

Maryland

- In 2024, the NCJFCJ fulfilled four requests for technical assistance in **Maryland**.
- In 2024, the NCJFCJ trained 40 judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **Maryland's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- Multidisciplinary campus professionals representing student conduct, law enforcement, and prevention participated in the Office on Violence Against Women's Campus Training and Technical Assistance Institute (TTI), an opportunity extended to each campus grantee five times over the course of three years. These in-person institutes combined with webinars and intensive, customized support from national experts are designed to help college and university campuses enhance their capacity to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking on campus.
- Judges and justice system professionals from **Maryland** participated in the Multidisciplinary Child Abuse and Neglect Institute. Participants received training on reasonable efforts; preliminary protective hearing best practice; initial review hearings; permanency hearings; and understanding court data.
- Multidisciplinary professionals from **Maryland** 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 **Baltimore City** Mentor Model Court is recognized for its efforts to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children and their families.
- The NCJFCJ, with funding from the State Justice Institute, selected the **Washington County Juvenile Court** as an Enhanced Juvenile Justice Guidelines demonstration site, which works on evaluating current programs and creating avenues for diversion.
- The state of **Maryland** 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.
- Judges and justice system professionals from **Maryland** received specialized child welfare, domestic violence, and juvenile justice training on current and cutting-edge topics and research during the NCJFCJ's Annual Conference and National Conference on Juvenile Justice.
- The landscape of juvenile justice in **Maryland** 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 41 Judicial and Associate Members in **Maryland**.

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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