

S.T.O.P. Goals

The Fort Bend County Juvenile Probation Department is committed to the protection of the public by rehabilitating delinquent youth with licensed treatment providers and Probation Officers with specialized training. Intervention strategies are designed to be therapeutic, rehabilitative, and community-based while fostering responsibility and accountability for both the youth and parent.

The S.T.O.P. team strives to:

- Create safer communities by monitoring and assessing juvenile behavior in the home, school, and community
- Hold juvenile offenders accountable for their actions
- Challenge criminogenic attitudes and beliefs
- Teach juvenile offenders about healthy sexual relationships
- Provide opportunities for healing in families
- Serve as a resource for families and youth in Fort Bend County
- Facilitate family reunification and safety planning when the need arises

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Fort Bend County Juvenile Probation

Sexual Treatment Offender Program

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Sexual Treatment Offender Program (S.T.O.P.)

Juveniles mandated into S.T.O.P. are required to attend sexual behavior treatment on a weekly basis, which includes individual and group counseling as well as family counseling when warranted. The individual and group sessions utilize cognitive behavioral interventions that increase the juvenile's awareness about the relationship between deviant thoughts, attitudes, and behavior. Juveniles learn the importance of healthy sexual boundaries, healthy sexual relationships, true consent, and specific skills improving emotion regulation, sexual arousal, self-control, and empathy awareness. S.T.O.P. focuses on juvenile rehabilitation by teaching the youth effective strategies to manage sexual arousal, improve decision making, and to develop healthy sexual relationships.

Offender Probation and Supervision

Juveniles mandated into S.T.O.P. are also required to meet with a Juvenile Probation Officer as directed by the court. These meetings occur in the office and in the community. The Probation Officer visits the juvenile at home, at school, at his/her place of employment, and any other location at the Probation Officer's discretion.

Probation Officers monitor academic progress, family relationships, social functioning, and rule compliance. Juveniles in S.T.O.P. must adhere to curfew, must be under adult supervision at all times, and must receive the court's permission before traveling overnight out of the state. All juveniles in S.T.O.P. must develop a safety plan before they are allowed to travel overnight, during any major change in their living situation, or if there is a change during their treatment progress. Probation Officers strive to create safer communities by monitoring the behavior of the juvenile. Probation Officers encourage juveniles to recognize their potential high risk situations (HRS) and to use their safety plan when managing those potential risks.

Probationary timelines and community monitoring typically occur two or more years allowing the Fort Bend County Juvenile Probation Department sufficient time to monitor, assess, and evaluate the juvenile's behavior and decision making skills.

The S.T.O.P. Team Approach

Psychology staff and Probation Officers work together to both protect the community and rehabilitate the youth. Specialized counseling paired with community monitoring and Probation supervision equate with a better rehabilitation approach.



The S.T.O.P. team meets monthly to review each juvenile, and the Team decides on interventions and consequences. The Team believes in an individualized rehabilitation approach, and each juvenile is encouraged to exert their best effort during counseling and when completing their written assignments.

Competency of curriculum information and the ability to implement those learned skills in the community are important milestones for the S.T.O.P. Team to monitor, assess, evaluate, and discuss.

The S.T.O.P. Team understands that some juveniles placed on probation may continue to demonstrate a disregard for societal expectations, rules, and norms. In some cases, the S.T.O.P. Team may request the court to consider the juvenile participate in rehabilitation treatment in a correctional setting. These decisions and recommendations result after careful consideration and deliberation in order to best serve the community and the juvenile.