

# KS Juvenile Justice Web-Line

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## Kansas News

### Additional Juvenile Crime Community Prevention Matching Funds Grant Applications to be Considered

KDOC-JS is seeking applications for the new Juvenile Crime Community Prevention Grant (JCPG) with a \$1-for-\$1 matching fund requirement for Fiscal Year 2023. These funds will be designated to support local communities in providing [evidence-based programs or services](#) to youth that are at risk for juvenile delinquency, victimization, and juvenile justice system involvement. This fund will not be limited to any specific priority area. There is \$251,969 still available to be awarded for Fiscal Year 2023.

Both governmental agencies (i.e., counties, judicial districts etc.) as well as community-based agencies and service providers (i.e. non-profits) may apply. Finalized applications along with required supporting documents and completed signature pages will need to be received by April 1, 2022 and should be sent by email to [KDOC\\_JS\\_Grants@ks.gov](mailto:KDOC_JS_Grants@ks.gov).

If you have questions or to receive the JCPG application, contact Jim Johnson by phone at 785-940-1156 or by email at [james.johnson2@ks.gov](mailto:james.johnson2@ks.gov).

### Kansas Legislature – Juvenile Justice

#### Overview Hearings Held for Legislature – House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee

On January 18, 2022, KDOC Secretary Jeff Zmuda provided an [Informational Overview on KDOC](#) to the House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee [Watch video . . . .](#)

On January 20, 2022, Shanelle Dupree, Chair of the Kansas Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) provided an [Informational Overview on the JJOC](#) to the House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee on the JJOC [Watch video . . . .](#) [Read testimony . . . .](#)

On January 27, 2022, the House Corrections and Juvenile Justice Committee had a [discussion with public comments on Senate Bill 367](#) (Juvenile Justice Reform) from the 2016 Legislative Session along with a [Hearing on House Bill 2200](#) (i.e. Allowing evidence-based program account money to be used on certain children, requiring the department of corrections to build data systems and allowing for overall case length limit extensions for certain juvenile offenders) from the current session. [Watch video . . . .](#) [Read testimony . . . .](#)

#### Report of the Joint Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice Oversight to the 2022 Kansas Legislature [Click here . . . .](#)

### KDOC Annual Report

In January 2022 KDOC released its Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Report. To access the report [Click here . . . .](#)

### DCF Offers Virtual Hours

The Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) is offering virtual office hours every Wednesday through the end of March to make the agency more accessible. “DCF offers a variety of valuable and essential services, but it can be difficult to find time during the day to visit our office,” DCF Secretary Laura Howard said. “The virtual office hours make it a little easier to ask important questions and learn more about resources available.”

Kansans are invited to connect virtually every Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to learn about services available to them and their families. A knowledgeable DCF representative will meet privately and securely with Kansans to answer questions about DCF programs. The meetings will take place on [Microsoft Teams](#) at the link: <https://shorturl.at/rGIMU>. The virtual office hours will end March 30.

### DCF – Family First Updates

To access the November/December 2021 edition of the DCF [Family First Prevention](#) Services newsletter [Click here . . . .](#)

## 2022 DOC-Juvenile Services Training Schedule

### New Employee Kansas Detention Assessment Instrument (KDAI) Training

Zoom	Tuesday	March 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
Zoom	Saturday	April 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2022
Times	10 am – 4:00 pm	

All intake workers, supervisors and anyone who approves intakes and placement decisions must be trained in administering the KDAI. These trainings are reserved for intake workers and supervisors. Due to COVID-19 precautions, KDAI trainings are being provided via the zoom platform. For more information on KDAI training or to register contact Steve Bonner at [steven.bonner@ks.gov](mailto:steven.bonner@ks.gov)

**Mental Health Training Curriculum – Juvenile Justice (MHTC-JJ) KJCC** - The Mental Health Training Curriculum – Juvenile Justice (MHTC-JJ) will be available for new employees from Judicial Districts to attend at Kansas Juvenile Correction Complex as a part of KJCC's new employee orientation.

To inquire about upcoming trainings or if you have questions please contact Lt. Johnathon Ashley at [johnathon.ashley@ks.gov](mailto:johnathon.ashley@ks.gov) or 785-354-9820. KJCC will have MHTC-JJ training as a part of their basic training for new employees approximately every four weeks.

