

A new life can start today

- Speak with your attorney about Family Dependency Treatment Court
- Contact Andrea Aukrust – Family Dependency Treatment Court Coordinator
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Our vision is that all children will be raised in a nurturing and healthy environment free of alcohol and drug abuse.

It is the policy of the Faribault, Martin, and Jackson Multi-County Drug Treatment Court that no person will be discriminated against on the basis of: race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, and marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation or age.

Note: In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in the Family Dependency Treatment Court you are entitled, at no cost to you, the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Andrea Aukrust, FDTC Coordinator at (507) 238-3226, for more information and to ensure that reasonable accommodations are made available.



FDTC invests in parents and their families to break the cycle of addiction

Faribault, Martin & Jackson Counties



Family Dependency Treatment Court



What is Family Dependency Treatment Court?

Faribault, Martin and Jackson County Family Dependency Treatment Court (FDTC) provides an enhancement to the traditional court process CHIPS cases where parent substance abuse is a primary factor and children have been removed from the home or are at risk of being removed.

Judges, attorneys, guardians ad litem, child protection workers and treatment providers unite as a Team to provide the necessary support and services to assist participants to become drug free while assuring safety, well-being and

FDTC reunites families and offers participants the opportunity to change their lives for good.

FDTC has Four Primary Goals

- 1- Help parents within the juvenile protection system achieve lasting, meaningful sobriety.
- 2- Decrease the amount of time children are in out-of-home placement due to parents' substance abuse issues.
- 3- Use appropriate and prompt responses to develop a change in behavior for parents with substance abuse issues.
- 4- Strengthen the capacity of parents to provide compassion, structure and a nurturing attitude for their



children.



Eligibility for FDTC

- Resident of Faribault, Martin or Jackson County
- One or more of the parent's children are the subject of a CHIPS petition
- The participant has entered an unconditional admission (not conditioned on acceptance into FDTC) to the basis of the CHIPS petition
- The participant has substance abuse issues that impact the ability to parent the children
- The participant has voluntarily chosen to participate in FDTC