



2018 Comprehensive Accountability Report

CIVIL CITATION

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MISSION: *To increase public safety by reducing juvenile delinquency through effective prevention, intervention and treatment services that strengthen families and turn around the lives of troubled youth.*

Civil citation is designed to give law enforcement an alternative to arrest or formal processing that provides swift and appropriate consequences to youth for minor, misdemeanor delinquent acts. The goals of the civil citation process are to divert the youth prior to arrest, hold the youth accountable for delinquent behavior, involve the parents in sanctioning the youth, and prevent the youth's further involvement in the juvenile justice system. Law enforcement officers are allowed the discretion of issuing a citation rather than a formal complaint.

Local civil citation providers oversee youth participating in the civil citation process. Youth are required to participate in an assessment of needs, perform community service hours, and complete various sanctions, which may include reparations and treatment services. The civil citation process provides an alternative that greatly reduces case processing and paperwork time for law enforcement, the courts, and juvenile justice personnel. Additionally, civil citation is more cost-effective than formally processing a youth in the court and juvenile justice system, and offers the youth an opportunity to receive sanctions, treatment, and to make reparations without receiving a delinquency record that may interfere with educational, work, and military service opportunities for many years into the future. The extremely low recidivism rate (5%) for youth who participate in civil citation is an important indicator of the success of this approach.

The success of the civil citation process depends on the collaborative effort of many agencies and personnel throughout the community. These include, but are not limited to: law enforcement, state attorneys, judges, the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), public defenders, work sites, as well as the coordinating entity for the local civil citation process.

Profile of Youth

The following table provides demographic data from DJJ's Juvenile Justice Prevention Web System. Demographic profile data are based on the number of unduplicated youth who received civil citation services during Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18.

Table 1
Civil Citation (FY 2017-18 Youth Served)

	Age								Youth Served
	11 and Under	12	13	14	15	16	17	18+	
Statewide	858	1,176	1,775	2,311	2,767	3,291	2,103	259	14,540
Percentage	6%	8%	12%	16%	19%	23%	15%	2%	100%

Table 2
Civil Citation (FY 2017-18 Youth Served)

	Male				Female				Youth Served
	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	White	Black	Hispanic	Other	
Statewide	3,849	2,968	1,803	70	2,577	2,187	1,043	43	14,540
Percentage	26%	20%	12%	0%	18%	15%	7%	0%	100%

Source: Florida Department of Juvenile Justice, Office of Research & Data Integrity

Outcome Evaluation Performance

The following table shows the civil citation process profile summaries and outcomes, which includes total releases, number of completions, completion rates, demographic characteristics, average length of stay, and recidivism rates. Summaries and outcomes are based on the number of youth released from a civil citation program during FY 2016-17. **Note:** completions in FY 2016-17 are evaluated during FY 2017-18 to permit a full year of tracking for recidivism. It is important to note that some programs served very few youth and the resulting outcomes and performance figures should be interpreted with caution.

During FY 2016-17, there were a total of 9,405 releases and 7,756 completions for youth participating in the civil citation process throughout Florida. The overall recidivism rate for youth completing the civil citation process was 5%, which is the lowest recidivism rate of any program type monitored by the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice. While participating in the civil citation process, 3% of youth were identified as committing any new offense in the juvenile or adult criminal justice system. Most youth who completed the civil citation process during the year were male (58%) with an average age at admission of 15.6. The average length of stay for youth in the civil citation process was 130.5 days.

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Table 1
Civil Citation: Summaries and Outcomes on Youth Completions (FY 2016-17)

