



199th Judicial District Court

Family Preservation Drug Court

It is the mission of the Family Preservation Drug Court to provide substance abuse treatment in a non-adversarial setting district and separate from the traditional justice systems. Treatment court provides a comprehensive approach to dealing with persons with substance abuse disorders. The central focus of the program is on treatment and recovery; however the program also attempts to help you make changes in all aspects of your life. The ultimate goal of the Family Preservation Drug Court is to provide you with the tools to be a sober, productive, and contributing member of the community and your family. When this goal is accomplished, family reunification is more likely to be permanent.

WHY SHOULD I JOIN?

- You will get increased visitation with your children.
- You will get a direct link to services and agencies.
- You will get the ability to hold agencies involved in your case accountable.
- You will get an attorney assigned to you to advise you on any legal issue.
- You will get continuous support for a stable and happy family life.
- If your child is in DFPS custody, you may get your child placed with you before 6 months of sobriety is achieved.
- You will get support to remain drug and alcohol free.

**YOU MAY NOT BE READY FOR
THIS PROGRAM IF:**

- You are not ready to change your lifestyle.
- You have no real desire to raise your children.
- You are not ready to do what it takes to stop using drugs or alcohol.
- You have a significant other who is not willing to engage in a sober family lifestyle and you are not willing to break-up with them.
- You want to continue to live the life you are already living.



THE TWELVE STEPS

1. *We admitted we were powerless over alcohol – that our lives had become unmanageable.*
2. *Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.*
3. *Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.*
4. *Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.*
5. *Admitted to God, to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.*
6. *Were entirely ready to have God Remove all these defects of character.*
7. *Humblly ask Him to remove all of our shortcomings.*
8. *Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.*
9. *Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.*
10. *Continued to take personal inventory, and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.*
11. *Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry it out.*
12. *Having a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics and to practice these principles in all our affairs.*



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Judge Angela Tucker