



PHILADELPHIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITIZEN INFORMATION BULLETIN #6 PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN IN DEFENDANT'S CUSTODY

1. There are occasions during the arrest of an individual where there are juveniles in the custodial care of the person arrested.
2. When an individual is arrested and a juvenile(s) was in the custodial care of the person arrested, the arresting officer(s), along with a police supervisor, will make every attempt to identify a responsible parent, relative, guardian or other custodian, to whom the juvenile may be released.
3. If no responsible parent, relative guardian or other custodian can be located the Police Department will immediately notify the Department of Human Services (DHS) at 215-683-6100. The Police Department will maintain oversight of the juvenile(s) until the juveniles(s) has been placed in the protective custody of DHS. Once DHS has the juvenile, it is the responsibility of DHS to arrange temporary placement of the juvenile(s).
