

## **Regional Concerns**

**SUPPORT legislation addressing regional solutions for adolescent/teen housing facilities across the spectrum**



**We need a regional approach to support the unique needs of our most complex young people including placement options for:**

- High Acuity-most intensive behaviors (e.g. highly aggressive, sexually acting out) in need of immediate treatment support and not housed in Emergency Rooms or County offices.
- Secure Detention: Locked facilities to provide short-term safety, accountability and support for teens charged with the most serious crimes.
- Non-secure: Unlocked facilities designed to provide safety, accountability and support to young people in the juvenile justice or child welfare system.



Scott County Juvenile Alternative Facility (JAF) needs necessary upgrades:

- JAF requires hundreds of thousands of dollars of repairs.
- Relocation of the facility would improve workforce and operations.
- We need a juvenile facility in the area that serves the region.

### **JAF CAPITAL INVESTMENT NEEDS:**

- **\$1.2M of deferred maintenance needs over the next 10 years**
- **\$1.0M to \$1.6M of additions/remodeling to address programmatic deficiencies**

*When you connect to the heart of a child, everything is possible.*  
~Dr. Karyn Purvis

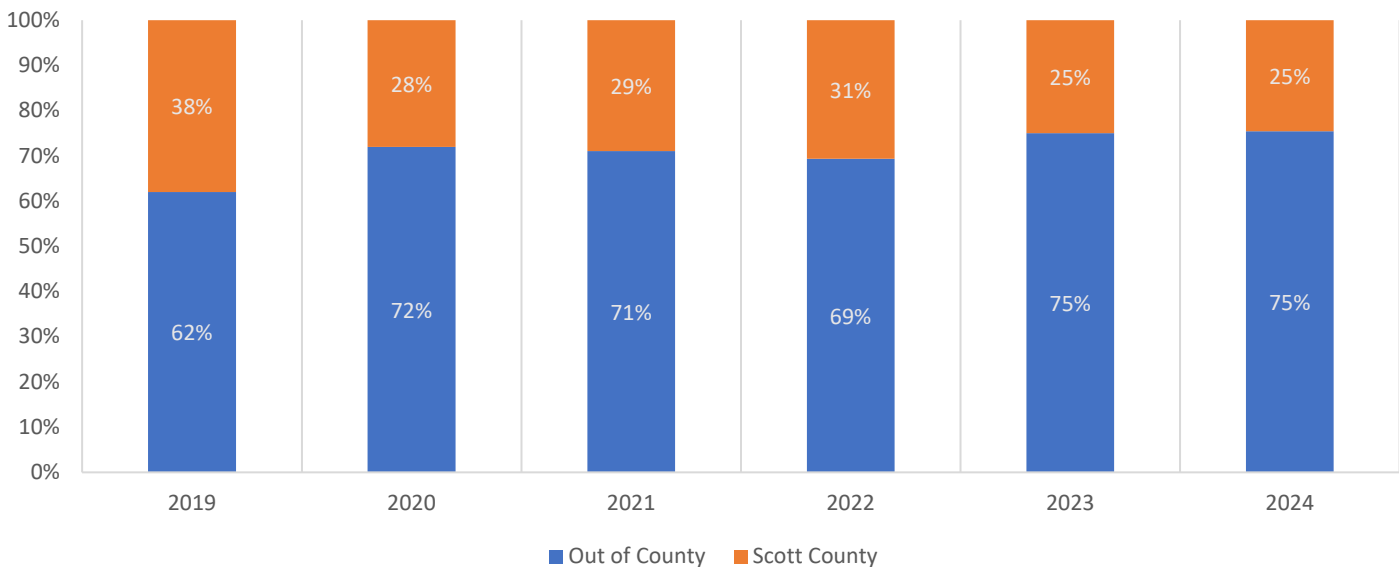
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Scott County, through the JAF, has increasingly been serving the need for a non-secure facility for children for the region. It is in need of repairs and/or a new location. We need the State to help address a regional approach supporting the unique needs of our most complex young people as well as to invest in the needed infrastructure for the regional approach across all types of facilities.

Scott County JAF - Individual Youth Served per year % of residence



In the past six years, the Scott County JAF has...

served 15,255 total Bed Days to youth, averaging 2,800 bed days per year.

had a total of 688 Admissions, averaging 125 admissions per year.

served a total of 581 youth, averaging 105 individual youth per year.