Program Name	Percent ODS ¹			Total		Completions					
	Total Releases	Any Offense	New Law	N ²	Percent	Percent Male	Percent Black	Percent Hispanic	Average Age at Admission	Average Length of Stay	Recidivism Rate ³
01 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Okaloosa County Teen Court	34	0%	0%	30	88%	47%	27%	17%	15.1	94.8	7%
01 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Santa Rosa County Teen Court	26	0%	0%	22	85%	73%	9%	5%	15.2	85.0	5%
01 Circuit-Civil Citation-Escambia County Court Administration	172	4%	4%	140	81%	52%	51%	2%	15.3	107.2	6%
01 Circuit-Civil Citation-New World Believers	2	0%	0%	2	100%	50%	50%	0%	15.3	155.0	0%
01 Circuit-Civil Citation-Walton County DJJ	1	0%	0%	1	100%	0%	100%	0%	14.1	251.0	0%
02 Circuit-Civil Citation-B A Y S	3	0%	0%	3	100%	67%	100%	0%	16.9	118.0	0%
02 Circuit-Civil Citation-DISC Village	251	3%	3%	222	88%	64%	50%	3%	15.5	81.2	4%
02 Circuit-Civil Citation-Living Stones - Leon	13	0%	0%	12	92%	42%	92%	0%	14.9	84.9	0%
03 Circuit-Civil Citation-Columbia County DJJ	14	0%	0%	12	86%	67%	33%	0%	16.4	90.0	8%
03 Circuit-Civil Citation-Hamilton County DJJ	10	0%	0%	10	100%	80%	40%	0%	15.8	119.3	0%
03 Circuit-Civil Citation-Lafayette County DJJ	2	0%	0%	0	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
03 Circuit-Civil Citation-Suwanee County DJJ	9	0%	0%	9	100%	56%	44%	11%	16.0	113.3	11%
04 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Clay County Teen Court	64	9%	9%	51	80%	71%	18%	4%	16.1	122.4	10%
04 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Duval County SAO Youth Offender Program	22	0%	0%	18	82%	67%	28%	6%	16.7	174.8	0%
04 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Duval County Teen Court	152	7%	7%	108	71%	53%	34%	6%	16.0	148.8	2%
04 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Nassau County Teen Court	34	3%	3%	28	82%	61%	18%	0%	15.0	133.1	0%
04 Circuit-Civil Citation-Thaise Edu. & Expo. Tours - Duval	1	0%	0%	1	100%	0%	100%	0%	10.7	87.0	0%
05 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Citrus County Teen Court	42	0%	0%	36	86%	53%	17%	6%	15.2	230.5	6%
05 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Hernando County Teen Court	113	0%	0%	94	83%	61%	22%	12%	15.0	115.0	3%
05 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Lake County Teen Court	118	1%	1%	108	92%	65%	23%	19%	15.0	63.5	2%
05 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Marion County Teen Court	91	2%	2%	76	84%	43%	34%	22%	14.9	106.4	3%
05 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Sumter County Teen Court	12	0%	0%	12	100%	75%	25%	8%	15.1	54.6	0%
05 Circuit-Civil Citation-Marion County Work-In-Lieu-of-Arrest [WILA]	169	0%	0%	154	91%	60%	32%	14%	14.9	34.6	6%
06 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Juvenile Arrest Avoidance Project [JAAP]	428	5%	5%	307	72%	55%	42%	9%	15.4	126.7	8%
06 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Juvenile Second Chance Program	85	0%	0%	85	100%	52%	53%	1%	14.9	1.0	6%
06 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Pasco County Sheriff's Office	369	2%	2%	301	82%	55%	12%	17%	15.7	115.3	3%
06 Circuit-Civil Citation-Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Juvenile Diversion Program	491	4%	4%	395	80%	57%	22%	9%	15.7	120.5	7%
07 Circuit-Civil Citation-EPIC	32	0%	0%	27	84%	63%	11%	0%	16.3	122.6	4%
07 Circuit-Civil Citation-Flagler County DJJ	47	0%	0%	38	81%	45%	13%	5%	15.3	122.7	0%
07 Circuit-Civil Citation-My Refuge Community Church	14	0%	0%	8	57%	50%	88%	13%	14.2	114.8	0%
07 Circuit-Civil Citation-Putnam County Juvenile Crime Prevention Office	46	0%	0%	35	76%	80%	20%	11%	15.1	97.1	3%
07 Circuit-Civil Citation-St. Johns County Sheriff's Office	198	4%	4%	171	86%	80%	17%	5%	15.3	149.4	3%
07 Circuit-Civil Citation-Volusia County DJJ	375	12%	12%	337	90%	63%	28%	11%	15.2	547.2	10%
08 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Alachua County Teen Court	175	7%	7%	126	72%	51%	60%	3%	15.2	150.7	6%
08 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Baker County Teen Court-Union County	12	0%	0%	11	92%	64%	27%	0%	15.0	66.8	0%
08 Circuit-Civil Citation-Baker County Teen Court	10	0%	0%	10	100%	50%	60%	0%	14.4	99.4	10%
08 Circuit-Civil Citation-Gilchrist County DJJ	5	0%	0%	4	80%	50%	25%	0%	16.3	138.5	0%
08 Circuit-Civil Citation-Levy County DJJ	4	25%	25%	3	75%	67%	0%	0%	16.3	63.7	0%
Statewide	9,405	3%	3%	7,756	82%	58%	31%	21%	15.6	130.5	5%

