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In compliance with Section 2151.18 of the Ohio Revised Code, we submit herewith the Annual Report of the Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Division, Butler County, Ohio, covering the calendar year of 2005. This report reflects the number and kinds of cases that have come before it, and other data pertaining to the work of the Court and of interest to you and the general public.

Respectfully submitted,

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JUVENILE COURT OVERVIEW 2005

In 2005, we continued to experience the same trend as we have over the past several years. During this time period we have seen delinquency numbers remain relatively static while at the same time, we continue to see slight reductions in some case types. Considering the population growth in Butler County this situation is encouraging as we have, over the past several years, been aggressively attempting to impact youthful offenders.

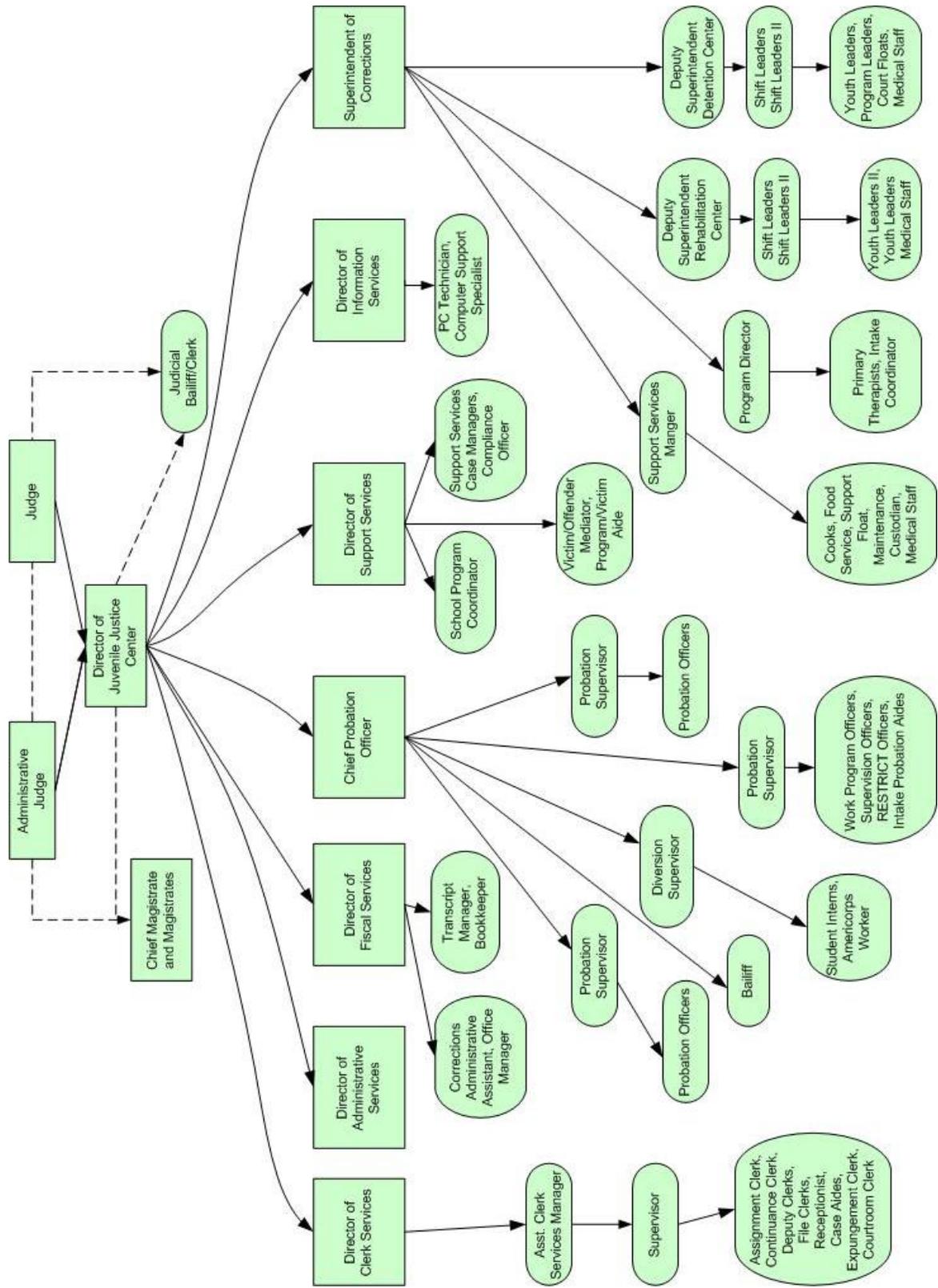
Evidence of this aggressive approach is seen in the emphasis on what we call “technical violations.” Those violations occur when a child has violated the terms of his or her probation, house arrest rules, or home incarceration rules. By aggressively checking on compliance with court orders, we at Juvenile Court have been striving to assure that those court orders are obeyed. It is only through this aggressive approach that we can hope to have a positive impact upon juvenile offenders and further protect the community.

This theme of aggressive policies aimed at having a positive impact upon our youth and our community also is evidenced by our ongoing efforts to combat truancy. Truancy has been definitively linked with the development of delinquent and criminal behavior. We at Juvenile Court believe that in order to decrease future criminal behavior, we must assure that every child attends school regularly. We also believe that parents should be held accountable when their children do not attend school.

While all of this has been occurring, the Juvenile Court has been struggling with continuing increases in cases involving child custody and visitation regarding unmarried parents. Current Ohio law requires that those cases, which are almost identical to cases which are litigated between divorcing married parents, are to be heard in Juvenile Court. The national trend, wherein more and more children are born outside of traditional marriage, has, therefore, caused our caseloads regarding those children to mushroom. This court has been discussing this issue with the Domestic Relations court and there is hope that some cooperative effort could shift some of those cases to that court in 2006.

Finally, the court has continued to struggle with computerization. As we move from what was essentially a 19th century pen and ink system to a system fit for the 21st century, we have encountered some growing pains. As we move into 2006, we anticipate being “live” with the system as a whole.

We at Juvenile Court hope that the positive trends as set forth in this report continue and that any negative trends can be reversed. We are committed to continue to work with all systems, public and private, in the county and to make our best efforts for the future of the youth of our community.



JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW
2005

Youth placed on probation are required to complete court orders as well as complying with standard probation rules. Court officers supervise probationers in the community, ensuring compliance. The Probation Department strives to develop the child's sense of self-worth, the child's sense of accountability for his/her own actions, and his/her ability to think critically and solve relevant problems. The goal is to direct the youths in making the connections between their behavior and the consequences of their actions. The safety and concerns of the victims and the community are always paramount to the rehabilitative process.

