

November 27, 2023

To the Honorable Judge,

██████████ was admitted into the Youth Villages Intercept program on October ██████████, 2023. ██████████ and his caregiver, ██████████ ██████████, have been actively involved in our Comprehensive Child and Family Therapy (CCFT) services 3 times a week.

This therapy includes intensive in-home family counseling focusing on safety planning/safety sweeps in the home, anger management techniques, behavioral management and cognitive processing, decision-making skills, coping/stress management, teaching the vitality of structure and consistency, trauma and support for the family.

When ██████████ came into our services, he presented with referral behaviors such as:

- Delinquency
- Physical Aggression
- Suicidal Ideation and Behavior
- Trauma/Toxic Stress Exposure
- Truancy/Poor Academic Performance
- Verbal Aggression

██████████ is having issues with school attendance. Family have cited the following reasons in sessions:

- School bus not running
- Sickness
- Lack of supports for caregiver

██████████ and his caregiver fully participate in our services and ██████████ demonstrates a clear understanding of the skills he has learned thus far. He has not displayed as many of the above behaviors since the beginning of services. ██████████'s caregiver, ██████████ ██████████, has been fully aligned with safety protocols, plan implementations, and participation in services and has been in constant communication with the assigned counselor. Focus has been given in sessions to emphasizing the importance of school attendance and doctor's notes to excuse absences and family has been working with the specialist to problem solve barriers to school attendance, identify alternate transportation options to school for youth, and increase supports for caregiver.

██████████ and ██████████ ██████████ were not present at court on 11-7-23 due to mother confusing youth's court date with her own court date on 11-22-23.

██████████'s caregiver has agreed to utilize Youth Villages Intercept Services for a 4-month period. Youth Villages will continue to work with ██████████ on coping skills, anger management, stress management, grounding techniques, and effective communication skills. Youth Villages Specialist will work with the parents on parenting skills, safety planning, and psycho-education around the behaviors the youth exhibits. As always, Youth Villages will respect and abide by the decision of the court. If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

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