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09 Circuit-Civil Citation-Orange County Restorative Justice	187	2%	2%	150	80%	51%	30%	36%	15.4	89.8	6%
09 Circuit-Civil Citation-Orange County Teen Court	352	1%	1%	222	63%	46%	38%	31%	15.4	76.3	5%
09 Circuit-Civil Citation-Osceola County Teen Court	69	1%	1%	63	91%	51%	14%	54%	15.6	71.6	3%
10 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Highlands County Teen Court	14	7%	7%	11	79%	55%	9%	36%	15.2	117.4	9%
11 Circuit-Civil Citation-Equal Justice	1,079	2%	2%	873	81%	59%	30%	62%	16.0	145.2	4%
12 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Sarasota County Teen Court	166	3%	3%	148	89%	61%	15%	16%	15.7	134.3	6%
12 Circuit-Civil Citation-DeSoto County DJJ	7	0%	0%	7	100%	29%	0%	0%	16.6	255.7	0%
12 Circuit-Civil Citation-Manatee County Civil Diversion Program	188	4%	4%	126	67%	61%	21%	16%	15.0	119.1	6%
13 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Juvenile Arrest Avoidance Project [JAAP]	469	1%	1%	411	88%	53%	36%	12%	15.4	100.6	4%
14 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Bay County Teen Court	38	16%	16%	8	21%	50%	25%	0%	16.3	154.4	0%
14 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Holmes County Teen Court	1	0%	0%	1	100%	100%	100%	0%	14.3	104.0	0%
15 Circuit-C C Alternative Div-Juvenile First Offender Program [JFOP]	679	3%	3%	514	76%	62%	36%	21%	15.8	142.6	5%
16 Circuit-Civil Citation-Monroe County Sheriff's Office	108	0%	0%	100	93%	62%	22%	19%	15.6	46.5	0%
17 Circuit-Civil Citation-Broward County Countywide Coordination	847	2%	2%	762	90%	57%	45%	25%	16.0	137.4	3%
18 Circuit-Civil Citation-Brevard County crosswinds	142	1%	1%	130	92%	56%	22%	12%	15.7	105.9	8%
18 Circuit-Civil Citation-Seminole County Community Services [PAY]	386	4%	4%	308	80%	50%	28%	17%	15.9	128.4	4%
19 Circuit-Civil Citation-B A Y S	1	0%	0%	1	100%	100%	100%	0%	13.2	92.0	100%
19 Circuit-Civil Citation-Martin County Health and Human Services	61	0%	0%	52	85%	52%	19%	13%	15.5	81.3	4%
19 Circuit-Civil Citation-Martin County-Stuart Police Department First Offender Program	20	10%	10%	18	90%	61%	22%	0%	15.7	115.8	11%
19 Circuit-Civil Citation-St. Lucie County Court Administration - St. Lucie and Indian River Counties	177	5%	5%	150	85%	60%	44%	15%	14.9	95.7	3%
19 Circuit-Civil Citation-St. Lucie County PSLPD First Offender Program	82	0%	0%	60	73%	60%	23%	8%	16.3	91.1	3%
19 Circuit-Civil Citation-Wave Crest Shelter/CHS	13	0%	0%	13	100%	69%	8%	15%	13.5	91.4	15%
20 Circuit-Civil Citation-Charlotte County Human Services	84	0%	0%	76	90%	58%	16%	11%	15.4	53.4	0%
20 Circuit-Civil Citation-Collier County Sheriff's Office	308	2%	2%	284	92%	58%	18%	18%	15.1	55.8	5%
20 Circuit-Civil Citation-Glades County DJJ	3	0%	0%	3	100%	100%	0%	33%	16.4	15.7	33%
20 Circuit-Civil Citation-Hendry County DJJ	17	0%	0%	15	88%	60%	27%	40%	14.9	30.9	7%
20 Circuit-Civil Citation-Lee County Sheriff's Office	261	0%	0%	243	93%	53%	17%	31%	15.8	37.5	4%
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