



JUVENILE JUSTICE

Juvenile Diversion Program

A BRAKE (Building Responsible Adults through Knowledge and Education) program adjudicates first-time non-violent felony offenders without costly court action. This initiative reduces probation offices' caseloads in Bradenton by approximately 600 offenders, saving nearly \$60,000 annually. For more information, please contact Al Truitt at the Department of Juvenile Justice (941) 727-6226 or email al.truitt@djj.state.fl.us. (2004 #86, DJJ-030)

Photo Intake/Booking System

A computerized photo intake system at the Alachua Regional Juvenile Detention Center reduces the possibility of medication distribution errors and saves \$12,000 annually. For more information, please contact Charles Parkins, Assistant Superintendent (352) 955-2105 ext. 207 or email Charles.Parkins@djj.state.fl.us. (2005 DJJ-016)

Remote Video Surveillance

Department of Juvenile Justice staff save a recurring \$25,000 dollars by using existing networks to provide remote video surveillance from Tallahassee to the Miami-Dade Reception and Detention Centers. For additional information please contact Nestor Gonzalez at (305) 559-0273 or email nestor.gonzalez@djj.state.fl.us. (2005 DJJ-004)

Detention Center Media Facilities

In keeping with the Governor's "Just Read, Florida!" initiative, media centers at juvenile detention centers in St. Johns and Escambia Counties help promote and enrich youths' self-esteem through reading. Center staff solicited donation of approximately \$25,000 worth of books. For more information, please contact Paul Wallis at the Department of Juvenile Justice (850) 595-8820 or email paul.wallis@djj.state.fl.us. (2004 #58, DJJ-020)

Juvenile Trial Case Issues Notebook

Department of Children and Families legal staff in Orlando (District 7) and Tallahassee developed an internet-based juvenile trial case issues notebook that can be used by attorneys statewide to research precedents in preparing for court. For more information, please contact District Administrator Alan Abramowitz at (386) 238-4750 or Alan_Abramowitz@dcf.state.fl.us. (2003 #75)

Court Docket Distribution Pilot

Providing electronic access to court dockets for 134 probation staff in Broward County saves nearly \$40,000 annually. For more information, please contact Fresler Gaspard at (954) 467-4365 or email freslergaspard@djj.state.fl.us. (2005 DJJ-007)

Single Point of Contact for Commitment Programs

Assigning all youth who are in a specific commitment program to one juvenile probation officer more effectively coordinates commitment program admissions and releases, reduces communications time, improves paperwork flow between the program, the court and the youth's family, and annually saves approximately \$37,000. For more information, please contact Marilyn Walker in Pinellas County (727) 893-2004 or email Marilyn.Walker@djj.state.fl.us. (2005 DJJ-009)

Wireless Laptop at School

Department of Juvenile Justice staff save nearly \$25,000 annually by using wireless technology to provide on-site probation services to 75 juveniles at a high school in lieu of a probation officer traveling eight miles back and forth to his office to connect to the Juvenile Justice Information System. For more information, please contact Rolando Marsh at (954) 321-2576 or email rolando.marsh@djj.state.fl.us. (2005 DJJ-005)