

2008 ANNUAL REPORT



STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH SERVICES



The Bush Chapel on
Vacca Campus Erected
in 1923

Pilot Chapel on
Chalkville Campus

Horticulture Greenhouse
on Mt. Meigs Campus

Washington Hall
Administration Building
on Mt. Meigs Campus

Description of Front Cover
Photographs Left to Right



Dear Governor Riley,

The Department of Youth Services is pleased to present you its 2008 annual report detailing the activities of the department during the fiscal year. In cooperation with the Department of Education, the distance learning program was expanded, allowing us to offer certain required courses, as well as several advanced placement courses, online.

New career technical education coursework has also been added at our three largest campuses. At Chalkville, girls can now complete carpentry, electrical or welding coursework and obtain certification from the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER). Students at Vacca may select from audio broadcasting, computer repair, desktop publishing, electrical, plumbing, structural engineering, and welding. At Mt. Meigs, the Plasticulture and Aquaculture programs continue to thrive and expand.

Due to the efforts of the Casey Strategic Consulting Group, DYS staff and Juvenile Court Judges, many youth previously committed to our campuses are now being served through community based programs. This effort has also significantly reduced the “wait list” for agency services.

We deeply appreciate the support and encouragement of your administration, as well as that of the Legislature, the DYS Board, our advisory committees, departmental staff, and the numerous volunteers who give so freely of their time.

We anticipate continued success in our programs and activities in the coming fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Walter Wood, Jr.
Executive Director



Horticulture Greenhouse
on Mt. Meigs Campus

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Fred Posey Memorial Garden
at Autauga Campus

Report of the Board

For the Quarter Beginning
October 2007 – December 2007

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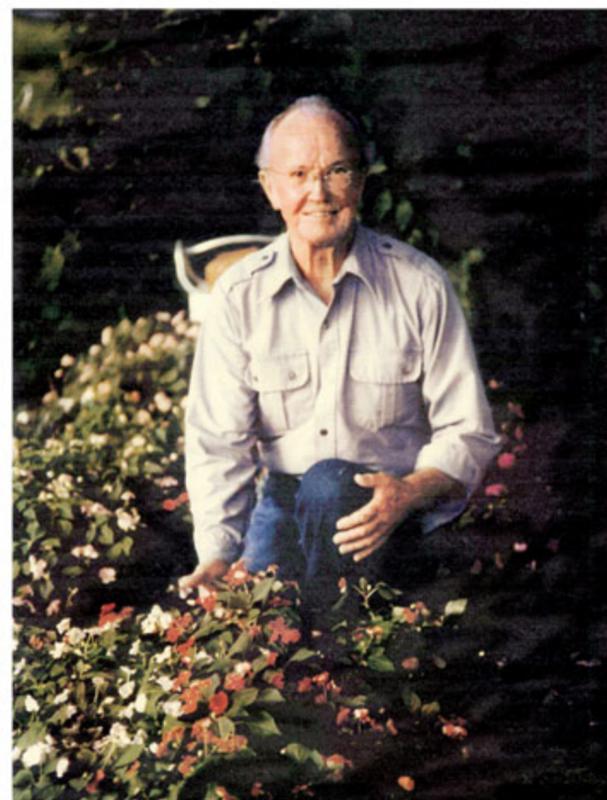
On November 30, 2007, William J. Samford II, General Counsel for the Department of Youth Services for over twenty-eight years, retired. Bill had served the Department continuously since the creation of the Legal Division in 1979.

His legal talents include litigation, mediation, drafting and editing statutes and regulations improving the adjudication and care of juvenile offenders, and developing easily adoptable solutions for complex administrative matters. More importantly, he was an emissary of the Department, and in this capacity, was peerless. His gracious, easy manner calm the most distraught, while his perpetual cheerfulness is downright contagious.

Autauga Campus Advisory Board member and former Autauga County Circuit Clerk, Fred Posey, died in his sleep at the age of ninety-five on December 1, 2007. He had the distinction of being the longest-serving elected official in Alabama history, having been elected as the Autauga County Circuit Clerk from 1941 until his retirement in 2001.

As an advisory board member from the inception of the Autauga Campus in 1994, Mr. Posey contributed his time, his judicial system expertise, his beloved hand-cultivated tulips, Christmas gifts, and additional financial contributions as needed.

Also during the first quarter, the Department continued working with the Casey Foundation to arrive at a method of dealing with repeat CHINS (children in need of supervision) and probation violation commitments in a manner that would be more effective for all. It was determined that programs designed to keep the non-violent youth offenders in non institutional settings is preferable.



Fred Posey

The last act of the Board during the first quarter, was to elect officers for the new calendar year. Unanimously re-elected were, Mr. Roy (Pat) Vice, Chairman, Dr. Eddie Johnson, Vice-Chairman, and Hon. Terri Bozeman-Lovell, Secretary-Treasurer.

