



# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Rick Scott, Governor

Christy Daly, Secretary

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May 14, 2018

Michael Smykowski  
Budget Director  
Indian River County  
1801 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vero Beach, Fl. 32960

**RE: 2017/2018 Local Options, Teen Court, Juvenile Programs Budgets**

Dear Mr. Smykowski:

Upon receipt of the attached letter from Chief Judge Elizabeth Metzger about Court Administration's decision to phase out both their civil citation and diversion programs throughout the circuit, the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice in consultation and support from the Circuit 19 Juvenile Justice Advisory Board is seeking the portion of funding that had previously been dispersed to Court Administration.

It is the intent of the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice to partner with agencies in the community to ensure that youth receive civil citation and/or diversion opportunities in Indian River County. The funding will be used to operate a civil citation and diversion program. We are requesting the remainder of the funding for the current fiscal year of 2017/2018 with the same intent for next fiscal year.

Let me know if you need anything else. Feel free to contact me at 772-429-2125.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wydee'a E. Wilson".

Wydee'a E. Wilson  
Chief Probation Officer, C19  
Department of Juvenile Justice

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