

# Juvenile Correction

## Mission

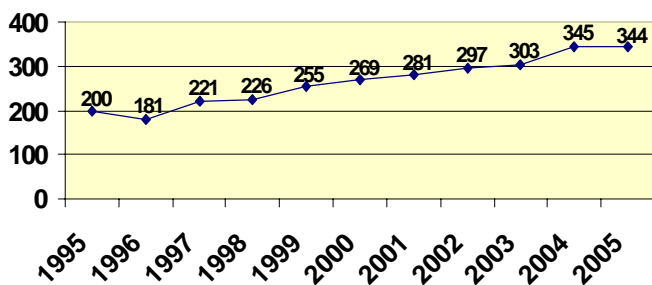
To provide safe, secure incarceration of juvenile offenders while promoting treatment and rehabilitation.

## Summary of Activities

The **Department of Correction (DOC)** Division of Juvenile Services is responsible for providing quality rehabilitative treatment opportunities to youth who have violated the law and have been committed to the DOC. With the opening of the 360 bed Pendleton Juvenile Facility in July 2000, the DOC will operate 10 juvenile facilities -- 2 for females, and 8 for males, including an intake facility in Logansport.

### Female Juvenile Population

(Average Daily Population)



various needs. Education and special education, anger management, recreation, sex offense treatment, substance abuse treatment, individual and group counseling, conflict resolution and community programming are among the programs offered. Upon release from a facility, the majority of the juveniles are placed on aftercare supervision, which can consist of supervision by a Youth Service Coordinator or parole agent and involve intervention from a variety of community service providers.

Foster or group home placement is available for those youth who cannot return to their homes. The DOC contracts for electronic monitoring and intensive family preservation/wrap-around services for those juveniles on an as needed basis.

The **Criminal Justice Institute** administers federal juvenile justice delinquency prevention grant funds to promote, facilitate and coordinate the efforts of juvenile programs throughout the state. An example is a program known as Community Systemwide Response (CSR). Operated through **Purdue University's** 4H Extension Office, CSR encourages members of communities who have an interest in youth or who administer youth services to come together to develop strategies to prevent and reduce delinquency.

## External Factors

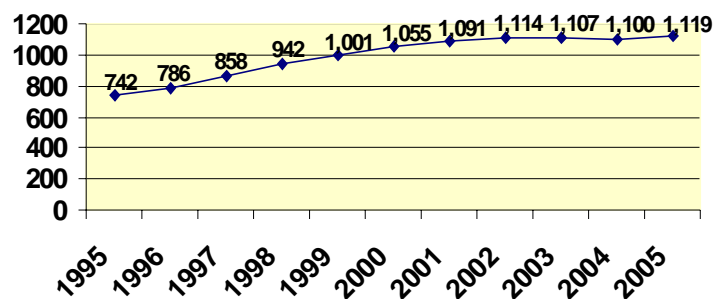
The rate of commitments to the DOC Juvenile Services Division of both males and females has been steadily increasing. Recent projections indicate that they will continue in an upward direction. This will ultimately require increased state expenditures for facilities and personnel.

In addition to the 10 facilities operated by the DOC, the state also contracts with 8 private companies to provide residential treatment services to juvenile males and females who have been committed to the DOC but for whom space is not available in a state facility. As of May 2000, there were 1,384 juveniles in the DOC -- 311 females, 1073 males; 1123 in a state facility, 261 in private placement.

While in custody, juvenile offenders participate in a variety of programming opportunities to address their

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## Evaluation and Accomplishments

The DOC has undertaken the task of reviewing service delivery and the manner in which programs are offered within state facilities and in the community. Consultants from the National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) were hired to perform an evaluation of the DOC juvenile offender classification system, which was first implemented in 1992. Along with the work of NCCD, various work groups were established to begin the process of developing a case management system for juvenile offenders. The system will offer a clear and consistent method of providing services within juvenile facilities. NCCD will develop a format to conduct a case load analysis to determine the number of Youth Services Officers needed to provide the levels of supervision identified by the case management system.

The Superintendents of Logansport Intake and Diagnostic Facility and Fort Wayne Juvenile Facility have developed survey instruments that are sent to various stakeholders in the juvenile offender system. Survey results will be used to ensure that programs are providing maximum effectiveness and efficiency.



Pendleton Juvenile Correctional Facility

## Plans for the Biennium

The DOC will begin new construction of a 150-bed unit at the Indianapolis Juvenile Correctional Facility with funding provided under a federal grant. As shown by the graph of the female population on the previous page, this population is expected to increase in the foreseeable future, and the Indianapolis Juvenile Facility is already over capacity.

The DOC will also develop a uniform, competency-based educational system for all facilities. The DOC currently offers educational services at all juvenile facilities.

