# MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2020

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501(c)3 Status	Montgomery County
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.

Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2020		
Mental Health   Rank: 1		
How many in-patient beds are available for children in your community?	18	
How many in-patient beds are available for adults in your community?	18	
Which population has the greatest mental health needs in your county?	18 to 54 years old	
School Success   Rank: 2		
Graduation rate:	81%	
Chronic absenteeism	20%	
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading Proficiency:	34%	

4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Proficiency:	31%
Juvenile Crime and Safety   Rank: 3	
Juvenile Violent Crime petition rate:	141
Rate of teens not attending school or not working:	7

# **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

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

Accomplishment	Council on Substance Abuse (COSA)  1. S.T.A.R.R. Coalition is comprised of youth, grades 6-12, in the River Region area who are interested in addressing alcohol and substance abuse and related issues among their peers  2. TE.E.N. Direct is a substance abuse and HIV/AIDS prevention program targeting teens, ages 13-17  3. Families in Recovery Staying Together (F.I.R.S.T) is a program providing alcohol and substance abuse recovery support services to teens and their parents.  4. Mental Health First AID Training- COSA-NCADD implements 1-hour presentations on mental health awareness and 8-hour mental health first aid certification trainings to individuals in the community.  5. COSA provides alcohol and substance abuse prevention activities throughout the county including presentations, information dissemination, training, and environmental strategies.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The children of Montgomery County and their families.
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A
Accomplishment	Montgomery Area Mental Health Authority (MAMHA)  The establishment of Crossbridge Behavioral Health.  Crossbridge providess inpatient mental health services.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Children and adults of Montgomery County.

Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A

Accomplishment	The Family Sunshine Center
	Suicide Prevention information was printed on hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and made available to families through the school nutrition programs during school closure and summer break.
	Face to face counseling through video chat to youths who identify as LGBTQ.
	3. Our shelter and crisis line has remained open 24/7 throughout the pandemic. We've continued to implement safety precautions while remaining the mission of protecting families experiencing domestic violence and sexual assault.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Families in Montgomery County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A

Accomplishment	SPAN/The Achievement Network  An increase in the number of education assessments which allowed for more informed recommendations made by Montgomery County Juvenile Probation Officers.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The children of Montgomery County.
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A

Accomplishment	Montgomery County Juvenile Court  Increase in the number of commitments to the Davis Transitions Program which allows for the parents and families to take part in the rehabilitation of juveniles that otherwise would be committed to the Department of Yout
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Children and their families from Montgomery County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$352,000.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Department of Youth Services
Accomplishment	Montgomery County Juvenile Court  Decrease in the number of commitments to the Department of Youth Services.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The citizens of Montgomery County
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A

Accomplishment	Montgomery County Juvenile Court We attained three new automobiles.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Staff and the juvenile courts and the clients that we serve
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$60,000
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	Montgomery County Commission

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Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The citizens of Montgomery County.
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A

Accomplishment	Montgomery County Juvenile Court  Established a staffing commlttee. The purpose of this committee is to staff the cases to ensure the juvenile probation officers are mazimizing the services and resources that are available to them before recommending a
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The clients at the Montgomery County Juvenile CourtsChildren, families, schools and law enforcement
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A

Accomplishment	Montgomery County Juvenile Court  -Compiled a community resource manual. We invited several counselors and therapists to make a presentation to the probation staff. We established a working relationship with each of these agencies. This allowed the Juv
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The staff, the clients and theirs families and the citizens of Montgomery county
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	0
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	N/A