

Goal 3: At least 85% of families who have received Family Services funds will not have a child go through Juvenile Intake within 6 months after their case is closed. In order to monitor this goal, we looked at families we served with Family Services funds from July through December, 2011. We served 113 families in that time period. Out of that number, 10 families had a child come through Juvenile Intake within six months after their case was closed, leaving 103 families whose children had no Juvenile Intake contact in the subsequent six month period (103 / 113 = 91%). We are on target to meet this goal for 2012.

3. How have you impacted the citizens of Lawrence?

We believe that we have reduced the risk of involvement with the court system for the children and families we have served with these funds.

4. What barriers, if any, have you encountered?

We limit the amount of money spent per family in a year to \$200, as these funds are designed to meet an emergency need and/or be a bridge to other sources of on-going support through state and federal services. We have to deny some families because their need is often significantly beyond the limits we have set, and we don't believe that what we can provide will be sufficient to address their problem. In those cases, we refer the families to the agencies that are designed to meet their on-going needs. We can only hope that their needs are then met.

5. Review the line-item budget you provided in your application. How much of your allocation has been spent?

As of June 30, we have spent \$14,920.72 out of our 2012 allocation.