The Probation Department subscribes to the philosophy of the Balanced Approach, emphasizing Public Safety, Accountability and Skill Building/Competency Development for probationers and their parents.

1. PUBLIC SAFETY - The Juvenile Court believes that youth who are threats to the community must be removed (i.e., institutionalization, placement). Youth that are not threats to public safety and thereby eligible for probation in the community, are actively supervised by our Probation Department.

- Diversion Officers - First time minor offenses are generally diverted from official processing which generates an official record. Diversion Officers, interns from social workers fields and other related courses of study, supervise these youth, ensuring that they are held accountable for their actions.
- Official Probation - Youth that are non-divertable are typically placed on official probation. Probation Officers supervise in the community, enforce the orders of the court, and help youth and their families help themselves by developing new skills.
- Butler County Juvenile Rehabilitation Center / Department of Youth Services - Juvenile felony offenders that are determined to be threats to the community are typically institutionalized in the Butler County Juvenile Rehabilitation Center or a Department of Youth Services institution. Youth released from the Rehabilitation Center are supervised by court personnel for aftercare. Youth released from a Department of Youth Services' institution are supervised by the State Parole Authority or State Parole Officers.
- Relinquishment - Juveniles who have committed a felony, and are considered not to be amenable to rehabilitation in the juvenile system, are relinquished or bound-over to the adult system for adjudication and disposition. Under certain circumstances, some crimes committed by juveniles are mandated as relinquishments to the adult system.

In order to more effectively supervise probationers in the community, the Probation Department has adopted the following programs:

- Drug Testing - Juveniles are ordered to be drug tested by the Judge and the Magistrates from court hearings. Children on probation are also randomly tested. These tests are performed in the Juvenile Court Drug Lab. A total of 1709 tests were performed in 2005.

- Standardized Curfews - The standard curfew utilized by the Probation Department is 8:00 P.M. (Sunday to Thursday) and 9:30 P.M.(Friday and Saturday).
 - Home Phone Checks - Probationers are called at home to ensure compliance with court curfews, compliance with home incarceration orders, and compliance with house arrest orders.
 - Home Supervision Checks - Probationers with court curfews or other freedom-restricting orders are routinely checked at home by Juvenile Court employees to ensure compliance.
 - Electronic Monitoring - Select probationers are supervised in the community via electronic monitoring.
 - Probation Reporting Line - As it is imperative that parents work with the Probation Department to effect change in a child, parents are required to report their child's violations (e.g. returning late on curfew) to a 24-hour, 7-day a week, time and date-stamped answering machine. Failure to report a violation may result in charges being filed against a parent.
 - Truancy Docket – Juvenile Court established a truancy docket in order to comply with a law which became effective on 9/4/00. The docket is scheduled every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon during the school year to hear Chronic Truancy and Habitual Truancy charges, as well as, charges against parents and/or custodians for Failure to Cause Attendance in school. These children and parents/custodians are supervised by Truancy Probation Officers.
2. **ACCOUNTABILITY** - The Juvenile Court believes that juveniles must be held accountable for their actions. Therefore, it is imperative that the orders of the Court are strictly enforced. This accountability must be to the community at large, as well as to an individual victim. An example of accountability in action includes:
- Work Program - Youth are assigned to the Work Program for community service hours, as well as restitution hours. Hours worked on the Work Program allow youth the opportunity to “work off” the financial obligation to their victim.
 - Restitution and Fines/Costs - The Probation Department ensures that youth comply with court orders, ensuring that youth are held accountable and that victims are made whole.
 - RESTRICT Program - As a result of a technical violation (Violation of a Court Order, Violation of Probation, or Violation of Parole), and in lieu of incarceration, youth are placed in the RESTRICT Program on weekend evenings (Friday and Saturday) at the Juvenile Justice Center. While in the program, youth work on school assignments brought from their home school or on work assigned by the RESTRICT staff. The program holds probationers accountable for non-compliance and also takes a high risk population off of the streets for the weekend.

- Victim/Offender Mediation - The Victim/Offender Mediation Program has been operational since 1992. We know that many of our youth have little or no empathy for their victims. A lack of connection by the offender to the victim has resulted in a community and, more importantly, the individual victims seeking closure to a victimization, which can never be closed. The program targets the offenders whose disposition involves restitution or restoration issues. The program has expanded its target population to repeat offenders (both misdemeanors and felonies) who have committed property a offense, and the victim desires face-to-face contact.

The Victim-Offender Mediation Program provides a specially trained mediator to bring juvenile offenders together with their victims in face-to-face meetings for the purpose of sharing feelings, discussing the facts of the offense, and to develop restitution and restoration agreements. The court has been able to ensure that the offender is held accountable to his/her victim, and the victim is allowed to close an emotional and sometimes painful chapter in their life.

3. **SKILL DEVELOPMENT** - The Juvenile Court believes that we must help juveniles and their families help themselves. Programming is directed at identifying skill deficiencies and then building new skills designed to deter criminal behavior. Examples of skill development programming include:

- Drug/Alcohol Assessment and Counseling - Sojourner Adolescent Services provides immediate assessment of youth appearing in court and, if needed, provides ongoing drug counseling for the probationer and his/her family.
- Positive Parenting and Living - The Juvenile Court has collaborated with the Butler County Mental Health Board, and a coalition of five social service agencies, in operating the Positive Parenting and Living Program. The program consists of two parts: first, an assessment of the family for service needs using a clinical interview as well as psychological testing; secondly, the juvenile and the parents are referred to six psycho-educational groups. The groups teach the child life skills and equip the parents with necessary parenting skills.
- Miami Mentoring Program - A cooperative effort by the Juvenile Court and Big Brothers Big Sisters Agency matches Miami University students one-to-one with a child on probation. The matches meet weekly for either a group activity or a one-to-one. There is a female and a male program that run separate from each other. Both are headed by a student coordinator who works cooperatively with the Assistant Director of Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Director of A.N.D. Unit / Program Services of the Juvenile Court. This program served 18 youth during the calendar year.

All children in this program have been involved in the juvenile court system. They have already begun to make bad choices and are heading down a negative and destructive path. This program is designed to expose these high risk children to new options so that they learn to make better choices. This is done by forming a close relationship with a positive adult role model who is consistent and dependable and can expose them to new ideas, assist in setting goals and making good decisions.

