

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TEEN COURT

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TEEN COURT is a second-chance youth diversion program that has provided more than 8,000 youth with an opportunity to correct their wrongs. Referring agencies typically refer youth facing a misdemeanor charge or minor offense to Teen Court. Youth act as jurors and attorneys under the guidance of professional judges and attorneys. This approach helped Miami-Dade County maintain a less than 4% juvenile recidivism rate.

Teen Court participants gain access to the following:

- **Second chances**
- **Mental health support**
- **Community service hours**
- **Legal training**
- **Mentors and career opportunities**
- **Life skills workshops**

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