Medina County Common Pleas Court Probate and Juvenile Divisions

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Kevin W. Dunn Judge

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Ohio Department of Youth Services Officials Visit Medina County Juvenile Detention Center

ODYS Director Harvey Reed and his staff met with Judge Kevin W. Dunn and court personnel Monday afternoon to discuss programs and tour the detention facility



MEDINA – Officials from the Ohio Department of Youth Services were in Medina County February 24. After visiting with current Medina County juvenile parolees, they met with Judge Kevin Dunn and court staff at the Juvenile Detention Center to tour the facility.

Judge Dunn, ODYS Director Harvey Reed, Assistant Director Linda Janes and other officials discussed the court's collaboration with the community to offer programs such as Probation, Camp Integrity and Girls Circle, among others, to court-involved youth.

Assistant Director Linda Janes applauded the success she's noticed with Medina County's Drug Court and Multi-Systemic Therapy programs. The officials also complimented Judge Dunn and his staff for their efforts to couple services with local agencies.

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"We are fortunate to have such great collaborations," Judge Dunn told the ODYS officials. "We want to have the kids more active and involved in our community and utilize all possible outlets for help closer to home before sending them to DYS."

Ryan Gies, Deputy Director for Courts and Community Services, agreed with the Judge.

"It's great that Medina is focused on matching the youth's needs on a local level so they don't have to go up the next rung on the ladder," Gies said.

Medina County currently has two youth committed in ODYS and three monitored on parole.