



Quarterly Report to Steering Committee / Co-Chairs June through September 2005

I. Committee Updates

A. **Data Collection and Resource Assessment Committee.** [April Corie and Sandie Pierce, Co-Facilitators] This Committee is chaired by Laura Schultz from the American Red Cross. The quarterly meeting of this Committee was July 22, 2005. The next meeting is October 7, 2005. Review of statistics gathered:

- Economic Deprivation

Unemployment Rates: According to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth in 2004 there was a 6.2% (4600) unemployment rate. This will be gathered again in January of 2006.

Free and Reduced Lunches: According to the MCISD business office in 2003 and 2004 22% of Monroe county children (5519) received free and reduced lunches.

Homelessness: According to the Homeless Network on January 25, 2005, there were 162 homeless individuals in Monroe County.

FIP Recipients: According to the DHS website in 2005 Monroe County had 633 FIP recipients.

Food Stamp Recipients: According to the DHS website in 2005 Monroe County had 4303 families receiving food stamps. (gather January 2006)

Female Head of Household: According to the 2000 Census 10.1% (5426) of households in Monroe County were headed by females. (gather January 2006)

- Family Conflict

Domestic Violence Victims: According to the MSP Uniform Crime Report in 2003 there were 694 domestic violence victims in Monroe County.

Domestic Violence ER Visits: This information is unavailable and will not be gathered.

Divorces: According to the Michigan DCH website in 2001 0.93% (676) of Monroe County residents had marriages end in divorce.

- Early Onset of Alcohol and Drug Abuse

Alcohol and Drug Related Emergency Room Visits: In 2004 Mercy Memorial Hospital saw approximately 150 individuals for alcohol and drug related reasons.

Juvenile Justice contacts (tickets/complaints) At the last meeting, 1,172 authorized and received charges were reported, of which 989 actual petitions (charges) were pursued.