Medina County Juvenile Court 2016 Annual Report



Judge Kevin W. Dunn

GREETINGS FROM JUDGE KEVIN W. DUNN

I am pleased to present the 2016 Annual Report of the Medina County Probate/Juvenile Court. The Court's staff and service providers are zealously committed to protecting children, correcting delinquent juveniles, reducing recidivism, and directing parents to their responsibilities. Further, in the Probate Court, the protection of those who cannot protect themselves is of paramount importance. In a continuing effort to provide services to the community, the Court is actively engaged in improving its programs.

The Court is grateful to a multitude of collaborative partners in the community including the members of law enforcement, schools, social services agencies, mental health agencies, healthcare and others who have assisted the court in its important mission.



Judge Kevin W. Dunn is one of the four judges of the Common Pleas Court. He began his tenure on the Bench on August 5, 2013. Judge Dunn's elected six-year term began February, 2015.

The Medina County Probate and Juvenile Courts, wherein Judge Dunn presides, has jurisdiction over all cases involving persons under age 18. These cases are categorized as delinquent; traffic; unruly; and abused, neglected and dependent children. Probate matters, include but are not limited to estates, guardianships, and trusts.

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SUPREME COURT STATISTICS

This statistical summary meets all of the requirements of accounting for the number, type and disposition of cases that came before the Judge and/or Magistrates in calendar year 2016. These statistics are compiled and maintained pursuant to the Rules of Superintendence of the Supreme Court.

	Delinquency	Traffic	Dependency, Neglect, or Abuse	Unruly	Adult Cases	Motion For Permanent Custody	Custody or Visitation	Support	Parentage	U.I.F.S.A	All Others
New Cases Filed	512	474	84	86	11	1	42	0	0	0	11
Cases Terminated	576	453	90	97	14	1	49	8	0	0	12

Juvenile Drug Court Renews State Certification



The Juvenile Drug Court of Medina County renewed certification from the Ohio Supreme Court's Commission on Specialized Dockets in 2016. Medina County Juvenile Drug Court exceeds the state standards for certification,

providing an alternative for juveniles and their families whose criminal justice involvement stems from alcohol or drugs. Using community resources, the Program provides monitoring, intervention, treatment and structure to juveniles. Juvenile Drug Court also reduces recidivism, protects the community, and teaches juveniles how to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Juvenile Court Earns Innovation Grant to Create Probation Suspension Program

Thanks to funds provided through the Supreme Court of Ohio Court Innovation Grant, Medina County Juvenile Court began a collaboration with local school districts to create the Probation Suspension Program (PSP). PSP provides alternative placement for juvenile offenders currently on Probation or Compliance Officer Monitoring who receive out-of-school suspensions. Utilizing the new program, probation officers, magistrates and Judge Dunn have the discretion to order a youth into PSP in lieu of detainment at the MCJDC or placement on Electronic Monitoring, among other sanctions. PSP is monitored by a Medina City School paraprofessional and allows up to five youth per day, as needed.

"The Court does everything possible to keep youth on Probation on the right track, and their schooling is a large part of that," Judge Dunn said. "This will help ensure that even during their suspension, they are continuing to learn and complete school work."

2016 Statistics

Community Service: Youth performed

more than 4,002 hours of service

Parent Project: 32 families participated

in this program

Family Resource Court: 27 families

were served

Drug Court : 30 juveniles were

successful and graduated

Ti-180: 38 youth with at least one parent

participated



Probation Department

Probation officers investigate all aspects of the Juvenile's case and make recommendations to the Court to protect public safety and to achieve permanent improvement in a child's behavior. In 2016, 106 youth were placed on probation.



Juvenile Probation Staff

Sharon M. Danko, CCE Court Administrator

COURT COLLECTIONS

Court costs assessed by the Juvenile Court are distributed to state, county and local governments. The COPPER (Costs of Probation and Programming Expense Reimbursement) program was created to recoup part of the cost of court services.

	COPPER Program	Court Costs (Including COPPER)	Fines		
Total	\$32,357.09	\$196,174.02	\$26,565.02		