



MERRIMACK COUNTY

JUVENILE DIVERSION

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION						
TOWNS SERVED	Allenstown, Andover, Boscawen, Bow, Bradford, Canterbury, Chichester, Concord, Danbury, Dunbarton, Epsom, Franklin, Henniker, Hill, Hooksett, Hopkinton, Loudon, New London, Newbury, Northfield, Pembroke, Pittsfield, Salisbury, Sutton, Warner, Webster, Wilmot			ACCREDITATION STATUS	Accredited	
				TYPE OF ORGANIZATION	County Government	
MOST COMMON OFFENSES	✓	Threatening/Assault	✓	Shoplifting/Theft	YEAR ESTABLISHED	1988
	✓	Disorderly/Reckless Conduct		Trespass/Mischief		
	✓	Possession of Drugs	✓	Fire setting	AGE SERVED	13-18
	✓	Possession of Alcohol		Weapons Offenses		
PROGRAM AIM	<p>The Merrimack County Juvenile Diversion Program is an early intervention program that works with first time juvenile offenders. We are a voluntary alternative to the criminal justice system for young people who have committed a crime or violation of the law.</p> <p>Our mission is to help youth offenders reach their greatest potential as valuable members of society by holding them accountable for their actions, while providing resources, skills and education to prevent them from committing future crimes.</p> <p>Youth offenders will begin with an intake process and move on to participate in either the Community Accountability Board or Teen Court where they will receive an accountability contract. If the youth completes all items on the contract he or she will have successfully completed the diversion process and will not have a criminal record.</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)	82	✓	Substance Use Education		Substance Use Education	
COMPLETION RATE	79%	✓	Anger Management Classes		Anger Management Classes	
PROGRAM LENGTH	3 to 6 months	✓	Community Service		Community Service	
FEE CHARGED	Yes \$50.00		Mediation		Mediation	
EVIDENCE-BASED & INFORMED PRACTICES	Challenge; Youth Education for Shoplifters; Juvenile Fire Setters Course	✓	Restitution		Restitution	
			Substance Use Treatment	✓	Substance Use Treatment	
		✓	Family/Participant Educational Classes		Family/Participant Educational Classes	
ASSESSMENT TOOLS USED	SBIRT	✓	Community Reparation		Community Reparation	
			Victim Participation		Victim Participation	