



BELKNAP COUNTY RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION					
TOWNS SERVED	Alton, Barnstead, Belmont, Center Harbor, Gilford, Gilmanton, Laconia, Meredith, New Hampton, Sanbornton, Tilton			ACCREDITATION STATUS	Accredited
				TYPE OF ORGANIZATION	County Government
MOST COMMON VIOLATIONS	✓	Threatening/Assault	✓	Shoplifting/Theft	YEAR ESTABLISHED
		Disorderly/Reckless Conduct	✓	Trespass/Mischief	
	✓	Possession of Drugs		Fire setting	AGE SERVED
	✓	Possession of Alcohol		Weapons Offenses	
PROGRAM AIM	<p>For 14 years, Belknap County Restorative Justice has been providing juvenile court diversion through a streamlined referral process from local police. The programs offered aim to: prevent juvenile delinquency, empower youth, help build stronger communities by bridging the gap between communities and at-risk youth and adults, repairing the harm done by crime, and ensuring offender accountability to their victims, family, and their community. The programs are cost-effective and emphasize accountability, education, decision-making skills and self-esteem development in a nonjudgmental atmosphere.</p> <p>The program aims to significantly increase the person's awareness of his/her inappropriate actions, while following the Restorative Justice Principal which encompasses: a balanced commitment to have concern for the victim, repair the harm imposed on the community, hold the offender accountable through community service, and build citizen skills and competencies in the offender. Participants must take responsibility for committing the offense with which they are charged to be eligible.</p>				
PROGRAM STATISTICS		SERVICES PROVIDED BY PROGRAM: <i>(Services available in-house)</i>		COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES: <i>(Services outside of program)</i>	
SERVED/YR (5 YEAR AVG)	49	✓	Alcohol and Other Drug Education		Alcohol and Other Drug Education
COMPLETION RATE	80%		Anger Management Classes		Anger Management Classes
PROGRAM LENGTH	3-6 months	✓	Community Service		Community Service
FEE CHARGED	No fee		Mediation	✓	Mediation
EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES	Alcohol and Drug Education and Diversion (ADED) CHALLENGE	✓	Restitution		Restitution
			Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment	✓	Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment
			Family/Participant Educational Classes		Family/Participant Educational Classes
ASSESSMENT TOOLS USED	Clinical Interview (Psych/Social)	✓	Community Reparation		Community Reparation
		✓	Victim Participation		Victim Participation