Report of the Board



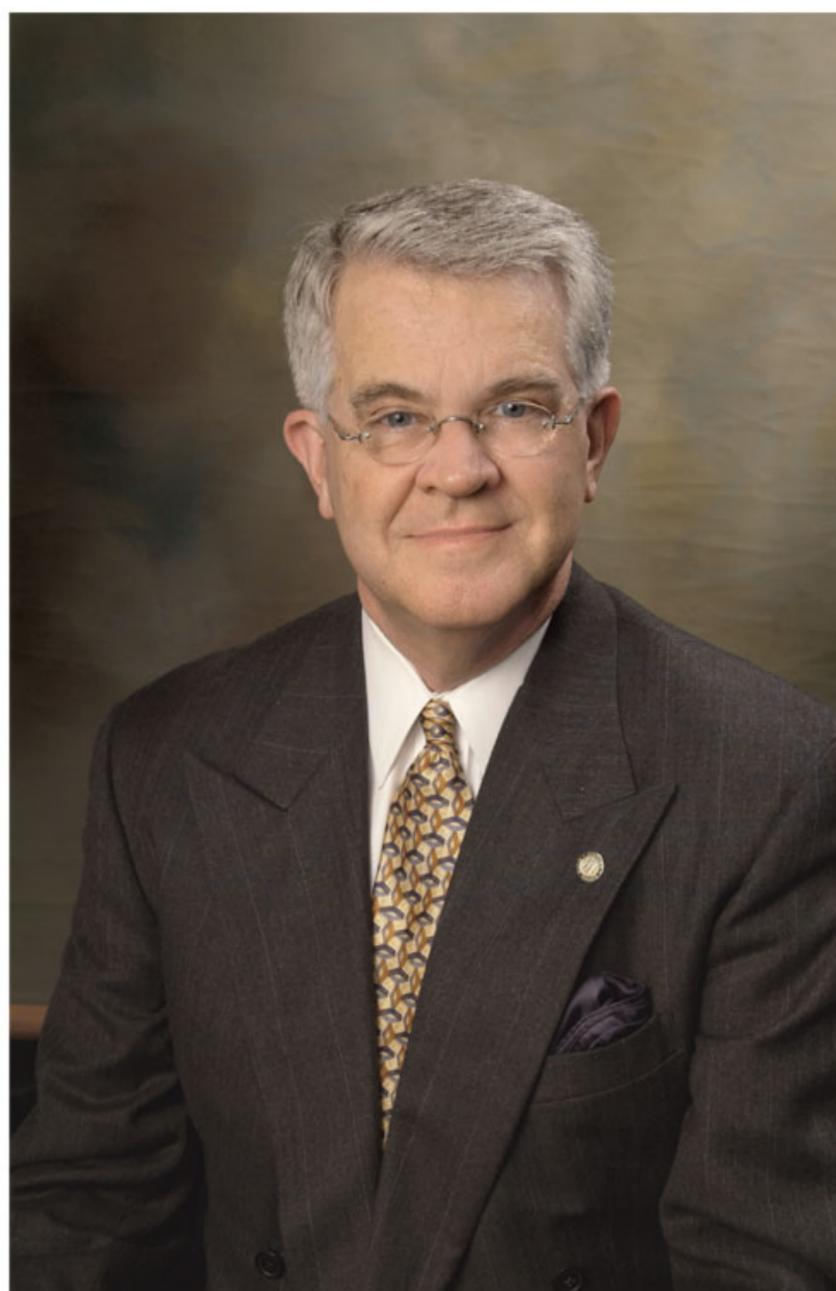
Fred Posey Memorial Garden
at Autauga Campus

For the Quarter Beginning January 2008- March 2008

The Vacca Campus Advisory Board lost one of its most dedicated members on March 7, 2008, when Mr. Nick Graffeo died from complications following surgery. A member of the Vacca Advisory Board for many years, Mr. Graffeo was also a member of the Roebuck Steering Committee. He was a licensed attorney for over forty years, and was an active member of the Birmingham Bar Association.

Also, during the second quarter of the fiscal year, the Lt. Governor appointed Senator T. D. “Ted” Little to the Youth Services Board. Senator Little represents the 27th District of Alabama and is currently serving his eighth term in the Senate. A graduate of the University of Alabama School of Law, he is a practicing attorney in Auburn, Alabama. Senator Little is also past President of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Auburn, as well as a current Board member of both the Chattahoochee Valley Community College Foundation, and the Alabama Bar Association.

The Department also expanded the distance learning program begun the prior year. Access, a web-based computer assisted curriculum provided by the Department of Education, is designed to offer certain required courses online. The Department added two advanced placement courses in art history and psychology as well as two more advanced levels of Spanish to all three campuses. As the program continues, it is hoped that many other courses will be available to the Department’s youth at all sites.



Senator T. D. “Ted” Little



Report of the Board

For the Quarter Beginning
April 2008 – June 2008



Charles Smith



Stacie Jenkins

On April 11, 2008, Governor Bob Riley re-appointed Charles Smith of the Lee County Youth Development Center to the Youth Services Board. On the same day, Governor Riley also appointed Stacie Jenkins of the Guntersville Juvenile Court and Andy Wynne of St. Mary's Home in Mobile to the Board.

Current president and longtime member of the Youth Services Board, Roy P. (Pat) Vice, died at his home on Tuesday, June 17, 2008. Mr. Vice, a U.S. Navy veteran, was also the mayor of Linden, Alabama for a number of years, and had also served as Linden's city administrator.



