



Annual Report

2008-2009



Mission

To provide opportunities for all youth to be responsible, contributing members of society and working with their families and the community toward this end.

H Highlights

The 2008-2009 year marked the 32nd year of operation for YouthZone. During this time, YouthZone assisted 721 young people through direct services. YouthZone provided services in five focus areas: community outreach, counseling, mentoring, life skill education, and interaction with the legal system. The agency budget was \$1,169,919.

- Facilitated a webinar as part of the Coaches Care Project.
- Sought to be a part of the National Governors Association Best Practices Policy Institute.
- Awarded a Service to Science MiniSubcontract of \$30,000 to implement a longitudinal study of the impact of YouthZone on clients and families.
- Received #2 Best Nonprofit in the Local's Choice Awards for Garfield County.
- Progress on YouthZone Model Work: Restorative Justice Manual, Diversion Manual, Case Manager notebook (partially done). Two inquiries regarding YouthZone model.
- YouthZone founding member, Bernard "Bud" Collett, passed away April 4, 2009.
- YouthZone has 2 articles featured in the Colorado Therapeutic Recreation Society newsletter.
- Office space in Parachute and Basalt ended. Changed office space in Carbondale.
- Community Evaluation Team (CET) changed their name to FACET.
- Technological advances: on-line client database and on-line e-mail system.
- Eligible to apply for the NPN and NASDAD Exemplary Award.
- Facilitated a collaborative training on Gang Involved Youth and the Gang Mind Set. Presenters from the Gang Rescue and Support Project out of Denver.

Programs

YouthZone provides services to youth ages 6-18 years. The agency sees each child as a multifaceted, complex human being with many needs, desires, interests, and motivations. To meet needs, YouthZone provides each youth an individualized, comprehensive program.

Assessment: youth and family

Parent Consultation

Advocacy and Counseling

- Counseling: individual and family

- Family Mediation

- Youth Advocacy

Home Based Support

- In-home parent education

Parent Education

- Redirecting Children's Behavior

- Parenting Teens Through Moods and Attitudes

- Parenting Through Divorce

- Tailored Parent Education: specific to parents needs

Mentoring

- Pals Mentoring

Groups

- Drug/Alcohol Education

- Girls Group and Boy's Council

Community Justice

- Restorative Justice

- Victim/Offender Mediation

Presentations

Court Services

- Court Assessment

- Deferred Sentencing: Rifle, Glenwood Springs, Carbondale, Aspen, Basalt and Parachute

 - Municipal Courts. Garfield County Division I & II and Aspen County

Courts

- Diversion in Garfield and Pitkin District Court

- Case Management

- SB-94 Services throughout the Ninth Judicial District

- Useful Public Service

Training

YouthZone employs a highly professional staff. To provide the best possible services to young people and families, the agency believes it is important for staff to remain current on issues facing young people and new methods of dealing with youth problems. In 2008-2009, YouthZone staff attended 22 trainings.

SB94 Conference	Mary Jean Carnevale, Scott Anderson, Kerri Cheney, Jennifer Keener, Jenna Roe, Sarah Woods, Nancy Madison
Gang Prevention and Intervention Strategies	Mary Jean Carnevale, Kerri Cheney, Scott Anderson, Jennifer Keener, Nancy MacGregor, Lori Mueller, Jenna Roe, Patty Schaffner, Sarah Woods, Evan Zislis
Respectful Parenting	Indra Briedis, Jennifer Keener, Patty Schaffner,
Meth Heads	Mary Jean Carnevale
Restorative Justice	Lisa Detweiler, Evan Zislis
Tobacco Prevention	Jennifer Keener
Suicide First Aid	Jennifer Keener
Nurturing Parent	Jennifer Keener
Roaring Fork Leadership	Lori Mueller
Parenting Thru Divorce	Lori Mueller
HR & Employment Law Update	Lori Mueller
Evaluation Procedure	Patty Schaffner
Evaluation Protocol	Patty Schaffner
School Based Mentoring	Patty Schaffner
Child & Adolescent Sexual Behavior	Patty Schaffner
AFP/CC	Robin Tolan
Business Sponsorship in Tough Economic Times	Robin Tolan
Youth Summit	Debbie Wilde
State of the Valley Summit	Debbie Wilde
Service to Science	Debbie Wilde
ESC Workshop on Donors	Debbie Wilde
Boys Council	Evan Zislis

N etworking

YouthZone understands the value and importance of local and state collaboration, communication and cooperation. The agency has made networking an integral part of its operation. In 2008-2009, YouthZone staff was active on 17 committees and provided 659 hours of technical assistance to 1005 adults/youth.

