

AMIKids Fact Sheet

- AMIKids was founded by a Fort Lauderdale judge (Honorable Frank Orlando, ret.) because he was frustrated at seeing the same young people go through his court system time and again and knew he needed to find a new solution (more on history at www.amikids.org)
- AMIKids has served 125,000 kids and their families since 1969
- 5,000 kids and their families are served each year by AMIKids
- 74% of AMIKids youth do not re-offend within one year
- 71% of AMIKids youth return to school, complete their GED, or enter the workforce
- AMIKids has 43 active programs nationwide and is adding approx. seven more in 2015
- AMIKids youth gain an average of one full grade level (after previously unsuccessful attempts)
- 90% of AMIKids' costs are direct program expenses
- AMIKids saves \$30,000 per student a year in states like Louisiana and Florida
- AMIKids has 600+ board members nationwide
- AMIKids annual budget was 54 million in FY2014
- Agencies including the U.S. Department of Justice and Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration recognize the effectiveness of AMIKids' program and list it as an evidence-based approach
- AMIKids was awarded national education accreditation by AdvancED
- AMIKids was named the top overall nonprofit of the year in the Tampa Bay Area by the Tampa Bay Business Journal in 2015
- AMIKids was one of the only four organizations chosen by the US Department of Labor to fund the development of a Vocational Education and Job Placement program, and was the only organization nationwide to receive two consecutive \$5 million grants for this initiative in 2014 and 2015
- Nationwide, AMIKids' youth contribute over 50,000 hours of community service and participate in over 100 community service projects a year
- The AMIKids Personal Growth Model© focuses on a combination of education, behavior modification, and treatment to help transform both the person and their academic success, to help them achieve a brighter future.

Source: 2014 AMIKids Outcomes & Outputs Report

- August 2014: An Independent Evaluation by: Kristin Winokur Early, Ph.D. Julia L. Blankenship, MSW Gregory A. Hand, B.S. Justice Research Center
- <http://www.amikids.org/docs/default-source/default-document-library/2014-amikids-outputs-outcomes-report.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

Did You Know?

- Over three million high school students drop out each year
 - Source: Education Week, Children Trends Database
 - High school drop out statistics report (March 2015)
 - <http://www.statisticbrain.com/high-school-dropout-statistics/>

- 75% of all crimes are committed by high school dropouts
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 - <http://www.statisticbrain.com/high-school-dropout-statistics/>
- Approximately 75% of youth that are incarcerated will re-offend
 - Source: Annie E. Casey Foundation
 - No Place for Kids: The Case for Reducing Juvenile Incarceration (October 2011)
 - <http://www.aecf.org/resources/no-place-for-kids-full-report/>
- High school dropouts are not qualified for 90% of US jobs
 - Source: Education Week, Children Trends Database
 - High school drop outs statistics report (March 2015)
 - <http://www.statisticbrain.com/high-school-dropout-statistics/>
- Over 130,000 juveniles are detained in the US each year with 70,000 in detention on any given day
 - Source: National Bureau of Economic Research
 - Juvenile Incarceration, Human Capital and Future Crime: Evidence from Randomly-Assigned Judges (June 2013)
 - http://www.mit.edu/~jdoyle/aizer_doyle_judges_06242013.pdf
- It costs, on average, \$88,000 a year to incarcerate a child
 - Source: Source: American Correctional Association
 - American Correctional Association, 2008 Directory: Adult and Juvenile Correctional Departments, Institutions, Agencies, and Probation and Parole Authorities (Alexandria, VA: American Correctional Association, 2008)
- States spend about \$5.7 billion each year imprisoning youth
 - Source: Justice Policy Institute
 - The Costs of Confinement: Why Good Juvenile Justice Policies Make Good Fiscal Sense (May 2009)
 - http://www.justicepolicy.org/images/upload/09_05_rep_costsofconfinement_jj_ps.pdf