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Youth misbehavior shouldn't be a misdemeanor.

JUVENILE CIVIL CITATION



Civil Citations are an alternative to arrest for common youth misbehavior. Civil Citation holds youth accountable for their actions, increases public safety, improves youth outcomes and saves taxpayer money.



Broward County Juvenile Civil Citation (JCC) serves as the coordinating entity for the countywide civil citation process that effectively diverts juvenile misdemeanor offenders from the formal juvenile justice system. JCC works in collaboration with law enforcement agencies, the state attorney, the public defender, community-based organizations, juvenile probation, and other juvenile justice stakeholders to comprehensively address the needs of youth and prevent delinquency.



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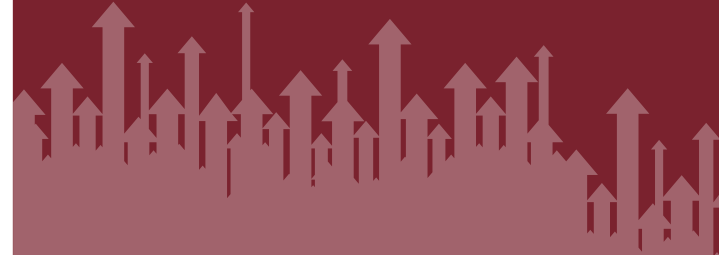
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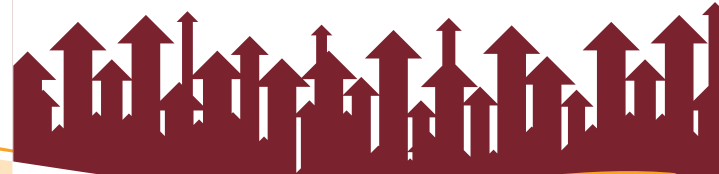
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Juvenile Civil Citation



Avoid an Arrest and Criminal Record



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A Civil Citation ensures that a youth who commits an eligible misdemeanor offense:

- Is not arrested and is diverted away from the juvenile justice system
- Is given swift and appropriate disciplinary action
- Is held accountable and takes responsibility for their actions
- Recognizes the impact of their actions on others and the community
- Receives intervention services to prevent future criminal behavior
- Receives **NO CRIMINAL RECORD** for the offense **IF** they successfully complete all program requirements

Law enforcement officers have the discretion to issue a Civil Citation in lieu of an arrest to youth that meets the following eligibility criteria:

- Age 17 or younger on the date of the offense
- Admits to having committed “eligible” misdemeanor(s)
- Have no pending or prior felony charges
- Has not exceeded the allowable three opportunities



“I just received a Civil Citation. Now What?”

1. Call the Broward County Civil Citation Office at 954-357-6551 and make an appointment for an intake assessment within seven business days of receiving the civil citation.
2. Bring youth and parent government issued photo identification to intake assessment.
3. Complete an intake assessment with the Broward County Civil Citation Office within 14 days of receiving a Civil Citation and receive a referral to a youth services provider.
4. Meet with a youth services provider and receive assigned program requirements.
5. Complete all Civil Citation program requirements assigned by a youth services provider.

Failure to complete the above requirements will result in criminal charges being filed and the youth will have an arrest record.

Civil Citation Requirements include but are not limited to:

- Community Service hours (up to 50)
- Counseling and education
- Parent workshops, education, or support activities
- Drug screening
- Letter of apology
- Repay damages
- Restorative justice
- Anger management classes
- Theft prevention classes
- Accountability activities
- Behavioral health treatment
- Academic progress monitoring

Services are provided in partnership with the Children’s Services Council (CSC)



Participation in the Civil Citation Program is VOLUNTARY.

You can decline at any time.

Call the Legal Aid Law Line 954-318-4531 for FREE LEGAL advice and answers to your questions.



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