

Detention Center Personnel

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If you need assistance or an accommodation in order to participate in these court services, please contact:

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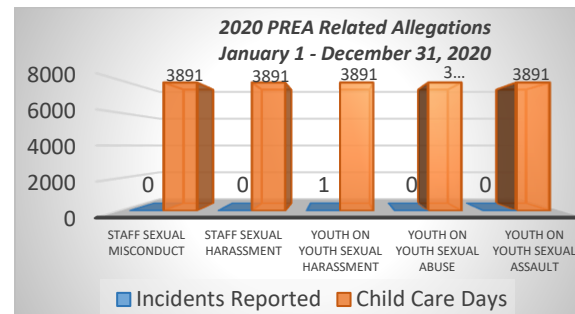


Mission Statement

The mission of the St. Louis City Juvenile Detention Center is to treat all youth who enter through its doors with compassion, dignity and respect, and to provide a safe and secure environment for all youth and staff.

Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)

In accordance with PREA Standards, including 115.387 & 115.388, the Family Court's Detention Center collects data annually on all reported allegations related to staff and/or youth sexual misconduct of any kind. Each report is investigated internally and the Children's Division's hotline is called as required by mandated reporter regulations. Data collection follows the format of the Department of Justice's *Survey of Sexual Violence* and the data is aggregated annually. The aggregated data is summarized and included in the court's annual report. In 2020 the Detention Center had one (1) reported PREA related allegations. Each was investigated in a timely manner. Children's Division did not substantiate any of the zero (0) reports this year.



Juvenile Detention Center



Family Court - Juvenile Division

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Monday – Friday (Except Holidays)

Overview of Detention

The Family Court – Juvenile Division operates a secure, residential Juvenile Detention Center to house youth coming within the jurisdiction of the Court for alleged law violations. Youth are detained in the Center because they may pose a threat to the community or be at risk for failure to appear in court. Youth are held in custody until released by the judge. Upon arrival at Detention, youth are given a state wide Missouri Juvenile Detention Assessment to determine whether to keep them in detention. Youth are then classified based on gender, age, and sophistication and placed in a unit with similar youth. The St. Louis City Juvenile Detention Center is a participating Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) site.

The Detention Center consists of:

- Intake and Admissions
- Male and Female Residential Units
- Medical Unit
- Food Service
- Housekeeping Unit
- Detention Alternatives Program
- Griscom School
- Programming Unit

Support provided to youth:

- Youth Leaders on duty 24/7/365 to encourage, guide, and supervise all youth
- Family visitation times
Sundays 1pm – 2pm
Tuesdays 10am – 11am
Thursdays 7pm – 8pm
- Phone calls home
Wednesdays 7pm – 9pm
Saturdays 9:30am – 11:30am
Sundays 7pm – 9pm
- Deputy Juvenile Officer (DJO) visits once per week
- Psychologists, Clinical Service Advocates, and Psychiatrist available for individual counseling
- Detention Case Coordinator handles youth concerns in the Center
- Mail can be sent by youth daily; postage and supplies are provided by the court
- Legal guardians and other pre-approved individuals can visit youth

How long is the stay?

A youth's time in the Detention Center varies. The shortest stay is usually 1-3 days but it can be as long as 90 or more days.

The length stay depends upon the charges pending and when the hearing is scheduled.

What happens after leaving the Detention Center?

Youth leave the Detention Center either as an outright release, placed on detention alternatives, on Official Court Supervision (OCS), going to a residential facility, being committed to the Missouri Division of Youth Services, or being certified as an adult.

Activities to keep youth engaged:

- After school programs led by educators and volunteers from the community
- Griscom School staffed by St. Louis City public school teachers
- Chaplain provided by Episcopal City Mission
- Gym and outdoor recreation
- Tutoring and mentoring programs
- Arts education and workshops
- Levels Program to encourage good behavior and to earn extra privileges
- Guest Speakers and special events for Holidays and other times of the year