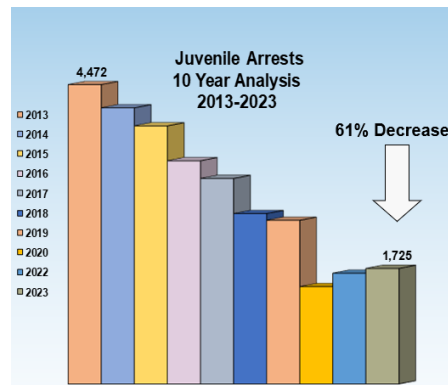


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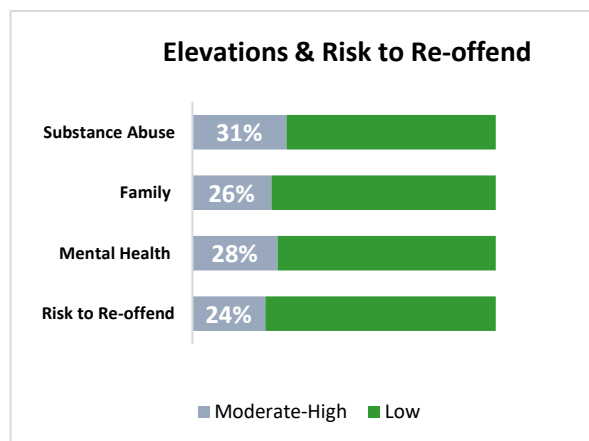
JSD HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✦ **In the past ten years, juvenile arrests decreased by 61%.**
 Overall, the data has indicated an encouraging trend on the course of juvenile justice reform. It has demonstrated the efforts made by local leaders to replace punitive punishments with front end services and opportunities to prevent youth from entering the juvenile justice system.
- ✦ In line with Mayor Levine Cava's "**No Wrong Door Initiative**", JSD enhanced interagency collaborations with stakeholders to provide wraparound support services to families in Miami-Dade County.
- ✦ JSD enhanced prevention efforts by implementing a **prevention continuum that focuses on intervening in the lives of families at the earliest moment possible.**
- ✦ JSD continued to administer the **Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE)** Questionnaire that identifies childhood traumatic events that may potentially be linked to chronic health problems, substance use, and mental health concerns in adolescence and in their adulthood.
- ✦ JSD enhanced the **Miami-Dade County Anti-Violence Initiative**, by effectively implementing the Hospital-based Violence Intervention Program, a case management strategy to help gunshot victims, families, and communities.
- ✦ JSD **Training Center of Excellence** provided training and technical assistance sessions to criminal justice partners on key issues affecting at-risk youth and their families.



Diversion & Prevention Analysis

- ✦ **1,196** participants received **targeted services** at the front end, which include Prevention, Civil Citation, and Diversion*.
- ✦ **85%** of the participants **completed the program successfully.**
- ✦ Evidence-based assessments indicate that **substance abuse** was the **highest** service need.
- ✦ According to the **Florida Department of Juvenile Justice's** 2021-2022 Comprehensive Accountability Civil Citation Report on Youth Completions FY 2020-2021 the **Miami-Dade County Civil Citation Program** recidivism rate was **2%** and **Juvenile Diversion Alternative Program (JDAP)**, recidivism rate was **5%**.



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Juvenile Arrests Trends

✚ Through its Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC), a total of **1,725 arrested youth**** were processed. JSD provided intake, evidence-based assessments, and linkage to support services 24 hours, 7 days a week.

- ❖ **73%** were between **15-17 years old**
- ❖ **82%** were **male youth**
- ❖ **42%** were **African American youth**
- ❖ **37%** **Hispanic youth**

Top 5 Zip Codes***/Neighborhoods
33128 - Downtown (Central Dade)
33142 - Allapattah (Central Dade)
33147 - West Little River, Hialeah, Gladeview (North Dade)
33150 - Miami Shores, El Portal, West Little River (North Dade)
33030 – Homestead (South Dade)

Top 5 Charges****
Resist Officer - Obstruct Without Violence
Vehicle Theft - Grand Theft Auto
Battery - Touch or Strike
Burglary - Unoccupied Conveyance Unarmed
Weapon Offense - Under 18 Years Old Unlawful Possession of Firearm

** The Miami-Dade County Prevention Program is designed for any youth who may be experiencing behavior and family difficulties, as well as those at risk of being arrested. Civil Citation is an alternative to a formal arrest. The program serves eligible first-, second- and third-time misdemeanor offenders. Diversion Programs (JASS, JDAP) are intervention programs that redirect youths away from formal processing in the juvenile justice system.*

*** Juvenile Arrest is defined by the number of bookings (not number of individuals) for the specified time period and agency. Arrest count includes Pick Up Order (pick up order is an arrest warrant. It is a Court Order which was duly issued by a Judge directing that law enforcement seize an individual such that s/he may be brought before the Court).*

**** Zip Code represents youth's residence at the time of arrest.*

***** Booking charge(s) based on Law Enforcement Arrest Form is pending State Attorney's Office review and approval.*

Data Source: Miami-Dade County Juvenile Services Department/Quest Analytics and Department of Juvenile Justice Information System (JJIS)