

C.A.R.E PROGRAM

The CARE Program (Center for Assessment, Respite and Enrichment) provides brief, transitional respite care for F.W.S.N. girls in crisis. This “cooling off” period would allow for a rapid and critical assessment for the child and their family to determine their needs, and to stabilize the present issues. The targeted goal is to return each girl back to their home and community environments with assistance such as MST or MDFT. The CARE program is designed to address each young woman’s unique circumstances, therefore referrals for other appropriate services are also considered.

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Area Served:	State-wide
Hours Available:	24 hours, 7 days per week.
Eligible Criteria:	CARE accepts adolescent and teenage girls ages eleven through seventeen who are involved with the court for a status offense (runaway, beyond parental or school control, truancy) or offenses related to the family such as domestic violence. F.W.S.N. girls or girls committing minor offenses handled non-judicially may also be eligible. The girls are identified through Superior Court for Juvenile Matters and/or statewide Family Support Centers.
Capacity:	6 residential beds Bilingual service capacity