- Status Offender Mediation - The Status Offender Mediation Program became operational in January of 1996 to address the problem of significantly increasing numbers of unruly cases (incorrigibles, runaways, curfew violations and truancies) being brought to the Juvenile Court. Since the program's inception, it has served more than 1,500 juveniles and their parents. This program is made possible in cooperation with Conflict Resolution Services and Violence Prevention Programs, a division of the Alcohol and Chemical Abuse Council of Butler County, Ohio, Inc. They have recruited both trained Certified Mediators, as well as trained Miami University interns, to provide intake, mediation, referral service, follow-up and program managements.

The Status Offender Mediation Program is designed to divert first-time offender unruly youth from the traditional juvenile justice and correctional system. The program provides the juveniles and their families with an individualized family-centered alternative to more intrusive court intervention.

The purpose of Status Offender Mediation is to provide families with opportunities to work together to address the juvenile's problems, providing short-term immediate solutions, as well as skill and information, for continued family-centered problem solving. This kind of approach can empower the family to work together to address their issues. Family-centered mediation has the purpose of increasing parental and child accountability. It gives the parents, juvenile, and the school (in truancy cases) a significant voice in decisions made about the child and the child's home and school environment. Youth participate in the discussion of problems, generation of solutions, and establishment of consequences for their actions. An Anger-Management Program is also available.

This program is based on the assumption that the family, given the appropriate skills and services, can address many of the problems that have brought about the initial court involvement, not only for the individual juvenile, but possibly for his/her siblings.

JUVENILE COURT DELINQUENT/UNRULY STATISTICS
2005

CASES

(Does not include technical violations)

Cases by Residence

<u>CITY/TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Hamilton	968	423	1391
Middletown	736	367	1103
Fairfield	230	121	351
West Chester Township	174	76	250
Oxford	97	57	154
Trenton	83	44	127
Monroe	36	26	62
Liberty Township	13	3	16
Okeana	5	8	13
Seven Mile	4	4	8
Fairfield Township	2	1	3
New Miami	1	0	1
Out of County	266	133	399
Out of State	46	40	86
Other	36	13	49
TOTAL	2697	1316	4013

Cases By Referral Agency

<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT REFERRALS</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Middletown Police Department	584	315	899
Hamilton Police Department	568	276	844
Butler County Sheriff's Department	402	154	556
Fairfield Police Department	289	155	444
West Chester Township Police Dept.	244	90	334
Oxford Police Department	156	64	220
Fairfield Township Police Department	78	40	118
Monroe Police Department	60	37	97
Trenton Police Department	44	22	66
New Miami Police Department	38	21	59
Ross Township Police Department	30	14	44
Oxford Township Police Department	9	6	15
Ohio State Patrol	6	2	8
Miami University Security	5	1	6
Sharonville Police Department	0	2	2
Seven Mile Police Department	1	0	1
TOTAL	2514	1199	3713

<u>BOARD OF EDUCATION REFERRALS</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Hamilton Board of Education	3	1	4
New Miami Board of Education	0	1	1
Fairfield Board of Education	1	2	3
Lakota Board of Education	1	0	1
Middletown Board of Education	2	3	5
Monroe Board of Education	1	1	2
TOTAL	8	8	16

<u>OTHER REFERRALS</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Butler County CSB	2	0	2
Parent/Guardian/Relative	5	2	7
Out of County	7	7	14
Butler County Juvenile Detention Center	13	2	15
Butler County Juvenile Court	14	6	20
Transferred from Other County	111	88	199
LIFE SKILLS	3	0	3
Butler County Metro Parks	8	3	11
Other	11	2	13
TOTAL	174	110	284
TOTAL	2696	1317	4013

JUVENILE COURT DELINQUENT/UNRULY OFFENDER PROFILE
2005

<u>AGE/ GENDER</u>	<u>UNDER 10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18 & OVER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Male	3	12	17	50	88	202	340	403	584	998	2697
Female	0	1	3	12	20	72	142	256	356	454	1316
TOTAL	3	13	20	62	108	274	482	659	940	1452	4013

<u>AGE/ RACE</u>	<u>UNDER 10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18 & OVER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
White	1	6	16	37	63	179	395	464	686	1079	2926
Black	2	4	3	18	33	76	63	141	187	274	801
Hispanic	0	1	0	0	5	4	9	13	21	30	83
Bi-Racial	0	2	1	5	7	10	9	28	25	21	108
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	3	10
Other	0	0	0	2	0	5	6	13	14	45	85
TOTAL	3	13	20	62	108	274	482	659	940	1452	4013

<u>RACE/ GENDER</u>	<u>WHITE</u>	<u>BLACK</u>	<u>HISPANIC</u>	<u>BI-RACIAL</u>	<u>ASIAN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Male	1937	568	63	65	9	55	2697
Female	989	233	20	43	1	30	1316
TOTAL	2926	801	83	108	10	85	4013

OFFENSES
2005

TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Violation of Court Order	157	356	474	317	157
Violation of Probation	1695	1319	1047	611	436
Violation of Parole	47	21	12	9	3
TOTAL	1899	1696	1533	937	596

UNRULY

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Unruly Child	798	816	807	426	381
Unruly/Runaway	N/A	44	59	30	29
Unruly/Curfew Violation	144	99	182	130	52
Habitual Truancy 1 st Offense	274	214	226	116	110
TOTAL	1216	1173	1274	702	572

OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Murder	1	2	0	0	0
Aggravated Vehicular Homicide	0	1	0	0	0
Vehicular Homicide	0	2	2	2	0
Aggravated Vehicular Assault	1	4	0	0	0
Vehicular Assault	0	2	0	0	0
Vehicular Manslaughter	0	1	0	0	0
Felonious Assault	35	29	25	19	6
Felonious Assault Against a Peace Officer	1	1	2	2	0
Aggravated Assault	6	1	2	2	0
Aggravated Assault Against a Peace Officer	0	1	4	4	0
Assault	392	484	411	258	153
Negligent Assault	1	2	2	2	0
Aggravated Menacing	42	57	38	28	10
Menacing	67	69	89	53	36
Kidnapping	0	2	2	1	1
Abduction	1	0	0	0	0
Unlawful Restraint	2	0	2	1	1
Rape	25	25	29	26	3
Sexual Battery	0	0	2	2	0
Gross Sexual Imposition	31	26	30	30	0
Sexual Imposition	13	14	15	15	0
Importuning	1	5	1	1	0
Public Indecency	13	5	20	17	3
Soliciting	1	0	0	0	0
Pandering Obscenity Involving Minor	0	1	0	0	0
Endangering Child	5	1	0	0	0
Contributing to Unruliness/Delinquency of Minor	2	1	0	0	0
Contributing to Unruliness	0	1	1	1	0
Domestic Violence	322	361	335	218	117
Intimidation	7	0	0	0	0
Ethnic Intimidation	3	8	0	0	0
Menacing by Stalking	1	2	1	0	1
Harassment by Inmate	0	1	2	2	0
Retaliation	0	1	1	1	0
Inciting to Violence	2	0	0	0	0
Taking the Identity of Another	1	1	0	0	0
Telecommunications Harassment	29	17	19	8	11
Contaminating Substance for Human Consumption	0	0	2	1	1
Child Endangering Abuse/Neg	0	0	4	1	3
TOTAL	1005	1128	1041	695	346

OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Aggravated Arson	9	6	4	3	1
Arson	8	3	13	10	3
Arson without Owners Consent-Property>\$500.00	0	8	14	13	1
Arson-Public Buildings	0	5	6	6	0
Disrupting Public Service	3	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	46	37	41	36	5
Criminal Damaging	200	181	179	153	26
Criminal Mischief	65	54	68	58	10
Terroristic Threat	0	1	0	0	0
Aggravated Robbery	10	10	6	4	2
Robbery	27	18	15	14	1
Aggravated Burglary	5	18	5	5	0
Burglary	71	88	63	54	9
Breaking & Entering Unoccupied Structure	48	87	21	19	2
Criminal Trespass	149	165	134	105	29
Aggravated Trespass	7	3	5	3	2
Safecracking	0	1	1	0	1
Tampering with Coin Machine	2	0	1	1	0
Petty Theft Under \$500	504	547	470	299	171
Theft \$500-\$5,000	35	48	36	25	11
Grand Theft \$5,000-\$100,000	16	30	17	15	2
Grand Theft Motor Vehicle	33	31	29	24	5
Theft of Motor Vehicle or Firearm	0	1	3	2	1
Theft / Elderly or Disabled	0	1	1	0	1
Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle	34	37	33	22	11
Unauthorized Use of Property	3	1	1	1	0
Passing Bad Checks	0	0	0	0	0
Unauthorized Use Of Telecommunications Property	0	0	1	0	1
Misuse of Credit Card	5	6	8	3	5
Forgery	3	7	17	16	1
Criminal Simulation	0	0	0	0	0
Receiving Stolen Property – M1	51	37	51	43	8
Receiving Stolen Property – F5	23	15	27	24	3
Receiving Stolen Property – F4	17	32	32	27	5
Possessing Criminal Tools	10	7	1	1	0
Passing Bad Checks Under \$500.00	0	0	2	2	0
Insurance Fraud	0	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	1384	1486	1305	988	317

OFFENSES INVOLVING DRUGS OR ALCOHOL

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Corrupting Another with Drugs	4	3	1	1	0
Trafficking Offenses	41	37	49	49	0
Possession of Drug Abuse Instrument	3	1	5	4	1
Trafficking in Harmful Intoxicants	1	0	0	0	0
Consumption in Motor Vehicle	1	2	4	4	0
Prohibition – Underage Consumption	202	221	243	171	72
Possession of Counterfeit Substance	9	4	4	4	0
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	108	110	121	97	24
Advertising Drug Paraphernalia	0	1	0	0	0
Open Container/Underage Possession	9	3	14	12	2
Allow Minor Remain While Consuming	8	0	0	0	0
Cultivating Marijuana	2	2	0	0	0
Possession of Dangerous Drugs	4	1	17	9	8
Possession of Tobacco	4	0	0	0	0
Juvenile Tobacco Offender	36	0	0	0	0
Preparation of Drugs for Sale	1	0	0	0	0
Permitting Drug Abuse	3	5	6	4	2
Abusing Harmful Intoxicants	4	1	1	0	1
Theft of Drugs	0	5	4	4	0
Attempt to Purchase by Minor under 16	1	0	0	0	0
Misrepresent by Minor Under 18	0	0	0	0	0
Misrepresent by Minor Under 21	0	1	0	0	0
Intoxicating Liquor, Illegal Possession	0	0	4	4	0
Restrictions on Sales of Alcohol	0	1	0	0	0
Aggravated Possession of Drugs	3	0	2	1	1
Disorderly Conduct While Intoxicated	4	12	12	9	3
Obtain/Possess/Use Cocaine	0	6	15	13	2
Obtain/Possess/Use Marihuana	0	53	101	84	17
Possession of Cocaine	3	26	20	18	2
Possession of Drugs	6	21	39	30	9
Possession of Marihuana	66	155	106	89	17
Conveying Prohibited Item into Detention Facility	0	2	2	0	2
Tampering with Drugs	0	1	0	0	0
Unauthorized Practice of Pharmacy	6	1	2	1	1
Illegal Dispensing of Drug Samples	0	4	6	6	0
Illegal Dispensing of Drug Samples Near School	0	1	1	1	0
Using Weapon while Intoxicated	0	1	0	0	0
Corrupting Another with Drugs	0	1	1	1	0
Other	0	0	5	2	3
TOTAL	529	682	785	618	167

OFFENSES INVOLVING WEAPONS

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Carrying Concealed Weapon	19	18	17	17	0
Unlawful Poss. Of Dangerous Ordinance	3	1	1	1	0
Sale or Use of Fireworks	0	0	0	0	0
Discharging Fireworks	0	2	1	1	0
Dangerous Ordinance – School Premises	15	34	16	13	3
Possession of a Deadly Weapon under Detention	0	3	0	0	0
Conveying Weapon or Item into Detention Facility	2	3	2	0	2
Conveying Weapon into a Courthouse	3	0	1	0	1
Discharging a Firearm	10	6	3	3	0
Having Weapon Under Disability	3	0	1	1	0
Improper Handling of Firearm in Vehicle	3	2	1	1	0
Unlawful Transaction in Weapons	0	0	0	0	0
Use of Weapon while Intoxicated	0	0	1	1	0
Improper Furnishing of Firearm to Minor	0	0	0	0	0
Throwing and Shooting Missiles	0	0	0	0	0
Illegally Manufacturing or Processing Explosives	0	1	0	0	0
CCW Loaded/Dangerous Ordinance	0	0	4	4	0
TOTAL	58	70	48	42	6

