

# **LEE COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2020**

## **ABOUT THE CPC**

### **CPC Members**

**Ajero, Emi (EAMHC)**  
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<b>501(c)3 Status</b>	<b>Lee County</b>
Is this CPC a 501(c)3?	No

**NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

The sections below relate to the needs of children ages birth to 19 in your community as well as the families of those children. Please find below your identified top needs for your new (2020) assessment and the information about those needs.

<b>Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2020</b>	
<b>Parental Involvement and Family Engagement   Rank: 1</b>	
Number of children in foster care:	102
Are there enough available placements for foster children in your county?	No

<b>Substance Abuse   Rank: 2</b>	
Number of juvenile delinquency cases filed for drug and substance violations.	52
How many children have been removed from their home due to parent drug use in your county?	14
<b>Mental Health   Rank: 3</b>	
How many in-patient beds are available for children in your community?	5
How many in-patient beds are available for adults in your community?	14
Which population has the greatest mental health needs in your county?	9 to 17 years old

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Below, is a list of your CPC's top accomplishments.

<b>Accomplishment</b>	School Based Mental Health Services, therapists are involved with young people in the school systems in Lee County.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Young people in Lee County School System (Sarah Cox)
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	50% of therapist costs funded Provided 4 hours of therapy per referral.
<b>Accomplishment</b>	Too Good For Drugs and Violence Curriculum. Evidence-based curriculum for 10-12 weeks for 9th and 12th graders in schools listed below.  Curriculum covers topics involving drug abuse, emotional regulation, and conflict resolution.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Auburn High School, Auburn Jr. High, Opelika High School

Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$6,750
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health

<b>Accomplishment</b>	Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment- Outpatient patient care for adolescents struggling with substance abuse for 12-18 year olds. Treatment lasts 8-12 weeks and therapist use CBT and evidence based intervention. Individual group as well as family therapy offered.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Adolescents and families in Lee County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$195,000
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health

<b>Accomplishment</b>	QPR Training- Description: QPR is an acronym for Question, Persuade, and Refer. This was a training for community members to educate on suicide prevention. The trainees learned how to recognize a person who is suicidal and how to respond.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Lee County Community
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$1,000
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health grant

<b>Accomplishment</b>	Mental Health First Aid training for instructors, suicide prevention course provided to the community to educate on how to recognize and deal with mental health crises and prevent suicide. This training allows prevention specialists to host Mental Health
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Lee County Community
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$6,500
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health

<b>Accomplishment</b>	Suicide Protocol Card Dissemination. Cards with the Children's Policy Council Protocol in dealing with suicide prevention in young people were printed and to be passed out among the community. Protocol cards serve as a standard created by the Children's Policy Council for community officials to respond to a mental health crisis in children.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Lee County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$250
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health grant

<b>Accomplishment</b>	Children's Policy Council Sub-committee meetings held. This sub-committee is designed to target suicide prevention in Lee County, and educate the community in proper protocol when dealing with mental health crisis.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Lee County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$400
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health

<b>Accomplishment</b>	EAMHC Broadcast Description: Interview community official who are professionally or personally involved in drug abuse prevention and advocating for public health. Broadcasts were posted on social media websites of EAMHC.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Social media audience containing Lee County community members
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$3000
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health

<b>Accomplishment</b>	iHeart Media Public Service Announcements Description: iHeart media recorded Prevention Specialists PSAs aired in Lee County discussing suicide prevention, underage drinking, smoking/vaping, and prescription drug abuse.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Lee County Community
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$2,000
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Alabama Department of Mental Health