

## Problem-solving work groups FY07 work plans

### Prevention & Early Intervention Problem-Solving Work Group

#### Goals/objectives

**To break the intergenerational cycle of teen parenthood by preparing young parents to be better parents**

- Work with case managers, probation officers, school social workers, and others to identify expectant fathers and/or new teen fathers who could participate in a pilot support group program that would start by January 2007.
  - Develop referral forms for schools
  - Invite a small group (around 10) of willing teens from the referrals to join the group
  - Implement a culturally-sensitive program built around co-parenting, life skills, role clarification, and social support
  - Identify needs that could be addressed by a future program
  - Identify community members who have been in a similar life situation and could serve as mentors
- Host a support group expectant mothers and/or new teen mothers that would meet at the same time as the fathers' group
  - Provide childcare for infants
  - Provide co-parenting education and social support for mothers
- Develop an interactive parent-child play group where teen parents could practice their co-parenting skills
- Make appropriate referrals to other agencies as necessary
- Develop a tool for program evaluation that would aid in revising the program at the midpoint and aid in developing the program further.

**Ongoing areas of consideration for the Prevention and Early Intervention work group**

1. Based on what we learn from teen parents, develop a prevention strategy that could be used with at-risk teens.
2. Based on what we learn from teen parents, identify other barriers or gaps in service that need addressing by our group.

#### Budget

CATEGORY	AMOUNT OF LCTS FUNDS REQUESTED	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING	IN-KIND CONTRIBU- TIONS	TOTAL BUDGET
<b>Facilitator</b> (20 weeks, 3 hours/week@\$10)	\$600			\$600
<b>Photocopies</b> (referral packets, brochures, etc.)	\$300			\$300
<b>Childcare</b>	\$600			\$600
<b>Flex funds</b> for activities, incentives, and transportation	\$1000			\$1000
<b>total</b>	\$2500			\$2500

## Substance Abuse Problem-Solving Work Group

### Goals/objectives

- Provide education and training to parents and children in order to decrease substance abuse.
- Continue to research recovery schools and juvenile drug courts in order to assess the feasibility of beginning one or the other in Clay County.

### Budget

CATEGORY	AMOUNT OF LCTS FUNDS REQUESTED	OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING	IN-KIND CONTRIBU- TIONS	TOTAL BUDGET
<b>Research</b> (site visits, conference attendance, etc.)	\$2500			\$2500
<b>Education/training</b>	\$1500			\$1500
<b>total</b>	\$4000			\$4000