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Juvenile Court Programs Overview/Data (2011)



OREGON JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT: JUVENILE COURT PROGRAMS

Juvenile Court Programs (JCP) is part of the Office of the State Court Administrator. JCP is charged with managing the statewide Citizen Review Board program and the federally funded Juvenile Court Improvement Program (JCIP). JCP is also responsible for managing and coordinating activities for statewide Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) grants, to support courts statewide in how they handle domestic violence cases. JCP provides assistance to trial courts and stakeholder groups on family law issues that relate to juvenile and domestic violence matters, as well as delinquency issues that relate to “cross-over” kids and youth in foster care.

JCIP (“Jay-Sip”)



The Juvenile Court Improvement Program (JCIP) is a federally funded program that works to raise the priority and performance of Oregon Juvenile Courts. Under the grants, JCIP activities require ongoing collaboration with DHS, Office of Public Defense Services, Department of Justice, statewide CASA programs, and tribes. The goals and activities of JCIP are closely linked to the federal Child and Family Services Review (CFSR).

JCIP is responsible for collection and distribution of juvenile court statistics on a statewide basis and performing high-level liaison work to develop and evaluate policies, procedures, and laws affecting juvenile court operations statewide. JCIP develops and delivers educational programs for judges, OJD staff, CRB volunteer board members, and stakeholders in the child welfare system. JCIP supports local court improvement efforts and model court teams.

For additional information see the JCIP website at:

<http://courts.oregon.gov/OJD/OSCA/cpsd/courtimprovement/jcip/index.page>

This website will take you to the 2011 Model Dependency Forms, Dependency Benchbook, materials from previous juvenile dependency conferences, educational and training resources, and links to many other recommended sites. You can also view past editions of the JCIP Newsletter.

CRB



The Citizen Review Board (CRB), created in 1985 by the Oregon Legislature, is a statewide foster care review program of citizen volunteers to help state courts ensure that case plans and services meet the needs of Oregon’s most vulnerable children and families. Currently, 272 Volunteer Board Members serve on 67 local boards. In 2011, CRB conducted 4,608 case reviews of 5,652 children, saving significant time and resources for Oregon trial courts.

In reviews of cases involving abused or neglected children, local boards invite parents, foster parents, attorneys, caseworkers, court-appointed special advocates (CASAs), other interested parties, and the child, if appropriate, to attend CRB reviews and discuss plans and services for children and families. The board then makes findings and recommendations to the Juvenile Court and the Department of Human Services (DHS).

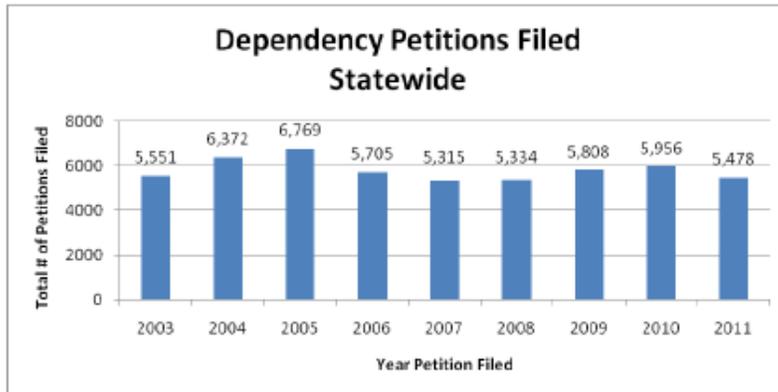
The program advocates for changes in the substitute care system by making recommendations about policies, procedures, and laws to the juvenile court, DHS, and the legislature.

We provide a citizen voice on the safety, supervision, and stability of children in foster care through impartial case review and advocacy.

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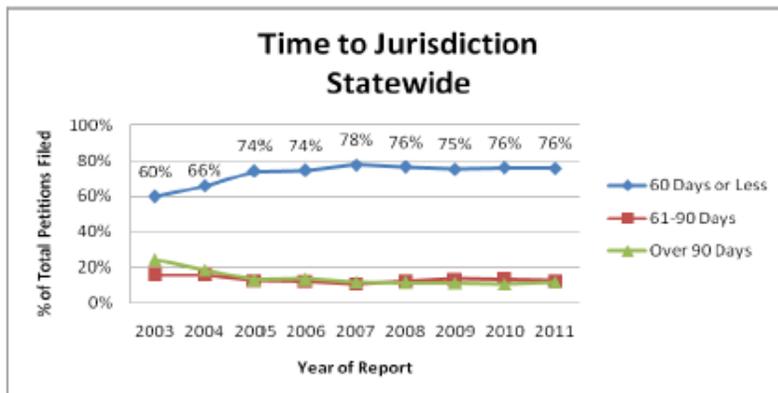
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Juvenile Dependency Proceedings January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

	# Proceedings	Average Length (in minutes)
Shelter hearings	3,946	20
Pretrial hearings	3,073	12
Jurisdiction/Disposition (noncontested)	3,560	32
Trials (contested Jurisdiction)	287	114
Disposition	615	19
Permanency Hearings	6,886	26
Review Hearings	8,715	21
CRB Reviews	4,608	35



Citizen Review Board		July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012
Number of CRB Volunteers		272
Total Volunteer Hours (includes training)		32,311
Average Number of Volunteer Hours (includes training)		119
Total Training Hours		3,550
Average Number of Training Hours per Volunteer		13
Average Length of Service		5.31 years