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Juvenile Justice Champions



John Milam is being recognized as our champion this quarter. John's dedication to the juvenile justice families in Nueces County is evident by his commitment and determination to ensure that the families receive the services they need. John works tirelessly to advocate for those involved in the juvenile justice system to increase both short-term and long-term success. John uses a strength focused team based approach when working not only with families in the system, but coworkers and agencies alike. Liberty Resources PD/FRP program appreciates his dedication. Thank you John for being the Liberty Resources Champion.

Did you know . . .

Juvenile Justice Association of Texas (JJAT) Spring Conference
April 29-May 02, 2018
Omni Southpark
Austin, Texas
For more information, [click here](#)

Work Hard, Play Harder

Contributed by: Jade Gebhardt, Office Manager

We are less than 6 months away from honoring the tireless efforts of our local Juvenile Probation Officers at the 2nd Annual JPO Appreciation Event. Liberty Resources Family Services, Inc. employees are pounding the pavement to collect donations for category winners and raffle prizes. Last year we gave away Roku, Yetis with certificates to get a personalized dip, \$100 Gift Cards to the CC Outlets, and so much more! Planning is underway for the event but a date and venue have already been chosen. We are so excited to celebrate JPOs like you that work hard every day to keep our community and juvenile justice involved youth and families safe. Save the date for October 19, 2018!

you **WORK HARD...**

now let's **Play** HARDER

Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST) Success Story

Contributed by: Francis Torres, MST Therapist

MST recently served an adolescent male who was referred to the department on terroristic threat, assault on a public servant, criminal activity, criminal mischief and drug possession. During our work with the family, the caregiver was able to create a structured environment where the youth was less likely to re-offend and more likely to be successful. The family was able to generalize their new skills and take accountability for the youth's behavior. When the caregiver was taken in a tragic accident, an extended family member was able to re-create the previous success with the youth. Successful outcomes are achieved through the teamwork between the program, probation, and the family!

ACS/PDFRP Success Story

Contributed by: Daniella Martinez, PD/FRP Treatment Specialist

PD/FRP provided services to a youth referred for behaviors including: runaway; substance abuse; and truancy. In addition, there was evident family conflict. The parents were frustrated with the youth's negative behaviors and the family lacked communication. PD/FRP and the family were able to develop safety plans to increase youth's compliance, educational success, family communication, and anger coping skills. Mom was able to increase her follow through and consistency with effective rewards and consequences, which resulted in improved family relationships. The youth completed successfully by working, attending church and school, passing all classes, and eliminating drug use. The youth's greatest success was having a closer relationship with her parents at the end of the program.