## KS Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee - Update Shanelle E. Dupree, JJOC Chairperson DCF – Kansas City Regional Director

It's hard to believe that 5 years have gone by since the passage of Senate Bill 367 (SB 367). SB 367 was a bipartisan effort by stakeholders invested in healthy communities came together, looked at the data, and recognized that children and families have better outcomes if they are supported in their communities versus a facility. Comprehensive juvenile justice reform was never intended to be a simple process. The state of Kansas knew it had to make a long-term commitment and investment. Improving the lives of Kansas families and youth through meticulous data collection and upgrades, community engagement and investment, and evidence-based programming with the goal of keeping youth safely in their communities is a process that takes planning, patience, and programming.

As the Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) Chair, our committee is responsible for overseeing the implementation of juvenile justice reform in Kansas. To recalibrate the JJOC, we developed a vision and mission statement in 2021.

**Vision Statement:** Improve the lives and well-being of all youth in Kansas.

**Mission Statement:** The Kansas Juvenile Justice Oversight Committee (JJOC) is a statutorily defined, multidisciplinary team of stakeholders of youth-serving systems. The JJOC is responsible for regularly reviewing information and data on progress and outcomes across all parts of those systems. The JJOC provides policy and funding recommendations and influences stakeholders across agencies and branches of government, on sound, data-driven, evidence-based implementation and sustainability of juvenile justice reforms.

The JJOC also restructured and established subcommittees which are the data, communications, and reinvestment subcommittees. These subcommittees assist in fulfilling JJOC's responsibilities. Although our entire nation has experienced a challenging and trying two years, with the continued support of lawmakers and stakeholders, families are receiving the support they need in their communities. The JJOC Annual Report for fiscal year 2021 [is linked here](#). In it you will find a full report on the progress and challenges juvenile justice reform has faced. These challenges are met with committed people, organizations, and systems who are working towards the vision statement adopted by the JJOC, “improve the lives and well-being of all youth in Kansas.”

## The Juvenile Justice Corner Jim Johnson, Program Consultant DOC - Juvenile Community Based Services

This past September Kansas Department of Corrections-Juvenile Services (KDOC-JS) announced the release of two new grant opportunities for Juvenile Crime Community Prevention. These grants are intended to support communities in providing services to youth that are at risk for juvenile delinquency, victimization, and juvenile justice system involvement. These grants were being made available to both governmental agencies (i.e., counties, judicial districts etc.) as well as community-based agencies and service providers (i.e. non-profits) and was a competitive grant process. Applicants could apply for grant funds for both FY's '22 and '23. The Juvenile Crime Community Prevention Grant (JCPG) grants had two tracts.

**Matching Funds** - The first tract was for Juvenile Crime Community Prevention for Nonspecific Areas of Prevention with a Matching Fund Requirement. Applicants could target any area of juvenile crime prevention and is not limited to any specific priority area. This grant required a \$1-for-\$1 local or private funds match. There was \$500,000 designated annually for the Matching Fund grants.

**Non-Matching Funds** - The second tract was for Juvenile Crime Community Prevention while targeting one of four priority areas (i.e., crossover youth, homeless youth, jobs/workforce development for youth, and runaway youth). This grant did not require matching funds. There was \$1,000,000 designated annually for the Non-Matching Fund grants. [Continued next page . . .](#)

## Kansas News – Approved FY22/23 JCPGs

### Matching Funds Grants

The Village Initiative Inc		
Program Title	Youth Mentoring Program	
Population	Mentorship	
Awards	FY22 = \$49,500	FY23 = \$51,975
Services	Educate/empower youth & break generational cycles through mentoring & social engagement, includes backpack meals (with school district), social group engagement, private counseling, peer/peer group counseling, family counseling & community service activities/events	

Police Athletic League of KCKS, Inc		
Program Title	PAL Driver's Education Program	
Population	Life Skills, Mentoring and Community Engagement	
Awards	FY22 = \$3,587	FY23 = \$7,174
Services	Provide youth from low-income families an in-house driver's education program with KC KS off duty Police Officers certified in driver's education to move youth from the instruction permit stage to obtaining an unrestricted license. <a href="#">Continued next page . . .</a>	

