



CFJN

California Family
Justice Network



CALIFORNIA FAMILY
JUSTICE NETWORK

Impact Report



2024/25

The California Family Justice Network (CFJN) was founded in June 2018 to raise awareness of the collaborative Family Justice Center model, promote best practices and innovations, and standardize Family Justice Center operations. The Network includes **27** established Family Justice Centers and **6** centers in development across California.



Family Justice Centers are a one-stop center for children, youth, and adults affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, elder abuse, human trafficking. When survivors of family violence seek help, they are often frustrated by a fractured system. They may have to travel to multiple locations to access criminal, civil, and social services. They will have to re-live personal traumas as they tell their story repeatedly. These hurdles can discourage their efforts and cause many people to simply stop seeking help. Family Justice Centers reduce the burden on victims/survivors by providing a broad spectrum of essential services in one location.

CFJN ACTIVITIES AT-A-GLANCE

- ✓ Peer-to-peer learning webinars and quarterly Network meetings
- ✓ Issue-oriented webinars featuring strategic partners and subject matter experts
- ✓ Family Justice Center Director Orientation and mentoring support
- ✓ State and federal partner coordination, fostering information sharing and collaboration
- ✓ Unified messaging and public awareness statewide highlighting the impact and proven effectiveness of Family Justice Centers
- ✓ Training modules aligned with California law, alongside the ongoing development of a CFJN training certification program
- ✓ Policy and advocacy work related to Family Justice Centers, survivors, domestic, & interpersonal violence

FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER(FJC) SERVICES AT-A-GLANCE

FJC Victim Services

Emergency Safety Planning

Restraining Orders

Family Court Assistance

Health Care Services

Referrals to Safe Shelter and Affordable Housing

Financial Stability/Assistance

Countless Special Needs as They Arise in the Moment

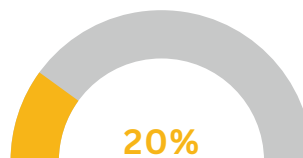
Trauma Informed Therapy/ services for adults/children

Victims Served



More than **70,000** victims of violence are served a year

Children Served



of victims served by CA FJCs are children

Increasing Service Requests



30% increase in victim requests for services since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic





MESSAGE FROM THE CFJN EXECUTIVE TEAM

At the heart of the California Family Justice Network's mission is ensuring the safety, dignity, and empowerment of survivors of domestic and interpersonal violence in our communities. Family Justice Centers throughout the state continue to exemplify this commitment, providing survivor-centered services that remove barriers to safety and healing.

This year has marked significant progress in the expansion and impact of Family Justice Centers, particularly in their response to human trafficking, domestic violence, and other forms of abuse. Through strengthened partnerships and trauma-informed services, these centers remain a vital refuge for individuals and families seeking support.

A key driver for this success has been the deepening collaboration among Family Justice Centers statewide. By sharing best practices, resources, and expertise, we are collectively improving how survivors access services, ensuring a seamless, coordinated response no matter where they seek help. From law enforcement and legal aid to victim advocacy and housing support, this network of partnerships strengthens our ability to provide holistic, wraparound care.

We are incredibly proud of the unwavering dedication of Family Justice Centers and their partners, who continue to create spaces where survivors can reclaim their voices and rebuild their lives. The collective efforts of service providers, volunteers, and advocates make a profound difference every day, saving lives, improving community safety, and reinforcing our shared commitment to breaking the cycle of violence.

Thank you for your support in this critical work. Together, we are fostering safer, stronger, and more resilient communities across California.

Sincerely,

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FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER OUTCOMES



CHILDREN

Family Justice Centers put victims, especially kids, first. