION FROM THE OLD SYSTEM TO THE CRMT SYSTEM IS DISCUSSED, AND THE EMPHASIS ON USE OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND PROGRAMS, JOB AREA SPECIALIZATION, AND SUITABILITY OF PROGRAM-TO-CLIENT IS DEPICTED. THERE ARE PERCEIVED POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE ASPECTS OF THE CRMT MODEL. SOME OFFICERS FEAR THAT CRMT WILL DESTROY THE RELATIONSHIP THEY FEEL DOES AND SHOULD EXIST BETWEEN OFFICER AND HIS OR HER PROBATIONERS. HOWEVER, ADVOCATES SAY THAT THE ONE-TO-ONE APPROACH IS STILL POSSIBLE. ALTHOUGH IT MAY DEVELOP, EXPERTS AND ADMINISTRATORS FEAR THAT POOLED CASELOADS AND TEAM MANAGEMENT WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF CONTROL OVER CASES AND EVALUATION ABILITY. ADVOCATES NOTE THAT IT APPEARS SO FAR THAT IT MAY SHOW THAT CRMT UNITS ARE MORE EFFICIENT THAN ADDITIONAL APPROACHES, WITH INCREASED SERVICES TO CLIENTS AND IMPROVED TRACKING ABILITY. THERE IS NO HARD EVIDENCE YET THAT CRMT WILL BE ANY MORE EFFECTIVE AT REDUCING CRIME BY PROBATIONERS AND PAROLEES.


Availability: NCRJS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


RESULTS OF AN ANALYSIS OF THE OPERATIONS AND CASELOADS OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT ARE REPORTED, AND THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE TEAM APPROACH TO PROBATION SERVICES ARE DESCRIBED. PRIOR TO THE INTRODUCTION OF THE TEAM AP-.
PROACH TO PROBATION, A COMMITTEE SPENT 6 MONTHS EVALUATING THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S EXISTING ACTIVITIES, ITS CLIENTS, THE COMMUNITY, AND THE AGENCY'S GOALS. THE COMMITTEE FOUND THAT THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS EXISTED IN THE AGENCY: (1) CASELOADS WERE EXTREMELY HIGH; (2) CLIENT NEEDS VARIED; (3) THERE EXISTED THREE OR FOUR DISTINCT NEIGHBORHOODS SEPARATED BY SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DIFFERENCES; (4) CASE PLANS WERE DEVELOPED INDIVIDUALLY BY COUNSELORS WITH LITTLE STAFF CONSULTATION; (5) THE EMPHASIS ON CRISIS SITUATIONS LIMITED THE TIME AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS EACH CLIENT INDIVIDUALLY; (6) INTAKE AND PRESENTENCE PROCESSES ARE DUPLICATED; AND (7) THE RECORD-KEEPING SYSTEM WAS DIFFICULT TO MAINTAIN AS A RESULT OF THE HIGH CASELOAD. PROBATION TEAMS WERE DEVELOPED TO INCREASE THE QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF PROBATION SERVICES. PREVIOUSLY, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT PLANNING WERE DONE BY INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS; NOW, THESE ACTIVITIES ARE PERFORMED BY TEAMS, DRAWING UPON THE SKILLS AND INSIGHTS OF A VARIETY OF PERSONNEL. CLIENTS ARE ASSIGNED TO INDIVIDUAL STAFF MEMBERS WHO ARE BEST EQUIPPED AND HAVE THE EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO MEET THEIR SPECIFIC NEEDS. CLIENTS HAVING LITTLE NEED OF SUPERVISION ARE GROUPED IN LARGER CASELOADS FOR MONITORING SUPERVISION, WHILE CLIENTS WITH SERIOUS PROBLEMS ARE PLACED IN SMALLER CASELOADS. WHEN A STAFF MEMBER ENCOUNTERS SPECIAL PROBLEMS WITH A CLIENT, THE STAFF MAKES A GROUP EFFORT TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS. EACH PROBATION TEAM IS ESTABLISHED TO SERVE A CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC AREA. A NEW RECORDKEEPING SYSTEM, CALLED PROGRESS ORIENTED RECORD KEEPING, WAS DEVELOPED WHICH INVOLVES THE STEP-BY-STEP DEVELOPMENT OF A CASE PLAN UTILIZING POSITIVE BEHAVIOR CHANGE AS THE MAJOR OBJECTIVE.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
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70. J. A. HILL. MODELS OF LINKAGE BETWEEN JUVENILE COURTS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS. ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY. 120 p. 1974. NCJ-19151
STUDY WHICH COMPARED FIVE PROGRAMS TO DETERMINE THEIR EFFECTIVENESS IN REDUCING RECIDIVISM, SCHOOL TRUANCY, SCHOOL SUSPENSIONS, AND IMPROVING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT OF SCHOOL-AGE DELINQUENT YOUTH. THE PROGRAMS STUDIED WERE THE SANTA CLARA COUNTY-COURT LIAISON PROGRAM, THE ARLINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL PROBATION COUNSELOR PROGRAM, THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY LIAISON TEACHER RETURNEE COUNSELOR PROJECT, THE ROSEVILLE FOCUS PROGRAM OF ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA, AND THE TEACHER CORPS CORRECTIONS PROGRAM OF SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. ON-SITE VISITATIONS WERE MADE TO EACH PROGRAM, AND AT EACH SITE DATA WAS GATHERED FROM SCHOOL AND COURT RECORDS, STUDENTS, STAFF MEMBERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WERE INTERVIEWED, AND THE JUVENILE DELINQUENCY ATTITUDE SCALE WAS ADMINISTERED TO COURT, SCHOOL, AND LIAISON PERSONNEL. CHANGE IN STUDENT PERFORMANCE FROM 1972 TO 1973 WAS RECORDED FOR EACH OF THE FIVE PROGRAMS. THE YEAR'S CHANGE IN STUDENT PERFORMANCE WAS AS FOLLOWS: AN INCREASE IN ATTENDANCE BETWEEN 7 AND 23.6 PERCENT; A DECREASE IN SCHOOL SUSPENSION BETWEEN 9 AND 38 PER CENT; AND AN INCREASE IN ATTENDANCE BETWEEN 7 TO 11.8 MONTHS' GROWTH IN 12 MONTHS. SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS ARE MADE IN THE AREAS OF INITIAL PLANNING, IMPLEMENTATION, SUPPORT, STAFF, AND PROGRAM EVALUATION. A LIST OF REFERENCES IS INCLUDED. THE APPENDIX CONTAINS A COPY OF THE ATTITUDE SCALE USED IN THE STUDY AND A BIBLIOGRAPHY.
Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

A COLLECTION OF TWENTY-EIGHT ARTICLES, GOVERNMENT REPORTS, AND SPECIFICALLY WRITTEN SELECTIONS DEALING WITH SUCH ASPECTS OF JUVENILE TREATMENT AS PUNISHMENT, REHABILITATIVE EFFORTS, AND GROUP TREATMENT. AMONG THE SPECIFIC TOPICS COVERED IN THIS BOOK ARE THE ORIGINS AND PHILOSOPHY OF DETENTION CENTERS, CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, APPROVED SCHOOLS, BORSTALS, PROBATION, AND EXPERIMENTAL RESOCIALIZATION PROJECTS SUCH AS TEEN CAFES AND ADVENTURE CAMPS. ALSO DISCUSSED ARE THE SCHOOL AND THE DELINQUENT, SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK AND CHIME PREVENTION, POLICE JUVENILE LIAISON, AND INTERMEDIATE TREATMENT OF THE YOUNG OFFENDER.
Availability: LONGMAN GROUP LTD, LONGMAN HOUSE, BURNT MILL, HARLOW, ESSES, ENGLAND.

72. J. M. PETTIBONE. WORKING WITH IN-SCHOOL DELINQUENTS—THE VOLUNTEER SPO (SCHOOL PROBATION OFFICER) PROGRAM. 171 p. 1975. NCJ-31782
IN THIS PROGRAM, SCHOOL PERSONNEL VOLUNTEER TO ACT AS JUVENILE COURT PROBATION OFFICERS WHILE CARRYING OUT THEIR SCHOOL DUTIES, DOING PROBATION CASEWORK AND SUPERVISION WITH DELINQUENTS INSIDE THE SCHOOL SETTING. THIS COLLECTION OF SEVEN ARTICLES DESCRIBES, PROPOSES, AND EXAMPLES HOW TO DEVELOP SUCH A PROGRAM. THE APPENDIX CONTAINS TWO ADDITIONAL ARTICLES ON SPO PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEEN IMPLEMENTED AND A SAMPLE SPO SUPERVISION GUIDE AND CASEWORK REPORT FORM. A NINE-PAGE BIBLIOGRAPHY OF BOOKS, ARTICLES, AND OTHER SOURCES IS INCLUDED.
Availability: DAVIS PUBLISHING COMPANY, 250 POTRERO STREET, SANTA CRUZ CA 95060.

THE EFFECTIVENESS OF A TREATMENT APPROACH COMBINING BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION AND GROUP MEETINGS IN INFLUENCING THE BEHAVIOR OF YOUTHS ON PROBATION IS EXPLORED. THE 14 EXPERIMENTAL AND 13 CONTROL SUBJECTS WERE MALE JUVENILES ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOLS IN A RURAL CALIFORNIA COUNTY AND SERVING PROBATIONARY TERMS RANGING FROM 2 MONTHS TO AN INDETERMINATE SENTENCE. BASELINE DATA ON FOUR BEHAVIORS—SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, CLASSROOM PROMPTNESS, DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS, AND VIOLATIONS OF PROBATION—WERE GATHERED OVER AN 8-WEEK PERIOD. DURING A 6-WEEK REINFORCEMENT PHASE, EXPERIMENTAL SUBJECTS WERE OFFERED THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND GROUP MEETINGS CONDUCTED BY PROBATION OFFICERS AND SCHOOL COUNSELORS. THE SUBJECTS COULD EARN POINTS FOR ATTENDING THE MEETINGS AND FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE RELATIVE TO THE FOUR BEHAVIORS. THE POINTS COULD BE EXCHANGED FOR DAYS OFF PROBATION. AT THE END OF THE 6
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WEEKS, THE REINFORCEMENT PROCEDURES WERE TERMINATED, BUT WEEKLY MEETINGS, USING CONVENTIONAL GROUP COUNSELING METHODS, CONTINUED. AFTER THIS 4-WEEK NON-REINFORCEMENT PHASE, POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT WAS REINSTITUTED FOR 6 WEEKS. DURING THE ENTIRE 24-WEEK STUDY PERIOD, CONTROL SUBJECTS WERE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH PROBATION OFFICERS AND SCHOOL COUNSELORS IN CONVENTIONAL GROUP COUNSELING SESSIONS. ALTHOUGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, CLASSROOM PROMPTNESS, AND DISCIPLINE REFERRALS WERE NOT SIGNIFICANTLY ALTERED THROUGH THE USE OF BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION TECHNIQUES, PROBATION VIOLATIONS WERE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED. GROUP MEETING ATTENDANCE WAS HIGHER DURING THE REINFORCEMENT PHASES THAN DURING THE NONREINFORCEMENT PHASE, AND WAS ALSO HIGHER THAN ATTENDANCE AT CONVENTIONAL GROUP COUNSELING SESSIONS. IT IS CONCLUDED THAT THE GROUP MEETING SYSTEM IS A MEANS BY WHICH PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND CORRECTIONAL AGENCIES CAN COOPERATE IN THE REHABILITATION OF DELINQUENT YOUTHS. A LITERATURE REVIEW, COPIES OF STUDY INSTRUMENTS, A BIBLIOGRAPHY, AND SUPPORTING DATA ARE INCLUDED.

Supplemental Notes: UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC—DOCTORAL DISSERTATION.

Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR MI 48106. Stock Order No. 73-21,065.
GUIDELINES FOR USING VOLUNTEERS IN JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAMS ARE PRESENTED IN A REPORT PREPARED FOR THE OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION, LEAA. THE GUIDELINES COVER PROGRAM PLANNING, IMPLEMENTATION, ADMINISTRATION, AND FINANCING. A PHILOSOPHY TO GUIDE PLANNING IS SUGGESTED, AND STEPS IN THE PLANNING PROCESS—ANALYZING NEEDS, DETERMINING GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, DEVELOPING ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES, Delineating PROGRAM COMPONENTS, PLANNING FOR PROGRAM EVALUATION—ARE OUTLINED. A DISCUSSION OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM INCLUDES SUGGESTIONS FOR AREAS OF STAFF ASSIGNMENT AND RESPONSIBILITY. ISSUES IN STAFF-VOLUNTEER RELATIONS AND IN THE DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO VOLUNTEERS WHO SUPERVISE JUVENILE PROBATIONERS ARE CONSIDERED. METHODS OF ORIENTING STAFF MEMBERS TO VOLUNTEERS ARE NOTED, AS ARE POINTS TO CONSIDER IN DEVELOPING A PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAM FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICES. POTENTIAL USES OF VOLUNTEERS IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM ARE LISTED. THE CHARACTERISTICS AND MOTIVATIONS OF VOLUNTEERS ARE IDENTIFIED, AND GUIDELINES FOR RECRUITING, SCREENING, AND TRAINING VOLUNTEERS ARE PRESENTED. OTHER GUIDELINES DEAL WITH ASSIGNING VOLUNTEERS TO JOBS AND WITH MATCHING VOLUNTEERS WITH YOUNG CLIENTS. LIABILITY OF THE STATE FOR VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES AND LIABILITY OF VOLUNTEERS FOR ACTS COMMITTED WHILE SERVING THE JUVENILE COURTS ARE ADDRESSED. THE REPORT CLOSES WITH A SECTION ON FINANCIAL PLANNING.


Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

GUIDELINES DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR PROGRAMS IN YOUTH INSTITUTIONS, IN PROBATION, AND IN COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS. THESE MODELS ARE DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR PROGRAMS IN THE PLANNING PHASE, ALTHOUGH THEY ALSO PROVIDE VALUABLE INSIGHTS TO ADMINISTRATORS OF MORE ADVANCED PROGRAMS. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT)

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

FINAL REPORT ON A JUVENILE COURT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM IN WHICH VOLUNTEERS INSTRUCT JUVENILE CLIENTS IN ARTS AND CRAFTS, AS WELL AS PERFORM OTHER VOLUNTEER SERVICES. THE TRAINING PROGRAM ENCOMPASSES ART, COLLAGE, MACRAME, AND WOOD WORK. THE ART WORKS ARE SOLD OR EXHIBITED IN THE CLARK COUNTY (NV) AREA. OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY VOLUNTEERS INCLUDE BASIC CLERICAL FUNCTIONS, ASSISTING AT INTAKE AND TRAFFIC COURT, RECREATION, LANDSCAPING, AND TRANSPORTATION.

Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

DEVELOPMENT OF EFFECTIVE VOLUNTEER SERVICES IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE. THE EIGHT PROGRAM INDICATORS ARE ONGOING PLANNING; GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES; ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT; PROGRAM AND AGENCY STAFF; FUNDING; PROGRAM ACTIVITIES; COMMUNITY SUPPORT; AND ONGOING EVALUATION.

Supplemental Notes: MODEL VOLUNTEER PROJECT.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

DESCRIPTIONS OF THREE STRUCTURED MODELS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS IN YOUTH INSTITUTIONS, IN PROBATION, AND IN COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS. THESE MODELS ARE PRESENTED WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT THEY WILL STIMULATE INTEREST IN VOLUNTEERISM AND TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF QUALITY VOLUNTEER SERVICES WITHIN CALIFORNIA'S CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. THE MODELS ARE DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR PROGRAMS IN THE PLANNING PHASE, ALTHOUGH THEY ALSO PROVIDE VALUABLE INSIGHTS TO ADMINISTRATORS OF MORE ADVANCED PROGRAMS. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT)

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
VOLUNTEERS IN JUVENILE PROBATION

78. H. M. CORE and D. R. JIMA. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN JUVENILE COURTS. SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS GPO—WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON DC 20402. MENTAL HEALTH DIGEST, V 4, N 10 (OCTOBER 1979). NCJ-87080. JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEER PROBATION SUPERVISORS WERE TRAINED IN TREATMENT METHODS BY CONSULTANTS FROM MENTAL HEALTH CLINICS. TWO EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMS WERE CONDUCTED IN LAKE COUNTY, OHIO, AND IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MISSOURI, TO FAMILIARIZE COURT PERSONNEL WITH MENTAL HEALTH PERSPECTIVES ON JUVENILE DELINQUENCY. IN THE LAKE COUNTY PROGRAM, MENTAL HEALTH CONSULTANTS ESTABLISHED GROUP THERAPY SESSIONS FOR JUVENILE PROBATIONERS AND TRAINED PROBATION OFFICERS ON CHILD DEVELOPMENT THEORY. IN THE MISSOURI PROGRAM, VOLUNTEER PROBATION COUNSELORS WERE ORIENTED TO THE JUVENILE PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEMS WHICH THEY MIGHT ENCOUNTER.

79. U. DAVIES, CASEBOOK FOR COURT VOLUNTEERS. NATIONAL INFORMATION CENTER ON VOLUNTEERS IN COURTS, P.O. BOX 2180, BOULDER CO 80302. 40 P. 1970. NCJ-11418. CASE STUDIES IN PROBATION, DESIGNED TO FAMILIARIZE THE VOLUNTEER WITH TYPICAL KINDS OF PROBATIONERS AND SITUATIONS WHICH CONFRONT THEM. AN INTRODUCTION DISCUSSES THE PURPOSES AND PROVIDES TIPS FOR VOLUNTEERS IN THE USE OF CASE MATERIAL AND THE MEDIA AS AN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE. THE CASE STUDIES INCLUDE EXAMPLES OF ADULT AND JUVENILE PROBATION SUCCESSES AND FAILURES AND REACTIONS OF BOTH VOLUNTEERS AND PROBATION OFFICERS TO THE EXPERIENCE OF WORKING TOGETHER. THE CASE STUDIES ARE NARRATED BY THE VOLUNTEERS.


VARIATIONS ON

81. FLORIDA DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES, 1317 WINEWOOD BOULEVARD, TALLAHASSEE FL 32301. FDYS (FLORIDA DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM OFFICE) EVALUATION OF PROJECT CREST (CLINICAL REGIONAL SUPPORT TEAM). 13 P. 1976. NCJ-39128. EVALUATION OF A FLORIDA PROGRAM WHICH EMPLOYS VOLUNTEER GRADUATE STUDENTS TO PROVIDE WEEKLY, INTENSIVE COUNSELING SERVICES TO PROBATIONERS EXPERIENCING DEVELOPMENTAL PROBLEMS AND REFERRED BY COUNTY YOUTH SERVICES OFFICES. PROJECT CREST PROVIDED WEEKLY PROFESSIONAL DIAGNOSTIC, COUNSELING, AND TUTORING SERVICES FOR 591 REFERRALS OVER A 3-YEAR PERIOD. FOR EACH YEAR OF OPERATION, A SET OF PROJECT CREST CLIENTS WERE COMPARED WITH A SAMPLE OF YOUTH PROBATIONERS NOT RECEIVING CREST SERVICES. IN EACH GROUP, CREST USERS WERE FOUND TO SHOW IMPROVEMENT OVER THE CONTROL GROUP IN TERMS OF SCHOOL CLUSS, PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT, PERSONALITY CHANGES, AND OFFENSE RATES. FUNDING WAS CONTINUED FOR FISCAL 1976-1977.


82. V. FOX. HANDBOOK FOR VOLUNTEERS IN JUVENILE COURT. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES, BOX 8000, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO NV 89507. 31 P. 1973. NCJ-11036. VOLUNTEER FUNCTIONS, RECRUITMENT, ASSIGNMENT, AND COORDINATION PREPARED BY THE P.T.A. IN COOPERATION WITH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JUVENILE COURT JUDGES. THE AUTHOR CONCLUDES THAT THE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM APPEARS TO BE THE ONLY METHOD OF OBTAINING THE MANPOWER NEEDED TOcope WITH THE PROBLEM OF CHILDREN IN TROUBLE. HE STATES THAT SUN EFFECTIVE SOURCE FOR GENERATING VOLUNTEERS AND VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS IS THE P.T.A. THE IMPACT OF COURT VOLUNTEERS HAS SEEN A REDUCTION IN INSTITUTIONALIZATION RATES, A REDUCTION IN RECIDIVISM, AND A LESSENING OF ANTI-SOCIAL ATTITUDES. THE AUTHOR OUTLINES REQUISITES AND PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW IN ESTABLISHING A COURT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM AND PRESENTS GUIDELINES FOR VOLUNTEER PARTICIPANTS. IN ADDITION, THE AUTHOR LISTS SIX SOURCES FOR INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE IN VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)


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RANKINGS OF TRAINING GOALS AND CRITICAL INCIDENTS WERE OBTAINED THROUGH QUESTIONNAIRES MAILED TO PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS AND VOLUNTEERS ACROSS THE NATION. A TOTAL OF 46 ADMINISTRATORS REPRESENTING JUVENILE PROBATION PROGRAMS IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND 21 VOLUNTEERS IN SUCH PROGRAMS IN 15 STATES COMPLETED THE SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE. THE RESPONDENTS WERE CONSIDERED BY TYPE OF PROGRAM, SIZE, GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, AND EXTENT OF TRAINING OFFERED TO VOLUNTEER WORKERS. MOST OF THE ADMINISTRATOR RESPONDENTS REPRESENTED URBAN JUVENILE COURT PROGRAMS WITH 50 OR MORE VOLUNTEERS. MOST OF THE VOLUNTEER RESPONDENTS REPRESENTED RURAL, JUVENILE COURT PROGRAMS WITH 30 OR MORE VOLUNTEERS. TEN IDENTIFIED CRITICAL INCIDENTS WERE RANKED IDENTICALLY. THE HIGHEST RANKING PRIORITIES WERE RELATED TO LISTENING, COMMUNICATION, AND HUMAN RELATIONS SKILLS. UNDERSTANDING THE LOCAL ORGANIZATION'S PHILOSOPHY, POLICIES, AND PROCEDURES WERE ALSO HIGHLY RANKED. THERE WERE APPARENTLY FEW DIFFERENCES IN VOLUNTEERS' RANKINGS OF TRAINING GOALS ACCORDING TO IDENTIFIED SUBGROUPS. THE REPORTED CRITICAL INCIDENTS WERE GENERALLY IN THE TRAINING NEED AREAS MOST HIGHLY RANKED FOR TRAINING GOALS. THE SURVEY INSTRUMENT, RESPONSE DATA, AND THE REPORTED CRITICAL INCIDENTS ARE INCLUDED. A HISTORY OF VOLUNTEERS IN PROBATION AND A REVIEW OF LITERATURE ARE ALSO PROVIDED. A BIBLIOGRAPHY IS APPENDED.

Supplemental Notes: UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS—DISSERTATION. 
Availability: UNIVERSITY MICROFILMS, 300 NORTH ZEEB ROAD, ANN ARBOR Ml 48106 Stock Order No. 77-16325.

THE VOLUNTEERS IN PAROLE PROGRAMS WERE SET UP TO MATCH YOUNG ATTORNEYS AND LAW STUDENTS WITH PAROLEES UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CALIFORNIA YOUTH AUTHORITY ON A ONE-TO-ONE BASIS. THIS EVALUATION WAS CARRIED OUT TO DETERMINE IF THE NUMBER OF PAROLEE-VOLUNTEER MATCHES MET PROJECT GOALS AND BY ASKING THE PARTICIPANTS, BOTH PROGRAM STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS, AS TO THEIR SATISFACTION WITH THE PROGRAM. RESULTS OF THE EVALUATION INDICATE THAT MOST PARTICIPANTS THOUGHT THAT PAROLE PERFORMANCE WAS IMPROVED AS A RESULT OF THE PROGRAM AND THAT VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF BENEFITED FROM THE PROGRAM.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

COMPARISON OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PROFESSIONALS AND NON-PROFESSIONALS AS COUNSEL IN JUVENILE PROBATION. THE STUDY POPULATION CONSISTED OF 60 MALE JUVENILES. 40 JUVENILES COUNSELED BY PROFESSIONALS WERE PRECISION MATCHED WITH 40 PROBATIONERS COUNSELED BY PROBATION OFFICERS. SUBJECTS WERE MATCHED IN PAIRS ON THE BASIS OF SEX, AGE, SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, OFFENSE HISTORY, ETHNICITY, AND LENGTH OF TIME IN THE STUDY. AN ATTEMPT IS MADE TO ACCOUNT THEORETICALLY FOR THE EFFECTS OF THE TWO METHODS OF COUNSELING ON THE ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIOR OF THE JUVENILES UNDER STUDY. TWO HYPOTHESES ARE TESTED. INTERACTION INCREASES BETWEEN TWO OR MORE PERSONS, THEIR LIKING OF EACH OTHER WILL LIKELY INCREASE, AND VICE VERSA—PROVIDED AUTHORITARIANISM DOES NOT ENTER THE RELATIONSHIP. THE SECOND HY-
Suggested interview questions are given, and a sample volunteer application form is included. Training is covered in detail. For supporting suggestions as aids for initial training and in-service development, management systems to coordinate and monitor interactions between volunteers, probationers, and the administrative staff are examined. Several systems which provide for control but are not too onerous for volunteers are described with forms included. Maintaining good public and community relations is an ongoing process in the volunteer program. If the program staff thinks in terms of a systematic flow of information between the court system, the volunteer program, and the community, the mutual trust and community interest essential to success will be fostered. The role of brochures, radio, television, and newspaper stories, newsletters, thank you letters, telephone contact, and various other public relations activities is discussed. Program evaluation is also detailed; various types of evaluation methods are briefly described.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

Guidelines for recruiting, training, and using volunteers and for developing supportive services are presented in a guide for communities interested in implementing the NOsR youth work experience program. One of nine guides documenting the NOsR implementation process, the report describes the program commitments that must be made to volunteers if they are to feel an integral part of the youth work experience program. Steps in the development of a volunteer recruitment plan, application and intake plan, documentation forms, orientation and training schedule, and volunteer policies and procedures are outlined. Examples of supportive services—defined as mechanisms, both internal and external to the program, which enhance or facilitate a participant's progress in the program—are described. Internal supportive services include counseling, transportation, child care, special equipment and uniforms, and health examinations. External services available to program participants as needed include family and family planning counseling, crisis intervention, welfare assistance, legal aid, special medical treatment or assistance, therapeutic counseling, and emergency housing arrangements. Suggestions for the development of supportive services are offered, as are guidelines for establishing and maintaining operating agreements between the program and external service providers. Appendix materials include sample volunteer job descriptions, a volunteer profile form, an activity/interest inventory for volunteers, an interest-matching form for volunteers, and a volunteer application form. For a related document and other NOsR guides, see NCJ 44987-44992 and 44994-44996.

Availability: National Office for Social Responsibility, 1901 North Moore Street, Arlington, VA 22209; NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
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92. T. M. KELLEY. STUDENT VOLUNTEER EFFECTIVENESS IN A DELINQUENCY PREVENTION EXPERIMENT, PART 1—VALIDATION OF A SELECTION DEVICE FOR VOLUNTEER PROBATION OFFICERS. PART 2. 199 p. 1972. NCI-49515

THE EFFECTIVENESS OF COUNSELING DELINQUENT BOYS BY COLLEGE STUDENT PARAPROFESSIONAL VOLUNTEERS IS STUDIED, AND AN INSTRUMENT TO MEASURE THE SUCCESS OF VOLUNTEERS IS DEVELOPED AND EVALUATED. A GROUP OF 92 MALE JUVENILES WHO HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH FELONIES WAS REFERRED FROM THE BOYS' INTAKE DEPARTMENT OF THE WAYNE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN. IT WAS DIVIDED INTO CONTROL AND TREATMENT GROUPS. THE MEAN AGE WAS 13-14 YEARS, THE MEAN GRADE WAS 8TH, AND THE MEAN READING LEVEL WAS 5TH GRADE. THE 45 COLLEGE STUDENTS WERE ALL TAKING AN ADVANCED PSYCHOLOGY COURSE IN FIELD WORK AT EITHER WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY OR WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE. THEY WERE TRAINED BEFORE THE PROGRAM AND HAD ACCESS TO SKILLED HELP DURING THE PROGRAM. EACH WAS ASSIGNED ON A ONE-TO-ONE BASIS TO A BOY FROM THE TREATMENT GROUP. THE COMPANION COUNSELING CAME FROM A FUND OF DATA SOURCES. 변수의 질병 연령은 13-14세였으며, 평균 학년은 8학년이었고, 평균 읽기 수준은 5학년이었다. 45명의 대학생들은 각각의 학교에서 필드 워크를 수행하였고, 그들은 전문적인 도움을 받았으며, 프로그램 진행 중에도 지원을 받았다. 각 학생은 한 명의 보이를 배정받았고, 친구의 조언으로부터 상담을 받았다. 변수의 질병 연령은 13-14세였으며, 평균 학년은 8학년이었고, 평균 읽기 수준은 5학년이었다.

VOLUNTEERS IN JUVENILE PROBATION

93. J. C. LATINA AND J. L. SCHEMBERA. VOLUNTEER HOMES FOR STATUS OFFENDERS—AN ALTERNATIVE TO DETENTION. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS, SUPREME COURT BUILDING, WASHINGTON, DC 20544. FEDERAL PROBATION, N 44, V 4 (DECEMBER 1976), P 45-49. NCI-38374

EXPLANATION OF THE SUCCESS OF THE TAMPA (FL) PILOT PROJECT WHICH RESULTED IN THE REPLACEMENT OF THE USE OF DETENTION CENTERS FOR STATUS OFFENDERS WITH PLACEMENT IN VOLUNTEER FAMILY HOMES. ANALYSIS OF DETENTION PATTERNS IN FLORIDA REVEALED THAT APPROXIMATELY 44 PERCENT OF CHILDREN BEING DETAINED IN SECURE FACILITIES NEEDED ONLY TEMPORARY SHELTER AND SUPERVISION. STATUS OFFENDERS WERE PLACED IN HOMES FOR A TWO WEEK MAXIMUM PERIOD.


Availability: W W NORTON, 505 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK NY 10036.

95. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES, BOX 8000, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO NV 89507. JUDICIAL CONCERN FOR CHILDREN IN TROUBLE—FINAL EVALUATION REPORT. 70 p. 1975. NCI-36331


Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

96. NATIONAL INFORMATION CENTER ON VOLUNTEERS IN COURTS, P O BOX 2150, BOULDER CO 80302. RECRUITING MINORITIES AS VOLUNTEERS IN COURTS, CORRECTIONAL, AND PREVENTIONAL SETTINGS—REPORT OF A WORKSHOP, JANUARY 21, 1972, UNIVERSITY OF DENVER LAW SCHOOL. 44 p. 1972. NCI-11178

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POSITIVE ATTITUDES ABOUT MINORITY VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT. INCLUDED IS A LIST OF WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS, CONSULTANTS, AND THE REPORT CONTAINS AN EVALUATION OF THE WORKSHOP BY THE PARTICIPANTS.

Sponsoring Agency: COLORADO HIGHWAY SAFETY COORDINATOR, STATE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT, ROOM 923, STATE CAPITOL, DENVER CO 80203.


THE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, SELF-CONCEPT AND SOCIAL BEHAVIOR OF DELINQUENT MALES WERE EVALUATED AS A FUNCTION OF A THREE MONTH TUTORING PROGRAM CONDUCTED BY VOLUNTEER TUTORS UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF A PROFESSIONAL TEACHER. THE RESULT OF THIS RESEARCH INDICATED THAT THERE WERE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE LEVELS OF MATH PERFORMANCE OF THE ADOLESCENT DELINQUENT BOYS, IN POSITIVE SELF-CONCEPT GAINS, AND IN APPROPRIATE SOCIAL BEHAVIOR. IT WAS CONCLUDED THAT SUCH A PROGRAM COULD BE IMPLEMENTED INEXPENSIVELY WITH GREAT SUCCESS WITH SIMILAR POPULATIONS. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED).


NCJ-19852 discusses a high school equivalency program staffed by volunteers and operated by the ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI JUVENILE COURT. IN A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, 825 DELINQUENT SCHOOL DROP-OUTS RECEIVED THEIR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATES FROM THE MISSOURI STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. SEVENTY PERCENT OF THOSE RECEIVING CERTIFICATES ENROLLED IN COLLEGES FULL OR PART-TIME. FIFTY-FIVE PERCENT HAD REGULAR JOBS, ENROLLED IN TRAINING PROGRAMS, OR ENTERED THE ARMED SERVICES. ONLY THREE PERCENT WERE RE-REFERRED TO THE COURT FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)


100. I. H. SCHEIER and J. A. BERRY. SERVING YOUTH AS VOLUNTEERS. NATIONAL INFORMATION CENTER ON VOLUNTEERS IN COURTS, P O BOX 2150, BOULDER CO 80302. 37 p. 1972. NCJ-11420

COMMUNITY AND PERSONAL BENEFITS OF USING VOLUNTEERS TO WORK WITH YOUTH, PARTICULARLY IN THE VARYING ACTIVITIES OF THE JUVENILE COURT. THIS BOOKLET DISCUSSES THE BENEFITS TO BE DERIVED FROM USING VOLUNTEERS. SUCH BENEFITS INCLUDE AMPLIFICATION, DIVERSIFICATION, AND HUMANIZATION OF SERVICES, EDUCATION AND ENHANCED SUPPORT IN THE COMMUNITY, AND SELF-HELP FOR THE VOLUNTEER. THE DOCUMENT EXAMINES THE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COURT, AND OTHER YOUTH SERVING AGENCIES, AND PRESENTS GUIDELINES FOR THE VOLUNTEER IN FINDING AND SELECTING AN ORGANIZATION IN WHICH TO WORK.


PRESCRIPTIVE PACKAGE DESIGNED TO ASSIST JUVENILE JUSTICE ADMINISTRATORS IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND UPGRADING OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS. THE NEED FOR VOLUNTEER AND CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT IN JUVENILE CORRECTIONS MANDATED BY THE JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT OF 1974 IS DISCUSSED. THE ACT CALLS FOR USE OF VOLUNTEERS AS A MAJOR RESOURCE IN A MASSIVE EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM AND TO DEVELOP NEW PREVENTION AND CORRECTIONAL PROGRAMS. THE WORKSHOP-FACILITATED CONTRIBUTIONS OF STAFF AND CONSULTANTS AND THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS WORKING AT PROGRAMS SELECTED BY PROJECT STAFF WERE HEAVILY RELIABLE ON FOR COMPILATION OF THIS MANUAL. THE RESULTS INCLUDE CHARTS ON DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF A VOLUNTEER PROGRAM, TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAM MANAGEMENT, RECRUITMENT, SPECIAL RECRUITMENT ISSUES, AND SCREENING VOLUNTEERS. OTHER TOPICS ADDRESSED ARE VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING, ASSIGNMENT, PROGRAM ASSESSMENT, AND VOLUNTEER PROGRAM RESOURCES. APPENDICES CONTAIN DESCRIPTIONS OF PROJECT METHODOLOGY, ON-SITE VISITS, STANDARDS FOR THE HANDLING OF STATUS OFFENDERS, AND A SAMPLE OF ENABLING LEGISLATION FOR THE USE OF VOLUNTEERS BY STATE AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS. A SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE STANDARDS IS PROVIDED.

Availability: GPO Stock Order No. 027-000-00484-9; NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


NCJ-12131 EVALUATION OF A PROGRAM INVOLVING ONE-TO-ONE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN YOUNG ATTORNEY VOLUNTEERS AND CALIFORNIA YOUTH AUTHORITY PAROLEES. ALTHOUGH THIS PROGRAM WAS MARKED BY RECRUITMENT AND ORGANIZATIONAL DISAPPOINTMENTS, SOME MEASURE OF INTERPERSONAL SUCCESS FOR A SMALL NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING PAROLEES, LAWYERS, AND PAROLE AGENTS WAS ACHIEVED. PROFILES OF THE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS ARE GIVEN.

103. J. A. SZAKOS. IMPLICATIONS OF VOLUNTEERISM ON PROFESSIONALISM IN JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICES. PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION ON PROBATION, PAROLE & CORRECTION, 4075 MARKET STREET, CAMP HILL PA 17011. QUARTERLY, V 35, N 2 AND 3 (JUNE AND SEPTEMBER 1978), P 72-81.

NCJ-54398 THE PROFESSIONALISM OF VOLUNTEERS IN PENNSYLVANIA'S JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE IS EXAMINED IN THIS STUDY OF 147
JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS AND 48 VOLUNTEERS. THIS STUDY DEALT WITH FOUR BASIC QUESTIONS: (1) HOW DO THOSE WORKING IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM VIEW THE INFLUENCE OF VOLUNTEERS ON THE PROFESSIONALISM OF JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS, (2) DO VOLUNTEERS ALLOW FOR AN EXTENSION OF SERVICES TO JUVENILE OFFENDERS, (3) WHAT ARE SOME OF THE MOTIVATIONAL FACTORS BEHIND A CITIZEN VOLUNTEERING HIS/HER SERVICES, AND (4) HOW DO THOSE WORKING IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM FEEL ABOUT THE ROLE THAT TRAINING PLAYS IN DEALING WITH YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS? QUESTIONNAIRES WERE SENT TO 301 JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS AND TO 301 VOLUNTEERS. OF THESE, 47.6 PERCENT OF THE PROBATION OFFICERS AND 15.8 PERCENT OF THE VOLUNTEERS RETURNED A COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRE. QUESTIONNAIRES CONSISTED OF A DEMOGRAPHIC SECTION AND AN ATTITUIONAL SECTION. THE ATTITUIONAL SECTION CONSISTED OF 34 ITEMS USING LIKERT SCALES. ATTITUIONAL ITEMS WERE SUBSEQUENTLY DIVIDED INTO FIVE SCALES: (1) IMPACT, (2) PROFESSIONALISM, (3) COOPERATION, (4) PERCEPTION OF JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS, AND (5) TRAINING. CHI-SQUARE TESTS WERE USED TO DETERMINE SIGNIFICANT RELATIONSHIPS AMONG VARIABLES. IT WAS FOUND THAT BOTH THE PROBATION OFFICERS AND THE VOLUNTEERS CONSIDERED JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS TO BE PROFESSIONALS. PROFESSIONALISM WAS THOUGHT TO BE INCREASED BY THE USE OF VOLUNTEERS. IT WAS ALSO FOUND THAT VOLUNTEERS ALLOW FOR AN EXPANSION OF SERVICES, AND THEREFORE, PLAY AN INTEGRAL PART IN IMPROVING SERVICES TO JUVENILE DELINQUENTS. EXAMINING MOTIVATIONAL FACTORS BEHIND VOLUNTEERING, IT WAS FOUND THAT SELF-SATISFACTION WAS THE MOST PROMINENT CHARACTERISTIC OF A VOLUNTEER WORKING WITH JUVENILES. FINALLY, TRAINING WAS VIEWED AS BENEFICIAL. HOWEVER, EXPERIENCE WAS SEEN AS MORE IMPORTANT. THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS IS SEEN AS IMPERATIVE. A LIST OF REFERENCES IS PROVIDED.


COLLECTED PAPERS AND MANAGEMENT MANUALS DETAILING MAJOR PROGRAM AREAS IN UTILIZING SPECIALIZED PROBATION VOLUNTEERS. PROGRAMS DISCUSSED ARE—the BUDGET CONFERENCE OF VOLUNTEER COURTS, THE VOLUNTEER PROBATION OFFICER MANUAL, VOLUNTEER TUTORS IN COURT PROBATION PROGRAMS, THE ATTENTION HOMES OF BOULDER, COLORADO, A HOME AWAY FROM HOME, AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS AS DISCUSSION GROUP LEADERS FOR JUVENILE PROBATIONERS. BIBLIOGRAPHY OF REPORTS, PAMPHLETS, NEWSLETTERS, DIRECTORIES, FILMS AND TAPES IS INCLUDED.

Availability: GPO.


PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO USE COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS TO REDUCE DELINQUENCY, PROGRAMS SUCH AS SCHOOL AND JOB ASSISTANCE, LEADERSHIP TRAINING, AND AFTERCARE ARE EXAMINED. VARIOUS PROGRAM ADDRESSES ARE LISTED AND INFORMATION ON BECOMING A VOLUNTEER IS PROVIDED.

Availability: GPO.


PROGRAMS USED TRAINS VOLUNTEERS IN WORCESTER, MASS. TO GATHER SOCIAL HISTORY DATA ON COURT-INVOLVED CHILDREN FOR JUVENILE COURT JUDGES AND PROBATION OFFICERS. YOU, INC., WAS FORMED TO WORK WITH THE WORCESTER JUVENILE COURT AND OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE AGENCIES AND INDIVIDUALS TO PLAN AND IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR TROUBLED YOUTHS TO UNDERSTAND THEIR PROBLEMS AND METHODS TO RESOLVE THEM. SOCIAL HISTORY VOLUNTEERS GATHER INFORMATION AND PROVIDE WRITTEN STUDIES ON CHILDREN INVOLVED IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM AND THEIR FAMILIES. VOLUNTEER TRAINING IS ACCOMPLISHED IN FOUR PHASES. IN THE FIRST ORIENTATION PHASE, EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON GROUP-CENTERED ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING INTRODUCTIONS, DISCUSSIONS, AND GROUP EXERCISES. IN THE SECOND PHASE, THE VOLUNTEERS ARE TRAINED TO DEAL WITH POTENTIAL PROBLEMS THAT MAY BE ENCOUNTERED IN THE COURSE OF RESEARCHING AND WRITING SOCIAL HISTORY REPORTS. THIS PART OF THE TRAINING PRESENTS ROLE-PLAYING, MOCK SOCIAL HISTORIES CARRIED OUT BY VOLUNTEERS, AND GROUP DISCUSSION. THE THIRD PHASE REQUIRES THAT THE VOLUNTEER WRITE A MOCK SOCIAL HISTORY, WHILE THE FINAL PHASE IS ON-THE-JOB TRAINING. A CASE STUDY IS INCLUDED. BACKGROUND INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ON THE JUVENILE COURT STAFF, THE STATE JUDICIARY, AND THE WORCESTER JUVENILE COURT IN TERMS OF ITS HISTORY, PROCEDURES, AND INTAKE AND DISPOSITIONAL ALTERNATIVES. A SOCIAL HISTORY INTERVIEW OUTLINE AND ASSORTED FORMS ARE APPENDED. A GLOSSARY AND BIBLIOGRAPHY ARE INCLUDED.

Availability: YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES UPHELD, INC, 75-A GROVE STREET, WORCESTER MA 01605; NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


AN UPDATED BIBLIOGRAPHY CONTAINING 85 ABSTRACTS OF DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, AND UTILIZATION IN A WIDE VARIETY OF SOCIAL, SUPPORT, REHABILITATION, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. REPORTS ON CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENTAL PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT DECISIONS ARE NOT INCLUDED. IN ADDITION TO ABSTRACTS, CATALOGING AND DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY DATA ARE PROVIDED. DOCUMENTS COVER THE PERIOD FROM 1964 TO NOVEMBER 1977, AND INCLUDE EDUCATION/TRAINING MANUALS FOR VOLUNTEERS AND AGENCY RECRUITMENT STAFF, PROGRAM GUIDELINES, PROJECT REPORTS AND EVALUATIONS, BEHAVIORAL STUDIES OF VOLUNTEER MOTIVATION AND VOLUNTEER/STAFF INTERRELATIONSHIPS, BIBLIOGRAPHIES, VOLUNTEER POLICY RESEARCH, AND VOLUNTEER RESOURCES. A SERIES OF 12 HANDBOOKS BY GOODWILL INDUSTRIES PROVIDES INDEPTH INFORMATION ON A VARIOUS ASPECTS RELATED TO UTILIZATION OF VOLUNTEERS. AMONG THE PROGRAMS UTILIZING VOLUNTEER WORKERS ARE THOSE CONCERNED WITH INMATE AND JUVENILE DELINQUENT REHABILITATION, VOCATIONAL COUNSELING AND TRAINING, HEALTH CARE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, CITIZEN RESIDENTIAL CRIME PREVENTION AND DETECTION, AND CITIZEN ADVOCACY FOR A WIDE VARIETY OF CAUSES AND ISSUES. TARGET GROUPS FOR SERVICES CONSIST PRIMARILY OF THE SOCIALLY, EMOTIONALLY, MENTALLY, PHYSICALLY, AND ECONOMICALLY HANDICAPPED, OFFENDERS, THE AGED, AND CHILDREN.

Availability: NTIS. Accession No. NTIS/PS-770372. (Microfiche)
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108. J. BEHA, K. CARLSON, and R. H. ROSENBLUM. SENTENCING TO COMMUNITY SERVICE. ABT ASSOCIATES, INC., 55 WHEELER STREET, CAMBRIDGE MA 02138. 74 p. 1977. NCJ-43460

SENTENCING SELECTED OFFENDERS TO PERFORM SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY HAS BECOME AN INCREASINGLY POPULAR OPTION FOR JUDGES. SEVERAL TYPES OF COMMUNITY SERVICE ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAMS ARE SET FORTH, PREMISED ON THE NOTION THAT A FINE AND/OR JAIL TERM IS NOT ALWAYS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF SOCIETY OR THE OFFENDER. MANY COURTS HAVE EMBRACED THE CONCEPT OF COMMUNITY SERVICE IN LIEU OF THE TRADITIONAL SENTENCES, PARTICULARLY IN CASES INVOLVING MISDEMEANORS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS TO SET FORTH SEVERAL TYPES OF COMMUNITY SERVICE ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING PROGRAMS (ALSO KNOWN AS COURT REFERRAL PROGRAMS) AND DISCUSS THE ISSUES AND PROBLEMS TYPICALLY AND/OR POTENTIALLY FACED BY THESE PROGRAMS. AFTER AN INTRODUCTORY CHAPTER DISCUSSING THE THEORY BEHIND ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING, CHAPTER 2 DESCRIBES THREE DIFFERENT TYPES OF ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY SERVICE OR COURT REFERRAL PROGRAMS. AT THE CONCLUSION OF CHAPTER 2 THE MAJOR ISSUES OF CONCERN TO PLANNERS AND ADMINISTRATORS OF SUCH PROJECTS ARE DISCUSSED. CHAPTER 3 INVOLES THE LEGAL ISSUES CONCERNING SENTENCING TO COMMUNITY SERVICE. INCLUDED IN CHAPTER 3 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE STATUTORY BASES AND LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR SUCH SENTENCING, POTENTIAL CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES, AND THE INCREASINGLY TROUBLESOME ISSUE OF POTENTIAL TORT LIABILITY OF COURT REFERRAL PROGRAMS. THE FOURTH AND FINAL CHAPTER IS A DISCUSSION OF THE NEED AND METHODS FOR MONITORING AND EVALUATING COURT REFERRAL PROGRAMS. THE EXTENT TO WHICH COMMUNITY SERVICE SENTENCING IS CURRENTLY BEING USED AND ITS IMPACT ON THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM ARE QUESTIONS YET TO BE ANSWERED. HOWEVER, THE PROJECTS AND THEIR RESULTS DESCRIBED IN THIS DOCUMENT SUGGEST THAT SENTENCING TO COMMUNITY SERVICE AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO FINES AND JAIL MAY BE OF BENEFIT TO INTERESTED COMMUNITIES. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)

Availability: GPO. Stock Order No. 027-000-00613-2.


