# HENNEPIN COUNTY

## MINNESOTA

# THE VISION, MISSION AND OBJECTIVES OF THE JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER:

#### VISION:

We envision a safe and secure environment for residents where they are encouraged to make responsible choices when they return to the community.

#### MISSION:

To operate a safe and secure detention facility for juveniles while they await Court disposition and/or placement.

#### **OBJECTIVES:**

To control admissions in order to ensure that only those juveniles who meet detention criteria are admitted.

To provide secure custody to ensure that the residents are kept safe and will be available for Court placement.

To provide constructive and age-appropriate programming and activities for groups and individuals to encourage them to make responsible choices.

## RIGHTS OF RESIDENTS WHILE AT THE JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER:

- Residents have the right to positive staff guidance, support and supervision.
- Residents have the right to not be abused, neglected, mistreated, or taken advantage of in any way.
- Residents have the right to a reasonable amount of privacy, as long as it doesn't stop staff from keeping them safe.
- Residents have the right to be treated with respect.
- Residents have the right to be treated the same as everybody else, no matter who they are, what they look like, or what they believe.
- Residents have the right to honor their culture and practice their religion, within detention guidelines.
- Residents have the right to see the nurse and receive medical care if needed.
- Residents have the right to nutritious meals, proper clothing and a room of their own.
- Residents have the right to a clean and safe place to stay.
- Residents have the right to attend school.
- Residents have the right to reasonable communication and visitation by their parents/guardians during visiting hours.
- Residents have the right to call their lawyer, probation officer or caseworker; they may visit at any time. Certain other adults, such as a religious advisor, may be approved to visit.
- Residents have the right to shower once each day. Supplies (soap, shampoo, lotion, etc.) are provided.
- Residents have the right to keep some personal property in their room, such as pictures and letters. The rest of their property will be kept in a locked storage room and/or safe.
- Residents have the right to be free from restraint or seclusion used for purposes other than to protect them from danger to themselves, other residents, staff or the safe operation of the facility.
- Residents have the right to be informed of and to use the grievance procedure.

