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Competitive RECLAIM Helps Young People Get Back on Track

Competitive RECLAIM, a performance-driven grant program available to juvenile courts and local communities, helps serve the right youth in the right environment with the right treatment.

With 51 unique projects in 32 counties*, Competitive RECLAIM prevents young people from going further into the juvenile justice system, reducing the need for placement in a DYS facility, Community Corrections Facility (CCF), or other residential placement. The effort supports juvenile courts and local communities in using research-backed services to meet the needs of youth and families.

Projects range from diversion to in-home treatment and are unique to each participating county’s needs. Full details for the first round of funded projects, including the initial program overviews, interventions used, outcomes, and success stories from participants, are available on the DYS website. Projects funded for Fiscal Year 2018 will be posted in January 2018.

These programs help youth maintain ties to family and other supports, improving the chances of long-term success. An analysis helps determine program effectiveness and provides outcome data needed to sustain and expand the programs that are working well. As a result, at-risk teens and their families are getting the help they need through programs that make a difference.

*Counties include Allen, Ashtabula, Athens, Clermont, Coshocton, Cuyahoga, Delaware, Erie, Fairfield, Franklin, Gallia, Geauga, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Lorain, Lucas, Madison, Mahoning, Marion, Meigs, Montgomery, Morrow, Muskingum, Ottawa, Paulding, Richland, Scioto, Summit, Trumbull, Union, and Wayne.