

Working notes for Safety subgroup, 11-15-11 meeting:

Headline indicators:

- Rates of substantiated cases of abuse/neglect
- Infant mortality
- Fatality rate
- Indicator of youth violence/youth delinquency: Captures youth as perpetrators as well as youth as victims (further deliberation necessary as to specific indicator)

Comments on possible secondary indicators:

- Human trafficking: As all cases are now required to be reported to DCF, DCF is tracking this statistic and could provide.
- School safety: Some possibilities are school arrests data (in development) or reports of children feeling safe at school (available from YRBS).
- Additional measures of youth-on-youth violence. Is there some standard measure of involvement in gang activity?
- Environmental factors? Some way to measure percent of youth living in “safe neighborhoods”? (Is there a standard definition for this?)