



# HERBERT A. SCHAFFNER YOUTH CENTER

**Dauphin County**

**911 Gibson Blvd.  
Steelton, PA 17113  
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**Facility Director-Sara Steckbeck**



## Facility Information

- Includes detention and shelter services for males and females 9-18 years of age
- Thirty-six (36) Secure Detention Beds for pre-adjudicated and adjudicated delinquents
- Twelve (12) Shelter Beds for neglected and dependent youth
- Secure Detention staffing ratios: 1 staff for every 6 residents
- Shelter staffing ratios: 1 staff for every 8 residents
- On-site courtroom
- Competency Development Programming
- Multi-disciplinary, professional treatment staff
- Facility Case Management Services for all residents
- Family Involvement through visits, phone calls, and mail
- Motivational speakers/assemblies throughout the year
- Drug and Alcohol Services provided by PRO-A through Dauphin County
- Citizen's Advisory Board
- Community and Agency Partnerships and Collaboration
- ACA-American Correction Association Accredited in Jan 2009
- Licensed by DPW-Department of Public Welfare
- Accredited through NCCHC-National Commission on Correctional Health Care

## Medical Services

Medical Services provided by Prime Care Medical team consisting of 12 full time/part time medical providers. Average of 19 hours of service per week from Doctors, Psychiatrists, and Psychologists and 112 hours of service per week from Nursing staff.

## Mental Health Services

Mental Health services including MAYSI screening, assessment, psychological and psychiatric evaluations, outpatient counseling, medication management, and crisis intervention services.

## Educational Services

Year-Round Educational Services provided on site through Central Dauphin School District. Including educational assessments (WIAT), Special Education Services, IEP-Individualized Educational Plans, PSSA testing, GED preparation, individualized instruction, and transfer of grades/credits to home school district.

## Programs & Competency Development

Community Volunteer Program consisting of 14 groups and about 60 volunteers. Staff role-model and conduct informal programming on conflict resolution, anger management, and goal setting.

## HERBERT A. SCHAFFNER YOUTH CENTER MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of the Herbert A. Schaffner Youth Center is to aid in the safety and well being of all children, and to protect the youth in our care from harm at the hands of others or themselves. Recognizing our unique opportunity to have an impact on at-risk youth, the center will promote the intellectual, emotional, and spiritual development of its young people through consistent implementation of the principles of Balanced and Restorative Justice. As role models, all of the adults at the center will embody virtuous citizenship and hold all residents to high standards of instruction and achievement. Finally, to achieve our goals, the center will work in partnership and cooperation with all juvenile justice, social service, educational, and community entities.



**Length of Stay/Triage Team**

## **Partnerships & Collaboration**

**Citizens Advisory Board  
Anti-Violence Committee Meetings  
Dauphin County Leaders Meeting  
Dauphin County Supervisors Work Group**

### **TRAINING SPOTLIGHT**

**Topics required by DPW:**

Safe Crisis Management (SCM), Fire Safety, Suicide Prevention, Universal Precautions, Child Protective Services Law, First Aid/CPR

**Additional Topics Covered:**

Effective Communication, Self-Injury, Documentation & Report Writing  
Gang Awareness Training provided by Dauphin County Juvenile Probation  
Gun Violence, Internet Safe Surf, Cyber Bullying, and Drug & Alcohol Abuse provided by Agent LeCadre, Attorney General's Office

**Planned Topics:**

Behavior Management including strategies for residents with mental health issues, Common Medication & Side Affects, Working with girls, LBGT youth

### **SYC Staff: A Closer Look**

86% of all staff have a Bachelor's Degree  
3% of all staff have a Master's Degree

**Additional certifications:**

2 Certified Corrections Manager/Juvenile  
7 SCM Instructors  
2 Certified First Aid/CPR/AED Instructors  
1 Licensed Social Worker

**Full Time Staff**

Combined Total # of SYC Years Experience: 518  
Total Full Time Staff: 47  
Average # of Years: 11.02

**Part Time Staff**

Combined Total # of SYC Years Experience: 69  
Total Part Time Staff: 12  
Average # of Years: 5.75

**Supervisory Staff**

Combined Total # Years of Child Care Experience: 56  
Total Supervisory Staff: 7  
Average # of Years of Child Care Experience: 8