

# LOWNDES COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT

2018

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<b>501(c)3 Status</b>	<b>Lowndes County</b>
Is this CPC a 501(c)3?	N/A

# 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 both your originally ranked (2017) needs and new (2018) top 3 needs and the information about those needs.

<b>Needs as Originally Ranked and Corresponding Data (2017)</b>	
<b>Juvenile Crime and Safety</b>	<b>Rank: 1</b>
Please select the statement that best fits the state of juvenile <b>property</b> crime in your county.	Has seen a decline over the past year
Select the statement that best fits the state of juvenile <b>violent</b> crime in your county.	Has seen a decline
What are the causes of teen accidents or deaths?	Distracted driving Other
<b>Substance Abuse</b>	<b>Rank: 2</b>
Number of Juvenile arrests for drug and substance violations:	2
How many children have been removed from homes due to parent drug use?	0
<b>School Success</b>	<b>Rank: 3</b>
What percent of students miss 10 or more days of school?	3
Please provide the number of truancy cases referred to early warning court.	28
Please provide the percentage of children not proficient in reading in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade.	87

## Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2018

### Juvenile Crime and Safety | Rank: 1

Please mark the answer that best fits juvenile <b>property</b> crime in your county.	Seems to have stabilized and remains virtually the same.
Please mark the answer that best fits juvenile <b>violent</b> crime in your county.	Seems to have stabilized and remains virtually the same.
What are the causes of teen accidents or deaths?	Distracted driving

### School Success | Rank: 2

What percent of students miss 10 or more days of school?	8%
Please provide the number of truancy cases referred to early warning court.	10
Please provide the percentage of children not proficient in reading in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade.	84%

### Substance Abuse | Rank: 3

Number of juvenile arrests for drug and substance abuse violations:	0
How many children have been removed from their home due to parent drug use?	5

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

<b>Accomplishment</b>	Character In Action Program
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Lowndes County students were recognized each month throughout the school year for demonstrating outstanding character in their home, school or community.
Number served from this accomplishment?	9
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$450.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Lowndes County Juvenile Trust Fund