OTHER OFFENSES

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>
Complicity	0	1	2	2	0
Criminal Simulation	0	5	7	0	7
Disorderly Conduct	372	369	424	269	155
Intimidation	0	7	0	0	0
Misconduct at an Emergency	6	18	1	1	0
Disrupting Public Services	0	2	1	0	1
Inducing Panic	40	29	25	16	9
Riot	0	1	13	10	3
Making False Alarms	13	3	5	3	2
Tampering with Evidence	4	2	6	6	0
Failure to Report Felony	1	1	0	0	0
Obstructing Official Business	83	136	128	97	31
Obstructing Justice	2	8	17	10	7
Resisting Arrest	75	67	80	59	21
Escape	4	10	8	5	3
Falsification	13	7	15	8	7
Failure to Comply-Order of Police	8	14	3	2	1
Cruelty to Animals	2	1	4	4	0
Fictitious I.D.	2	0	0	0	0
Failure to Disperse	0	1	0	0	0
Participating in Criminal Gang	0	4	0	0	0
Possessing Criminal Tools	0	5	7	5	2
Courtesy Supervision to Probation	2	7	4	3	1
Disseminating Harmful Matter	0	6	0	0	0
Making False Reports	6	1	6	1	5
Chronic Truancy	369	439	482	243	239
Littering	1	8	7	6	1
Other	0	9	37	31	6
TOTAL	1003	1164	1282	781	501

GRAND TOTAL OFFENSES

	<u>2005</u>
MALE	4763
FEMALE	2505
TOTAL	7268

For the calendar year 2005, there were 7,268 offenses, handled through 4,013 cases, that were committed by 2,490 juveniles.

JUVENILE DISPOSITIONS
(Includes Multiple Dispositions)
2005

<u>DISPOSITION</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Detention	893	231	1124
Court Costs	896	523	1419
Court Costs Waived	67	25	92
Fine	55	20	75
Fine and Court Costs Waived	0	2	2
Restitution	553	215	768
Work Program/Community Service	593	297	890
Official Probation	415	162	577
Court Supervision	1062	523	1585
House Arrest	477	289	766
Electronic Monitoring	30	4	34
Transferred to Other County	97	34	131
Admonished/Warned	46	22	68
Unofficial Probation	0	0	0
Parole Supervision	2	1	3
Bound to Grand Jury	2	0	2
Case Dismissed	480	243	723
Referral to B.C. Children Services Board	10	2	12
Juvenile Fund Contribution	207	84	291
Supervision Rules – Diversion	3	2	5
No Contact/Off Limits	1422	709	2131
Other	2761	1243	4004
Drug/Alcohol Assessment	313	102	415
Psychological Assessment	39	23	62
Positive Parenting & Living	58	35	93
Home Incarceration	88	53	141
Victim Offender Mediation Program Referral	412	151	563
Case Withdrawn	106	61	167
Courtesy Supervision	7	2	9
CHANCE	0	0	0
Status Offender Mediation Referral	97	110	207
Drug Testing	568	278	846
RESCUE Program	0	0	0
RESTRICT Program	59	36	95
School Bond	136	160	296
License Suspension	104	24	128

JUVENILE DISPOSITIONS
(Includes Multiple Dispositions)
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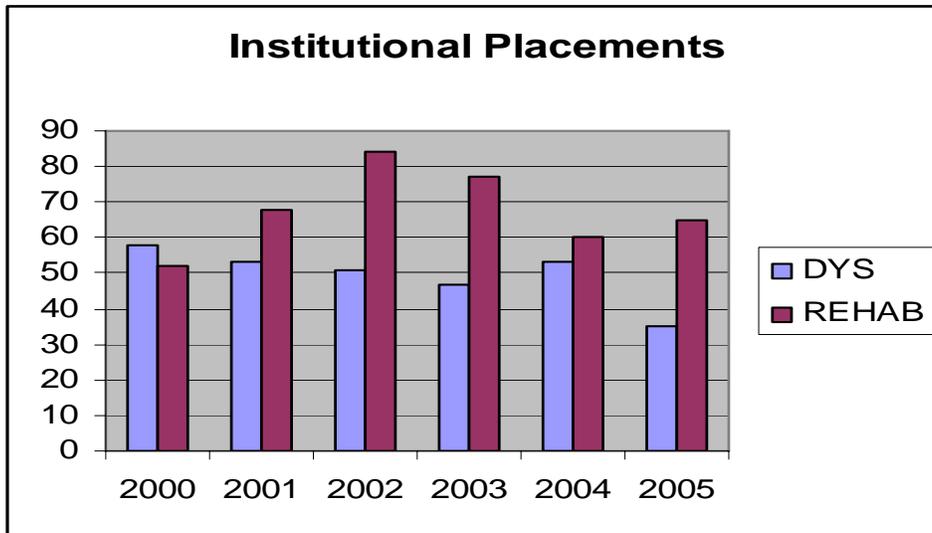
<u>DISPOSITION</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Counseling (Family/Individual)	65	43	108
Substance Abuse Counseling	1	1	2
Assault Mediation	36	25	61
Truancy Mediation	1	0	1
Anger Management Group	57	13	70
Appoint Interpreter	25	2	27
Diversion Supervision	443	260	703
Competency Evaluation	51	5	56
JRC Placement Evaluation	58	4	62
Sex Offender Evaluation	42	4	46
Sex Offender Counseling	5	0	5
Sex Offender Group Counseling	3	0	3
Parent Failed to Appear	34	23	57
Failure to Appear (No Warrant)	70	33	103
Failure to Appear (Warrant)	118	61	179
Firesetter Prevention Program	24	1	25
JDC Release	579	265	844
JDC Suspend Sentence	66	15	81
Railroad Program Referral	0	0	0
School Attendance Mandatory	386	377	763
Suspend Right to Apply	19	2	21
Support Order	43	2	45
Mandatory STD/HIV Testing	26	2	28
Truancy Parent Charged	254	272	526
Warrant Ordered	59	39	98
TOTAL	14523	7115	21638

JUVENILE DIVERSION STATISTICS
2005

<u>OFFENSE TYPE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Delinquent	435	195	630
Unruly	133	123	256
TOTAL	568	318	886

INSTITUTIONAL PLACEMENTS
2005

	<u>DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES</u>	<u>JUVENILE REHABILITATION CENTER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
2000	58	52	110
2001	53	68	121
2002	51	84	135
2003	47	77	124
2004	53	60	113
2005	35	65	100



JUVENILES RELINQUISHED TO CRIMINAL COURT

BIND-OVER CASES

2001	17
2002	17
2003	21
2004	15
2005	12

JUVENILE COURT
WORK PROGRAM STATISTICS
2005

Total Juvenile Participants	2414
Restitution Hours	5881
Community Service Hours	10093
Restitution Disbursed from Work Program Project	\$24,994.25

