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Polk County

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Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year22



Youth Level

- The number of total youth with chronic absenteeism has increased in past year.
- While we could not get race/ethnicity data for chronic absenteeism in this community because the frequency was too low to report, Hispanic, Native American, and Black youth are over-represented statewide in chronic absenteeism.
 - There has been overrepresentation of Hispanic youth in chronic absenteeism in 2018-2019 and in previous years in Polk County.
- In 2018-2019, Hamilton County had overrepresentation in chronic absenteeism regarding Hispanic youth as compared to the school membership data.
- There are more youth on IDEA and 504 plans in Polk County compared to state averages.
- Polk County has a 96.2% graduation rate over the last 5 years.
- 10th graders report loss of sleep from worry at higher rates in Polk County compared to the state.
- 8th, 10th, and 12th graders report current alcohol use at higher rates in Polk County compared to the state; 8th and 10th graders also report binge drinking at higher rates compared to the state.
 - 61.4% of 10th graders report current alcohol use, more than half of the youth who took the survey.
- 12th graders report tobacco use at higher rates in Polk County compared to the state; 10th graders report higher rates of vaping compared to the state.
- 8th and 12th graders report feeling hopeful for the future at lower rates in Polk County compared to the states.
- 8th graders report gang involvement at higher rates in Polk County compared to the states.
- Arrests for all age groups increased in Polk County between 2018 and 2019, especially with DUIs.
 - There are no juvenile “arrests” recorded in 2018 or 2019 in Polk County.
- NYS domains with the highest scores are Peer Relationships, Leisure/Recreation, Family Circumstance/Parenting, and Substance Use. There should be programs in the community to address these.
- Law enforcement data by race and ethnicity would be very beneficial to have a clearer picture of RED. Compared to the Census and school data, Hispanic youth are overrepresented at successful completion of diversion and successful probation completion; and White youth are overrepresented at multiple charges, probation RAI overrides, and probation intakes.
- Youth are being referred to diversion and enrolling diversion at the same rate, but the successful completion rate of diversion is slightly lower than those being enrolled.

Table 1.

Distribution of the Population Age 10-17 by Race/Ethnicity and Gender (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a



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Males

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	108,494	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Polk		96.1%	3.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Females

Geographic Area	Total Count	Non-Hispanic White	Hispanic or Latino	Black	American Indian	Asian or Pacific Islander	2+ Races
Nebraska	102,658	70.4%	16.2%	5.7%	1.4%	2.0%	4.4%
Polk		91.6%	8.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

[Click here to go back to RED analysis](#)

Table 2.

School Membership by Race/ Ethnicity and School Year (2014-2019) ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific islander	White	Two or More Races
2014-2015	Polk	1,284	4.91%	0.08%	0.70%	0.78%	0.00%	92.83%	0.70%
	Nebraska	312,281	17.74%	2.43%	1.42%	6.70%	0.13%	68.20%	3.38%
2015-2016	Polk	1,241	6.37%	0.08%	0.24%	0.81%	0.00%	91.94%	0.56%
	Nebraska	315,542	18.08%	2.53%	1.38%	6.67%	0.14%	67.72%	3.47%
2016-2017	Polk	1,295	7.10%	0.00%	0.39%	0.77%	0.00%	91.27%	0.46%
	Nebraska	318,853	18.61%	2.66%	1.38%	6.69%	0.15%	66.92%	3.59%
2017-2018	Polk	1,240	7.66%	0.00%	0.40%	0.56%	0.08%	90.81%	0.48%
	Nebraska	323,391	18.80%	2.76%	1.35%	6.67%	0.14%	66.50%	3.78%
2018-2019	Polk	1,243	8.37%	0.08%	0.40%	0.64%	0.40%	89.54%	0.56%
	Nebraska	325,984	19.13%	2.83%	1.33%	6.63%	0.15%	66.02%	3.91%

Table 3.