Andy Wynne



Chairman Vice loved to fish and especially enjoyed taking his grandchildren with him. He is survived by his wife, Linda, four children, two stepchildren, eleven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Report of the Board



**For the Quarter Beginning
July 2008- September 2008**



Senator Tom Butler was appointed to the Youth Services Board by Governor Riley on July 2, 2008. Senator Butler, a native of Huntsville, Alabama, is a graduate of the University of Alabama and Auburn University. In addition to his duties on the Youth Services Board, Senator Butler is also the Chairperson of the Children, Youth Affairs and Human Resources Committee of the Alabama Senate.

He currently resides in Madison, Alabama with his wife, Karen, where he is a Pharmacist/Health Underwriter, and is a member of the Alabama Pharmaceutical Association and the North Alabama Health Underwriters Association

Also during the last quarter of the fiscal year, Allen Peaton, Deputy Director for Administration, and a Certified Corrections Executive, was appointed to the National Commission on Professional Certification and Corrections.

Preparations for three new dormitories on the Mt. Meigs Campus continued with a construction outline that was presented to the Board. These new dorms will be energy efficient and will be the first that are LEED certified.

Finally, in the last quarter, the program implemented in the first quarter which was designed to minimize the number of repeat CHINS and probation violation commitments was already resulting in a nineteen to twenty percent decline in Departmental commitments because these youths were being served through community based programs. This had the additional benefit of reducing the “waiting list”.



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Featured Programs

At the Mt. Meigs Campus, new technology has been incorporated in the career/technical classrooms. In addition to the new SMART Board systems which were added to most of the classrooms to replace old blackboards, the Horticulture classroom has a new computer-based landscaping module.

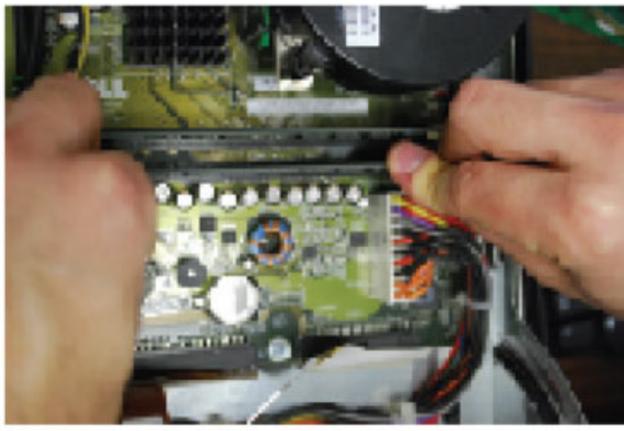
Also at Mt. Meigs, the students were designing and constructing a trailer hitch in the Welding Program. Once the welding students had completed the hitch, the students in the Electrical Wiring Program installed tail and safety lights onto the trailer.



Completed Trailer



Installing Trailer Safety Lights



Repairing a Computer

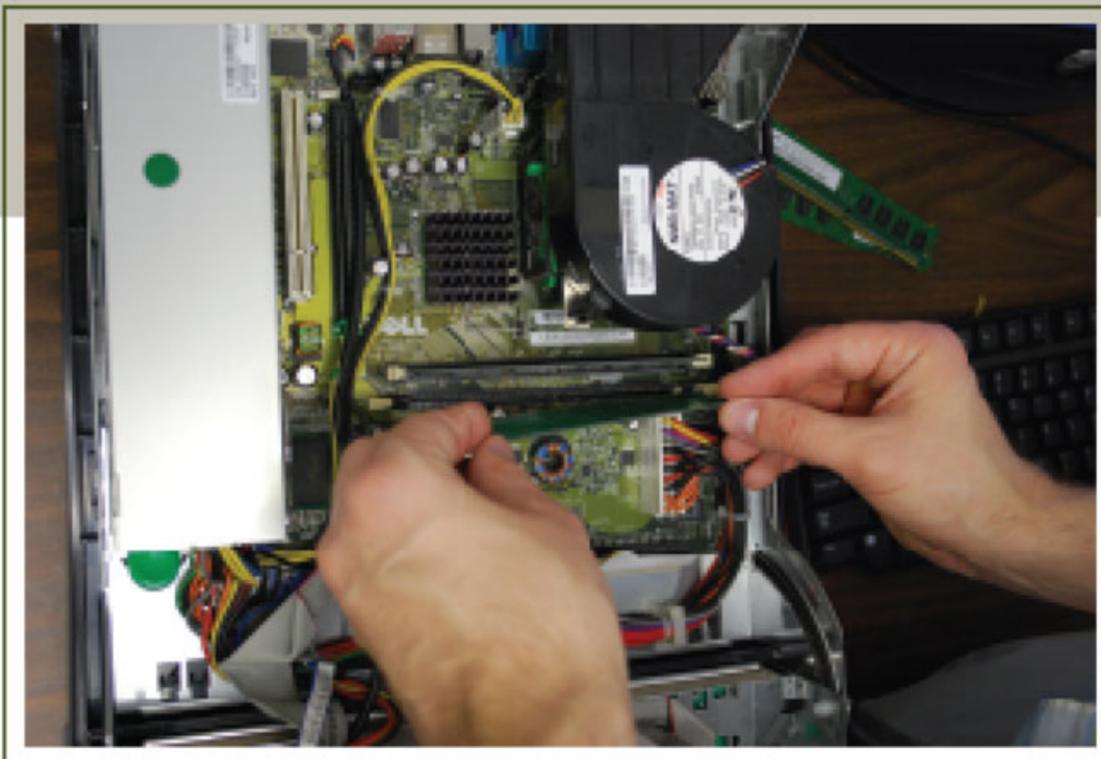
Featured Programs

Students at Vacca now have access to six career technical education modules. Each module is comprised of fifteen separate activities designed to be self-paced, and completed individually or in pairs. In the Audio Broadcasting Module, students learn the history of commercial radio broadcasting and the advances in technology that have permitted the survival and prosperity of this form of communication. Students also write and record their own half hour radio show.

