



“Passport to the Future” **Child Mentoring Program**

Children of incarcerated parents are nearly 6 times more likely to be incarcerated Mentoring reduces these odds substantially.

Results:

- 46% less likely to begin using illegal drugs**
- 27% less likely to begin drinking alcohol**
- 52% less likely to skip school**



After mentoring, children are more likely:

To stay in school -- achieve their goals -- avoid unsafe activities.

Greatest benefit - long term savings and prevention.

VS. Other programs (such as drug treatment or prison, etc.) costs \$40,000 per person annually.

Group activities/events with local community organizations.

\$7,340 Budget for Supplies and food for these events purchased locally

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Mentoring has proven to be economically efficient as the most cost effective, preventative youth development strategy available. Research shows that the cost benefit of mentoring a child far outweighs the benefits of social programs. For example it costs \$40,000 annually to support a young person in drug treatment, Children with an incarcerated parent are FIVE to SIX times more likely to end up in prison as an adult. It is estimated that for every young person prevented from a life of crime saves our country approximately *2 million dollars!* .

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**Three full time employees serving all Push, Choctaw, and McCurtain Counties.
Salary budget - \$67,500 -- Three employees serving in Tri-County Area. .
Local mileage allowance of \$14,500 spent locally for fuel and auto.
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