Chronic Absenteeism by Race/Ethnicity and School Year (2014 - 2019) ^b



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Year	Geographic Area	Total Youth with Chronic Absenteeism	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	White	Two or More Races
2014-2015	Polk	65	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	35,638	24.54%	1.64%	4.42%	12.93%	0.19%	51.61%	4.68%
2015-2016	Polk	84	15.48%	*	*	*	*	84.52%	*
	Nebraska	38,812	25.73%	1.55%	4.27%	13.68%	0.27%	49.68%	4.83%
2016-2017	Polk	75	20.00%	*	*	*	*	80.00%	*
	Nebraska	42,290	26.90%	1.66%	4.40%	14.22%	0.24%	47.66%	4.92%
2017-2018	Polk	88	*	*	*	*	*	100.00%	*
	Nebraska	46,365	26.81%	1.77%	4.18%	14.49%	0.22%	47.37%	2389
2018-2019	Polk	138	10.14%	*	*	*	*	89.86%	*
	Nebraska	46,356	27.64%	1.76%	4.16%	14.71%	0.23%	46.27%	5.23%

Per the Nebraska Department of Education, the * represents masked data, which they define as 10 or fewer students, for the confidentiality of the students

Table 4.

Disabilities, English Proficiency, Eligibility for Free/Reduced Lunch and School Year (2014 – 2019) ^b

Year	Geographic Area	Total Count	IDEA	504 Plan	Limited English Proficiency	Free/Reduced Lunch
2014-2015	Polk	1,284	15.42%	1.40%	1.40%	37.77%
	Nebraska	312,281	13.66%	0.76%	5.97%	44.53%
2015-2016	Polk	1,241	14.67%	2.50%	2.01%	36.83%
	Nebraska	315,542	13.64%	0.90%	5.90%	44.23%
2016-2017	Polk	1,295	15.91%	1.93%	2.32%	38.92%
	Nebraska	318,853	13.80%	0.93%	6.99%	44.76%
2017-2018	Polk	1,240	17.90%	2.34%	1.61%	37.02%
	Nebraska	323,391	15.87%	0.88%	6.59%	46.24%
2018-2019	Polk	1,243	16.33%	1.93%	2.41%	38.05%
	Nebraska	325,984	16.13%	0.85%	6.78%	45.42%

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Table 5.

Nebraska Public High School 4-Year Graduation Rates by County (5-year estimates, 2015-2019) ^c

County	Total in Last 5 Years		Yearly Averages		Graduation Rate	Rank
	Graduates	Students	Graduates	Students		
Nebraska	100,111	112,857	20,022.2	22,571.4	88.7%	-
Polk	478	497	23.9	24.9	96.2%	28



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Data are only for public school districts and their associated high schools. The figures are aggregated based on the location of the school, not the residential location of the student. The figures for Dawes County are impacted by a vocational school where graduation rates are less than 25%; in the rest of the county graduation rates equal 93%.

Table 6.

Youth Who Report Mental Health Symptoms and Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Polk	Loss of sleep from worry	13.2%	27.3%	18.5%
Nebraska		18.0%	20.6%	21.6%
Polk	Depressed	26.3%	20.5%	26.4%
Nebraska		31.1%	34.8%	35.3%
Polk	Considered/Attempted suicide	10.5%	6.8%	11.1%
Nebraska		22.9%	18.2%	16.2%
Polk	Current alcohol	26.3%	61.4%	51.9%
Nebraska		9.8%	20.1%	34.2%
Polk	Current binge drinking	2.6%	13.6%	14.8%
Nebraska		1.3%	6.2%	15.0%
Polk	Current marijuana	0.0%	3.0%	5.6%
Nebraska		3.0%	7.3%	13.9%
Polk	Current tobacco	0.0%	4.5%	18.5%
Nebraska		3.7%	8.0%	15.3%
Polk	Current vaping	7.9%	27.3%	31.5%
Nebraska		10.4%	24.7%	37.3%
Polk	Hopeful for future (past week)	68.4%	88.6%	77.8%
Nebraska		72.1%	74.7%	78.4%

****JJI is currently waiting for the legal team at DHHS to approve providing this data**

Table 7.

Juveniles Referred to Services ^e

Table 8.

Juveniles Referred to Services by Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and Mental Health Diagnosis ^e

Table 9.

