

# Hamilton County Juvenile Court

Keeping Kids, Families, & the  
Community Safe

# Role of Juvenile Court

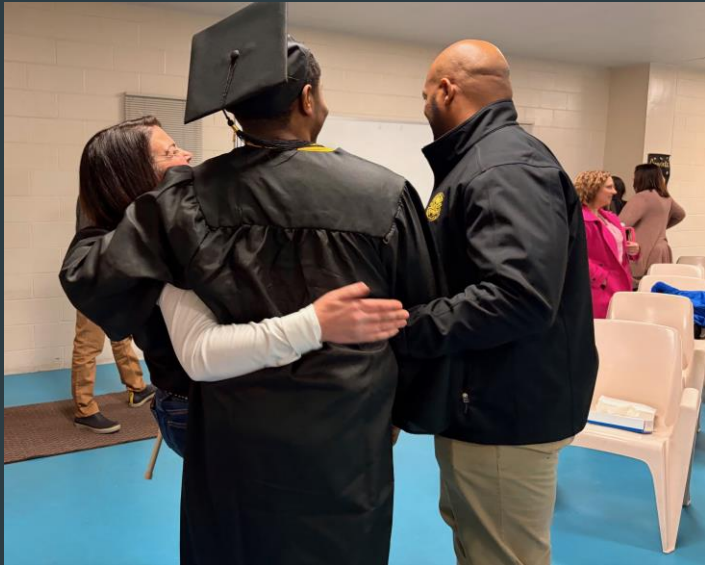
- ▶ Keep children safe
  - ▶ Custody and child support disputes
  - ▶ Children alleged to be abused and/or neglected
  - ▶ Kids under the age of 18 charged by police with a crime
- ▶ 2025:
  - ▶ Nearly 23,000 visitors came through the doors of 800 Broadway
  - ▶ 79% of 17,500 total filings were for non-delinquency issues



# Role of Juvenile Court: Detention



- ▶ Operate the Youth Detention Center at 2020 Auburn Ave.
  - ▶ Children charged with a serious crime are held while their case moves through the court system
  - ▶ Includes:
    - ▶ On-site CPS School
    - ▶ Since 2023, 24 students have earned their high school diploma



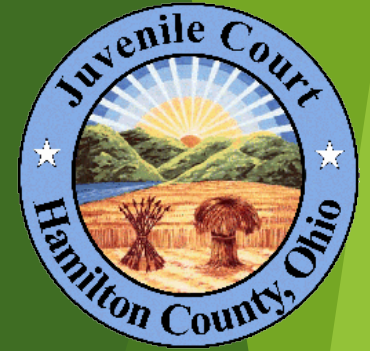
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- ▶ Behavioral health, including multi-sensory de-escalation spaces
- ▶ Balanced, nutritious, school-lunch based meals
- ▶ Community partnerships, recreation and volunteer opportunities



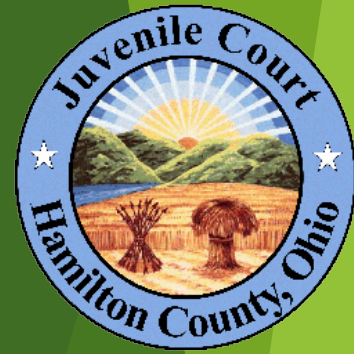
# Juvenile Court Systems Partners



Cincinnati Children's Hospital  
Talbert House  
Central Clinic  
City of Cincinnati  
Cincinnati Police Dept.  
Cordata  
Cincinnati Public Schools  
Central Clinic Behavioral Health  
Hamilton Co. Office of Family Voice  
Hamilton Co. Mental Health &  
Recovery Services  
Hamilton County Dev Disabilities  
Services  
Help Center, UC College of Law

Hopeful Empowered Youth-HEY!  
Interact for Health  
Job and Family Services  
Hamilton County Office of Reentry  
ProKids  
Hamilton County Prosecutor's Office  
Public Defender's Office  
University of Cincinnati Corrections  
Institute

# Juvenile Court Systems Partners



- ▶ Vision:
  - ▶ County-wide, collaborative system to support needs of system-involved children & families
  - ▶ Identify solutions to resolve conflict, thrive and stay out of the system
  - ▶ Make Hamilton County the best place in the nation to raise a family



# 2024 Assessment Center Recidivism Rates



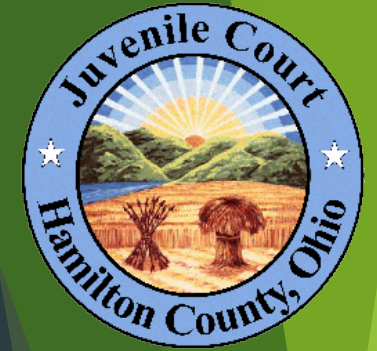
- ▶ **One-year post program completion:**
  - ▶ **81.5%** of youth assigned to a Service Navigator did not receive a new adjudication
  - ▶ **72%** of youth with an official charge did not receive a new adjudication
  - ▶ **74%** of youth charged with a felony did not receive a new adjudication
  - ▶ **90.5%** of youth charged with an unofficial charge did not receive a new adjudication

# Juvenile Court Data

- ▶ Between Jan. 1 and May 31
  - ▶ Homicide charges: **Down 33%**
    - ▶ 2026: 14
    - ▶ 2022: 21
  - ▶ Assault charges: **Down 51%**
    - ▶ 2026: 98
    - ▶ 2022: 199
  - ▶ Felonious Assault charges: **Down 9.6%**
    - ▶ 2026: 56
    - ▶ 2022: 62
  - ▶ Aggravated Robbery charges: **Down 31%**
    - ▶ 2026: 18
    - ▶ 2022: 26



# Juvenile Court Summer of Discovery



HAMILTON COUNTY JUVENILE COURT ANNOUNCES

## SUMMER of DISCOVERY



CONNECTING YOUTH. CREATING OPPORTUNITIES. BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES.

Starting June 1, as part of their pre-trial orders, youth who come through Hamilton County Juvenile Court over the summer will be required to discover resources in their own community.



### OUR GOAL IS SIMPLE:

- Connect every child to a safe adult in their own neighborhood.
- Identify and address the root issues that brought the child to court.
- Expose children and families to resources that exist and are readily available to them.
- Intentionally integrate the child into their community in a positive way.
- Prevent the child from recidivating further into the court system.

### YOUTH WILL BE REQUIRED TO:



OBTAIN A LIBRARY CARD



OBTAIN A MEMBERSHIP TO THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD CINCINNATI RECREATION CENTER OR YMCA



BRING A COPY OF THEIR LAST QUARTER GRADES TO THEIR NEXT COURT HEARING



THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO CHILDREN HELD IN DETENTION, BOUND OVER, OR FACING A CHARGE INVOLVING A GUN.

Together with our community partners, we are investing in positive pathways that help youth thrive all summer long.

*Discovery. Engagement. Opportunity.*

IN SUPPORT  
— WITH —



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