

Statistical Report of Services for 1994

During the year of 1994, the MCH had a total of 477 individual children referred to its programs. Of those children referred, 101 were referred by the Division of Youth Services, 86 were referred by the Division of Health and Human Resources, 217 were referred by private sources, 73 children were referred by Police or Sheriff's office.

Of those 477 children referred; 265 were male, 201 were female and 11 youth who's sex was not given when referred. Of the youth referred, 215 were Black, 239 were White, 2 were Asian and 21 individual's race was not given. The average age for youth referred was 14.3 years for males, and 14.2 for females.

EMERGENCY SHELTER CARE

During 1994, a total of 112 children were served in Emergency Shelter Care. Of those children, 53 were males, 59 were females, 54 were Black and 56 were White, 1 was Mexican American and 1 was Bi-racial. During 1994, there were 2908 days of care served in Emergency Shelter Care. Of those 2908 days of care, 1,308 were for Male and 1,548 were Females.

Of the children served in Emergency Shelter Care, there were 46 youth from DOC, 24 males for 567 days and 22 females for 705 days, for a total of 1272 days of care. There were 44 youth from OCS, 24 males for 656 days and 20 females for 395 days, for a total of 1057 days of care. From Private sources, we served 21 youth, 2 males for 72 days and 16 females for 437 days, for a total 509 days of care. The Sheriff and City Police placed 2 males for 13 days. The Casey Family Program placed 1 youth for 11 days.

Of the youth came into the Emergency Shelter Care program, 99 left care. Of those 99, 5 returned home, 4 went to detention, and 17 went to other child care placements, 5 to Psychiatric Hospitals, 1 youth went to Residential Care

During 1994, we had 67 youth leave Emergency Shelter Care and enter the Evaluation program. There were 27 males and 40 females. The average age for males admitted into Emergency Shelter Care was 15.2 and for females 15.3.

ALTERNATE CARE

During 1994 were served 71 different youth in the Alternate Care program for 365 days of care. There were 51 males for 275 days and 20 females for 81 days. There were 47 Black and 24 White. Eleven (11) simple burglaries, 5 simple battery, 9 runaway, 8 assault on an office, 1 possession of Cocaine, 15 aggravated assault, 4 possession of illegal weapon, 8 disturbing the peace, 2 shoplifting, 2 possession of stolen property, 2 purse snatching, prostitution, 3 simple rape, 1 attempted armed robbery, etc.

Disposition of the children leaving; 1 females was placed in MCH Emergency Shelter Care, 2 were placed in the LTI system, 5 were placed in other agencies, 1 went to a foster home, 59 were released to their parents, and 2 were placed in a hospital, 1 remained in care.

EVALUATION

During 1994, we served a total of 83 youth in our Evaluation Program. Of these 83 youth, 35 were male and 48 were female. Of the youth served, 42 were Black, 40 were White and 1 was Asian. A total of 4053 days of care were provided; 1679 were for male and 2374 were female.

Of those youth that came into care, 31 were from DOC, 17 were male and 14 were female, for a total of 1322 days. From OCS we served 37 youth, 17 were male and 20 were female, for a total 2116 days. From the private sector, we served 15 youth, 1 being male and 14 being female fro a total of 615 days of care.

Of the 83 youth served in Evaluation, 68 entered into Residential Care, 7 children continued in Evaluation.

The average age for youth in Evaluation was 15.7 for males and 15.3 for females.

RESIDENTIAL CARE

ADMISSIONS

During 1995, 68 youth were admitted into Residential Group Care. Of those youth admitted, 32 were male and 36 were female. Of the youth admitted, 29 were black and 39 were white. Of the youth admitted into Residential Care, 25 were DOC, 28 were OCS, and 15 were private placements.

DISCHARGES

During 1994, 54 youth left the Residential Care Program. Of these youth, 25 were male and 29 were female. Of the 54 youth leaving care, 33 returned home, 4 were placed in the hospital, 1 went to detention, 9 to other child care agencies, and 7 to other placements. These other placements include foster care, continuing education and independent living programs. Some of these youth were placed in MCH programs.

RESIDENTIAL GROUP CARE

During 1994, we served a total of 110 different youth in the Residential Group Care program, for a total of 20,105 days of care. Of those youth served, 42 were from DOC, 29 male and 13 were female, for a total of 6,038 days of care. From OCS we served 48 youth, 29 were male and 13 were female, for a total of 11,065 days of care. From the private sector we served 19 youth, 4 male and 15 female, for a total of 2821 days of care, and 1 female from the Casey Foundation for 181 days of care.

During 1994, we served 60 White youth, 48 Black youth and 2 Asian youth. The average age from males in care was 15.8 and for females was 15.8 years of age. The average length of stay was 5 months, 20 days for youth in Residential Care.

TOTAL RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

During 1994, 312 youth were admitted to all the residential programs. There were 266 individual youth admitted to these programs. During this time 290 youth were discharged from these programs.

INDEPENDENT LIVING

During this year, 54 classes and seminars were presented to 16-21 year olds, 123 individual youth have been served. Children in our agency, other child care agencies and in foster care have been given classes in subjects such as apartment hunting, insurance, check writing, banking, nutrition and many other subjects dealing with independent living. Our workers cover from Ruston to the Mississippi River. Each youth is given a pre-test for independent living skills with the average score for 1994 being 66%. At the conclusion of the classes each youth is given a post test with the average score for 1994 being 80%.

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER

During 1994 there was a total of 761 individuals served through the Family Development Center. There were 86 out-patient clients, a total of 185 individual family members seen in family therapy. There were 81 residents and 280 of their family members seen in therapy. The Family Development Center staff taught 80 individuals the course *Helping Children Cope with Divorce* and 2 individuals in Premarital counseling. In Court-Referred Family Training, a total of 86 individuals were seen and 107 family members attended special presentations. During 1994, 107 individuals participated in court ordered mediation services. Approximately 100 children in the Lincoln Parish schools were taught a violence prevention curriculum under the program of Training Anger Management.

HOWARD EDUCATIONAL CENTER

During 1994, the Howard Educational Center served a total of 158 different youth in the Emergency, Evaluation, and Residential programs. In 1994, 101 youth were served in Evaluation and Residential classes. 48 youth moved through the regular classroom and on to either public school or Voc-Tech.