Juveniles Who Utilized Services ^e



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Table 10.

Types of Services Utilized ^e

Table 11.

Youth Who Report Gang Involvement by Grade (2018) ^d

Gang Involvement

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Polk	Youth Reported Gang Involvement	5.3%	0.0	1.9%
Nebraska		3.8%	4.4%	3.8%

Table 12.

Arrest Rates for Adults and Juveniles for 2018 and 2019 with Percent Change ^f

Arrestee Age	All Arrestee Ages			Under 18		
Summary Arrest Date	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %	2018	2019	2018 - 2019 Growth %
Jurisdiction by Geography	POLK COUNTY					
Arrest Offense						
Total	12	16	33.33	0	0	
Aggravated Assault Total	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Other Assaults	2	1	-50.00	-	-	-
Fraud	1	-	-100.00	-	-	-
Drug Violations - Possession	1	1	0.00	0	0	-
Driving Under the Influence	4	9	125.00	0	0	-
Liquor Laws	2	3	50.00	0	0	-
All Other Offenses (Except Traffic)	1	2	100.00	-	-	-

Table 13.

Risk Assessment Domains for Youth Assessed on Diversion (2015 - 2017) ^g

	Polk			All NYS Counties		
Score	0	1	2	0	1	2
Family Circumstance/Parenting	42.9%	42.9%	14.3%	60.1%	26.7%	13.1%
Education/Employment	85.7%	14.3%	0.0%	43.0%	44.0%	13.1%
Peer Relationships	14.3%	71.4%	14.3%	44.7%	46.6%	8.6%
Substance Use	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	61.4%	30.3%	8.3%
Leisure/Recreation	71.4%	14.3%	14.3%	50.6%	33.0%	16.5%



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Personality/Behavior	71.4%	28.6%	0.0%	50.1%	39.4%	10.4%
Attitudes/Orientation	71.4%	28.6%	0.0%	61.3%	33.7%	5.0%
Mean Score	$M = 3.75$, $SD = 2.96$, 0-10			$M = 5.64$, $SD = 3.65$, 0-17		

Polk County $n = 7$; Statewide $n = 1512$

Table 14.

Racial and Ethnic Disparities Descriptives (2015-2019) ¹[Click here to see Census and School Population Data](#)

*Data were not separated by year because there were too few cases

System Point	N	Amer. Indian/ Alaskan Native	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Black	Hispanic/ Latino	Multiple/ Other	Unspec/ Missing	White
Law enforcement contact	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth taken to temporary custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth issued citation/referral	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth referred to diversion	14	0%	0%	0%	7.10%	0%	0%	92.90%
Youth enrolled in diversion	14	0%	0%	0%	7.10%	0%	0%	92.90%
Successful completion diversion	11	0%	0%	0%	9.10%	0%	0%	90.90%
Youth with multiple charges	3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Filed on in adult court	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
RAI Override: More Severe	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
RAI Override: Less Severe	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Probation intake	5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Successful probation	22	0%	0%	0%	13.60%	0%	0%	86.40%
Revocation of probation	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Youth in OJS custody	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



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OJS custody: placed in detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Youth booked into detention more than once	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--



Family Level

- Polk County has lower rates of youth in poverty compared to the state.
- Number of adults with bachelor's degrees is lower than the state average; it may be possible that residents who go to college outside of Polk County find employment where they go to school and do not return to Polk County.
- Youth in Polk County have access to computers and internet at home at higher rates than the state.
- 12th graders report not feeling as supported by adults at home compared to the state; 10th graders report feeling less supported by adults in school.

Table 15.