Carbondale Rotary	Robin Tolan
Coalition for Families (9th Judicial District)	Debbie Wilde
	Lori Mueller
	Mary Jean Carnevale
Colorado Association of Non-Profits (Board of Directors)	Debbie Wilde
Eagle County Community Protection Team	Evan Zislis
FACET - HB1451 Group	Lori Mueller
	Indra Briedis
	Kerri Cheney
Garfield County Commitment Staffing Assessment Team	Mary Jean Carnevale
Garfield County Human Service Commission	Debbie Wilde
Glenwood Chamber Business Women's Breakfast Group	Lori Mueller
Glenwood Springs Noontime Rotary	Debbie Wilde
Governor's Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Council	Debbie Wilde
Junior Achievement	Debbie Wilde
Out-of-Home Placement Team - Garfield County	Mary Jean Carnevale
Pitkin County Child Protection Team	Evan Zislis
POD - Pitkin County Human Services	Evan Zislis
Rifle Chamber Women in Business	Nancy MacGregor
State Restorative Justice Council	Debbie Wilde
Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition	Evan Zislis

Financials

Budget Total \$ 1,169,919

Income

Operating Revenue	11%
Fundraising/Contributions	25%
State Contracts	25%
Foundations	10%
Other Counties	5%
Federal Contracts	1%
Garfield County Governments	13%
In-Kind Rent	6%
Earnings on Investments	<1%
Garfield County Schools	<1%
United Way	<1%
Community Evaluation Team	4%

Kids Speak

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- After working with YouthZone I have more respect for myself and more confidence in school and my home life.
 - After working with YouthZone I learned how to stick up for myself and talk my friends out of doing bad things.
 - YouthZone listened to what I had to say.
 - YouthZone helped me through my court situation and made me change my outlook on life for the better. My case manager was so nice. I never expected her to be such a great person.
 - YouthZone taught me about responsibility.
 - Everyone at YouthZone treated me with respect instead of just preaching down to me. With their guidance I came to realize why drinking was bad.
 - YouthZone gave me someone to talk to. After working with them, I came to realize my life really isn't that bad.
 - I attended a group with YouthZone. I didn't think it would be fun, but it was. I stopped drinking and have stayed away from alcohol and people who drink.
 - YouthZone answered the questions I had about the court system that I was afraid to ask anyone about. I made new friends at YouthZone.
 - I went through counseling with YouthZone and came to realize that I needed to turn my life around and be a better kid.
 - I took YouthZone's drug/alcohol class and learned a lot. I quit drinking and haven't gone back because of what I learned in the class. This definitely made a difference to me.
 - YouthZone helped me learn respect for other people and their property.
 - I learned a big life lesson from YouthZone - actions have consequences.
 - YouthZone helped me by understanding me. It made me want to be good.
 - The work I did with YouthZone helped me get closer to my family. Thanks YouthZone!

Board of Directors

Ian Exelbert	member
Karrie Fletcher	member
Don Gerbaz	member*
Jim O'Donnell	member
Bill Sanderson	member*
Mike Wells	member
Harry Benton	member*
Judy Steinberg	member*
Margery Fridstein	member*
Allison Rippy	member
Abril Loya	member
Marie Perez-Hale	member

(*=resigned during the course of the year)

Staff

Debra Wilde	executive director (26 yrs)
Scott Anderson	case manager (1 yr)
Charla Belinski	parent educator and community outreach (2 yrs)
Indra Briedis	FACET coordinator (7 yrs)
Kerri Binns	administrative assistant-Rifle (Jan 08. resigned 3/09)
Mary Jean Carnevale	SB94 Coordinator and Events Coordinator (17 yrs)
Kerri Cheney	case manager (8 yrs)
Linda Collier	data manage and administrative assistant-Rifle (4/09)
Linda Green	administrative assistant-Glenwood (9 yrs)
Lisa Detweiler	administrative assistant-Glenwood (3 yrs)
Joy Lynn Leuallen	bookkeeper (4 yrs)
Nancy MacGregor	pals case manager (5 yrs)
Jennifer Keener	case manager (9/09)
Lori Mueller	program director (3 yrs)
Karen Nadon	case manager (2 yrs. resigned 11/08)
Jenna Roe	case manager (1 yr)
Patty Schaffner	pal program director (19 yrs)
Lisa Scott	case manager (3/08. resigned 9/08)
Robin Tolan	development director (3 yrs)
Sarah Woods	Aspen case manager (2 yrs)
Evan Zislis	Pitkin division manager (1 yr)
Lisa Trich	Intern (9/08-2/09)

Supplemental Service Personnel

Nancy Madison	sb94 services in Rio Blanco County
Dee Dee Cagle	crisis screener - Garfield County

Statistics



2008-2009

	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005
Total client contacts	1130	1181	1083	905	1087
Client carryovers from previous year	409	374	240	199	355
New client contacts	721	807	843	706	732
Client carryovers to 2009-2010 year	422	409	374	240	199
Total clients served since 1976 incorporation = 18,125					
<i>All information in this report is for new client contacts made in 2008-2009</i>					
Intakes					
Client carryovers from previous year	409	374	240	199	355
New client contacts	721	807	843	706	732
Terminations					
Terminations	708	754	758	668	727
Crisis	1	10	81	70	14
Completed contracts	580	651	592	539	635
Moved	13	24	18	10	12
Non-participation	73	54	50	37	30
Other	7	15	17	12	36
*2008-2009: An additional 34 cases have an unknown termination reason.					

