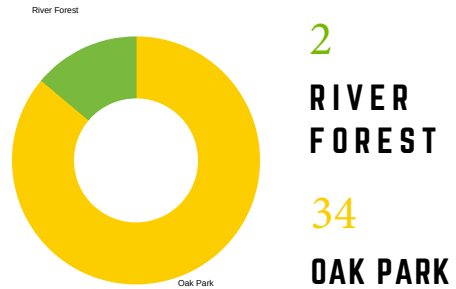


# Interventionist Report January 2020

## CASELOAD: 36



## RESIDIENCY



## HOME VISITS: 8



## SCHOOLS

- District 90: 2
- District 97: 27
- District 200: 5
- Home School: 1
- Private School: 1



## Referral Reasons

7

### Referrals

Anxiety/Depression: 4

Crisis/Trauma: 1

Behavioral/Aggression: 2



## Girls on the Rise

Girls on the Rise for 8th Grade Girls at both middle schools in District 97 started January 15, 2020. A total of 15 girls participated this month. The group focused on goal setting and visions.



## Groups/Outreach

The interventionists are currently at both the Oak Park Public Library and River Forest Public Library 1 day per week to help with outreach and youth programming.



## Youth Services Director Monthly Summary for January 2020

Megan Traficano, MSW, LCSW, Director, YS OP and RF Townships

### Directors Notes:

- Attended a CJC meeting, Positive Youth Development Workgroup meeting, Commander Rygh’s (OP Police) “Swearing In Ceremony”, and Rotary meeting.
- Attended the Behavioral Health Breakfast hosted by CMHB and gave a short presentation on Youth Services, including information on Financial Aid Scholarships, the Interventionist Program, and Contracted Programs.
- Met with Carrie Kamm, Senior Director of Equity at District 97, to discuss Handle with Care Program.
- Met with Sara Sommervold and Kasia Majerczak of the Bluhm Legal Clinic regarding a youth in the TIME Program.

### **1. Contracts and Program Development**

The Youth Services RFP for Fiscal Year 2021 was due by 5pm on January 15<sup>th</sup>. A total of 15 different programs submitted contract requests.

Below is an updated table on October and January reports for Fiscal Year 2020 programs still missing, **highlighted in yellow** or reports submitted late, **highlighted in teal**.

<b><u>Program Name</u></b>	<b><u>October 2019 Report</u></b>	<b><u>January 2020 Report</u></b>	<b><u>May 2020 Report</u></b>
River Forest Public Library-Connections	X	X	
Concordia-STEM	Will only submit the May Report	Will only submit the May Report	
River Forest Police-I-SEARCH	X	X	
OPRFHS-Operation Snowball/Snowflake	Submitted late	X	
<b>Oak Park Police- Jr. Citizens Police Academy</b>	<b>OPPD contracts are still being reviewed by OP Village Legal Department</b>	<b>OPPD contracts are still being reviewed by OP Village Legal Department</b>	
<b>Oak Park Police-MUREE/FREE</b>	<b>See above</b>	<b>See above</b>	
<b>Concordia-SMART Program</b>	Submitted late	<b>Missing</b>	
District 97 Julian MS-Makerspace	X	X	
FCS-Friday Night Place	X	X	

District 97 Beye Boost	New Person took over the Program	Missing	
Park District of Oak Park Scholarships	X	X	
District 97 Irving SLAM	Submitted Late	X	
District 97 Lincoln After School Media Center	Submitted late	X	
District 97 Longfellow Rainbows	X	X	
District 97 Hatch Skill Builders	X	Missing	
District 97 Longfellow Homework Club	X	Submitted late 1/30/2020	
District 97 Longfellow Mentoring	Submitted late	Submitted late 2/3/2020	
District 97 Mann Homework Helper	X	X	
District 97 Mann Rainbows	Submitted late	Missing	
District 97 Whittier Homework Helper	X	X	

## **2. Restorative Justice**

**TIME Program-** Susan Stearns (Teen Initiative for Meeting Expectations)

- Program Manager prepared the reports due to the OP Adjudication court for the month of January 2020. Reports included the completion of one of the youth's community service and reminders of the issues such as age that keep some of the youth from completing their service in a timely manner.
- 4 youth were referred directly by the Oak Park Police Department.