## National News

### Restorative Justice Gains Support in America's Smaller Communities

Although most people associate restorative justice initiatives with larger metropolitan cities, smaller communities have been developing "best practices" that deserve to be highlighted, according to [the Institute for Innovation in Prosecution \(IIP\)](#) at John Jay College of Criminal Justice. In June of 2021, the IIP launched its [Beyond Big Cities Initiative](#) with several discussions about restorative justice in smaller communities. "Smaller jurisdictions handle the majority of criminal justice cases nationwide," the report details. "However, their [Read more . . .](#) To read the full report [Click here . . .](#)

## Annie E. Casey Foundation

### New Guide: Family-Engaged Case Planning for Youth on Probation

To improve the odds of young people succeeding on juvenile probation and beyond, the Annie E. Casey Foundation has released [a practice guide](#) that helps juvenile justice agencies institute family-engaged case planning. Under this new model, probation officers formulate case plans through a collaborative process with young people and their families. Family-engaged case planning and the Foundation's larger vision for transforming juvenile probation are both necessary to align probation with powerful evidence on adolescent brain development, adolescent [Read more . . .](#)

### Eight Youth-Centered Principles for Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice

Child welfare and juvenile justice systems must do more to ensure that the adolescents they serve will thrive, says a new report urging practitioners to adopt principles of positive youth development, racial equity and community belonging. The report, [Integrating Positive Youth Development and Racial Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Approaches Across the Child Welfare and Justice Systems](#), introduces STRENGTH, an eight-part framework for child welfare and juvenile justice that builds on young [Read more . . .](#)

## National Conference of State Legislatures

### Juvenile Justice 2021 Year-End Report

State juvenile justice legislation in 2021 focused on amending ages of juvenile court jurisdiction, addressing due process rights and police interrogations, sealing and expunging records and limiting the amount of fines or fees paid by justice involved youth. North Dakota enacted a major overhaul of its juvenile code, two states enacted legislation that ensures more legislative oversight over juvenile justice institutions and one state changed how it handles status offenses. Many of the laws enacted in 2021 reflected the policies and principles laid out in NCSL's publication [Principles of Effective Juvenile Justice Policy](#) and in the [Principles of Effective Juvenile Justice Policy Update](#) released in 2020. [Read more . . .](#)

### Comprehensive Juvenile Services, Inc. Looks to Open New Emergency Youth Shelter in Mulberry

With a donation of a new building, [Comprehensive Juvenile Services, Inc.](#) (CJS) looks to open a new 8,625 square-foot emergency youth shelter in Mulberry (AR). CJS, which supports at-risk youth and families in crisis, will relocate the Western Arkansas Youth Shelter to a former Dollar General building located at 120 W. 4th St. following renovations. The building was donated by the Palmer family of the PSA Land Company LLC. [Reads more . . .](#)

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After an extensive review process, in late December final decisions were made and award letters were sent to agencies that were selected to provide JCPG programs for fiscal years 2022 and 2023. There were a total of 19 applications received with 15 programs being funded. Of the programs funded, the target areas/populations to be served are:

- Crossover Youth (Non-Matching Funds) = 4
- Homeless Youth (Non-Matching Funds) = 1
- Runaway & Crossover Youth (Non-Matching Funds) = 1
- Jobs & Workforce Development (Non-Matching Funds) = 6
- Mentoring (Matching Funds) = 1
- Life Skills, Mentoring & Community Engagement (Matching Funds) = 1
- Substance Misuse (Matching Funds) = 1

For the Non-Matching Funds Grant, a total of \$731,296.50 was awarded for FY 2022 and \$975,011 was awarded for FY '23. For the Matching Funds Grant, a total of \$151,528 was awarded for FY '22 and \$248,031 was awarded for FY '23.

Based on the amount that has not been awarded for the Matching Funds Grant for FY 2023, applications will be considered for this tract only. Applications, including all related documents and completed signatory approval pages, are due April 1, 2022. For questions or to attain a grant application contact Jim Johnson at [james.johnson2@ks.gov](mailto:james.johnson2@ks.gov).