Demography

Ethnicity

White	455	540	633	524	542
Hispanic	232	227	179	165	169
Black	6	3	2	2	1
Asia	3	5	3	2	7
Native American	4	11	8	3	3
Other	21	21	18	10	10

Sex

Male	307	386	404	331	330
Female	202	155	152	170	201
Adults	212	266	287	205	201

Ages

Adult	212	266	287	205	201
18	20	15	13	13	15
17	114	132	158	130	126
16	106	112	134	112	91
15	81	85	88	97	110
14	62	65	61	71	71
13	43	50	44	26	50
12	32	22	24	17	19
11	14	24	12	8	17
10	9	11	8	12	15
9	11	9	8	13	9
8	7	4	3	0	3
7 and under	10	12	3	2	5

Residence

Aspen	52				
Basalt/El Jebel	34				
Carbondale	96	93	94	89	105
Eagle/Gypsum	2				
Glenwood Springs	151	190	221	227	159
New Castle	62	72	78	47	72
Parachute	47	63	71	53	56
Rifle	167	174	186	154	172
Silt	58	92	62	26	31
Snowmass	6				
Snowmass Village	10				
Other (Woody Creek, Meredith)	3				
Garfield County	577				
Eagle County	18	38	28	27	55
Pitkin County	93	71	74	61	61
Rio Blanco County	9	7	8	7	7
Out of County/State	24	9	21	15	14

Reasons for Referrals

Total Criminal Justice	437	420	457	418	369
Aiding and Abetting	2	0	3	2	1
Alcohol Offenses	99	84	109	106	113
Arson	3	1	3	3	6
Assault/Disorderly Conduct	44	30	30	41	29
Criminal Mischief	29	35	25	26	23
Criminal Trespass	9	16	17	11	7
Curfew	1	1	2	0	1
Senate Bill 94	102	105	122	89	77
Home Detention		18	14	23	22
Saturday Service	n/a	8	26	1	2
Case Management		79	82	65	53
False Reporting	6	2	0	4	0
Harassment	33	33	21	20	12
Forgery and Fraud	0	3	0	6	3
Guns and Bomb Threats	0	5	2	0	0
Petty Theft	71	61	50	60	38
Possession of Cigarettes	0	0	0	2	0
Possession of a Controlled Substance and/or Paraphernalia	43	32	40	45	40
Possession of a Weapon (not guns)	5	1	5	4	8
Sexual Assaults	3	4	0	5	4
Theft and Burglary	32	18	23	27	25
Traffic	27	31	31	22	14
Truancy	7	0	1	0	0
Useful Public Service Supervision	2	6	9	1	3
Violation/Warrant	15	34	48	31	35
All Other Court Related	6	15			

Reasons for Referrals (cont)

Total Non-Criminal Justice	284	369	386	288	363
Assessment - Noncourt	8	0	0	0	0
Counseling - Individual	15	47	51	33	59
Counseling - Family	11	39	22	22	32
Groups	7	14	20	12	37
Pals	39	48	25	34	36
Parent Consultations	89	110	73	66	110
Parent Classes	85	75	165	107	76
Parent Education	30	36	30	14	7

Referring Agencies

Municipal Courts	192	176	141	181	146
Basalt Municipal Court	17	18	9	24	7
Carbondale Municipal Court	7	10	2	11	4
Glenwood Municipal Court	55	59	56	83	68
Meeker Municipal Court	0	0	0	0	0
New Castle Municipal Court	5	15	1	0	1
Parachute Municipal Court	12	5	9	7	8
Rifle Municipal Court	87	63	59	54	57
Silt Municipal Court	9	6	5	2	1
County Court	84	81	135	86	95
Garfield County Court - Glenwood	31	24	41	39	31
Garfield County Court - Rifle	34	50	83	35	42
Pitkin County Court	19	7	11	11	21
Rio Blanco County Court	0	0	0	1	1
District Attorney/District Court	86	85	85	116	100
Garfield County - Diversion	25	39	22	48	31
Garfield County - SB94	18	15	32	49	53
Garfield County - Other	9	6	7	1	0
Pitkin County - Diversion	29	16	18	14	11
Pitkin County - SB94	0	3	2	1	2
Pitkin County - Other	0	1	2	0	0
Rio Blanco - Diversion	0	0	0	0	2
Riol Blanco - SB94	5	5	2	3	1
Other Courts	4	10	10	8	13
Other Referrals - Non Court	355	455	472	315	378
Police Departments or Sheriff	59	45	60	32	8
Probation	6	26	53	9	9
Department of Human Services	16	16	20	6	3
Division of Youth Corrections	1	2	0	0	0
Schools	38	40	42	37	73
Self or Parents	187	242	243	164	177
Parent Consultations	10	37	16	11	25
Outreach	0	0	0	0	0
YouthZone	25	29	17	19	27
Other	13	18	21	37	54
SB94 Screenings (# of)	102	105	121	104	87
Garfield County	84	85	111	87	78
Pitkin County	4	9	3	5	5
Rio Blanco County	7	3	7	4	4
Out of Area	7	8	0	8	0