Poverty/SES, Educational Attainment, Technology and Computers in Home, Housing, and Transportation (5-year estimates, 2014-2018) ^a

Measurement		Polk	Nebraska
Poverty/SES	Children <18 in Poverty	12.0%	14.8%
	Number of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	125	43,814
	Percent of children 12-17 below 185% poverty	28.6%	28.9%
Educational attainment	Age 25+ with B.D.	21.1%	31.3%
	County rank	45	-
	Age 25+ with some college, no degree	24.1%	23.0%
	County rank	48	-
	Age 25+ with HS degree	92.0%	91.1%
	County Rank	55	-
Technology and computers in the home	% under 18 with a computer at home	99.6%	96.9%
	County rank	25	-
	% under 18 with an internet subscription at home	96.6%	91.0%
	County rank	10	-
	% under 18 with broadband internet access at home	96.6%	90.8%
	County Rank	9	-



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Housing	Owner-occupied households	1,642	498,567
	Total households	2,052	754,063
	Owner %	80.0%	66.1%
	Renters	410	255,496
	Renter %	20.0%	33.9%
Transportation	Households with no vehicle available	94	40,465
	Total households	2,052	754,063
	No vehicle %	4.6%	5.4%

Table 15.
Youth Who Report Supportive Adults by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Polk	Adult at home who listens	97.4%	88.6%	85.2%
Nebraska		87.3%	85.0%	85.6%
Polk	Adult at school who listens	81.6%	84.1%	90.7%
Nebraska		85.2%	85.0%	87.4%

Table 16.
Domestic Violence Reports and Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means ^h

	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Reported	Aggravated Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means	Simple Domestic Assaults Reported	Simple Domestic Assaults Cleared by Arrest or Exceptional Means
Polk	0	0	1	1
Nebraska	562	402	2512	2019

Table 17.
Child Abuse and Neglect Reports ⁱ

	Abuse/Neglect Calls	Reports Assessed	Substantiated	Unfounded
Polk	82	27%	18%	68%
Nebraska	36,480	33.4%	16.0%	68.3%



Community Level

- With regard to how youth perceive how their community feels about substance use, 8th, 10th, and 12th graders are reporting lower than state averages for alcohol use.
- Juvenile record sealing is not “automatic” even if statute requires it to seal. Sealing a record requires administrative staff to initiate the process. Dismissed or dropped cases should be sealed at a rate of 100%. All others should be sealed at the rate to which youth successfully complete their court requirements (completion of diversion, probation, restorative practice, or other treatment). Yearly data is available in the Appendix to see if the rate has improved because of legislation, but newer cases should naturally have lower rates of sealing than older cases.
- Data for race and ethnicity at each juvenile justice system point is imperative for an accurate Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) analysis. The court trial database (JUSTICE) has a high rate of missing data by race/ethnicity in this county.

Table 19.
Community Violence Measured by Arrests for Violent Crime (2019) ^j

Type of Violence	Polk	Nebraska
Murder and Nonnegligent manslaughter	0	34
Rape	0	264
Robbery	0	367
Aggravated Assault	0	1,639
Other Assaults	1	8,782

Table 20.
Youth Perceptions of Community Attitudes on Substance Use by Grade (2018) ^d

		8 th	10 th	12 th
Polk	Wrong/very wrong – Marijuana	100.0%	95.5%	94.4%
Nebraska		94.4%	89.8%	85.2%
Polk	Wrong/very wrong – alcohol	84.2%	75.0%	68.5%
Nebraska		89.1%	80.4%	68.7%
Polk	Wrong/very wrong – cigarettes	97.4%	93.2%	83.3%
Nebraska		92.9%	89.0%	78.7%



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Table 21.

Juvenile Court Record Sealing Analysis (2015 – 2019) ^msee [Appendix for yearly data](#)

	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	1	3	33.3%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	55	115	47.8%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	3	3	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	59	121	48.8%

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. All cases filed in adult court and transferred to juvenile court overlapped with cases that were filed in adult court as a misdemeanor or infraction; as such, they were omitted from analysis



Policy, Legal and System Level

- Polk County is not a county required to provide counsel under statute; notably, access to counsel is higher than the state average.
- There are few curfew and 3A, 3B, and 3C filings in court so the community is diverting appropriately.
- With respect to diversion practices, the community may want to consider a few things:
 - Not filing all unsuccessful cases, if the youth completed most of the diversion plan
 - Allowing warning letters for the lowest risk youth
 - Comparing diversion fees to court costs so they are comparable.
 - If drug testing is needed, it should only be used on cases where the youth demonstrates a substance use issue.
 - It is not clear why all first-time offenders are not referred to diversion but perhaps this is due to the ineligible offenses.

