

# What is PRB?

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## PROJECT REBUILD

REBUILDING TRUST, FAMILIES, & COMMUNITY | ONE FAMILY AT A TIME.

A Truancy Intervention & Prevention Solution



**Project Rebuild (PRB)** started in 2012 as a 60-90-day truancy intervention and prevention program to address chronic absenteeism, tardiness, truancy, and school refusal in Lake County Indiana. Although the Truancy Termination Service Standard has been around for quite some time, the services standard has been updated by the Department of Children Services based on Senate Enrollment Act (SEA) 282 Truancy Prevention Policy Indiana Legislation.

### Service Standards:

- Services providers must provide interventions in collaboration with the student's school, family, service providers and Probation Officer/DCS FCM.
- A comprehensive assessment of the student and family to determine the underlying needs contributing to chronic absences must be completed within 30 days of receiving the referral resulting in the Attendance Intervention Services Plan.
- The Attendance Intervention Services Plan must include both academic and supportive services that address and remedy the student's truancy/chronic absences.

### Eligibility

#### Court Involved Youth

1. Collaborates with DCS, Marion County Juvenile Probation, and the Family Court to modify the dispositional decree to add Truancy Termination services for identified and eligible students.
1. DCS Assessment alleged Child Abuse, CHINS Status, IA or Foster care/Kinship referrals and/or Probation-involved youth.

# What can PRB do for you?

The Project Rebuild staff and volunteers have identified that chronic absenteeism is often linked to various underlying issues within the home and community, such as a lack of emphasis on education, literacy, financial instability and other areas such as mental health. To assist combating these issues and more, PBR offers:

- Parenting education
- Drop-out prevention education
- Mental health/counseling
- Tutoring/academic assistance
- Mentoring
- College and Career Readiness
- Extracurricular activities
- Community service opportunities
- Employment assistance
- Financial literacy



## The Benefits of PRB



While our primary goal is to help students stay in school, Project Rebuild also offers significant benefits to families, schools, community members, and the juvenile justice system through the Moorhead Community Resource Center.

### **Family Benefits**

The Project Rebuild program helps to build a brighter tomorrow by empowering students and strengthening families. We assist with ensuring family stability through valuable community resources and referrals like parenting education, job and housing referrals.

### **Justice Benefits**

Project Rebuild serves as a diversion from the courts, allowing more time and resources for handling issues that rise to the level of public safety. A thriving community is built on the foundation of education, safety, and well-being. Project Rebuild contributes to these essential elements, fostering a stronger and more resilient community.



### **Community Safety & Well-Being**

Project Rebuild in collaboration with the Moorhead Community Resource Center have programs that promote crime prevention such as conflict resolution, restorative circles and peer justice councils to help create a feeling of a safer environment for all.

### **School-Based Targeted Interventions**

Through targeted multi-tiered supports and interventions (*MTSS*), Project Rebuild addresses issues such as bullying, substance abuse, and disruptive behavior, creating a more positive and conducive learning environment through whole school strategies.

### **Educational Outcomes**

Reducing chronic absenteeism and ensuring regular attendance is crucial for our students academic and long term success. Project Rebuild implements strategies to address the root causes of chronic absenteeism and encourage consistent school participation. By providing support, guidance, and resources, the program helps students stay engaged and motivated, increasing their chances of completing their education.