The Computer Repair Module guides students through components, teaching them troubleshooting techniques, while the Desktop Publishing Module teaches the basic principles of design and publishing.

The Electrical and Plumbing Module teaches shop safety, general shop terms and basic electrical and plumbing skills, while the Structural Engineering Module teaches the principles of structural engineering and allows the student to build a model bridge.

The Welding Module teaches welding safety and introduces the student to the different types and techniques of welding. All modules incorporate hands-on activities, keeping students interested.



Repairing a Computer



Computer Based Landscaping Module



Radio Broadcasting Simulation



Repairing a Computer



Students Constructing a Bridge

Youth Services Board Members

Governor

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Term Expires

Continuous
 as Governor

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 State Dept. Head

Serving during FY 2008

Youth Services Board Members

Congressional District Appointments

<u>Name and Address</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Phillip Andy Wynne St. Mary's Home 4350 Moffett Road Mobile, AL 36618	1st Congressional District	9/02/2011
Willie R. Jones, Executive Director Cleveland Avenue YMCA 1201 Rosa Parks Avenue Montgomery, AL 36108	2nd Congressional District	9/02/2008
Charles Smith 1280 Sweetwood Court Auburn, AL 36830	3rd Congressional District	9/02/2006
Frankye H. Underwood P.O. Box 2144 Jasper, AL 35502	4th Congressional District	9/02/2007
Stacie Jenkins 140 Max Graben Circle Albertville, AL 35950		9/02/2012
William A. McDowell Second Mile Development P.O. Box 2531 Huntsville, AL 35804	5th Congressional District	9/02/2009
David C. Wilkinson 2504 Iverness Point Drive Birmingham, AL 35242	6th Congressional District	9/02/2011
Roy P. (Pat) Vice 408 Croy Lane Linden, AL 36748	7th Congressional District	9/02/2008

Alabama Juvenile Judges' Association

<u>Name and Address</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Judge Terri Bozeman Lovell District Court P.O. Box 455 Hayneville, AL 36040	Appointed 1/01/2004	1/01/2010

Serving during FY 2008

Youth Services Board Members

Chief Probation Officer Association

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Bruce Howell
Montgomery County
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Montgomery, AL 361 08

Appointed 8/28/2007

Term Expires

9/02/2009

Legislative Appointments

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Alabama Senate

Concurrent with
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(Appointed 03/27/08)

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(Appointed 07/08/08)

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Alabama House of Representatives

Concurrent with
Legislative Term

Representative Mac Gipson
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Alabama House of Representatives

Concurrent with
Legislative Term

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Dr. Eddie Johnson, Vice-Chairman
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2008 Land Holdings

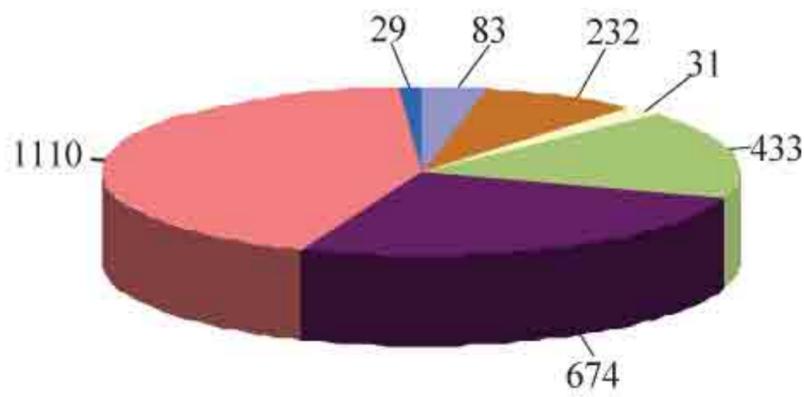


Facility	County	Acreage
Autauga Campus	Autauga	63.07 ± (1)
Birmingham Lots	Jefferson	.36 ± (2)
Chalkville Campus	Jefferson	575.16 ± (3)
Jemison Group Home	Chilton	38.46 ± (1)
Colbert County Lots	Colbert	8.10 ± (2)
Gadsden Group Home	Etowah	.14 ±
Montgomery Group Home	Montgomery	6.17 ±(1)
Mount Meigs Complex	Montgomery	780.53 ± (4)(5)
Troy Group Home	Pike	1.04 ± (1)
Vacca Campus	Jefferson	178.06 ± (2)
Total Acreage		1,651.09 ±

- (1) 1991 Survey by Robert Meadows, Alabama Department of Conservation
- (2) 1998 Report of the Alabama Department of Conservation
- (3) 1997 Survey by Sain & Associates and Robert Meadows
- (4) 1997 Survey by Larry Speaks
- (5) 2002 Land sale to DOT