Table 22.

Percent of Youth in Juvenile Court Who Had Access to Counsel (2018) ⁿ

	Polk	Nebraska
Access to Counsel	80.0% -- 100.0%	73.5%

Neb. Rev. 43-272. Right to counsel; appointment; payment; guardian ad litem; appointment; when; duties; standards for guardians ad litem; standards for attorneys who practice in juvenile court.

(1)(a) In counties having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, when any juvenile shall be brought without counsel before a juvenile court, the court shall advise such juvenile and his or her parent or guardian of their right to retain counsel and shall inquire of such juvenile and his or her parent or guardian as to whether they desire to retain counsel.

(b) In counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more inhabitants, when any juvenile court petition is filed alleging jurisdiction of a juvenile pursuant to subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of section 43-247, counsel shall be appointed for such juvenile.

Table 23.

Frequency of Youth with a Curfew Violation (2015 – 2019) ^m



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	Polk	Nebraska
Curfew Court Filing	0	352

Table 24.

Court Filing for 3A, 3B, and 3C cases (2015 – 2019) ^m

	Polk					
Filed Subtype	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	0	0	0	0	0	0
3B - Uncontrollable	0	0	0	0	0	0
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	0	1	0	0	0	1

	Nebraska					
Filed Subtype	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
3A- Homeless/Neglect	0	2	0	2	3	7
3B – Absenteeism/Truancy	96	510	493	423	475	1997
3B - Uncontrollable	47	118	125	119	82	491
3C – Mentally Ill and Dangerous	22	48	37	22	23	306

Table 25.

County Diversion Procedures and Protocols Compared to Statewide Responses (2020) ^o

	Polk	Nebraska *
Refer ALL juveniles who are first time offenders to diversion	No	Yes: 27.3% No: 63.6% Not sure: 9.1%
File a juvenile's charges at the time of the referral to diversion	No	Yes: 18.2% No: 70.5% Not sure: 11.4%
File a juvenile's charges if they are unsuccessful on diversion	Sometimes	Always: 47.7% Sometimes: 47.7% Not sure: 4.5%
Allow a juvenile to complete diversion more than once	Yes	Yes: 61.4% No: 34.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Charges/offenses that make a juvenile ineligible for diversion	Yes; felonies, DUI, sexual assault, assault, other violent or dangerous offenses.	Yes: 86.4% No: 9.1% Not sure: 4.5%
Warning letters instead of intervention	No	Yes: 27.3% No: 61.4% Not sure: 11.4%



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Currently drug test	Yes	Yes: 31.8% No: 65.9% Not sure: 2.3%
Fees beyond restitution	Yes; depends on the offense and if online courses are required	Yes: 86.4% No: 13.6% Not sure: 0.0%
Use of graduated responses prior to discharge	Yes; we assign additional consequences if they are not compliant. If they fail to complete those or are further non-compliant, we then terminate the contract.	Yes: 47.7% No: 25.0% Not sure: 27.3%
Sealing diversion records	Yes; All juveniles under the age of 18 at the time of offense get their record sealed. We deal if on our end and then send a letter to the citing agency.	Yes: 59.1% No: 22.7% Not sure: 18.2%

*responses included 44 juvenile diversion programs; representing 68 counties/tribe (91.9% response rate)



Community Team Level

- A community lead should be able to get roughly a 75% response, to ensure active participation on planning issues, your response rate was 20.0% (2 responses).
- The rates of collective impact went up for all elements from the 2019 survey, however this may not be representative of the team with such a small number of responses.
- The community team should be representative of the population of that community but should also include diversity. It might be beneficial to add diverse member to your team (especially because of the patterns of over and under representation.)
- Although the low response rate may affect the results of community team diversity, there could be more representation from other system points not currently represented.

