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TEEN INITIATIVES FOR MEETING EXPECTATIONS

The T.I.M.E Program is a court diversion program for youth who have committed an offense in the Oak Park or River Forest Area. Youth are referred to T.I.M.E. by the two local police departments and other judicial programs. Time is funded by and housed at Oak Park Township Youth Services.

Upon referral youth are required to contact the manager of the program for an initial interview. At the interview, the T.I.M.E Program Manager gathers information which will allow the manager to best place the youth for the community service hours (usually between 10-30 hours). The community service sites are located in the Oak Park or River Forest area and have been developed over the course of many years. Once assigned, the youth are expected to contact the site personnel and make scheduling arrangements. The youth are required to keep track of their hours and return the time sheet to the Program Manager before a completion letter can be submitted to the referral source.

In addition to service hours, the FACE-IT program is an option which may be combined with the community service hours. FACE-IT (Families Acting Collaboratively to Educate and Involve Teens) is evidence based, family focused alcohol, tobacco, and other drug education, prevention, and early intervention program. FACE-IT is offered in 5, 8, or 12 week session involvement (each session is 2 hours long, one night per week). This program is funded by Oak Park Township Youth Services and the Community Mental Health Board of Oak Park Township.

It is the goal of the T.I.M.E Program to provide youth an opportunity to participate in this court diversion program by performing community service and when indicated the FACE-IT program to help youth deal with issues that may have led them to make inappropriate choices.