



YOUTH REPORTING CENTER

The Hill County Youth Reporting Center opened its doors on January 10, 2011.



- At this current time we are accepting referrals from the 12th Judicial District Juvenile Probation Offices.

Jake Strissel has been hired as the Youth Development Specialist. Jake previously worked with the Montana Youth Challenge Academy and served in the national guard. He is currently a substitute teacher during the day. Jake has been a great balance and asset to the program.

Total youth entered into program (01/01/11-02/14/11)	Programming Requirement	Total # Youth completed requirements at this time
2	Bullying	2
2	Thinking for a Change	Programming scheduled to be completed at the end of Feb.
4	Stop Thief	Programming scheduled to be completed on 2/17/2011
1	Marijuana 101 (Online Education)	1

We have had a total of seven youth referred to the program at this point; they are currently completing program requirements. Two of the youth are required to complete two programs. We have one more youth referred and will start on 2/16/2011. This youth is required to complete two programming requirements and 122.5 hours of restitution.

We have created a bullying program based on research and the old presentation from the Juvenile Probation Offices as well as a shoplifting program. We are also utilizing the Thinking for a Change program, Let's Talk and other basic life skills activities. The youth seem to really be enjoying the Scholastic Choices magazine and the activities with them. The youth also seem to enjoy the life's realities program teaching them money management.

In March of 2011 we will start to accept referrals from Havre City Court for some additional programming: Alcohol Wise (Online education), Seat Belt Safety, Alive @ 25 (Defensive Driving) and Tobacco for the related referrals. These youth will attend the program for one hour per day for their programming and will have a short term with the YRC.

We are excited to be accepting new referrals increasing our capacity of youth served. The program has been running smoothly with very few changes needing to be made.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Located @ the Boys & Girls Club

JDAI—Special Detention Cases Work-Group	1:00 pm	March 15, 2011
JDAI— Media Work-Group	1:30 pm	March 17, 2011
JCEC— Youth Reporting Center	1:00 pm	March 24, 2011
Hill County JDAI Stakeholders Meeting -12-2:00pm-LUNCH provided		April 5, 2011

**JUVENILE
DETENTION
ALTERNATIVES
INITIATIVE**

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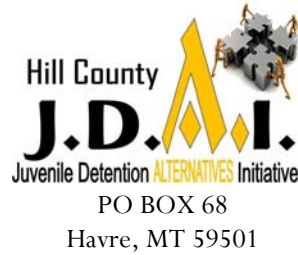
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STAFF CHANGES**

Cil Robinson from the Montana Board Crime of Control will assume the State JDAI Coordinator's role previously held by Stacye Dorrington. There have been a number of changes at the Montana Board of Crime Control that have reduced the time Stacye has been able to devote to JDAI. By appointing Cil as the new JDAI State Coordinator, the plan is to dedicate more time to JDAI coordination.

~Rand Young

DATA COLLECTION

In an effort to improve data collection and reporting for Hill County, we are working with the Annie E. Casey Foundation's JDAI technical assistance data consultant to analyze our 2007 – 2010 detention data to ensure its accuracy and consistency. Our hope is we will have automated tools to enhance what has been a very time-consuming process to produce our data.

~Rand Young