STUDY TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH MINNESOTA COURTS USE RESTITUTION AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION, PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PERSONS ORDERED TO PAY RESTITUTION, AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE OFFENSE. THE STUDY ALSO Sought TO DETERMINE THE WAYS IN WHICH THE COURTS STRUCTURED RESTITUTION, THE AMOUNTS OF RESTITUTION ORDERED AND COLLECTED RELATIVE TO REPORTED LOSSES, AND FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF RESTITUTION. DATA WERE COLLECTED THROUGH A SURVEY OF ALL COURTS IN THE STATE, EXAMINATION OF COURT RECORDS, INTERVIEWS WITH JUDGES AND PROBATION OFFICERS, AND INTERVIEWS WITH VICTIMS AND OFFENDERS. RESPONSES INDICATE THAT RESTITUTION EXISTED AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION IN ABOUT ONE-FOURTH OF ADULT FELONY CASES IN THE SAMPLE AND ABOUT ONE-FIFTH OF THE JUVENILE PROBATION CASES. OTHER FINDINGS REVEAL THAT RESTITUTION WAS MORE COMMON IN RURAL COUNTIES THAN URBAN COUNTIES AND THAT RESTITUTION WAS REQUIRED MORE OFTEN FOR PROPERTY CRIMES THAN FOR CRIMES OF PERSONAL VIOLENCE. OTHER FINDINGS ASSESS OFFENDER AND VICTIM ATTITUDES, AMOUNTS AND MANNERS OF PAYMENT, AND SUCCESS RATE OF PROBATIONERS ORDERED TO MAKE RESTITUTION. THE COURT SURVEY INSTRUMENT AND COVER LETTERS ARE APPENDED.
Sponsoring Agencies: MINNESOTA GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CONTROL, 444 LAFAYETTE ROAD, 2ND FLOOR, ST PAUL MN 55101; US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.
Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

110. S. CHESNEY, J. HUDSON, and J. MCLAGEN. NEW LOOK AT RESTITUTION—RECENT LEGISLATION, PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH. AMERICAN JUDICATURE SOCIETY, SUITE 1606, 200 WEST MONROE STREET, CHICAGO IL 60606. JUDICATURE, V 61, N 8 (MARCH 1978), P 348-357. NCJ-52413

A SUMMARY OF RESTITUTION LEGISLATION PASSED IN 1976 AND 1977, THE RESULTS OF A NATIONAL SURVEY OF RESTITUTION PROGRAMS, AND AN OVERVIEW OF RESEARCH IN RESTITUTION ARE PRESENTED. SIXTEEN STATES ARE CONSIDERING OR HAVE ALREADY ENACTED SOME FORM OF LEGISLATION ESTABLISHING A MECHANISM BY WHICH OFFENDERS CAN COMPENSATE THE VICTIM FOR THE LOSSES THEY HAVE CAUSED. MOST RESTITUTION PROPOSALS AND LAWS FALL INTO THREE CATEGORIES: RESTITUTION AS A COMPONENT OF THE ROUTINE SENTENCING OF ADULTS; RESTITUTION AS A SPECIFIC CONDITION OF THE DIS-
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POSITION OF JUVENILES; OR RESTITUTION AS A GOAL TO BE ACHIEVED THROUGH SPECIAL PROGRAMS. A MAJOR PROBLEM OF RESTITUTION LEGISLATION IS ITS FAILURE TO ARTICULATE THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF RESTITUTION. A MAIL SURVEY OF ALL STATE PLANNING AGENCIES AND STATE CORRECTIONAL AGENCIES (84 AND 94 PERCENT RESPONSE RESPECTIVELY) IDENTIFIED 54 RESTITUTION PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS, MOST OF WHICH ARE NONRESIDENTIAL AND SERVE ADULT OFFENDERS. TWENTY-SIX OF THE PROGRAMS ARE ADMINISTERED BY STATE-LEVEL AGENCIES, 19 BY COUNTY-LEVEL PROBATION DEPARTMENTS. MOST OF THE PROGRAMS PERMIT OFFENDERS TO MAKE RESTITUTION IN THE FORM OF MONEY OR SERVICES, DEPENDING ON THE OFFENDER’S SITUATION. THE PROGRAMS GENERALLY DISCOURAGE ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE VICTIM AND THE OFFENDER DURING RESTITUTION. OFTEN RESTITUTION SUPPLEMENTS ANOTHER SANCTION, SUCH AS PAROLE OR PROBATION. A MAJOR SHORTCOMING IS THE FAILURE TO MAKE RESTITUTION PART OF THE PRISON PROGRAM. THE SURVEY FOUND NO PRISON IN WHICH INMATES COULD MAKE RESTITUTION FROM THEIR EARNINGS. RESEARCH IN RESTITUTION HAS PURSUED THREE OBJECTIVES: TO DESCRIBE THE MANNER AND EXTEND TO WHICH RESTITUTION IS BEING USED; TO DETERMINE ATTITUDES TOWARD THE PRACTICE; AND TO EVALUATE SPECIFIC PROGRAMS. DESCRIPTIVE STUDIES IN MINNESOTA AND OREGON INDICATE HIGHER USE OF RESTITUTION BY THE COURTS THAN WAS EXPECTED. OTHER FINDINGS ARE THAT RESTITUTION IS USED MOST OFTEN IN PROPERTY CRIMES, AND THAT RESTITUTION USUALLY IS FINANCIAL RATHER THAN SERVICE-ORIENTED. WITHOUT EXCEPTION, ATTITUDE STUDIES HAVE FOUND THAT MOST PEOPLE FAVOR THE USE OF RESTITUTION, ALTHOUGH SUPPORT FOR SPECIFIC TYPES OF RESTITUTION AND PERCEPTIONS OF PROBLEMS WITH ITS USE VARY. MAJOR EVALUATION STUDIES WERE CONDUCTED FOR THE MINNESOTA RESTITUTION CENTER AND THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS RESTITUTION SHELTER PROGRAM. A MULTIVARIATE EVALUATION OF SEVEN ADULT RESTITUTION PROGRAMS IS UNDERWAY, AND A MAJOR EVALUATION EFFORT COVERING RESTITUTION PROGRAMS FOR JUVENILES IS BEING PLANNED BY THE INSTITUTE FOR POLICY ANALYSIS IN OREGON. IT IS CONCLUDED THAT ENTHUSIASM FOR RESTITUTION IS GROWING, BUT THAT A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF RESTITUTION METHODS AND EFFECTS IS NEEDED.

111. J. CINER. IF YOU WANT A SECOND CHANCE, 'EARN IT'. CRIMINAL JUSTICE PUBLICATIONS, INC. 601 SECOND AVENUE, NEW YORK NY 10017. CORRECTIONS MAGAZINE, V 4, N 4 (DECEMBER 1978), P 84-87. NCI-53036

A COURT-OPERATED VICTIM RESTITUTION PROGRAM FOR JUVENILE AND YOUNG ADULT OFFENDERS WHO COME BEFORE THE EAST NORFOLK DISTRICT COURT IN QUINCY, MASS., IS DESCRIBED. EARN IT WAS ORIGINATED BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE COURT, WHO SECURED THE COOPERATION OF LOCAL BUSINESSES IN PROVIDING WORK OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG OFFENDERS AND ESTABLISHED LEAA AND COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACT FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A RESTITUTION PROGRAM. EARN IT DIFFERS FROM OTHER RESTITUTION PROGRAMS IN THAT IT MATCHES OFFENDERS WITH JOBS AND KEEPS A CLOSE WATCH ON OFFENDERS' PERFORMANCE. IF OFFENDERS DO NOT MAKE GOOD ON THE JOB, THEY ARE BROUGHT BACK INTO COURT AND GIVEN A SHORTER SENTENCE. IN THE PROGRAM'S FIRST FULL YEAR OF OPERATION, 1,069 OFFENDERS (480 JUVENILES AND 589 YOUNG ADULTS) PARTICIPATED, REPRESENTING APPROXIMATELY 20 PERCENT OF ALL DEFENDANTS APPEARING BEFORE THE COURT. ONLY FIVE PERCENT OF THE PARTICIPANTS WERE REMOVED FROM THE PROGRAM BEFORE IT WAS COMPLETED. THE COURT COLLECTED 40 PERCENT OF ALL FINES AND RESTITUTIONS DUE. IN EARN IT'S FIRST YEAR, THE COURT COLLECTED $81,713-90 PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT DUE. MOST EARN IT PARTICIPANTS ARE FIRST OR SECOND OFFENDERS ACCUSED OF PROPERTY CRIMES. PARTICIPATION IS VOLUNTARY, AND OFFENDERS MAY WITHDRAW FROM THE PROGRAM AT ANY TIME. IN MOST CASES PROSECUTION IS DEFERRED WHILE THE OFFENDER WORKS IN THE RESTITUTION PROGRAM, AND CHARGES ARE DROPPED WHEN RESTITUTION IS COMPLETE. EARN IT IS USED AS A FORM OF PROBATION, A SUPPLEMENT TO PROBATION, AND AN ALTERNATIVE TO PROBATION. THE PROGRAM IS OPERATED BY A STAFF OF NINE, INCLUDING COUNSELORS AND A JOB DEVELOPER WHO ATTEMPTS TO MATCH THE INTERESTS AND SKILLS OF EACH OFFENDER WITH THE NEEDS OF EMPLOYERS. EMPLOYERS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN EARN IT VIEW THE PROGRAM FAVORABLY. APPROXIMATELY 27 PERCENT OF EARN IT PARTICIPANTS HAVE KEPT THEIR JOBS AFTER PAYING BACK THEIR VICTIMS.