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### Matching Funds Grants continued

#### Mirror, Inc.

**Program Title** Mirror, Inc. Teen Intervene and N-O-T  
**Population** Substance Misuse  
**Awards** FY22 = \$98,441 FY23 = \$188,882  
**Services** Help youth with mild to moderate problems with alcohol/drug use, using/possessing drugs during school etc. to reduce/eliminate their chemical use by integrating the Stages of Change Model, Motivational Interviewing, and Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy

### Non-Matchin Funds Grants

#### 11th CR JD - Restorative Justice Authority

**Program Title** Truancy Intervention Program  
**Population** Crossover Youth  
**Awards** FY22 = \$270,770 FY23 = \$263,770  
**Services** Address truancy, improve school attendance & build support to reducing barriers and recidivism

#### 24th JD

**Program Title** 24th JD Forward Thinking Program  
**Population** Crossover Youth  
**Awards** FY22 = \$15,800 FY23 = \$25,000  
**Services** Engage youth within their community, school, organization, peer groups and families while providing cognitive based progrms

#### CASA of Johnson & Wyandotte Counties

**Program Title** Teen Advocacy Program  
**Population** Crossover Youth  
**Awards** FY22 = \$33,842 FY23 = \$66,136  
**Services** Provide Teen Advocates to address needs of older youth & provide supports to help achieve self-sufficiency while successfully transitioning to independence

#### Heartland 180

**Program Title** H180 Family and Future Project  
**Population** Jobs and Workforce Development  
**Awards** FY22 = \$40,298.50 FY23 = \$65,600  
**Services** Provide several programs to include Productive Family Involvement, job skill development, Strengthening Families Program 10-14, Parent Project & the Career Pathways Model

#### JAG-K / Norton HS

**Program Title** Norton HS Multi-year JAG-K School-to-Career EBP  
**Population** Jobs and Workforce Development  
**Awards** FY22 = N / A FY23 = \$57,502  
**Services** Address risk factors of adjudicated youth to equip them for post-secondary success while developing leadership & career development skills

#### JAG-K / Augusta HS

**Program Title** Augusta HS Multi-year JAG-K School-to-Career EBP  
**Population** Jobs and Workforce Development  
**Awards** FY22 = N / A FY23 = \$57,502  
**Services** Address risk factors of adjudicated youth to equip them for post-secondary success while developing leadership & career development skills

#### One Heart Project

**Program Title** OHP - KS - Gap Skills Initiative  
**Population** Jobs and Workforce Development  
**Awards** FY22 = \$41,342 FY23 = \$74,685  
**Services** Equip youth with skills & tools to help foster healthy relationships while providing programs for social/emotional intelligence education, mentoring, gap skill & life skill training, educational support, vocational training, employment opportunities, and reentry services

#### Wichita Children's Home

**Program Title** CrossRoads Shelter and Anti-Homeless Program  
**Population** Homeless Youth  
**Awards** FY22 = \$42,476 FY23 = \$85,909  
**Services** Provide youth who are experiencing homelessness with emergency shelter services and homelessness prevention programming

#### KVC Behavioral HealthCare, INC.

**Program Title** Connect  
**Population** Runaway and Crossover Youth  
**Awards** FY22 = \$56,211 FY23 = \$56,441  
**Services** Attachment-based program for parents & caregivers of pre-teens & teens with behavioral & internalizing behaviors. Promote parenting sensitivity, reflective function, dyadic affect regulation & mutuality

#### Leavenworth Co Community Corrections

**Program Title** Youth Justice Resource Center  
**Population** Crossover Youth  
**Awards** FY22 = \$77,434 FY23 = \$151,966  
**Services** Provide youth/families National Curriculum Training Institute (NCTI) Crossroads Curriculum, Strengthening Families Program 10-14 (SFP) and Parent Project & additional support services with/ Program Specialists

#### Ready for Good Co.

**Program Title** Furnished for Good  
**Population** Jobs and Workforce Development  
**Awards** FY22 = \$121,623 FY23 = \$7,500  
**Services** Provide youth with a supportive workplace environment with paid work experiences & trauma-informed mentorship while developing employability/social/life skills through OJT & workshops

#### Equity Initiative, Inc.

**Program Title** Community Integration & Skill Training  
**Population** Jobs and Workforce Development  
**Awards** FY22 = \$31,500 FY23 = \$63,000  
**Services** Provide independent living skills and internships to connect youth with supporting adults in their desired field, while working side by side learning new skills and growing professionally