



# KEENE JUVENILE COURT

## DIVERSION PROGRAM

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION						
<b>TOWNS SERVED</b>	Keene and towns of Cheshire County: Alstead, Chesterfield, Fitzwilliam, Gilsum, Harrisville, Hinsdale, Marlborough, Marlow, Nelson, Richmond, Roxbury, Stoddard, Sullivan, Surry, Swanzey, Troy, Walpole, Westmorland, Winchester			<b>ACCREDITATION STATUS</b>	Accredited	
				<b>TYPE OF ORGANIZATION</b>	City Government	
<b>MOST COMMON OFFENSES</b>	✓	Threatening/Assault	✓	Shoplifting/Theft	<b>YEAR ESTABLISHED</b>	1970
	✓	Disorderly/Reckless Conduct	✓	Trespass/Mischief		
	✓	Possession of Drugs	✓	Fire setting	<b>AGE SERVED</b>	11-17
	✓	Possession of Alcohol		Weapons Offenses		
<b>PROGRAM AIM</b>	<p>The Juvenile Court Diversion Program (JCC) is a voluntary restorative justice alternative to formal court proceedings in the 8<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court-Keene District for juveniles who have committed a chargeable first offense. It is the goal of JCC to minimize a young person's involvement in the justice system and to encourage a sense of responsibility and accountability on the part of youth for their illegal acts. JCC considers each case individually and strives to address the needs of the juveniles, victims, and the community.</p> <p>Other resources created by this program include the Youth Intervention Program, Earn-It, and Summer Youth Employment.</p>					
<b>PROGRAM STATISTICS</b>		<b>SERVICES PROVIDED BY PROGRAM:</b> <i>(Services available in-house)</i>		<b>COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES:</b> <i>(Services outside of program)</i>		
<b>SERVED/YR</b> <i>(4 YEAR AVG)</i>	26		Substance Use Education	✓	Substance Use Education	
<b>COMPLETION RATE</b>	90%		Anger Management Classes	✓	Anger Management Classes	
<b>PROGRAM LENGTH</b>	3 to 4 months	✓	Community Service		Community Service	
<b>FEE CHARGED</b>	No fee		Mediation	✓	Mediation	
<b>EVIDENCE-BASED &amp; INFORMED PRACTICES</b>	Juvenile Fire Setters Course	✓	Restitution		Restitution	
			Substance Use Treatment	✓	Substance Use Treatment	
			Family/Participant Educational Classes	✓	Family/Participant Educational Classes	
<b>ASSESSMENT TOOLS USED</b>	Clinical Interview	✓	Community Reparation	✓	Community Reparation	
	SBIRT	✓	Victim Participation		Victim Participation	