15A.300 Local juvenile delinquency prevention council -- Duties -- Administrative regulations.

- (1) The Department of Juvenile Justice or a local organization approved by the Department of Juvenile Justice may form local juvenile delinquency prevention councils for the purpose of encouraging the initiation of, or supporting ongoing, interagency cooperation and collaboration in addressing juvenile crime and juvenile status offenses.
- (2) The membership of the local council shall be determined by the Department of Juvenile Justice and shall include representatives of law enforcement, the school system, the Department for Community Based Services, the Court of Justice, the Commonwealth's attorney, the county attorney, a representative of a county juvenile detention facility, and the Department for Public Advocacy. The members of the council shall be appointed as provided by the department by administrative regulation and shall be appointed for not longer than four (4) years, but members may be reappointed for a successive term. A member of the council shall receive no salary for service as a member of the council but may be reimbursed for expenses in the same manner as a state employee.
- (3) The duties and responsibilities of a juvenile delinquency prevention council shall include but not be limited to:
 - (a) Developing a local juvenile justice plan based upon utilization of the resources of law enforcement, the school system, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department for Community Based Services, the Administrative Office of the Courts, and others in a cooperative and collaborative manner to prevent or discourage juvenile delinquency and to develop meaningful alternatives to incarceration;
 - (b) Entering into a written local interagency agreement specifying the nature and extent of contributions that each signatory agency will make in achieving the goals of the local juvenile justice plan;
 - (c) Sharing of information as authorized by law to carry out the interagency agreements;
 - (d) Applying for and receiving public or private grants to be administered by one(1) of the participating cities or counties or other public agencies; and
 - (e) Providing a forum for the presentation of interagency recommendations and the resolution of disagreements relating to the contents of the interagency agreement or the performance by the parties of their respective obligations under the agreement.
- (4) Training of council members shall be the responsibility of the department.
- (5) The Department of Juvenile Justice may provide grants to the councils to establish or enhance prevention programs.
- (6) To assist in the development of a local juvenile delinquency prevention plan, juvenile delinquency prevention councils shall be entitled to request and receive statistical information and aggregate data not descriptive of any readily identifiable person from any public agency, as defined in KRS 61.870.

- (a) A request for statistical information and aggregate data from the juvenile delinquency prevention council shall be in writing and signed by the chairperson of the council, and shall include a statement of why the information is being requested, why it is needed, and how it will be used by the council.
- (b) Any public agency receiving a written request from the chairperson of a juvenile delinquency prevention council for aggregate data or statistical information shall provide the requested information or respond to the council stating reasons why the requested information cannot be provided, within thirty (30) days of receiving the request.
- (7) The department shall promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A that relate to:
 - (a) The formation of councils;
 - (b) The operation of councils;
 - (c) The duties of councils; and
 - (d) The administration and operation of the grant program.

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