**Juvenile Crime Prevention Council**

# Mission/Responsibilities

**The JCPC has the responsibility to:**

* Review the needs of juveniles in the county who are at risk of delinquency or who have been adjudicated undisciplined or delinquent.
* Review the resources available to address those needs
* Prioritize community risk factors
* Determine the services needed to address those problem areas
* Develop a request for proposal for services in need
* Submit a written funding plan to the county commissioners for approval
* Evaluate program performance
* Increase public awareness of the causes of delinquency and strategies to reduce the problem
* Develop strategies to intervene, respond to and treat the needs of juveniles at risk of delinquency
* Provide funds for treatment, counseling, or rehabilitation services.

**JCPC Powers and Duties**

* To ensure 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 problem.
* To assess needs of juveniles in the local community.
* 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.

# Membership Requirements

The Council shall consist of a maximum of 26 voting members, including the following:

* Local school superintendent or designee County Commissioner
* Local Sheriff and/or Chief of Police Two persons under age 18 with one
* District Attorney or designee being a member of the State Youth
* Chief Court Counselor or designee Council if available
* Juvenile Defense Attorney Chief District Court Judge (or
* Director of mental health or designee designee judge)
* Substance abuse professional Member of business community
* Member of faith community Health Director or designee
* Related non-profit representative Parks and Recreation representative
* Up to seven members of the community

# Meeting Schedule

This Board meets at noon on the third Friday of each month at Steps to Hope, 60 Walker St., Columbus.

## **Length of Term**

Members serve a two year term.