WORK SITES

Abilities First (Middletown)	Middletown City Schools
Badin High School (Hamilton)	Middletown Parks
Butler County Metro Parks	Middletown Midfest
Butler Tech	Monroe City Schools
Clean Sweep (Hamilton)	Monroe City Parks
Oxford Parks	New Miami Parks
Edgewood Schools	PARACHUTE (Hamilton)
Fairfield City Schools	Ross Schools
Life Span (Hamilton)	Red Cross (Hamilton)
Fenwick High School (Middletown)	Seven Mile City Schools
Habitat for Humanity (Hamilton/Middletown)	Shared Harvest (Fairfield)
Habitat Restore (Hamilton/Middletown)	Talawanda Schools
Hamilton Dam & Riverwalk	Trenton City Parks
Hamilton City Parks	Trenton Knothole Diamonds
Hamilton City Schools	United Way (Hamilton)
Hamilton Water Works	West Chester City Parks
Lakota Schools	Westside Little League (Hamilton)
Madison Schools	New Miami Schools
Sherman Manor Retirement Apt. (Hamilton)	

COURT ORDERED RESTITUTION, FINES AND COURT COSTS

January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005

TOTAL RESTITUTION COLLECTED	\$183,097.32
TOTAL FINES & COSTS COLLECTED	\$187,789.07

BUTLER COUNTY
JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER OVERVIEW
2005

The Butler County Juvenile Detention Center has been established as a 66 bed facility designed to provide short term, secure custody, for juveniles who have been charged with an unruly or delinquent offense and are awaiting adjudication, are adjudicated and pending further court action or awaiting transfer to another location. While incarcerated, the facility shall do the following:

- Provide for residents' basic needs such as shelter, food, clothing, and medical care.
- Provide for the legal rights of residents.
- Provide for the physical, emotional, religious, educational, and social needs of residents.
- House residents in a safe and humane environment, maintaining the level of security and control necessary to prevent escape and limit assaultive behavior by utilizing a classification system which separates youth based on age and gender.

2005 has proven to be a challenging year, one in which we have continued to experience a trend of increases, both in admissions and expectations. In 2005, the number of admissions in the Butler County Juvenile Detention Center increased to 1551 from a 2004 total of 1517. In addition, the average length of stay reached 14.8 days in 2005 as compared to the 2004 average of 14.1 days, while the average daily population increased from a 2004 average of 65.2 to a 2005 average of 67.5 residents.

Community resources have continued to be invaluable in our programming efforts within the facility. We want to thank our community partners who provide services to our residents throughout the year including, OSU Extension, Alcohol and Chemical Abuse Council, the Butler County Mental Health Board, the Cincinnati Zoo Educational Outreach program sponsored by Frisch's Restaurants, the Pregnancy Center of Middletown, Courts of Praise, Church on Fire, Reconciliation Ministries, Solid Rock Church, King's Kids, Narcotics Anonymous, Mt. Zion Church, the Rape Crisis Center, Millville Homemakers Association, Junior Women's League, the Princeton Pike Church of God, and the Hamilton Church of God. Special thanks to the Hamilton City School District for providing for the educational programming for our residents.

Most especially, we want to thank our staff at the facility for their professionalism and dedication.

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER STATISTICS
2005

<u>POPULATION</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Males	1024	1054
Females	493	497
TOTAL	1517	1551

<u>OFFENSES</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Status	67	82
Misdemeanors	440	424
Felonies	297	291
Court Violations	713	754
TOTAL	1517	1551

<u>REFERRING AGENCY</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Butler County Juvenile Court	801	841
Hamilton Police Department	180	181
Middletown Police Department	129	158
Butler County Sheriff Department	150	130
Fairfield Police Department	50	35
West Chester Police Department	57	66
Ohio Department of Youth Services	28	28
Miami University Security	1	0
Oxford Police Department	11	15
Trenton Police Department	28	21
New Miami Police Department	11	11
Monroe Police Department	19	8
Ross Township Police Department	10	11
Ross Police Department	1	3
Fairfield Township Police Dept.	29	29
Oxford Township Police Department	3	3
Sharonville Police Department	1	1
Warren County Sheriff Office	2	1
Hamilton County Sheriff Department	1	1
Ohio State Patrol	3	3
Hamilton County Juvenile Court	0	3
Other	2	2
TOTAL	1517	1551

JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

<u>CHILD'S RESIDENCE</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Hamilton	702	638
Middletown	400	460
Fairfield	89	106
Oxford	37	50
New Miami	7	10
Trenton	50	40
In County	73	81
Out of County	46	56
Out of State	18	24
West Chester	95	86
TOTAL	1517	1551
Average Length of Stay in Days	14.1	14.8

BUTLER COUNTY
JUVENILE REHABILITATION CENTER OVERVIEW
2005

The mission of the Butler County Juvenile Rehabilitation Center (BCJRC) is to help young men help themselves. BCJRC serves felony level offenders from Butler, Clermont, Clinton and Warren counties. The facility has long been recognized as one of the leaders in juvenile corrections programming. In 1996, BCJRC was recognized as “The Outstanding Community Correctional Facility - State of Ohio.” In 1998 and again in 2003, the facility participated in an extensive evaluation of its overall operations and programs by the University of Cincinnati. The evaluation resulted in a rating of the second highest score for CCFs in Ohio. Of more than 100 programs evaluated by this instrument nationally, BCJRC was rated as one of the top fifteen programs.

Youth incarcerated in the facility are exposed to a variety of programming, individualized, to meet their unique needs. Programming for youth include victim empathy and cognitive restructuring. Specialized programs offered sex offender treatment, sexual abuse survivor’s group and chemical dependency issues. While in the program, parents of the youth are also involved in Parent Education and Family Counseling. Both parent and child are included in these programs to help transition the youth back into the community.

While the main focus of the BCJRC is to change the criminal thinking and behavior of our residents through cognitive intervention, their educational deficiencies are also addressed. Youth are assessed using different instruments. The results of the assessments along with interviews with the child provide information for the teachers to provide an individualized instruction plan (IIP) for each youth. The IIP is then implemented to improve their academic standing. An example is reflected by the fact that 90% of the residents experienced academic improvement within the year. In addition, BCJRC experienced high scores on the Ohio Proficiency Test with 62% of the residents passing the test.

Statistically, there were several changes which occurred in the year. The average length of stay increased to 184.5 days as compared to a 2004 average of 176 days, while the total number of admissions increased from 60 admissions in 2004 to a 2005 total of 65.

