

WHITESIDE COUNTY COURT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

LOCATION:

Director of Court Services and Adult Probation, 200 E. Knox Street, Morrison, IL 61270 (309-772-5190); Juvenile Probation, 204 E. Lincolnway, Morrison, IL 61270; Eastern Branch Court Facility, 101 E. Third Street, Sterling, IL 61081

FUNCTION:

Whiteside County Court Services (WCCS), under the direction of the Chief Judge of the 14th Judicial Circuit, oversees adults and juveniles placed on probation, conditional discharge and court supervision within Whiteside County. WCCS provides reports to the Court such as pre-trial investigations, pre-sentence investigations (for adults) and social history investigations (for juveniles) to assist the Court in determining an appropriate sentence or action. Offenders report to the probation department and are also monitored at various places within the community such as home, school, employment and treatment. Often offenders are court-ordered to conditions such as drug testing and treatment, attending school, obtaining employment, complying with electronic monitoring and completing various forms of counseling. WCCS works closely with other criminal justice entities to enhance compliance and accountability among those placed under supervision. WCCS is actively involved with the disbursement of restitution to victims in cooperation with the Court, prosecutor, circuit clerk and treasurer.

The mission of WCCS is to serve the Court in a manner that encourages responsible offender behavior and enforces adherence to court-ordered conditions with the overriding goal of enhancing community safety and trust, while offering compassion and seeking restoration in the lives of victims.

OFFICE HOURS: 8am to 4:30PM Monday thru Friday

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET: \$1,176,974.00

Corporate Fund: \$938,374.00

Probation Service Fees: \$238,600.00

EMPLOYEES:

Kevin Johnson - Director of Court Services; Polly Vos - Supervisor Adult Probation, Ken Burn - Juvenile Probation Supervisor; Theresa Farrell - Administrative Assistant; 17 other full time employees

ACCESS TO RECORDS:

SEE COURT ADMINISTRATION

RECORDS ON FILE:

Records within the department are limited for public access. Statistical reports, annual plans and reports are available. All other juvenile and adult records, reports, case files, investigations, whether in hard copy or electronic storage are protected by Federal and State confidentiality statutes. They are not available in any form.