

# HEALTHY FAMILY & SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS

## JUVENILE CRIME

GOAL: Youth in Calhoun County will utilize formal and informal support systems to avoid delinquent behavior

**RATIONALE FOR CHOOSING INDICATOR:** Juvenile delinquency refers to illegal activities committed by a minor. Such acts can be diverse in their seriousness and their effects on others. At one end of the continuum are status offenses, which are behaviors that are not illegal if performed by an adult (e.g., truancy, running away). Evidence has shown the primary determinants of antisocial behavior in youth are association with deviant peers, poor family relationships and school difficulties.

### OFFENDER DATA: 2011 - 2015<sup>i, ‡</sup>

Delinquency Proceedings	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
First Offenders	297	246	272	174	297
Repeat Offenders	193	194	166	149	292
Total Offenders	490	440	438	323	589
Recidivism Rate	39.4%	44.1%	37.9%	46.1%	50%

### JUVENILE REFERRAL DATA: 2011 – 2015<sup>i</sup>

Delinquency Proceedings	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	16	6	15	3	5
Breaking & Entering	65	48	22	40	27
Assault <sup>‡</sup>	262	232	232	165	146
Larceny <sup>‡</sup>	67	34	38	24	14
Auto Theft Unlawful Driving Away Auto	4	10	10	5	7
Arson <sup>‡</sup>	37	27	22	17	8
Retail Fraud	10	7	11	2	5
Stolen Property <sup>‡</sup>	4	2	16	10	5
Malicious Destruction of Property	15	16	9	4	10
Weapons <sup>‡</sup>	38	28	29	16	11
Sex-Related Offenses <sup>‡</sup>	24	13	8	16	18
Drug Offenses <sup>‡</sup>	56	59	63	33	42
Alcohol-Related Offenses	3	2	0	0	1
Tobacco-Related Violations	6	6	3	9	7
Disorderly Conduct	78	9	10	16	10
Traffic/Motor Vehicle Violations	30	43	21	20	21
Status and Other Offenses	551	220	184	161	195
Totals	1,266	762	693	541	532

<sup>i</sup> Calhoun County 37<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court, 2016.

<sup>‡</sup> Number of Petitions Filed, 2015.

<sup>‡</sup> Includes both felony and misdemeanor offenses.