Several program changes also occurred in the year. The facility received the benefits of a grant that was given to the Butler County Alcoholism Council. In addition, Level III residents continued to work with severely disabled clients at the Liberty and Hamilton Center. The good work of this facility would not be possible if it were not for the involvement of the community. These organizations that deserve special thanks are the Hamilton Christian Center, Hamilton Vineyard Church, Ohio State University Extension,, Alcohol and Chemical Abuse Council, Narcotics Anonymous, Catholic Social Services, Butler County Children Services Board, Butler County MRDD, Miami University, along with the large number of mentors and volunteers who have reached out to our youth. Finally, special recognition should be given to our staff for their professionalism and dedication throughout the year.

JUVENILE REHABILITATION CENTER STATISTICS
RESIDENT PROFILE
2005

<u>COMMITTING COUNTY</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Butler	52(87%)	53(82%)
Clermont	0(0%)	0(0%)
Clinton	8(13%)	10(14%)
Warren	0(0%)	1(2%)
Adams	0(0%)	1(2%)
TOTAL	60	65

<u>FELONY LEVEL</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Felony 1	7(12%)	4(6%)
Felony 2	7(12%)	7(20%)
Felony 3	10(18%)	16(23%)
Felony 4	16(27%)	9(14%)
Felony 5	20(33%)	29(36%)
TOTAL	60	65

<u>AGE</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
12	0	0
13	3	6
14	15	9
15	16	14
16	18	17
17	8	19
TOTAL	60	65

JUVENILE TRAFFIC OVERVIEW
2005

The number of juveniles cited to traffic court in 2005 was slightly higher than what was experienced in 2004 representing about a .5% increase overall. This is representative of a trend in Butler county which, over the past several years, has seen the number of citations issued to juvenile drivers remain relatively static while the county's population continues to rise.

In 2005, the juvenile court continued its initiative to hold juvenile traffic offenders accountable for their actions. Over one-third of all juvenile traffic offender violations resulted in some kind of license suspension by the court. This represents a response by the court to the tragedies on our roads and highways which continue to take the lives of our young people.

The court also sent almost 1000 juvenile traffic offenders to the CarTeens program in 2005. This independently run program, which juveniles attend with their parents, has consistently received praise from parents, teen drivers, and community leaders for the service it provides.

JUVENILE COURT TRAFFIC OFFENSES
(Includes Multiple Offenses)

<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
All Purpose Vehicle Prohibited	1	4
Approaching Public Safety Vehicle	1	1
Assured Clear Distance	282	286
Crossing Divided Highway	1	0
Curfew Violation Temporary Permit Violation	1	1
Disregard of Safety	4	5
Driver's License Misrepresentation	11	3
Drag Racing/Street Racing	13	6
Driving in Marked Hazardous Zones	4	1
Driving Left of Center	20	17
Driving on Left Side of Roadway	1	4
Driving on Bike Path	1	0
Driving on a Closed Highway	4	2
Driving on Sidewalk	1	1
Driving Under DUI Suspension	2	0
Driving Under Suspension	63	62
Driving With Previous Registration	5	4
DUI (See also OVI for 2005)	11	13
Duty to Present Certificate	1	0
Equipment Misuse	4	3
Expired Plates	65	41
Failure to Display Registration	12	8
Failure to File Required Report	1	0
Failure to Control	174	178
Failure to Dim Headlights	1	2
Failure to Display License Plates	29	15
Failure to Display Driver's License	30	30
Failure to Reinstate License	4	3
Failure to Stop for Injury to Person or Property	1	5
False Information Provided to Avoid Citation	7	4
Fleeing /Eluding Police Officer	5	5
Focus and Aim of Headlights	2	0
Following Too Closely	7	4
Failure to Yield (Place other than roadway)	21	26
Failure to Yield to Emergency Vehicle	2	0
Failure to Yield	24	7
Failure to Yield at Intersection	15	17
Failure to Yield While Turning Left	62	64
Failure to Yield from Private Drive	11	8
Failure to Yield from Stop Sign	108	117
Headlight Violation	4	6
Headlights Not On	12	21
Hit/Skip Leaving the Scene	28	34

JUVENILE COURT TRAFFIC OFFENSES

<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Improper or Prohibited Turn	6	6
Improper Passing	5	8
Miscellaneous (Listed as Violation of Equip Regulation in 2003)	2	0
Muffler/Exhaust Violations	6	2
No Child Restraint	1	3
No Driver's License	242	267
No License Plate Light	8	8
No Moped License or Safety Equipment	1	1
No Motorcycle Endorsement	1	1
No Temporary Permit/No Adult	28	15
Operating an Unsafe Motor Vehicle	8	14
Operation of a Motor Vehicle w/o License Plates	3	0
OVI (See, also, DUI)	20	27
Parking on Posted Private Property	1	0
Parking Violation	7	8
Permitting Riding on a Vehicle	1	1
Permitting Unlicensed Driver to Drive (Listed as Wrongful Entrustment in 2003)	0 1	0 0
Prohibited Pedestrian on Freeway	2	0
Prohibited U-Turn	4	5
Reckless Operation (Private Property)	1	2
Reckless Operation	54	65
Registration Required for Special Purpose Vehicles	2	1
Riding on Vehicle	2	3
Right of Way Pedestrian	1	0
Right Side of Roadway	3	1
Safety Belt (Passenger)	39	34
Safety Belt (Driver)	166	161
Slow Speed	3	1
Speeding (2003 figure is total of all speeding citations)	816	957
Speeding (more than 30MPH over limit)	44	32
Speeding (more than 55MPH and more than 10 MPH over limit)	115	39
Stopped School Bus Violation	14	7
Tail Light Violation	4	4
Tinted Windows	11	6
Traffic Control Devices/Signs	58	41
Traffic Control Lights	54	78
Unattended Motor Vehicle	1	1
Unauthorized Use of Plates	23	19
Unsafe Operation	1	3
Vehicle Noise Violation	15	9

JUVENILE COURT TRAFFIC OFFENSES

<u>Offense</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>
Violation of Starting/Backing	25	18
Violation Turning at Intersection	9	8
Violation RR Crossing	8	1
Violation Reverse Lights	1	6
Violation Right Turn on Red	4	2
Violation One Way Traffic	5	4
Violation Traffic Lanes/Lines	44	52
Other	0	39
TOTAL	2926	2969

JUVENILE COURT TRAFFIC DISPOSITIONS (Includes Multiple Dispositions)

