

Volusia County DUI Treatment Court

Sobriety – Safety – Success

The Volusia County DUI Court is a supervised, comprehensive treatment program for substance abusers charged with misdemeanor driving under the influence. This voluntary program involves regular court appearances before the DUI Court Judge, community supervision, substance abuse treatment counseling, random drug and alcohol testing, and support group meeting attendance. Participants may also be offered life skills training and vocational training. Although the program length will be determined by each participant's individual progress, participants should expect to spend a minimum of nine months in the program.

What's In It For You?

1. Convert high court costs and fines to community service hours, with participation in DUI Court counting as community service.
2. Reduce or eliminate non-mandatory jail time.
3. Receive intensive counseling at less cost than fines and costs that you would otherwise have to pay.
4. Possible reduction in charge from the State Attorney's Office with successful completion—a decision made before entering into the program.
5. **Immeasurable benefits with becoming CLEAN AND SOBER!**

Dollars and Cents: Estimated Cost Comparison*

| <u>One Year Probation Without DUI Court</u> | <u>One Year WITH DUI Court</u> | |
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| Probation Fees | \$600 | NO COST |
| Alcohol School, Level II | \$466 | \$466 |
| <u>Cost of Prosecution, Cost of</u> | | |
| Investigation and PD Fee | \$200 | \$200 |
| Fines and Court Costs | \$1,556 | \$1,000 (DUI Court Fee) |
| Victim Awareness Panel | \$40 | Included in DUI Court Fee! |
| Monthly Drug Screen | \$180 | Included in DUI Court Fee! |
| Treatment (14 Sessions@\$30 each) | \$420 | Included in DUI Court Fee! |
| Fine if Balance over .15 | \$2,100 | Included in DUI Court Fee! |
| Total | \$5,562 | \$1,666! |

**Rates as of June 2022, cost subject to change.*

Interested? Phone Numbers:

Volusia County DUI Court Program Coordinator (386) 239-7770 ext. 5
Volusia County Problem Solving Court Coordinator (386) 239-7770 ext. 4

What's Required?

Phase 1 (minimum duration four weeks)

- Weekly court appearances
- Weekly meetings with Program Coordinator
- Weekly: Two substance abuse counseling group therapy sessions (90 minutes) and one individual therapy session
- Random home visits as deemed appropriate by the DUI Court Team
- Attend three approved support groups per week such as Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) or Smart Recovery
- Frequent random screens for alcohol and other drugs
- Develop plan to pay restitution, court costs and pay \$100 towards program fees before advancing to the next phase
- At least twenty consecutive "clean" days are needed to advance to the next phase

Phase 2 (minimum duration twelve weeks)

- Biweekly (every other week) court appearances
- Biweekly (every other week) meetings with Program Coordinator
- Weekly: Two substance abuse counseling group therapy sessions (90 minutes) and one individual therapy session
- Random home visits as deemed appropriate by the DUI Court Team
- Attend three approved support groups per week such as Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) or Smart Recovery
- Frequent random screens for alcohol and other drugs
- Enroll in DUI School
- Maintain employment, continue education or seek job skills
- Pay \$300 towards program fees before advancing to next phase
- At least forty consecutive "clean" days are needed to advance to the next phase

Phase 3 (minimum duration twelve weeks)

- Court appearances every three weeks
- Meetings with Program Coordinator every three weeks
- Two substance abuse counseling group therapy sessions (90 minutes each)
- One individual therapy session every two weeks
- Random home visits as deemed appropriate by the DUI Court Team
- Attend three support groups per week such as Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) or Smart Recovery
- Frequent random screens for alcohol and other drugs
- Complete DUI School and Victim Awareness Program
- Maintain employment, continue education or seek job skills
- Pay \$400 towards program fees before advancing to next phase
- At least sixty consecutive "clean" days are needed to advance to the next phase

Phase 4 (minimum duration eight weeks)

- Court appearances every four weeks
- Meetings with Program Coordinator every four weeks
- One substance abuse counseling group therapy sessions per month (90 minutes)
- One individual therapy session every four weeks
- Random home visits as deemed appropriate by the DUI Court Team
- Attend three approved support groups per week such as Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) or Smart Recovery
- Frequent random screens for alcohol and other drugs
- Develop relapse prevention plan
- Maintain employment, continue education or seek job skills
- Pay restitution, court costs and \$200 towards program fees no later than one week before graduating
- At least one hundred twenty consecutive "clean" days are needed to graduate (may include sixty-four clean days from Phase 3)

Graduation Phase (maximum duration eight weeks)

When you enter the Graduation phase, you are waiting for your special day! Your requirements such as Court appearances, meetings with the Program Coordinator, therapy, and support groups, home visits, random screenings, and employment or continue education remain the same as in phase 4.

However, you are no longer required to pay any additional treatment fees!