## **3. Youth Interventionist Program**

**Sara Marx, LCPC (Interventionist Supervisor)**

Cases: 0

Home Visits: 0

Groups:

Face-to-face Meetings: 20

Referrals: 0

Mrs. Marx continues to provide weekly supervision that includes reviewing documentation and session notes for each interventionist. Mrs. Marx has been training the new hire, Raheem Young, on KaleidaCare, assessments, and additional interventionist procedures. Three cases were closed and five were transferred to Raheem in preparation for her maternity leave. Mrs. Marx attended

the CJC Meeting, the Township's Clinical Consultation Group, and the D97 PTO Presidents' Meeting to discuss the Interventionist Program, Girls on the Rise, and Scholarship opportunities. Mrs. Marx completed the final KaleidaCare trainings; therefore, will move into Phase 3: Monitoring. Along with the other interventionists, Mrs. Marx is working with Oak Park Public Library to meet the needs of their youth clientele.

**Dominique Hickman, MS (Interventionist)**

Cases: 11

Home Visits: 4

Group: Girls on the Rise, 15 participants

Face-to-face Meetings: 21

Referrals: 0

Ms. Hickman continues to collaborate with community partners on the best ways to meet the needs of the youth on her caseload. Ms. Hickman attended the District 97 Middle Schools Culture and Climate Leaders Meeting this month. She also connected a few youths to boxing classes to help them improve self-esteem, manage stress, and learn discipline and boundaries. Ms. Hickman spent time with parents exploring ways to set limits in their homes. Ms. Hickman participated in a video with D97 to educate the community on the important services provided to the students through the Intervention Program.

Girls on the Rise has officially started for 8th-grade girls at both middle schools. This month participants focused on their visions for 2020 using magazines, clip outs, glue, and poster boards to create SMART goals. D97 interviewed and filmed the girls creating their poster boards. Ms. Hickman had the participants present their boards to the group. The practice of standing and speaking in front of the group is the foundation of the program, the power of "being seen" and making meaningful connections.

**Laura Devitt, MSW (Interventionist)**

Cases: 17

Home Visits: 4

Groups: 1

Face-to-face Meetings: 36

Referrals: 3

This month Ms. Devitt was excited to go from a part-time to a full-time Youth Interventionist. With the increase of hours, Ms. Devitt was able to take on several new clients along with three additional referrals. This month, she has focused on expanding her caseload and building the therapeutic rapport with the new clients and families on her caseload. Ms. Devitt has continued to spend time at the River Forest Library doing outreach and she continues to assist in the Tuesday "Middle School Makers" group. Ms. Devitt is excited to watch her clients continue to grow and reach their goals throughout their time with the Interventionist Program.

**Raheem Young, DBA (Part-Time Interventionist)**

Cases: 8

Home Visits: 0

Group: NA

Face-to-face Meetings: 8

Referrals: 3 and 5 transferred from Mrs. Marx

Dr. Young joined the Interventionist Team January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020. He is highly regarded in the community and previously worked with Strive for Success. Dr. Young has been working closely with the Youth Interventionist Supervisor, Sara Marx to learn his new role, which includes learning KaleidaCare. Dr. Young has taken over five of Mrs. Marx' cases and received three new referrals. Dr. Young has met most of his current clients and is working on building rapport and introducing himself to community members. Dr. Young is working with Oak Park Public Library every Tuesday to help support staff and youth patrons. Dr. Young will continue to familiarize himself with the Interventionist Program, community programs, and KaleidaCare.