

Family Liaison Services

Texas Youth Commission
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Mission Statement

- To increase family involvement in the rehabilitation of youth by developing, organizing, implementing and overseeing family involvement activities at the TYC facilities.

Primary Responsibilities

- Develop, implement and evaluate mechanisms to increase family involvement in the rehabilitation of the youth and the reform of the agency
- Act as a liaison between TYC staff and family members
- Distribute and educate families on Parents Bill of Rights
- Provide training, technical assistance, presentations, and continuing education to field-based family liaisons and other TYC staff

Activities

- Parents' voice and choice are being considered in rehab plans
- Family Days held on quarterly basis
- Family Orientations held monthly
- Family Seminars held as needed
- Parent Advisory Councils
- Family Forums
- Family Customer Service Surveys
- Open Houses
- Transportation Assistance to families

Activities cont.

- Newsletters quarterly
- Parent Bill of Rights
- Family Guide Handbook
- Linking Families to resources in home communities
- All Family Liaisons have received Systems of care and Wrap around training

Needs/Recommendations

- Secure funding to hire a FL at every high-security facility and the 4 largest Dist. Offices
- Secure funding to reimburse parents for their travel expenses when their expertise is used in a consultative manner
- Secure funding for expenses incurred in hosting Family Involvement events