Statistics on Youth Admissions

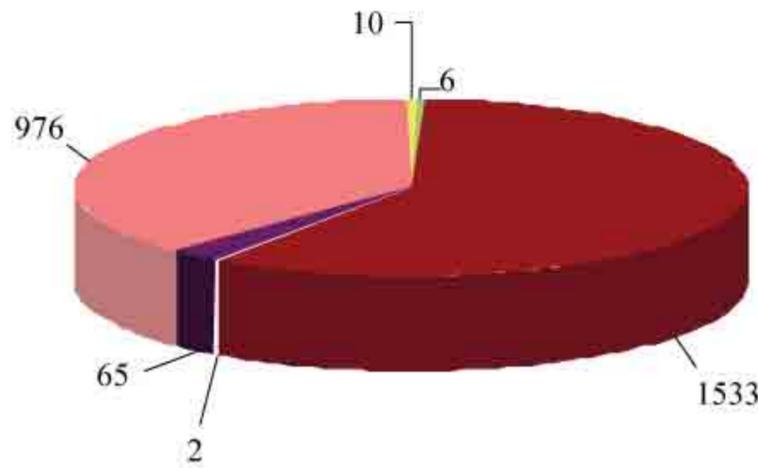
Youth by Offenses



OFFENSE CATEGORY

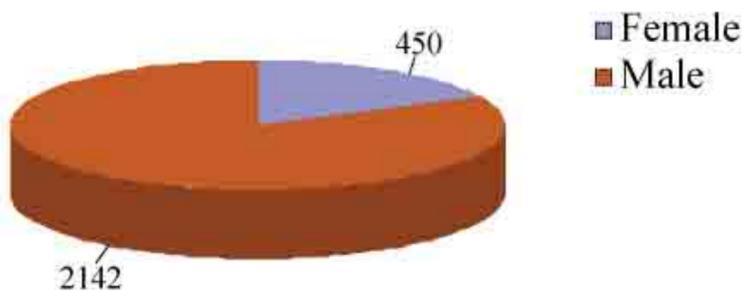
- CHINS
- Drugs
- Part II
- Person
- Pub Order
- Property
- Unknown

Youth by Race

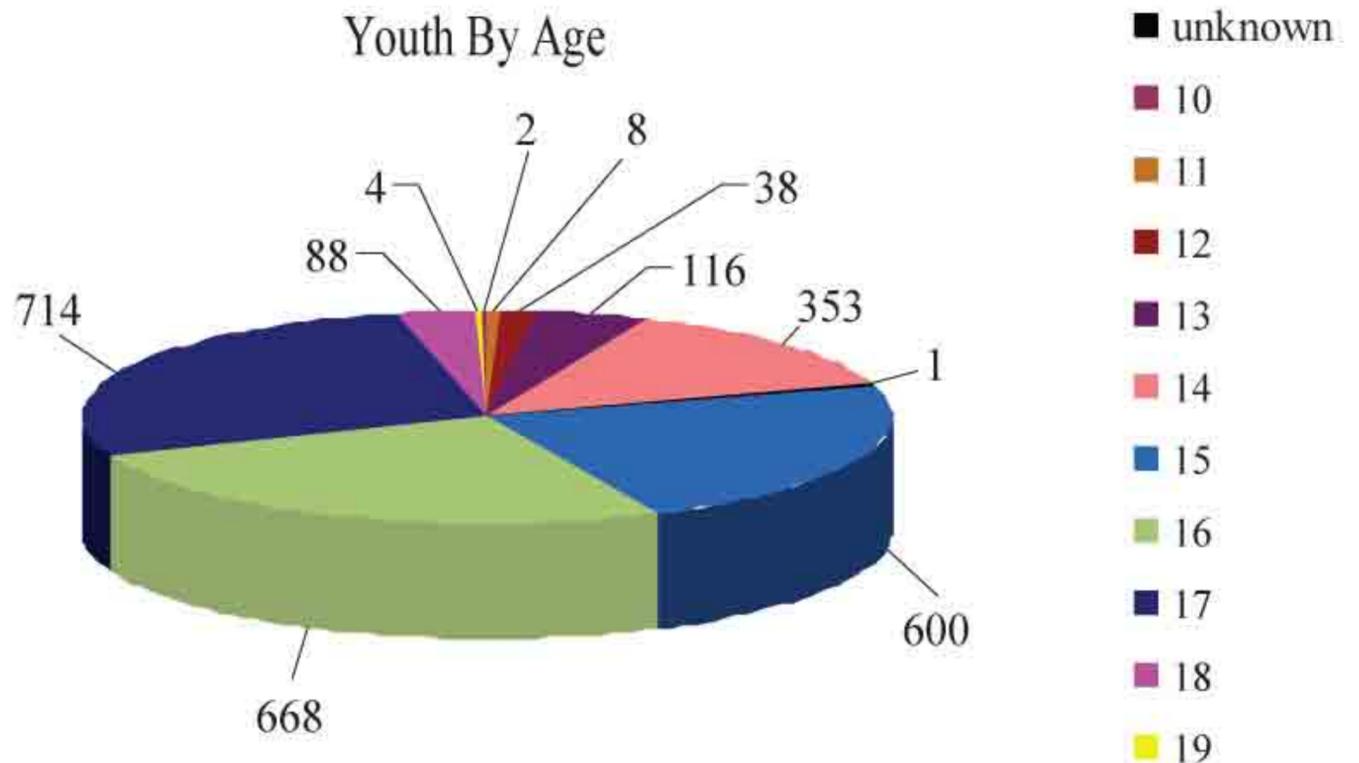


- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African-American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Unknown
- White

