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Grantee Spotlight: Self-Help Center Pilot in Douglas County



The Nebraska Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation has collaborated with local trial judges, attorneys, and court staff to pilot a court-based Self-Help Center in Douglas County (Omaha, Nebraska). The first of its kind in Nebraska, this self-help center is located in the courthouse and provides on-site access to computers, printers, and legal resources during regular courthouse hours. The self-help center is supported by trained court staff who assist self-represented litigants (SRLs) by explaining court rules and procedures, providing public information about case dockets and calendars, and directing patrons to... Read more

In the News

New Data Literacy Course to Enhance Skills of Court Professionals

A new data literacy course, funded by SJI, is in development to help build future-ready courts and meet the growing demand for court data expertise. Courts will soon have a new tool to support staff who use and communicate with data to generate insights and optimize performance. The data literacy course will help build future-ready courts and meet the growing demand for court data expertise. The curriculum, which will be tested and refined over the next few months, covers the data lifecycle, court statistics, data visualization, ethics, and governance. A national online launch is anticipated in 2026... Read more

Funded by the <u>State Justice Institute</u>, the <u>National Center for State Courts</u>, in partnership with <u>Rulo Strategies LLC</u>, launched the <u>Rural Justice Collaborative</u> (RJC) to showcase the strengths of rural communities and highlight the cross-sector collaboration that is a hallmark of rural justice systems. These strengths include strong professional networks, deep ties to the communities they serve, resiliency, and ingenuity. The Rural Justice Collaborative is guided by an advisory council of rural practitioners representing the judiciary, public safety, behavioral health, public health, child welfare, victim services and other stakeholder-focused justice systems. The advisory council guides the initiative and has focused initial efforts on advancing innovation, promoting collaboration... <u>Read more</u>

FY 2025 4th Quarter Board Meeting

The SJI Board of Directors will be meeting on Monday, September 15, 2025, at 1:00 PM MT. The purpose of this meeting is to consider grant applications for the 4th quarter of FY 2025, and other business. Address: Supreme Court of Montana, Mazurek... Read more

Announcements

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Upcoming Conference!
The National
Association of Pretrial
Services Agencies

(NAPSA) will be hosting their 2025 NAPSA Annual Conference & Training from **September 14th** -**17th**, **2025**, in Atlanta, Georgia. This premier event offers pretrial professionals an unparalleled opportunity to engage with national experts, explore innovative practices, and collaborate on advancing pretrial justice. The largest pretrial conference in the country, this year offering more educational sessions than ever! Join in for shaping the future of pretrial justice and be part of this transformative experience. To register now, click here.

Upcoming Conference!
The Court Technology
Conference (CTC) will
be held from September

16th - 18th, 2025, in Kansas City, Missouri. Be inspired at the world's largest court technology conference! Known for thought-provoking keynote speakers, CTC puts a focus on both court technology and policy, and technology leadership and governance issues. Attendees must plan ahead and choose carefully: with up to six concurrent education tracks, many courts send over a dozen participants to cover all the ground. CTC showcases the latest product innovations with over 100 exhibitors on the exhibit hall floor. For more information and to register now, click here.

Technical Assistance Opportunity! Last chance to apply! There is still Upcoming Webinar! The <u>National</u> <u>Center for State Courts</u> (NCSC) will



time to apply for the <u>Justice Management</u> <u>Institute</u> (JMI)'s new technical assistance

program designed to help jurisdictions build or enhance their **Criminal Justice Coordinating** Councils (CJCCs)! The CJCC Technical Assistance Program provides selected jurisdictions with expert support to either establish or enhance a CJCC in alignment with national standards and best practices. Through this initiative, JMI will partner with a limited number of communities to provide expert guidance, practical tools, and facilitation services. The deadline for applying is **September** 19th, 2025. For more information and to apply now, click here.



be hosting: On the Road to End Human Trafficking on October 9th, 2025, at 1:00PM

EST. This webinar will discuss NCSC's free, self-paced e-learning course designed to educate commercial driver's license (CDL) holders on human trafficking awareness and equip them to act as the eyes and ears on our roadways and report suspicious activities to authorities. Judges, court administrators, prosecutors and other justice partners are invited to learn how their court can encourage human trafficking awareness among CDL holders through traffic case adjudication, online case resolution, outreach efforts, and other touchpoints. Register here.

If you are interested in sharing court related news or announcements in the SJI newsletter, please send all content to contact@sji.gov by the 10th of the month.

Are you a SJI grantee interested in being featured in our monthly newsletter and on our website? Follow the instructions on our <u>Grantee Spotlight Submission Instructions page</u>.



The next deadline to submit a grant application to SJI is **Nov 1, 2025**.

Learn more about <u>SJI grants</u> and <u>apply</u> today!



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