

Hawaii

- In 2024, the NCJFCJ fulfilled one request for technical assistance in **Hawaii**.
- In 2024, the NCJFCJ trained seven judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **Hawaii's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- Multidisciplinary professionals from **Hawaii** participated in the NCJFCJ's Custody Evaluator Domestic Violence Institute and learned about the benefits and harms of the custody evaluation process for families experiencing domestic violence.
- The state of **Hawaii** contributes juvenile court data to the National Juvenile Court Data Archive, funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). This national project of the NCJFCJ provides detailed and accurate information on the activities of the nation's juvenile courts to juvenile justice professionals, policy makers, researchers, and the public.
- The **Honolulu** Mentor Model Court is recognized for its efforts to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children and their families.
- The NCJFCJ presented at the **Hawaii** Judicial Symposium in **Kapolei**. Justices, judges, parent attorneys, children attorneys, child welfare representatives, prosecutors, and educational partners received training on Motivational Interviewing and ICWA. The ICWA training was presented by **Judge Kathleen Quigley**, the 2025 NCJFCJ President-Elect.
- The NCJFCJ assisted court and legal professionals in **Hawaii** to access training on engaging youth in dependency hearings as part of the Quality Improvement Center on Engaging Youth in Finding Permanency.
- In February of 2024, the NCJFCJ conducted a site visit to the **First Circuit Family Court** in **Kapolei** to collect child welfare hearing quality data and conducted an analysis to provide recommendations for enhancing hearing practices statewide.
- The landscape of juvenile justice in **Hawaii** is detailed through the Juvenile Justice Geography, Policy, Practice and Statistics website (JJGPS.org), a project of the NCJFCJ's research division, the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ).
- The NCJFCJ has 26 Judicial and Associate Members in **Hawaii**.

National Impact

In 2024, the NCJFCJ's work impacted approximately **4 million** families across the nation. Our publications amassed over **94,000** views, the team fulfilled over **150** requests for technical assistance, and trained over **15,000** judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family-court related professionals across the nation.

- **Court Leadership & Education**
Educate judges, court professionals, and community members about leadership skills and best practices to improve the justice system
- **Domestic Child Sex Trafficking**
Improving outcomes for vulnerable and victimized children through judicial education and action
- **National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence**
Enhancing judicial skills to promote victim safety and batterer accountability
- **Juvenile Justice GPS**
Providing juvenile justice policy, practice, and statistics by state
- **Trauma-Informed Courts & the Adolescent Brain**
Promoting trauma-responsive courts and practices informed by science
- **Child Abuse & Neglect Institute**
Improving outcomes for abused and neglected children through dependency court best practices
- **Military-Connected Families**
Enhancing judicial skills to best serve military-connected families
- **Tribal Courts & ICWA**
Promoting collaboration between tribal and state courts
- **Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts**
Enhancing effectiveness in addressing youth substance abuse
- **Animal Cruelty**
Understanding the link between animal abuse and other forms of violence
- **Implementation Sites & Project ONE**
Approaching families holistically and improving outcomes for children in care
- **Self-Care & Wellness**
Promoting judicial self-care and wellness for centering oneself for leadership

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