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Grantee Spotlight



Beginning in November, we will feature our first grantee in this new *Spotlight* section, as well as on the SJI website. We are excited to share the positive impacts of SJI-funded projects with the court community and other stakeholders. If you are interested in having your project featured as a grantee spotlight, learn more on our [Spotlight Submission Instructions page](#).

In the News

Utah Regulatory Sandbox Project

The [Utah Office of Legal Services Innovation](#), an office of the [Utah Supreme Court](#) recently made history as the first state to establish a [regulatory sandbox](#), providing a space for lawyers and other professionals to deliver nontraditional legal services under the supervision of the state supreme court. Additionally, this project is being evaluated through the development of a set of practical tools to facilitate an empirical and risk-based regulatory framework for legal services, including a regulatory management system, creation of a best practices handbook, and creation of a lessons learned... [Read More](#)

Transformation of Youth Justice Symposium

The [Robert F. Kennedy National Resource Center for Juvenile Justice](#) recently hosted the [Transformation of Youth Justice Symposium](#), co-sponsored by SJI, and supplemental half-day Training Institutes. The three-day event, held in Nashville, Tennessee, emphasized the importance of peer-to-peer learning and collaboration, which included 25 workshops, 5 plenaries, and 6 Training Institutes, providing participants with research-based and evidence-informed practical reforms that can be replicated and applied within state and local jurisdictions... [Read More](#)

Supporting Children in the Justice System

The [Office for Victims of Crime](#), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, created the [Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials](#). For children, participating in

the justice system as a victim or witness can be especially confusing, distressing, and even re-traumatizing. *Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials* was created to support children and youth during their involvement with the justice system as... [Read More](#)

Announcements



Upcoming Webinar:
Register Now! On Oct.
28-29, the [Virtual
National College on Judicial
Conduct and Ethics](#) is hosting three
(3) one-hour sessions - featuring
topics including crossing the line
and training to prevent sexual
harassment, abuse of criminal
contempt power & judicial discipline
and judges on social media.
[Register Here](#)



October is [National
Youth Justice Action
Month](#). The observance
brings focus to and highlights
juvenile justice reform and
advancing equity and racial justice.
Learn more on how [Office of
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency
Prevention](#) (OJJDP), Office of
Justice Programs, U.S. Department
of Justice works to achieve these
goals.



New Podcast! The
[National Association for
Court Management](#)
(NACM) has just released a new
podcast episode entitled: [The Battle
Over Bail Reform: How 5 Courts are
Coping with the Challenge Court
Leader's Advantage](#). This
latest episode addresses the
ongoing debate over bail reform,
discussions on reducing and/or
eliminating cash bail, and the pivotal
role that courts play.



October is [Cyber
Security Awareness
Month](#) - Courts must be
prepared for cyberattacks on court
systems, such as denial of service,
ransomware attacks on court case
management systems, websites,
and other critical information
technology infrastructure. Courts
are establishing security procedures
to improve the protection of highly
sensitive confidential documents
filed within the court system.



Upcoming Webinars!
October 27th & 28th.
The [Substance Abuse
and Mental Health Services
Administration](#) (SAMHSA) GAINS
Center is offering a series of train-
the-trainer (TTT) events to teach
local trainers to deliver its "[How
Being Trauma-Informed Improves](#)



New Podcast Series!
The [National Judicial
Institute on Domestic
Violence](#) (NJIDV) has
created the [Centering Children
Podcast Series](#). The three (3)
sessions will feature understanding
exposure to domestic violence for
children in the justice system,

[Criminal Justice System Responses](#)" curriculum. To apply for a TTT event, [download the solicitation](#) and submit a completed application form by Friday, November 12, 2021.

recognizing domestic violence when determining custody, fostering resilience, and a judge's perspective on cases involving children exposed to domestic violence. To listen to the podcast series, please click [here](#).



The next deadline to submit a grant application to SJI is **November 1, 2021**.

Learn more about [SJI grants](#) and [apply](#) today!



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