Table 26.
Collective Impact Survey Response Rates ^P

Year of survey	Central Nebraska		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
Number of surveys sent	9	10	1407	780
Number of completed surveys	5	2	221	345
Response rate	55.6%	20.0%	28.3%	24.5%

Table 27.
Collective Impact Survey Scores ^P

Year of survey	Central Nebraska		Nebraska	
	2019	2020	2019	2020
	Mean Score		Mean Score	
Common agenda	4.55	6.00	5.29	5.69
Mutually reinforcing	5.09	5.50	5.37	5.50
Shared measurement	4.80	5.00	5.21	5.45
Continuous communication	4.89	5.00	5.49	5.55
Backbone agency	5.38	6.00	5.52	5.78

The five elements of Collective Impact are:



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- **Common agenda:** Participants have a shared vision and common understanding of both the problem and potential solutions to that problem.
- **Mutually reinforcing activities:** Participant activities must be differentiated while still being coordinated through a mutually reinforcing plan of action.
- **Shared measurement:** Collecting data and measuring results consistently across all participants ensures efforts remain aligned and participants hold each other accountable.
- **Continuous communication:** Consistent and open communication is needed across stakeholders to build trust, assure mutual objectives, and create common motivation.
- **Backbone support:** Creating and managing Collective Impact often requires a separate organization(s) with staff and a specific set of skills to serve as the backbone for the entire initiative and to coordinate participating organizations ^q

Table 28.

Community Planning Team Diversity ^p

	Central Nebraska		Nebraska	
	N = 2	(%)	N = 345	(%)
Gender				
Male	1	50.0%	101	29.3%
Female	1	50.0%	229	66.4%
Missing	--	--	15	4.3%
Age				
Under 30	--	--	19	5.6%
30-39	--	--	68	19.6%
40-49	1	50.0%	88	25.4%
50-59	1	50.0%	90	25.8%
60 and over	--	--	44	13%
Missing	--	--	36	10.4%
Race/Ethnicity				
White	2	100%	230	66.7%
Black	--	--	10	2.9%
Hispanic	--	--	13	3.8%
Native American	--	--	6	1.7%
Asian	--	--	1	0.3%
Other	--	--	2	0.6%
Provided town name	--	--	63	18.3%
Missing	--	--	19	5.5%
Previous System Involvement				
Yes	--	--	98	28.4%



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No	2	100%	242	70.1%
Missing	--	--	5	1.4%
System Point *				
Law enforcement	--	--	34	7.8%
County attorney/ juvenile court	1	50.0%	32	7.3%
K-12 or secondary education	1	50.0%	65	14.9%
Ministry/faith based	--	--	10	2.3%
Diversion	--	--	55	12.6%
Probation	--	--	31	7.1%
Public defender/ defense counsel/ guardian ad litem	--	--	8	1.8%
DHHS or Child Welfare	--	--	13	3.0%
Treatment provider	--	--	40	9.2%
Post adjudication or detention	--	--	8	1.8%
Community based program	--	--	109	25.0%
Elected official or government	--	--	6	1.4%
Restorative practices	--	--	6	1.4%
Backbone or system improvement	--	--	3	0.7%
Other			16	3.7%
Voice on Team				
Feel heard	2	100%	270	78.3%
Do not feel heard	--	--	75	21.7%

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*note. Team members could have selected more than one system point; as such, they do not add up to 100%



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**Appendix: Sealed Court Records by Year**

*Cases offered diversion, mediation or RJ are not available data points in in JUSTICE. All cases filed in adult court and transferred to juvenile court overlapped with cases that were filed in adult court as a misdemeanor or infraction; as such, they were omitted from analysis

2015	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	21	38	55.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	1	1	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	22	39	56.4%

2016	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	0	1	0.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	12	12	100%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	2	2	100%
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	14	15	93.3%

2017	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	22	30	73.3%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	22	30	73.3%



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2018	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	--	--	--
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	--	--	--

2019	Number of charges Sealed	Total Number of charges	Sealed (%)
Dismissed or Dropped	1	2	50.0%
Offered Diversion, mediation, or RJ	--	--	--
Filed in Juv. Court	0	17	0.0%
Filed in Adult Court (M or I)	--	--	--
Filed in Adult Court and Transferred to Juv. Court	--	--	--
Total	1	19	5.3%