Sponsoring Agency: US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

113. B. GALAWAY and J. HUDSON. OFFENDER RESTITUTION IN THEORY AND ACTION. LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION LIBRARY, 933 INDIANA AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON DC 20531. 219 p. 1978. NCI-11497

THE ROLE OF RESTITUTION WITHIN THE EMERGING FIELD OF VICTIMOLOGY AND VICTIM SERVICE PROGRAMS AND ITS PLACE
WITHIN BEHAVIORAL CHANGE THEORIES IS DISCUSSED IN THESE SYMPOSIUM PAPERS. THE PAPERS IN THIS VOLUME ARE ORGANIZED AROUND COMMON THEMES. THE FIRST SET Examines THE ROLE OF RESTITUTION IN RELATION TO COMMONLY PERCEIVED PURPOSES OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. THERE IS NO GENERAL AGREEMENT ABOUT THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF RESTITUTION, AND DIFFERENT EMPHASIS—BOTH PUNITIVE AND REHABILITATIVE—IS FOUND IN THE PAPERS. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RELEVANCE AND USE OF RESTITUTION FOR THE SYSTEM PURPOSES OF DETERRENCE, REHABILITATION, AND PUNISHMENT ARE ADDRESSED. THERAPEUTIC USES OF RESTITUTION ARE ALSO DISCUSSED. THE PAPERS IN THE SECOND SECTION CONSIDER RESTITUTION FROM A PSYCHOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE. EQUITY THEORIES ARE DISCUSSED IN RELATION TO THE OPERATIONAL USE OF RESTITUTION, AND PROGRAM IMPLICATIONS ARE DRAWN. CENTRAL CONCEPTS OF EQUITABLE AND INEQUITABLE RELATIONSHIPS RELATIVE TO THE CONCEPT OF HARM-DOING ARE DISCUSSED, ALONG WITH SOME OF THE SPECIFIC PSYCHOLOGICAL CONSEQUENCES FOLLOWING FROM THE NOTION OF HARM-DOING AND RESTORATION OF EQUITY. THE RELEVANCE OF RESTITUTION AS A METHOD FOR REDUCING THE PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS RESULTING FROM INEQUITABLE RELATIONSHIPS IS DISCUSSED. THE THREE SECTION OF THE VOLUME CONCERNS RESTITUTION AND THE CRIME VICTIM. AN OVERVIEW OF THE FIELD OF VICTIMOLOGY IS PRESENTED WHICH SUGGESTS THAT RESTITUTION HAS THE POTENTIAL FOR INTEGRATING THE VICTIM INTO THE OPERATION OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. THE ISSUES OF VICTIM INVOLVEMENT IN THE RESTITUTION PROCESS AND THE STRUCTURING OF DIRECT VICTIM AND OFFENDER CONTACTS IN SENTENCING AND DISPUTE SETTLEMENT ARE ADDRESSED. RESTITUTION RESEARCH IS DEALT WITH IN THE NEXT SECTION; PAPERS EVALUATING RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN RESTITUTION PROGRAMMING, ATTITUDES TOWARD THE USE OF RESTITUTION, AND A REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF EXISTING RESEARCH ARE PRESENTED. A DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE AND FINANCIAL RESTITUTION IS PRESENTED IN TWO SECTIONS. THREE SERVICE PROGRAMS AND THREE MONETARY PROGRAMS IN OPERATION IN DIFFERENT STATES ARE STUDIED IN DETAIL. THE FINAL SECTION CONSIDERS THEORETICAL AND PROGRAMMATIC CONCERNS IN RESTITUTION, AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE PROGRAMS ARE PRESENTED. A BIBLIOGRAPHY, AN INDEX, AND NOTES ON THE CONTRIBUTORS ARE PROVIDED.


Availability: HEATH LEXINGTON BOOKS, 125 SPRING STREET, LEXINGTON MA 02173.


THE PROGRAM, IN WHICH THE COURT ISSUES AN ORDER FOR THE OFFENDER (JUVENILE OR ADULT) TO PERFORM A SET NUMBER OF HOURS OF SERVICE AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A SHORT PRISON TERM, IS DESCRIBED. THIS CANADIAN COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDER PROGRAM IS BASED ON A SIMILAR PROGRAM, THE BRITISH COMMUNITY WORK SERVICE PROGRAM, WHICH HAS BEEN OPERATING SUCCESSFULLY SINCE 1972. THE BRITISH COLUMBIA PROGRAM WAS SET UP IN 1975 AND BY THE END OF MAY 1976 HAD ADMITTED 1459 OFFENDERS. THE LENGTH OF THE SERVICE ORDER IS A MAXIMUM OF 200 HOURS WITHIN A 6-MONTH PERIOD FOR ADULTS, AND 100 HOURS IN A 3-MONTH PERIOD FOR JUVENILES. AFTER THE FIRST YEAR, THE OPERATION TWO MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS WERE MADE. THE FIRST, ALREADY IMPLEMENTED, WAS TO FORMALIZE THE PROGRAM FROM VANCOUVER TO THE ENTIRE PROVINCE. THE SECOND, NOT YET IMPLEMENTED, HAS BEEN TO CHANGE FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION TO ENABLE COMMUNITY SERVICE TO EXIST AS A SEPARATE DISPOSITION UNDER THE CRIMINAL CODE AND THE JUVENILE DELINQUENTS ACTS. THIS REPORT INCLUDES A STATISTICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE FIRST 1,499 ADMISSONS. A SECOND VOLUME, TO BE ISSUED LATER, WILL SUMMARIZE THE 3,000 CASES ADMITTED JUNE 1976 TO JUNE 1977. GENERALLY, JUVENILE CASES ACCOUNT FOR 55.7 PERCENT; 88 PERCENT ARE MALE; NATIVE INDIANS ACCOUNT FOR 9.0 PERCENT. THE MOST COMMON OFFENSES ARE 'THEFT UNDER $200' AND 'BREAK AND ENTER.' ABOUT ONE-THIRD ARE ADMITTED BY PROBATION OFFICER ENQUIRY, THE OTHERS BY A COURT STANDARD PROBATION ORDER. ALMOST ALL THE PARTICIPANTS ARE ASSIGNED WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY RATHER THAN FOR THE VICTIM. HALF OF THE ORDERS ARE FOR WORK IN A COMMUNITY OR SERVICE AGENCY, 36.1 PERCENT ARE FOR COMMUNITY RECREATION FACILITIES AND PARK DEVELOPMENT, 4 PERCENT WORK FOR THE VICTIM ON JOBS NOT RELATED TO THE OFFENSE, 1.4 PERCENT REPAIR DAMAGE RELATED TO THE OFFENSE. COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER GROUPS SUPERVEY 86 PERCENT OF THE WORK ORDERS. ALMOST ALL (93.3 PERCENT) OF THE WORK ORDERS ARE COMPLETED. THE PROGRAM HAS RECEIVED POSITIVE COMMENTS FROM COURT AND PROBATION OFFICIALS. THE REPORT ALSO ANALYZES PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS ACCORDING TO REGION OF THE PROVINCE; THE VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION ACCOUNTS FOR 46 PERCENT. IT IS NOTED THAT THE PROGRAM IS TOO NEW FOR THE EFFECTIVENESS TO BE MEASURED.


EVALUATION OF A SYSTEM DESIGNED TO REDUCE THE RATE OF JUVENILE CRIME BY OBLIGING YOUTHS TO PERFORM EITHER MONETARY OR COMMUNITY SERVICE RESTITUTION FOR THEIR OFFENSES. THE ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD COMPONENT WAS ORGANIZED BY THE SEATTLE LAW AND JUSTICE PLANNING OFFICE IN RESPONSE TO THE RISING RATE OF JUVENILE CRIME. THE HISTORICAL BACKGROUND AND PRESENT STRUCTURE OF THE PROJECT IS SUMMARIZED AS WELL AS DESCRIPTIVE DATA SUCH AS CLIENT POPULATION STATISTICS AND SERVICES PROVIDED WHICH ARE RELEVANT TO PROJECT OPERATION. A FULL PRESENTATION AND EXPLANATION OF STATISTICAL ANALYSES OF THE CRIME IMPACT OF THE SYSTEM AFTER TWO YEARS ARE PROVIDED. DATA INDICATES THAT RECIDIVISM RATE REDUCTION IS SIGNIFICANT AMONG YOUTHS PROCESSED BY ACCOUNTABILITY BOARDS. TABLES INCLUDE DATA ON CLIENT CHARACTERISTICS, BOARD SERVICES AND ACTIONS, AND RECIDIVISM RATES.


116. B. MCDONALD, J. WOREL, and D. WYNN. SYSTEMS ANALYSIS—AN ANALYSIS OF THE FUNCTIONING OF RESTITUTION PROGRAMS IN THE DISTRICT, COUNTY AND JUVENILE COURTS IN THREE MINNESOTA JUDICIAL DISTRICTS. ALTERNATIVE BEHAVIORS ASSOCIATES, INC, 300 CLIFTON AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS MN 55403. 52 p. 1978. NCJ-46473

A COURT-BY-COURT ANALYSIS OF SYSTEMS USED TO PROCESS OFFENDERS WHO RECEIVE RESTITUTION SENTENCES AND OF THE ATTITUDES/VALUE BIASES WHICH AFFECT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RESTITUTION SANCTIONS IS PRESENTED. THIS SECOND PART OF A TWO-PART EVALUATION WAS CONDUCTED IN THREE JUDICIAL DISTRICTS IN MINNESOTA. THE FIRST PART
USED COURT FILES TO DOCUMENT VARIOUS USES OF RESTITUTION AND CHARACTERISTICS OF OFFENDERS UNDER RESTITUTION SENTENCES. THIS REPORT IS A SYSTEMS ANALYSIS EXAMINING EACH COURT'S RESTITUTION SYSTEM AND THE PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION. COURTS EXAMINED WERE DISTRICT 6 (ARROWHEAD REGION) COMPOSED OF FOUR COUNTIES AND THE CITY OF DULUTH, DISTRICT 2 (RAMSEY COUNTY) WHICH CONTAINS THE CITY OF ST. PAUL AND SURROUNDING SUBURBS, AND DISTRICT 3, WHICH INCLUDES 11 RURAL COUNTIES. IN-DEPTH INTERVIEWS AND ON-SITE VISITS WERE USED TO COLLECT DATA. IN THE ARROWHEAD DISTRICT, INTEREST IN RESTITUTION OPTIONS IS STRONG, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN WHICH SOME FORM OF WORK SERVICE IS SUBSTITUTED FOR FINANCIAL PAYMENT, AN IMPORTANT OPTION FOR LOW-INCOME OFFENDERS. HOWEVER, THE PROGRAMS ARE NEW AND THE STAFF IS HAVING PROBLEMS WITH IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS. ADDITIONAL TRAINING IS NEEDED. ALSO, THE VARIOUS COUNTIES ARE UNAWARE OF THE PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES WHICH EXIST. IT IS NOT CURRENT. SOME FORM OF COOPERATION SHOULD BE DEVELOPED. IN ST. PAUL A PROGRAM CALLED 'SAVE' (SENTENCING ALTERNATIVES FOR VOLUNTEER EMPLOYMENT) HAS BEEN ORGANIZED. THE SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION OF THE DISTRICT COURT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTRATION. IT IS STRICTLY AN ADULT PROGRAM, AND IT SERVED 162 REFERRALS IN 1976-1977. COUNTY COURT JUDGES USE BOTH FINANCIAL AND SERVICE RESTITUTION WIDELY, BOTH THROUGH THE SAVE PROGRAM AND THROUGH INDIVIDUALLY ARRANGED RESTITUTION PLANS. THE DISTRICT 2 PROGRAM HAS PROBLEMS COMMON TO LARGE SYSTEMS INCLUDING STAFF CYNCISM AND PHILOSOPHICAL DISAGreements CONCERNING THE RESTITUTION PROGRAMS. THE ISSUE OF RESTITUTION PAYMENTS TO INSURANCE COMPANIES IS IMPORTANT IN RAMSEY COUNTY, AND DIVERSE OPINIONS ARE REPRESENTED IN THE SYSTEM. THERE IS A NEED FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COMMON FOCUS OF RESTITUTION PROGRAMS AND GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION. DISTRICT 3 USES RESTITUTION WIDELY IN THE CRIMINAL COURT, AND THE RAMSEY COUNTY COURT'S DISTRICT COURT USES RESTITUTION TO PROVIDE DIRECT FINANCIAL REIMBURSEMENT AND VICTIM-OFFENDER CONTACT WHILE USING IT WORK PROGRAM AS PUNISHMENT FOR THE CRIME. MOST OF THE COUNTIES CONTAIN A CITY LARGE ENOUGH TO PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESTITUTION AND SUFFICIENT TO ENCOURAGE ACTIVE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. AN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AMONG COURT PERSONNEL, GREATER COORDINATION IN SOLVING COMMON PROBLEMS, AND TRAINING SESSIONS WOULD ALL BE HELPFUL IN IMPROVING THESE VARIOUS RESTITUTION SYSTEMS. MAJOR PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED WITH ALL OF THE RESTITUTION PROGRAMS INCLUDE: THE PROBLEM OF DETERMINING THE VALUE OF STOLEN OR DAMAGED PROPERTY, THE RELUCTANCE OF COURT SERVICE STAFF TO HANDLE MONEY, THE DISAGREEMENT ABOUT PAYMENTS TO INSURANCE COMPANIES, AND THE ROLE OF VICTIM-OFFENDER CONTACT. FINDING THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE AN OFFENDER WHO DOES NOT FULFILL HIS RESTITUTION CONTRACT IS ALSO A SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM.

