The Life Enhancement & Academic Direction (LEAD) program is a three-pronged intervention program designed to combat the disproportionately high rates of school dropouts, alcohol and drug abuse, lack of parental involvement, and victimization of at-risk and/or adjudicated youth in the Corpus Christi area. The LEAD Program is comprised of three components: (1) Family Connectivity, (2) Healthy Interactions, and (3) Academic Success. The Family Connectivity component addresses reduction of familial stressors by providing family enrichment and anger management seminars and sponsoring weekly healthy family alternative programming. The Healthy Interactions component addresses issues of participant and familial substance abuse, participant victimization, and inadequate coping skills by providing assessment, counseling, and prevention/intervention programs. The Academic Success component addresses academic issues through weekly group sessions in which students participate in school/career related activities. Participants also receive tutoring and mentoring. All components are completely staffed by College of Education graduate students and continue to implement research-based strategies.