Youth by Sex



Youth By Age



Private Providers

● BLOUNT COUNTY

Alabama Youth Homes
Oneonta Girls

Alabama Youth Homes
Oneonta Boys

● DALE COUNTY

Heritage House

● ELMORE COUNTY

Alabama Youth Homes
Wetumpka

● ETOWAH COUNTY

The Bridge:
Camp 180
About Face
Reach A & D

● HALE COUNTY

West Alabama Youth Services
CHANCES

West Alabama Youth Services
Girl's Group Home

● JACKSON COUNTY

Three Springs Choices:
Boy's Wilderness

● LEE COUNTY

Lee County Youth
Development Center
STARS
BEAMS

● MOBILE COUNTY

The Bridge – Step A & D Program
The Bridge – Camp Cobia
The Bridge - GEMS

● MACON COUNTY

Three Springs Tuskegee

● MADISON COUNTY

Three Springs Madison

● MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Group Homes for Children
New Horizons

● HOUSTON COUNTY

Big Brother's Home
Away From Home

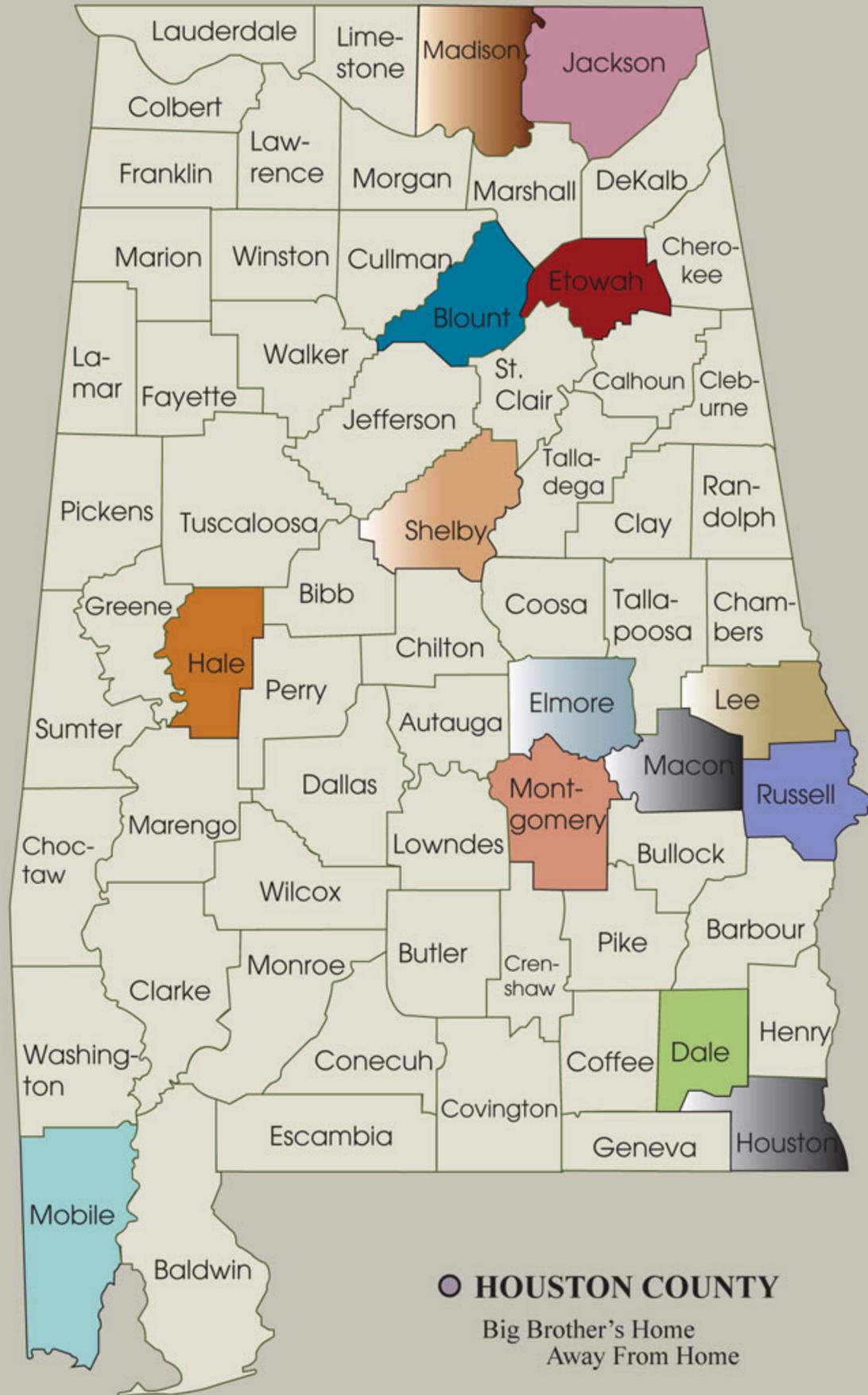
Laurel Oaks Behavioral
Center

● RUSSELL COUNTY

New Life Center for Change

● SHELBY COUNTY

Alabama Youth Homes
Westover
The Bridge - Pelham





Youth Sevices Financial Statement



	Fiscal Year 2004	Fiscal Year 2005	Fiscal Year 2006	Fiscal Year 2007	Fiscal Year 2008
REVENUES					
General Fund	16,493,129	16,540,233	16,254,316	17,204,464	18,204,464
Children First Trust Fund	11,642,836	12,582,884	11,707,550	8,159,573	9,637,123
Education Trust Fund	43,874,364	43,781,969	46,803,585	53,403,655	60,456,223
Special Revenue	6,368,391	9,102,626	10,364,564	10,501,460	10,450,599
Prior Year Carry Over	-	-	-	-	1,299,930
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	78,378,720	82,007,712	85,130,015	89,269,152	100,048,338
EXPENDITURES					
Personnel Costs	22,151,322	22,119,128	23,460,554	25,059,853	27,043,153
Employee Benefits	7,435,841	8,503,293	8,850,316	10,199,600	11,205,594
Travel In-State	276,963	314,529	312,047	282,917	310,695
Travel Out-of-State	28,862	32,217	48,770	46,087	54,175
Repairs and Maintenance	1,317,512	598,381	394,648	1,104,658	974,089
Rentals and Leases	184,767	173,592	176,098	192,299	208,307
Utilities and Communications	1,616,785	2,324,018	1,863,007	1,726,485	1,901,828
Professional Services	22,649,076	21,875,939	25,406,112	27,390,381	25,333,334
Operating Expenses	1,873,813	2,116,253	2,129,884	2,555,903	2,652,353
Transportation Equip Operations	126,310	168,257	187,009	224,990	299,656
Grants and Benefits	15,254,372	17,236,431	17,878,823	19,858,876	23,465,239
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation Equip Purchases	48,423	65,850	83,500	113,350	132,502
Other Equipment Purchases	254,578	329,639	199,963	243,065	554,615
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	73,218,624	75,857,527	80,990,733	88,998,464	94,135,538
LESS REVENUE CARRIED OVER	4,975,679	6,143,963	4,000,068	231,839	5,911,241
LESS REVERSIONS	184,417	6,222	139,214	38,849	1,559
BALANCE UNENCUMBERED	-	-	-	-	-



School District Financial Statement



	Fiscal Year 2004	Fiscal Year 2005	Fiscal Year 2006	Fiscal Year 2007	Fiscal Year 2008
REVENUES					
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Education Trust Fund	6,720,663	6,715,712	7,248,800	7,510,855	8,777,859
Special Revenue	711,644	739,596	512,545	677,400	832,697
