



**SSBC focuses on putting an end to the generational involvement in the child welfare system through intensive services for parents with children 0-18 months old.**

**ANYONE CAN REFER A PARENT TO SAFE & SECURE BABY COURT:**

Judges/Magistrates, community agencies, attorneys, DCYF, self-referrals, etc.

The SSBC Model relies on utilizing community-based services and/or Department of Health programs that can remain in place after the case closes to DCYF to ensure continued family success.

**SSBC CORE COMPONENTS**

- A **SPECIALIZED COURT SOCIAL WORKER** is assigned to each family to provide additional support.
- **FREQUENT COURT APPEARANCES** to monitor progress & identify barriers to reunification.
- A **MINIMUM OF THREE VISITS** per week scheduled for parents and their children.
- This specialty court also offers a **SPECIALIZED PARENT/CHILD ASSESSMENT** through The Brown Center to identify strengths & needs for children and their parents.
- **BABY SUPPLIES** provided as needed.

**CLIENT ELIGIBILITY**

- Juvenile Involvement in the System
- Mental Health Issues
- Housing Insecurity
- Domestic Violence Exposure
- A Substance Use History with no present use
- Lack of parenting skills
- Lack of Natural Supports

**7 YEARS OF SSBC**

Enrolled Parents: 70% Mothers and 30% Fathers

**MINORS IN SSBC**

- **58** minors referred
- **32** minors joined SSBC
- **21** minors successfully closed

**AVERAGE AGE OF CHILD SERVED**

**10-MONTHS-OLD**

**AVERAGE AGE OF PARENT SERVED**

**26-YEARS-OLD**

**AVERAGE CASE LENGTH: OPEN TO CLOSE**

**7.5-MONTHS-OLD**

**Specialty Court Referral Cards in English & Spanish**

**RHODE ISLAND FAMILY COURT**

If you are DCYF involved, you may be eligible for a **SPECIALTY COURT!**

**Safe & Secure Baby Court**

If you are expecting or have a child 0-18 months old.

**Family Treatment Drug Court**

If you have a child of any age and open due to parental substance use.

**Call Jess at 401-458-5012 to schedule an intake.**

