

Burke County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council Programs

Burke Recovery (Burke Council on Alcoholism and Chemical

Dependency): The Council serves youth ages 8 to 18 who are at a high risk for alcohol or other substance use disorder. Parents, school counselors and administrators, juvenile court counselors and other court and community agencies may refer adolescents for assessment and possible treatment. The Council provides an intensive evaluation of adolescents' current involvement with substances. We also provide an education and awareness program for youth with minimal history of substance use. For youth who have early signs of substance use disorder, the Council offers outpatient group and individual counseling. The Council refers youth with more advanced substance use problems to inpatient treatment facilities.

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Conflict Resolution Center: Juvenile Mediation/Conflict Resolution

Education: (Age 9-17) Provides a forum for at-risk youth to discuss issues which have caused conflict between another youth. Program goals include the increase of effective communication, collaborative problem solving, and implementing an agreement between the two parties. Conflict Resolution/Anger Management Classes build interpersonal skills of the youths by identifying problematic attitudes, beliefs and thinking patterns leading to conflict. Contextual instruction focusing on pro-social decision making, anger management techniques, and conflict resolution interpersonal skills are also utilized.

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Conflict Resolution Center: Restorative Community Building Circles

This program provides a diversion opportunity for youth Age 11-17 who are at-risk and have been referred by school personnel or resource officers, and juvenile court counselors for Restorative Circles. In the Circle Process participants discuss the circumstances and impacts that the offense had on the community, referred youth, and victim. The result leads to a decision as to the best way to resolve the conflict and allow the referred youth to repair the harm caused by their actions. The ideas are to repair, encounter and transform conflict by involving everyone harmed by the hurtful activity.

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Kids At Work: An Aspire Youth and Family, Inc. program, is a year round after-school program working with youth between the ages of 12 and 17 for 16 weeks. Classes are 3 hours long one day a week. Up to 10 youth work with an interpersonal instructor to gain skills to communicate more appropriately as they learn restaurant quality culinary skills. As long as there is room, youth can join the program immediately. If necessary to assist youth and families with access to this program, transportation from school and to their home is provided. They apply culinary and communication skills as they make a culinary delight, youth and staff gather to enjoy the meal in a family style environment and review skills learned. Youth also learn sanitary skills to gain a certification which can increase their hourly salary if they do work in the food service industry.

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Repay - Just Girls: The Just Girls program provides a safe, gender specific, group counseling environment where at-risk girls can learn self-esteem, build positive relationships with peers, adults and the community. The goals of the program are to increase self-management and awareness, positive bonding and relationship skills, and reduce risk behaviors. Referrals are accepted from juvenile court, parents, schools and other agencies.

Repay - Psychological Services: This component provides comprehensive psychological and diagnostic assessments for court involved youth. Referrals must come from a juvenile court counselor.

Repay - SAIS: Sex offender treatment for youth displaying sexually aggressive behavior or who have been charged with a sex offense is provided by this program. Referrals are accepted from juvenile court, parents, schools and other agencies.

Repay - Restorative Services: Is a dispositional option to juvenile court allowing participants to repay or give back to their community. Provides participants the opportunity to fulfill their obligation to the courts by competing community service and provides victims repayment of monetary loss. The mission is to help youth become confident, productive members of their community while restoring their relationships with others and the community through supervised activities.

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BURKE COUNTY JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL MISSION

TO PROMOTE PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND TREATMENT THROUGH THE OPERATION OF A SEAMLESS COMPREHENSIVE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM.

The North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Division of Juvenile Justice, partners with Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils in each county to galvanize leaders locally and statewide to reduce and prevent juvenile crime. JCPC board members are appointed by the county Board of Commissioners and meet monthly. The meetings are open to the public and all business is considered public information. The Department of Juvenile Justice allocates approximately 23 million dollars statewide to these councils annually. Funding is used to subsidize local programs and services.

All program services are provided free to qualified participants.

For Juvenile Court Counselors' Office:
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JCPC POWERS AND DUTIES

- To assure that appropriate intermediate dispositional options are available.
- To provide funds for treatment of juveniles.
- To increase public awareness of the causes of delinquency and strategies to reduce the problems.
- To develop strategies for delinquency prevention through risk assessment.
- To assess resources to meet the identified needs.
- To develop or propose ways to meet those needs.
- To plan for a permanent funding stream for delinquency prevention programs.
- To evaluate program performance.

The Burke County Juvenile Crime Prevention Council meets on the 2nd Wednesday of most months at the Collett Street Recreation Center at 8:10 A.M. in Morganton, NC. All meetings are open to the public. (Please contact A.J. Coutu prior to attendance – information on front.)

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