Disposition	2004	2005
CarTeens	996	974
Dismissed	89	50
Driving Improvement Program	41	103
Fines & Costs	2014	2527
Fines & Costs Waived	2	1
Full License Suspension (All Types)	861	1073
Juvenile Fund Contribution	7	2
Parental Suspension	36	0
Petition Granted (Driving Privileges)	87	197
Pleasure Driving Suspension	329	295
Probation	16	7
Restitution	23	30
Seat Belt Fine	76	53
Suspend Right to Apply	42	63
Teen Intervention Program	20	14
Ticket Withdrawn by Officer	6	15
Transferred to Other County	165	177
Warned and Admonished	9	4

JUVENILE TRAFFIC COSTS AND FINES

Total Costs, Fees, Fines Levied	\$121,723.80	
Total Costs, Fees, Fines Collected	\$124,023.20	(Includes carryover of Fines and Costs assessed in prior years and collected in 2005)

SUPPORT SERVICES UNIT OVERVIEW
2005

The Support Services Unit is comprised of a team of case managers who provide critical coordination of information and services to the court system, the public, the legal community, law enforcements agencies, volunteer agencies, as well as social service agencies within and outside of Butler County. The array of cases handled by the case managers include abuse, neglect, and dependency actions, adult criminal actions, custody/visitation actions, and child support matters.

A total of 1185 case of abuse (194), neglect (357), and dependency (634) were filed by the Butler County Children Services Board and private citizens in 2005. Of those cases, Children Serviced Board was granted permanent custody of 42.

A total of 527 adult criminal cases were filed by police departments, truant officers, or private citizens in 2005. Of those cases, 367 were parents charged with Failure to Send A Child to School or Contributing to the Non Support of a Minor. In 2000, a specialized truancy docket was created to focus on school truancy issues. Parents or custodians may be fined up to \$1000.00 or sentenced to six months in the Butler County Jail if found guilty of this criminal offence.

SUPPORT SERVICES UNIT STATISTICS
2005

C.S.B./PRIVATE COMPLAINTS FILED

Abuse	194
Neglect	357
Dependency	634
Transfers	0
TOTAL	1185

PETITIONS FOR CUSTODY

Legal Custody	693
TOTAL	693

PETITIONS FOR VISITATION

Visitation	143
TOTAL	143

PERMANENT CUSTODY

Permanent Custody	43
TOTAL	43

ADULT CRIMINAL

Failure to Send	274
Contributing to the Non-Support	93
Contributing to the Delinquency	25
Contributing to the Unruliness	38
Endangering Children	80
Interference with Custody	5
Domestic Violence	8
Public Indecency	0
Sexual Imposition	0
Other	4
TOTAL	527

GRAND TOTAL	2591
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CLERK SERVICES UNIT OVERVIEW
2005

In 2005, all case types were initiated in our computer system. The primary role of the Clerk Services Unit is to aid the Magistrates and Judges in the courtrooms, Support Services Unit, the Probation Department, outside agencies, and the public in processing the paperwork on new and existing cases. The objective of the Clerk Services Unit is to process all filings and paperwork in an effective and timely manner to ensure that all the Juvenile Court's operations are efficient. In addition, the Deputy Clerks are responsible for the scheduling of official cases before the Judges and the Magistrates, and the monitoring of payments for court costs, fines, restitution, and drug screens.

Mid-way through the year, Domestic Relations Court working in conjunction with Juvenile Court began scheduling and hearing support cases. This collaboration help to expedite the timeframe that issues were addressed for the public substantially. The assistance Juvenile Court has received from the Domestic Relations Court is greatly appreciated.

In 2005, the Docket Clerks filed a variety of cases which included 527 adult criminal; 4013 delinquent and unruly; and 1,878 custody, abuse, neglect and dependency complaints for a combined total of 6418 new cases. The Traffic Clerk processed 2,388 new cases which was a slight decrease from the previous year. The Child Support Deputy Clerks initiated 873 new cases and generated 185 wage assignments which include not only child support cases but also cases where juveniles are placed outside the home due to delinquency, abuse, neglect, and/or dependency cases. This number is significantly lower this year because the Domestic Relations' staff create wage assignments on cases that have been assigned and heard in their court.

The Juvenile Court continues to work with the vendor to improve the case management system that will assist both the court and correctional facility staff in managing case information in a more efficient manner.

JUVENILE SUPPORT CASE STATISTICS
2005

<u>PARENTAGE</u>	203
TOTAL	203
<u>SUPPORT</u>	873
TOTAL	873
<u>UNIFORM RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT</u>	93
<u>AGREED PATERNITY AND SUPPORT</u>	0
<u>OBJECTION TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS</u>	296
<u>FOREIGN SUPPORT</u>	7
TOTAL	396
WAGE ASSIGNMENTS	185
<u>TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES INITIATED</u> (Not including Wage Assignments)	1472
<u>TOTAL COURT COSTS COLLECTED IN JUVENILE SUPPORT CASES</u>	\$8,409.79

INFORMATION SERVICES OVERVIEW
2005

In 2005, Butler County Juvenile Court continued to move forward with the automation of the Court by “going live” with Abuse, Neglect, and Dependency cases in January followed by Support and Paternity cases in July. With these additions the Court was able to process the vast majority of cases electronically within the JCS (Juvenile Court System) software leaving only Adult Criminal cases as a significant case type not processed within the court management system. The Court is looking forward to completing the implementation of the remaining case types in 2006 and the addition of the Juvenile Detention Center and Rehabilitation Center modules in 2007.

The Juvenile Court Information Services Department continued to be responsible for the ordering and maintaining of all personal computers, printers, scanners and servers. Additionally, all user accounts were created, modified, and maintained for use by the employees who work for the Juvenile Justice Center which was open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All of this would not be possible without the assistance of the Butler County Information Services Department who has designated the services of a PC Technician to the Juvenile Justice Center.

Technology also served the Court well in the form of the Kronos Timekeeping System. This integrated solution was designed to manage the collection and distribution of employee hours in every area of the Juvenile Justice Center. The system captured arrival times and departure times, transfers from one department to another, and changes in shift or pay categories of all staff members. Kronos also enabled staff to access their own sick, vacation, and compensatory time earned.

The Support Enforcement Tracking System (SETS) continued to be fully operational and allowed the employees of the Court, as well as the Child Support Enforcement Agency, to inquire as to accurate child support and paternity case information on a statewide basis.

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We would like to express our appreciation to law enforcement agencies, other county departments, schools and various community organizations for their continued support in our efforts to provide meaningful service to the community.

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