Crisis Intervention

Number of Youth	102	105	78	70	56
Ethnicity					
White	45	55	52	46	32
Hispanic	54	42	21	22	21
Black	2	7	1	1	1
Asian	0	0	1	0	1
Native American	1	1	1	0	0
Mixed Race	0	0	2	1	1
Sex					
Male	84	76	62	56	44
Female	18	29	16	14	12
Age					
16-18	72	73	48	47	34
14-15	25	28	23	22	14
Under 14	5	4	7	1	8
Residence					
Garfield County	84	85	56	59	51
Colorado	16	20	22	10	1
Out of State	2	0	0	1	4
Referral Reasons					
Delinquencies	79	78	50	43	34
Warrant/Probation Violation	22	27	28	27	22
Disposition					
Detention	40	73	47	36	33
Home Detention	9	18	13	20	13
Release to Self/Parent/Friend	0	0	0	14	9
Other Placements	4	1	17	0	1
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Counseling Sessions

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Alternative Sentencing

Useful Public Service

Number of Hours Ordered	4711	4560	4415	3305	3623
Number of Youth	209	206	193	136	144
Number of Youth Completed	185	190	179	129	138

Restitution

Amount Paid (total)	3893	490	730	179	514
Number of Youth (new)	9	4	5	1	4
Number of Youth Paid	10	4	5	1	4

Diversion

Number of Youth	54	55	40	62	44
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Mediation

Number of Youth	6	1	6	0	2
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Pals

Adult Pals

Recruited	30	34	28	70	23
Trained	10	12	11	22	13
New Matches	10	14	7	18	15
Alumni Pairs (Rematched)	7	4	6	3	8
Volunteer Hours	2472	1570	1852	1716	2280

Teen Pals

Recruited	81	152	105	63	110
Trained	24	23	20	19	18
Matched	21	20	16	19	14
Volunteer Hours	2053	1874	2066	1222	1778

Alternative Activities

Number of Activities Offered	13	8	6	5	2
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Volunteers

Adult Volunteers

Number of Volunteers	372	100	26	31	44
Volunteer Hours	926	1456	970	1165	1250

Youth Volunteers

Number of Volunteers	35	28	27	34	22
Volunteer Hours	119	72	25	363	469

	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005
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Technical Assistance

Number of Adults Reached	734	924	169	732	711
Number of Youth Reached	271	85	103	235	36
Total Hours	659	193	50	119	142

Trainings

Number of Trainings	17	19	13	15	18
Adults Trained	104	99	159	100	65
Youth Trained	39	40	34	30	81
Total Hours of Training	61	51	40	44	65

Community Education (includes presentations, speaking engagements, and all media)

Total Hours	211	197	179	104	152
Number of Presentations	110	104	72	64	83
Number of Adults Reached	4729	3978	2118	2252	1458
Number of Youth Reached	644	2088	1351	1086	2227

Financials

Budget Totals	1,69,919	1,166,200	1,242,271	1,072,319	784,074
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Income	Federal Contracts	1 %	7 %	16 %	22 %	7 %
	State Contracts	25 %	21 %	17 %	9 %	13 %
	Contributions/Fdrsg	25 %	17 %	18 %	20 %	26 %
	Foundations	10 %	16 %	8 %	11 %	16 %
	Garfield County Gvmts	13 %	13 %	11 %	10 %	9 %
	Operating Revenue (Fees)	11 %	9 %	9 %	11 %	11 %
	Other Counties	5 %	5 %	5 %	4 %	7 %
	In-Kind Rent	6 %	6 %	5 %	6 %	8
	Earnings on Investments	<1 %	1 %	6 %	2 %	3 %
	Garfield County Schools	<1 %	1 %	1 %	1 %	<1 %
	United Way	<1 %	1 %	<1 %	<1 %	
	Community Evaluation Team	4 %	3 %	4 %	4 %	