Improve the lives and wellbeing of all youth in Kansas.

SENATE BILL 367



Kansas Juvenile Justice Program Spotlight Series

Cross-Systems Youth Facilitator

County Served: Sedgwick

Working to bridge gaps of service for youth involved in child welfare and juvenile justice.

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Mission

The Cross-Systems Youth Facilitator is a dedicated position to bridge the gap in communication and information sharing across agencies serving cross-systems youth, which are youth who are dually involved in the Child in Need of Care and Juvenile Justice systems.

Impact

- Access data and information from KDOC-JS, Juvenile Court of Sedgwick County and DCF
- Contact point for all agencies
- Quick information sharing and responsiveness for cross-system involved youth
- Intervenes to support families and communities

Www Youth Served: 398

- ✓ 64% male and 36% female crossover youth
- ✓ Identified 75% displacement rate
- Tracking common criminal charges for youth to identify solutions



Recommendations

- Assessment inventory for agencies
- Developing "pathways" for previous crossover youth to better understand how to serve crossover youth
- Implementing a crossover youth training across the agencies

This funding was made possible through the passage of Senate Bill 367 which reallocated funds originally used to maintain children's correctional facilities and now is used to keep kids in their communities and offer support.

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