Sponsoring Agency: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


A NATIONAL SURVEY OF THE RESTITUTION REQUIREMENT PRACTICES (1977). JUVENILE COURTS ARE DOCUMENTED. THE SURVEY SOURCED INFORMATION ON THE SCOPE AND HISTORY OF RESTITUTION IN JUVENILE COURTS, THE TYPES OF RESTITUTION ORDERS IMPOSED, WHETHER RESTITUTION INCREASES OR DECREASES CONTACT BETWEEN THE OFFENDER AND THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM, THE GOALS OF RESTITUTION PROGRAMS, AND ATTITUDES AND EXPECTATIONS WITH REGARD TO RESTITUTION. THE USAGE OF RESTITUTION WAS REPORTED BY 86 PERCENT OF THE RESPONDENTS. THE AVERAGE RESTITUTION PROGRAM HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR ALMOST 17 YEARS. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE SUPPORT FOR RESTITUTION AMONG JUDGES AND OTHER JUVENILE COURT OFFICIALS, EVEN IN COURTS THAT DO NOT HAVE RESTITUTION PROGRAMS. THE MOST COMMON REASON FOR NOT USING RESTITUTION IS LACK OF LEGAL AUTHORITY. COURT PERSONNEL, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHOSE PROGRAMS USE SEVERAL TYPES OF RESTITUTION, FIND RESTITUTION AN EFFECTIVE MEANS OF REDUCING RECIDIVISM AND IMPROVING THE ATTITUDES OF VICTIMS TOWARD THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. THE PROBLEM OF ENFORCING RESTITUTION ORDERS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN OVEREMPHASIZED IN EARLIER STUDIES: THE MAJORITY OF COURTS SURVEYED REPORTED GOOD COMPLIANCE WITH RESTITUTION ORDERS. ESTIMATED EXTENT OF COMPLIANCE DOES NOT DIFFER WITH SOCIOECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF JURISDICTIONS OR WITH THE PROPORTION OF CASES IN WHICH RESTITUTION IS REQUIRED. THE GREATEST COMPLIANCE RISK APPEARS TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH REQUIRING A JUVENILE TO OBTAIN AND HOLD A JOB IN ORDER TO MAKE MONETARY RESTITUTION. SUPPORTING TABULAR DATA ARE INCLUDED.

Sponsoring Agency: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION.


THIS REPORT EXPLORES AND HIGHLIGHTS MAJOR ISSUES, PROBLEMS, AND PROSPECTS RELATING TO THE CONCEPT OF RESTITUTION AND ITS OPERATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION. IT BROADLY EXAMINES RESTITUTIVE JUSTICE FROM FOUR PERSPECTIVES: THE HISTORICAL, THE THEORETICAL, THE LEGAL, AND THE OPERATIONAL. THIS LAST AREA OF EXAMINATION IS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF A SURVEY OF STATE PLANNING AGENCIES FOR INFORMATION ON OPERATIONAL OR PROPOSED PROGRAMS. HIGHLIGHTED ARE PROGRAMS IN EAST PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA, SOUTH DAKOTA; TUCSON, PHILADELPHIA, GEORGIA, MINNESOTA, AND SOUTH CAROLINA. SPECIFIC PROBLEMS WITH THE RESTITUTION CONCEPT ARE ANALYZED TO SET FORTH THE DILEMMA PRESENTED AND TO INDICATE ITS POSSIBLE IMPLEMENTATION IN PROPOSED OR OPERATIONAL RESTITUTION PROGRAMS. THEY INCLUDE THE SELECTION OF CRIMES APPROPRIATE FOR RESTITUTION, SENTENCING IMPLICATIONS, INTERACTION BETWEEN VICTIM AND OFFENDERS, AND THE RELATIONSHIP OF RESTITUTION AND VICTIM COMPENSATION. A RESEARCH MODEL FOR FUTURE STUDY AND FOR THE DESIGN OF CONTROLLED ACTION PROGRAMS IS ALSO RECOMMENDED.


Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


A SIX-MONTH EVALUATION OF THE GOAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE COURT REFERRAL PROGRAM (CRP), WHICH PROVIDES AN ALTERNATIVE SENTENCE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE TO ADULT MISDEMEANANTS AND JUVENILES REFERRED BY JUVENILE COURTS. THIS POST-CONVICTION DIVERSION PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE A BENEFICIAL AND COST EFFECTIVE CORRECTIONAL ALTERNATIVE FOR ADULT MISDEMEANANTS AND JUVENILE COURT REFERRALS. ITS OBJECTIVE IS TO PLACE 10 OFFENDERS
A MONTH AS VOLUNTEERS IN COMMUNITY SERVICE AGENCIES, WITH AN OVERALL SUCCESS RATE OF 80 PERCENT AMONG THE REFERRED OFFENDERS DURING THE PROJECT PERIOD. THE EVALUATION ASSESSED CRP EFFORTS IN TERMS OF: 1) PROJECT OPERATIONS, PLACEMENTS, SUCCESS OF PLACEMENTS, AND AGENCIES RECEIVING PLACEMENTS, AND 2) PROJECT IMPACT ON THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, I.E., USE OF THE PROGRAM BY THE COURTS, COST EFFECTIVENESS, EFFECT ON RECIDIVISM, AND REPORTS FROM COMMUNITY AGENCIES RECEIVING PLACEMENTS. THE EVALUATION SHOWED THAT THE OBJECTIVE OF PROVIDING A COST EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVE WAS NOT MET, SINCE MOST SENTENCING ALTERNATIVES ARE LESS EXPENSIVE. IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO DIRECTLY ASSESS THE BENEFITS OF THE CRP. THE OBJECTIVE OF A PLACEMENT RATE OF 10 REFERRALS PER MONTH WAS PARTIALLY MET.

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.

120. US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION. PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT—RESTITUTION BY JUVENILE OFFENDERS—AN ALTERNATIVE TO INCARCERATION. 80 p. 1978. NCJ-145319

A NEW DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM DESIGNED TO SUPPORT COST-EFFECTIVE PROJECTS WHICH WILL HELP ASSURE GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY ON THE PART OF CONVICTED JUVENILES TOWARDS THEIR VICTIMS AND COMMUNITIES IS ANNOUNCED. THE AIM OF THE PROGRAM, CALLED 'RESTITUTION BY JUVENILE OFFENDERS,' IS TO PROVIDE MEANINGFUL SENTENCING ALTERNATIVES WHICH INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR JUVENILE CRIME. RESTITUTION WILL INVOLVE MONETARY PAYMENTS BY OFFENDERS TO VICTIMS OR SERVICES TO THE VICTIMS OR THE COMMUNITY. THE PROGRAM AND ITS UNDERLYING ASSUMPTIONS ARE DESCRIBED, PROGRAM STRATEGY IS OUTLINED, AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS ARE DISCUSSED. ALSO INCLUDED ARE DESCRIPTIONS OF DATA NEEDS, METHODOLOGY, EVALUATION REQUIREMENTS, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION. APPENDICES ARE PRESENTED, DEALING WITH CURRENT KNOWLEDGE OF RESTITUTION PROGRAMS AND THEIR RESULTS IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM, LEGAL ISSUES INVOLVED IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A RESTITUTION PROGRAM FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS, A SIMPLIFIED FLOW CHART OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM, APPLICATION FORMS, AND A DIRECTORY OF STATE CLEARINGHOUSES AND STATE CENTRAL INFORMATION RECEPTION AGENCIES.

Supplemental Notes: A SUPPLEMENTARY CHANGE TO THE 'GUIDE FOR DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAMS.'

Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.
SHORT-TERM HIGH-IMPACT PROGRAMS

121. D. J. BAER, P. J. JACOBS, and F. E. CARR. INSTRUCTORS' RATINGS OF DELINQUENTS AFTER OUTWARD BOUND SURVIVAL TRAINING AND THEIR SUBSEQUENT RECIDIVISM. PSYCHOLOGICAL REPORTS, BOX 5229, MISSOUA MT 59807. PSYCHOLOGICAL REPORTS. V 36, N 2 (APRIL 1975), P 547-553. NCJ-48689

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INSTRUCTORS' RATINGS OF JUVENILE DELINQUENTS ENROLLED IN AN OUTWARD BOUND SURVIVAL TRAINING COURSE AND SUBSEQUENT RECIDIVISM OVER A 5-YEAR PERIOD WERE ASSESSED. SUBJECTS WERE 60 MALE DELINQUENTS, 15.5 TO 17.5 YEARS OLD, COMMITED TO THE MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICE. WHILE ONLY 5.5 TO 17 YEARS OLD, COMMITED TO THE MASSACHUSETTS DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICE DURING THE SPRING OF 1966. SUBJECTS PARTICIPATED IN THE STANDARD 26-DAY COURSE IN SMALL GROUPS WHICH INCLUDED NONDELINQUENT PARTICIPANTS. INSTRUCTORS COMPLETED A RATING SCALE FOR EACH SUBJECT WHICH CONSISTED OF 40 OPPOSING ADJECTIVE PAIRS (I.E., LEADER-FOLLOWER, DECISIVE-INDECISIVE). IN ADDITION, COURSE CERTIFICATES WERE PRESENTED TO PARTICIPANTS WHO SHOWED SUCCESSFUL PERSONAL GROWTH AND POSITIVE ATTITUDES AND WHO COMPLETED THE MINIMUM COURSE REQUIREMENTS. RECIDIVISM WAS DEFINED AS ADJUDICATION, COURSE CERTIFICATES RECIDIVATED OVER THE 5-YEAR PERIOD, 80 PERCENT OF THOSE WHO FAILED TO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE WERE RECIDIVISTS. IN GENERAL, INSTRUCTORS' RATINGS WERE SIGNIFICANTLY RELATED TO THE AWARDING OF CERTIFICATES. SIX FACTORS WERE EXTRACTED FROM THE FORTY RATING ITEMS: EFFORT, MATURITY, LEADERSHIP, EXTROVERSION, COMPETENCE, AND PHYSICAL ABILITY. OF THESE, HIGH RATINGS ON EFFORT, MATURITY, AND LEADERSHIP CORRELATED WITH NONRECIDIVISM OVER THE 5-YEAR FOLLOWUP PERIOD. RESULTS SUGGEST THAT OUTWARD BOUND PERFORMANCE IS A USEFUL PREDICTOR OF JUVENILE RECIDIVISM. THIS MAY BE ATTRIBUTABLE TO A NUMBER OF FACTORS. FIRST, THOSE FAILING TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATES REPRESENT THE MOST EXTREME CASES. SECOND, THE INTENSE PHYSICAL CHALLENGES OF THE PROGRAM TEND TO BREAK DOWN CHARACTERISTIC DEFENSES, THUS PERMITTING INSTRUCTORS TO MORE ACCURATELY ASSESS SUBJECT BEHAVIOR. FINALLY, FAILURE IN THE PROGRAM MAY BE A SYMPTOM OF AN INABILITY TO ADJUST WELL TO STRESSFUL SITUATIONS, IT IS CONCLUDED THAT OUTWARD BOUND PROVIDES CORRECTIONAL AUTHORITIES WITH AN EFFECTIVE AND ECONOMICAL METHOD OF IDENTIFYING DELINQUENTS LEAST LIKELY TO RESPOND TO REHABILITATIVE EFFORTS, WHILE ALSO PROVIDING A MEANS FOR DISCOVERING OFTEN HIDDEN POTENTIALS FOR CHANGE. TABULAR DATA AND REFERENCES ARE INCLUDED.

