# MARION COUNTY CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2021

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501(c)3 Status	Marion County
Is this CPC a 501(c)3?	Yes

## 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 2021 assessment and the information about those needs.

Ranking of Needs and Corresponding Data for 2021		
Substance Abuse   Rank: 1		
Number of juvenile delinquency cases filed for drugs and substance violations?	12	
How many children have been removed from their home due to parent drug use in your county?	42	
Parental Involvement and Family Engagement   Rank: 2		
Number of children in foster care?	23	
Are there enough available placements for foster children in your county?	No	
Juvenile Crime and Safety   Rank: 3		
What is your county Juvenile Violent Crime petition rate?	14.1	
Please provide the rate of teens not attending school or not working in your county.	14.8	

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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

Accomplishment 1	Presentations in the schools presented by different agencies of the local CPC discussed the dangers of drugs, child pornography, and human trafficking, school attendance, suicide and bullying issues, and home safety.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	ALL OF THE CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THE MARION COUNTY AND WINFIELD CITY SCHOOL SYSTEMS
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$0.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	

Accomplishment 2 Who benefited from this	The Helping Family Initiative Program through the District Attorney's Office was involved with several At-Risk youth provided support to children with school problems: attendance, clothing and housing issues, and transportation problems. HFI developed an after-school program that provided tutors, and positive adult role models for mentoring and supervision for children after school. THE CHILDREN THAT WERE REFERRED BY THE MARION COUNTY AND WINFIELD CITY SCHOOL
accomplishment?	SYSTEMS.
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$0.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	
	Partnered with Bevill State Community College to provide GED, and career choice training is provided on
Accomplishment 3	a regular basis for children who have dropped out of school, offering them a chance for a better future.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	Children who have dropped out of school

Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	\$0.00
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	n/a
Accomplishment 4	Mental Health Coordinators for both systems and prevention specialists for the County school systems have been added this year. The Mental Health Coordinators will help counselors with the social and emotional health of students. This provides an opportunity for students who are struggling with mental health issues to receive services within the school systems.
Who benefited from this accomplishment?	The children and parents of the Marion County School and Winfield City School systems.
Amount of funds dedicated to this accomplishment?	Grants to the school systems.
Source of funds for this accomplishment?	