# A Review of Prevention Research Institute Programs

A Report to the Division for Substance Abuse

Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources

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### POPULATION STUDIED:

355 individuals, under 18, in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, cited for alcohol offenses.

### DATES OF EVALUATION:

September 1994 to November 1995

# **EVALUATION DESIGN:**

The evaluation reported differences between recidivism rates of those who completed the TAA--YDP, called the Option Program (n=130) and those who did not (n=225). Offenders could choose the TAA--YDP program or not. Only those who completed the program were used in the analysis of data.

# **Outcomes Evaluated:**

Recidivism rates.

### **EVALUATOR:**

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Community Programs
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### REFERENCE:

Report from the evaluator.

## **FINDINGS:**

♦ The recidivism rate for successful completers of the TAA-YDP was 6.2%, versus 17.3% for those who did not complete the program.

### LIMITATIONS OF THE EVALUATION:

- ♦ Of 130 TAA--YDP completers, 8 had multiple offenses; of 225 noncompleters, 39 had multiple offenses. The possible effect of multiple offenders on recidivism rates was not discussed.
- ♦ No discussion of potential effects of possible differences in persons who voluntarily chose to participate in the TAA-YDP.
- ♦ Analysis of the data was limited to percentages.