

OREGON JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT
Malheur County Circuit Court
Ninth Judicial District

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We requested and in April received a grant from the JCIP Advisory Committee in the amount of \$300.00 to purchase items for our children waiting for court waiting room. Since space is at a premium in our courthouse, the Juvenile Department indicated that we could use their conference room.

Kids coming to Court is coordinated through the caseworker and CASA and the attorney. While kids are waiting in the room they have a DHS employee with them at all times.

With the \$300.00 allocated we were able to purchase a variety of items for a wide variety of age groups from around 6 months old all the way up to things that might interest a 10 or 12 year old. Following is a partial list of items:

Etch-a-Sketch;
Puzzles;
Games – including Hungry Hippos, Guess Who (that several can play together)
Card games: Go Fish; Zanyplay; Crazy 8's; Old Maid; Dominoes
And two-sided easel with a grease board on one side and a chalkboard on the other;
Puzzles for a wide-variety of age groups and smaller pieces so they can complete in a short amount of time (and something they can do alone in case there are no other kids there);
Legos and Lego bricks in both pink and also blue;
Crayons, colored markers, colored pencils and a wide-variety of coloring books.
We also purchased some quiet items, like stuffed animals, and blocks, so little kids can have those in the courtroom and not distract the proceedings with a squeaky toy or something like that. A small grease board with some markers with it so they can draw in the courtroom also.

We also had a staff member that donated a small television, a Play Station along with several games for the older kids to play with.