

*Ashland County Court of Common Pleas  
Juvenile and Probate Divisions  
Judge Karen DeSanto Kellogg*

*2024 Annual Report*



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Ashland, Ohio 44805

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## Juvenile Court

1. **New: Juvenile cases that involve an allegation of a juvenile in need of supervision or an act committed by a juvenile which if committed by an adult would result in criminal prosecution**
2. **Reactivated: Any case that was reactivated that was previously closed**
3. **Transfer Cases: Any case that has been transferred to another county**

**2024**

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| Delinquency   | 238        |
| Traffic   | 270        |
| Dependency, Neglect, or Abuse   | 19         |
| Unruly  | 71         |
| Adult Criminal Cases  | 10         |
| Motion for Permanent Custody  | 5          |
| Custody, Change of Custody, Visitation                                      | 95         |
| U.I.F.S.A.  | 0          |
| Support Enforcement/Modification  | 16         |
| All Others  | 17         |
| Paternity   | 5          |
| Transfer/Reactivated Cases  | 150        |
| <b>Total Cases New/Reactivated/Transfer Cases</b>                           | <b>746</b> |
| <b>Total Cases Disposed</b>   | <b>711</b> |
| Number of Cases Referred to Diversion                                       | 42         |
| Successfully Completed Diversion  | 31         |
| Failed to complete alternatives to adjudication and were adjudicated unruly | 3          |

## PROGRAMS

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| Home Check/Curfew              | The probation officers make unannounced home visits to the youth in the program during and after court hours.            |
| Ohio AMS Electronic Monitoring | Monitoring 24/7 for compliance with court orders.  |
| Pathfinder Farms               | Life skills education, mentoring, outdoor education, and survival skills in and outside the home.                        |
| Restitution                    | Used as a sanction for juvenile offenders. Allows accountability for harmful behavior made to victims and the community. |

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| Relationships Under Construction         | Teaches the consequences of risky behaviors.   |
| Substance Abuse and Dependency Group     | Provides assessments and education about substance abuse and dependency through Catholic Charities |
| Advocates For Families                   | Individual mentoring, life skills, and parent education.   |
| ACCADA                                   | Mental health support, addiction- recovery services, and prevention services.                      |
| Appleseed Community Mental Health Center | Provides pre-screening of youth and family members before court hearings.                          |
| Community Work Service Opportunities     | Juvenile offenders volunteer for the Parks District and local agencies                             |
| Catholic Charities                       | Mentoring, and Diversion Program   |
| Tutoring                                 | Tutor instruction and apology letter writing for juvenile offenders                                |
| Parent Project                           | Parent Education offered through Catholic Charities  |

## PLACEMENTS

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| Department of Youth Services              | Indian River Correctional Facility                                     |
| Richland County Juvenile Detention Center | Provides secure placement and educational support                      |
| Erie County Detention Center              | Provides secure placement and mental health support                    |
| Erie County CCF                           | Provides secure placement and mental health support and rehabilitation |
| Village Network                           | Residential placement  |
| Operation 6:12                            | Treatment Facility for substance and MH                                |
| Julia Paige Center                        | Treatment Facility for MH and rehabilitation                           |
| Ranch of Opportunity                      | Treatment Facility for MH and rehabilitation                           |
| Christian Children's Home of Ohio         | Treatment Facility for MH and rehabilitation                           |
| Bassett House                             | Treatment Facility for MH and substance abuse                          |
| Teen Challenge                            | Treatment Facility for substance and MH                                |