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	7,432,307	7,455,308	7,761,345	8,188,255	9,610,556
EXPENDITURES					
Personnel Costs	4,298,483	4,400,283	4,609,928	4,859,361	5,375,050
Employee Benefits	1,141,685	1,316,934	1,378,142	1,562,828	1,759,716
Travel In-State	21,737	24,705	22,031	33,614	42,945
Travel Out-of-State	2,850	-	2,850	6,568	6,640
Repairs and Maintenance	266,948	2,809	3,766	26	5,134
Rentals and Leases	18,059	16,756	13,779	16,842	22,390
Utilities and Communications	301,312	353,274	471,004	118,658	110
Professional Services	423,410	335,573	383,912	520,769	472,982
Operating Expenses	251,725	328,605	267,251	388,369	366,261
Transportation Equip Operations	2,305	1,883	2,638	4,406	5,431
Grants and Benefits	509,928	509,928	523,723	543,276	662,600
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-
Transportation Equip Purchases	-	-	-	-	-
Other Equipment Purchases	173,123	161,555	80,124	126,383	319,591
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,411,565	7,452,305	7,759,148	8,181,099	9,038,850
LESS REVENUE CARRIED OVER	-	-	-	-	571,706
LESS REVERSIONS	23,592	3,003	2,197	7,156	-
BALANCE UNENCUMBERED	-	-	-	-	-



Iroquois Cottage Chalkville Campus

Mission Statement

The mission of the Alabama Department of Youth Services is to enhance public safety by holding juvenile offenders accountable through the use of institutional, educational, and community services that balance the rights and needs of the victims, communities, courts, and offenders.

Goals

ADMINISTRATION

- Promote public trust and confidence through the efficient stewardship of public funds
- Recruit, select and train employees at all levels to be positive role models for juveniles
- Promote the efficient use of resources by providing the least restrictive environment for the juvenile while protecting the community
- License local juvenile justice programs in order to protect the welfare and safety of youth placed in these programs

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

- Provide juvenile services within the framework of professional juvenile justice standards, legislative intent and available resources
- Hold juveniles accountable and responsible for their actions and teach them the consequences of their behavior
- Provide juvenile offenders opportunities to change behaviors based on an assessment of individual needs
- Place all juvenile offenders in a clean and safe environment that promotes dignity, responsibility, self-esteem, respect and a positive educational experience
- Promote the efficient use of resources by providing the least restrictive environment for the juvenile while protecting the community

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Provide juvenile services within the framework of professional juvenile justice standards, legislative intent and available resources
- Hold juveniles accountable and responsible for their actions and teach them the consequences of their behavior
- Provide juvenile offenders opportunities to change behaviors based on an assessment of individual needs juvenile while protecting the community



Iroquois Cottage Chalkville Campus

Goals (continued)

