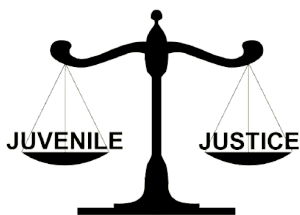


OVERVIEW

Over the years, the Juvenile Probation, under the Division of Youth Services (DYS), has encountered juveniles whose adjudication for misdemeanor crimes has proven financially burdensome to the CNMI taxpayers. Some of the adjudicated juveniles are first time offenders and have requested to expedite matters so that they can go on with their daily routine without having to continuously report back to court due to a technical legal matter that is beyond their control.

In addition, minors who are unnecessarily retained in juvenile court are inappropriately and negatively labeled. Such stigma associated with this form of labeling can be damaging to the minor. More attention will be focused towards rehabilitation and supervision before the youth reaches the majority age.



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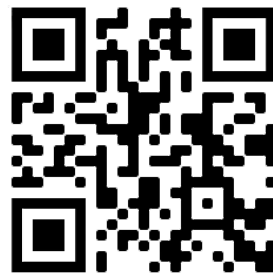
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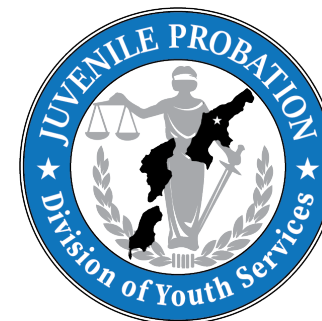


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JUVENILE DIVERSION PROGRAM



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What is the Diversion Program?

Diversion is a program run by the office of Juvenile Probation with the cooperation of the office of the Attorney General. Diversion is a form of VOLUNTARY PROBATION with conditions & treatment plans designed for the needs of each individual client as set forth by the DYS Juvenile Diversion Program Coordinator and approved by the Unit Supervisor.



The Purpose

To divert first time non-felony offenders from the formal sanction system of the Family Court Division by placing the minor voluntarily on a INFORMAL PROBATION status.

Objectives

To encourage the youth to organize their behavior, attitude and ambition in a Pro-social manner during the rehabilitative process within the duration of the program with minimal exposure to the physical setting of the court. The Diversion Program will further enhance a more positive and trusting disposition with the youth, their family and their Probation Officer.

INTAKE & DISPOSITION:

The following list of factors will be utilized as the criteria in the determination of case disposition into the program. Each case will be evaluated through a case conference which is held between the Diversion Program Coordinator and the Probation Supervisor. Consideration into the program will be based on:

1. First time offense & the nature of the offense.
2. Previous history or record of the offender.
3. Attitude of the youth about his conduct, himself, family and victim.
4. Attitude of the parents or guardian towards the situation and the youth.
5. Acceptance by the youth & his parents or guardian voluntarily into the program.
6. Other factors deemed appropriate.
7. Candidate must not be older than 17 years of age at the start of the program.



Types of Diversion Conditions

The following list of conditions will be utilized as criteria for the program & will be the basis for a treatment plan:

1. Community Work Service
2. Curfew Hours
3. School
4. GED/ABE
5. Restitution
6. Counseling
7. Employment Opportunities
8. Parenting Classes
9. Crime Prevention
10. Court Fines