122. T. R. COLLINGWOOD. SURVIVAL CAMPING—A THERAPEUTIC MODE FOR REHABILITATING PROBLEM YOUTH. ARKANSAS REHABILITATION RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS, P O BOX 3017, LITTLE ROCK AR 72203. 54 P. NCJ-30346


Availability: NCJRS MICROFICHE PROGRAM.


METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS ARE REPORTED FROM AN EVALUATION OF ATTITUDE CHANGE IN A SAMPLE OF JUVENILES INVOLVED IN A 'SHOCK CONFRONTATION' TREATMENT MODALITY.

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SHORT-TERM HIGH-IMPACT PROGRAMS

Provided by an inmate program in New Jersey's Rahway State Prison, the Lifers' Juvenile Awareness Project at Rahway State Prison is a project designed and operated by inmates with the intention of confronting inmates with the harsh realities of prison life and the consequences of criminal behavior. Selected juveniles are brought inside the prison for a two-to three-hour confrontation with the inmates operating the project. A total of 46 experiments and 36 controls were pre- and post-tested regarding nine attitudes which can be grouped into four categories of crime/deterrence, prison/punishment, law/justice/police, and self-perception. Instruments used were the attitude toward punishment of criminals (Wang and Thurstone), semantic differential scales, attitude toward obeying the law test, and Glick's social prediction table. Results from the attitude change component of the evaluation, while somewhat mixed, show no consistent and significant differences in pre and post-attitude testing of the subjects. Arguing that attitude change is an intervening link to behavior change, it is concluded that, on the basis of these findings, the program is too simplistic and unrealistic to counter the complex factors and predisposing attitudes consistent with most theories of delinquency causation. It is cautioned, however, that more evidence is needed to substantiate this conclusion. Tabular evaluation data are provided.

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Methodology and results are reported from an evaluation of a 'Shock Confrontation' treatment modality project conducted by inmates of New Jersey's Rahway State Prison to deter juveniles from criminal behavior. The lifers' juvenile awareness project at Rahway State Prison is designed and operated by inmates with the intention of confronting at-risk juveniles with the harsh realities of prison life and the possible consequences of criminal behavior. Selected juveniles are brought inside the prison for a 2- to 3-hour confrontation with the inmates operating the project. The approach is authoritarian and aggressive, with a view toward shocking the juveniles into an avoidance of any behavior that might lead to their imprisonment. For project evaluation purposes, 46 experiments and 36 controls were studied. Juvenile court records were surveyed a minimum of 6 months after the experimental group visited Rahway and after the control group was pretested. Where records of delinquency were found, they were reviewed for type of delinquency (before and after) after visit or pretest) and number of delinquentcies (before and after). Type of delinquency was weighted according to seriousness by classification as a status offense or a juvenile delinquency (criminal) offense. Comparability of the experimental and control groups in factors of sex, race, delinquency probability, and age were tested. Results indicated that a significantly higher proportion of the controls (those who did not participate in the project) did better in terms of subsequent offenses than did the experimental. The success rate (no recorded offenses) of the controls was 15 percent, while that of the experimental was 58.7 percent. The mean seriousness of subsequent delinquency was also significantly higher for the experiments. A rethinking of the goals and expectations of the project is advised; this is particularly imperative due to the plans of many states to institute such a program based on premature advertisements of success. Tabular data and a bibliography are provided.

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Rugged, short-term wilderness experiences, which are becoming more and more popular as an alternative to institutionalization of juvenile offenders, are discussed. Wilderness trips have been added to the battery of correctional programs in more than 20 states in the past few years. While adult offenders take part in three or four such programs, mainly as a prelude to release from prison, juvenile offenders often are recruited as an alternative to incarceration. Observers estimate that there are 150 to 200 such programs for juvenile offenders, up from 10 or 15 percent 5 years ago. Virtually all of the wilderness courses for juvenile offenders are modeled on those offered by outward bound, a private organization that offers sea, mountain, and forest survival courses. Instructors in the field say that the courses are designed to require a great deal of physical and emotional perseverance, so that at the end, the participants will feel that they have accomplished something significant. Program directors say that the trips work best with delinquents who try to appear tough. In relation to effects of the program, one study showed that recidivism among juveniles who completed the program in Massachusetts of 1966 was much lower than for a control group, but this effect began to wear off after a year. Some think that juveniles do not receive enough preparation or support from instructors before expedition, and are so shocked by the initial experience that they have to drop out. Critics also claim that instructors often have more experience in dealing with the outdoors than with delinquents and have few counseling skills to offer. There is no formal accreditation for such wilderness instructors as regards juvenile delinquents programs. Program that say that the pool of qualified instructors experienced with delinquents is growing. Instructors with long experience in the field see a need for stricter accounting of programs in their safety procedures, their staff, and their research, although most tend to distrust institutions and bureaucracies, valuing their own relative newness to the field of corrections, and wish to maintain freedom from government and academic structures.


Evaluation of a program aimed at upgrading the rehabilitation effort directed at delinquent youths returning from state correctional institutions. The program includes formation of a specialized aftercare unit incorporating counseling and referral with an "outward bound" program. The evaluator observed that the aftercare unit has had the effect of reducing the number of cases assigned to the regular "fully in-
SHORT-TERM HIGH-IMPACT PROGRAMS

THOSE COMMITTED OR REFERRED AS VERY RUGGED, HAS LIMITED OPENINGS, IS VOLUNTARY, AND ONCE COMPLETED ALLOWS THE GRADUATE TO BE PAROLED DIRECTLY HOME. THE PROGRAM INVOLVES COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS, SHORT HIKES ALONG THE NATIONAL SEASHORE, SOME RUNNING, CALISTHENICS, AND OBSTACLE COURSES. SOME TIME IS ALSO SPENT WITH A COUNSELOR TO DEVELOP A REALISTIC PLAN FOR RELEASE. DURING THE EVENINGS, CLASSES ARE HELD IN ECOLOGY, LAND NAVIGATION BY COMPASS, SURVIVAL, SEARCH AND RESCUE, OVERNIGHT EXPEDITIONS, ROPES AND KNOTS, AND SEAMANSHIP. FOLLOWING THIS PHASE OF THE PROGRAM, YOUTH ARE DIVIDED INTO Brigades WHICH GO ON LAND AND SEA EXPEDITIONS. RESULTS SHOW A LOWER RECIDIVISM RATE AMONG HOMEWARD BOUND PARTICIPANTS THAN AMONG A CONTROL GROUP WHO WERE COMMITTED TO A TRAINING SCHOOL. OTHER SIGNIFICANT FACTORS IN THE SUCCESS OF PROJECT PARTICIPANTS INCLUDED AGE, MARITAL STATUS OF PARENTS, HIGHEST SCHOOL GRADE ACHIEVED, AND TYPE OF OFFENSE. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT MODIFIED)

JUVENILE PROBATION

TEGRATED SERVICE PROBATION OFFICERS. (AUTHOR ABSTRACT).
Sponsoring Agency: VIRGINIA DIVISION OF JUSTICE AND CRIME PREVENTION, PARHAM PARK, 8501 MAYLAND DRIVE, RICHMOND VA 23229.


DARE (DEVELOPMENT THROUGH ADVENTURE AND RESPONSIBILITY) IS A THREE-MONTH PROGRAM, PATTERED ON THE OUTWARD BOUND PARADIGM, WHICH PROGRESSES THROUGH A SERIES OF STRUCTURED CHALLENGES OF INCREASING DIFFICULTY AND COMPLEXITY. AT EACH STAGE THE PARTICIPANT IS ENCOURAGED TO ACHIEVE GOALS WHICH, ON THE SURFACE, WOULD APPEAR TO BE BEYOND HIS CAPACITY. THE INTENT OF THE PROGRAM IS TO HELP YOUTH DEVELOP A SENSE OF PURPOSE, ENHANCED SELF-ESTEEM AND A STRONGER DESIRE FOR ACHIEVEMENT. THESE AIMS ARE SUPPOSEDLY ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE PARTICIPANT'S REALIZATION OF HIS OWN QUALITIES. THE PARTICIPANTS IN PROJECT DARE (PORTAGE LAKE) WERE MOSTLY RETURNEES TO TRAINING SCHOOL WHO WERE AT LEAST 15 YEARS OLD. THIS REPORT, THE THIRD IN A SERIES OF REPORTS DEALING WITH THE EXPERIENCES OF OLDER BOYS WHO HAVE BEEN RETURNED TO TRAINING SCHOOL, FOCUSES ON THE EXPERIENCES OF 159 OLDER BOYS WHO HAD BEEN RETURNED TO TRAINING SCHOOL AT LEAST ONE OTHER TIME PRIOR TO BEING RETURNED DURING THE STUDY PERIOD. ANALYSIS WAS BASED ON THE RESULTS OF PRE AND POST-TEST DATA ON TRAITS AND ATTITUDES RELATED TO SELF-ESTEEM. IN ADDITION, BEHAVIOR RATINGS WERE OBTAINED JUST PRIOR TO GRADUATION FROM TRAINING SCHOOL STAFF, AND AGAIN THREE MONTHS AFTER GRADUATION FROM PROBATION AND AFTERCARE OFFICERS. ALSO THREE MONTHS AFTER GRADUATION AN ATTEMPT WAS INITIATED TO ADMINISTER TO EACH WARD A FOLLOW-UP INTERVIEW DESIGNED TO PROBE ADJUSTMENT TO THEIR PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTS. IT BECAME INCREASINGLY EVIDENT THROUGHOUT THE STUDY THAT THE 159 BOYS IN THE SAMPLE WERE MULTI-PROBLEM BOYS FROM MULTI-PROBLEM FAMILIES. THEY SUFFERED SEVERE ACADEMIC AND BEHAVIOR HANDICAPS IN SCHOOL AND THEIR FAMILY LIFE WAS TOO NEGATIVE TO BE CONducive TO THEIR WELL-BEING. PERFORMANCE DIFFICULTIES WERE CARRIED OVER INTO THEIR WORK EXPERIENCES. DATA INDICATED THAT SEVERAL TRAINING SCHOOL STAYS DID NOT DETE BEHAVIORAL OR CRIMINAL ACTING OUT MUCH MORE THAN A SINGLE STAY AND THAT THE BEHAVIOR OF BOYS WHILE IN THE COMMUNITY TENDED TO BE SIMILAR TO THAT EXHIBITED BEFORE A TRAINING SCHOOL STAY. NEW PROGRAM DIRECTIONS SUGGESTED INCLUDE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTENSIVE LONG-TERM GROUP HOME PROGRAM TO REINFORCE POSITIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCES ACQUIRED IN THE TRAINING SCHOOL AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A POLICY WHEREBY YOUNGSTERS WOULD NOT BE READMITTED TO TRAINING SCHOOL WITHOUT DUE PROCESS OF LAW, THEREBY FORCING THE COMMUNITY TO COME UP WITH ALTERNATIVES FOR CARING FOR YOUTH. REFERENCES ARE INCLUDED. FOR THE OTHER TWO REPORTS IN THIS SERIES, SEE NCJ-40604 AND 40605.

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