- Place all juvenile offenders in a clean and safe environment that promotes dignity, responsibility, self-esteem, respect and a positive educational experience
- Promote the efficient use of resources by providing the least restrictive environment for the

COMMUNITY SUBSIDY

- Forge partnerships within the juvenile justice system, the community and the public and private sectors

BOOT CAMP

- Subsidize 266 licensed community boot camp beds
- Provide timely and accurate payments to 8 boot camp programs

SCHOOL DISTRICT INSTRUCTION

- Increase Youth Services School District communication
- Increase the effectiveness of school programs in safety, student activities and professional development
- Provide juvenile offenders opportunities to change behaviors based on an assessment of individual needs
- Place all juvenile offenders in a clean and safe environment that promotes dignity, responsibility, self-esteem, respect and a positive educational experience

SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMUNITY EDUCATION

- Provide alternative academic program services and training for students with behavior and/or academic problems as means to deter commitment to DYS

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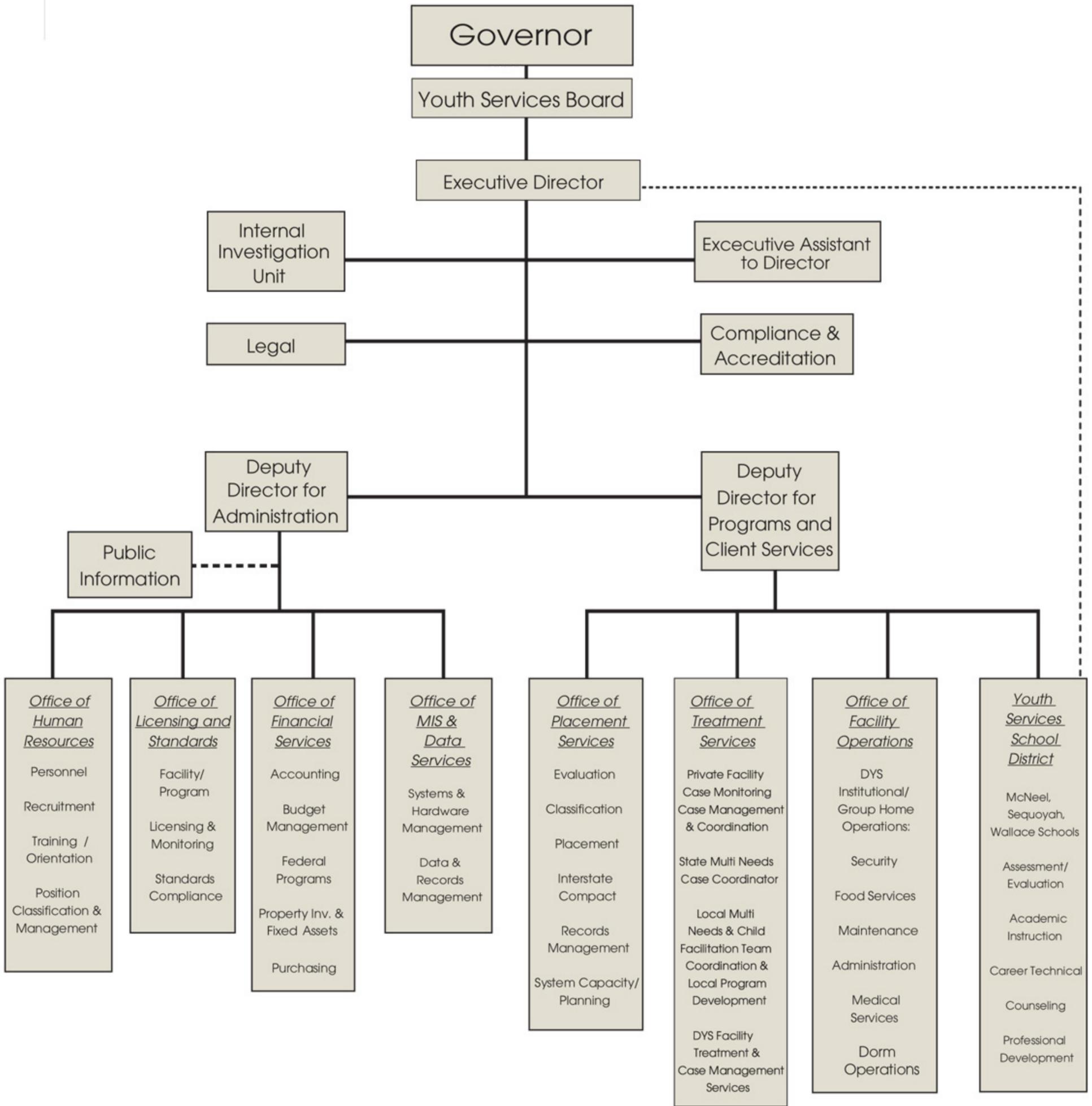
Institutional Services Division
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Superintendent of Education
John C. Stewart, Ed. D.

Licensing and Standards
Robert Matthews, Administrator

Screening and Placement
Patrick J. Pendergast, Administrator

Organizational Chart





Adminstration Building on
Chalkville Campus

Mobile Group Home

Wallace Gymnasium on
Vacca Campus

Johnston Administration
Building on Vacca Campus

Description of Back Cover
Photographs Left to Right

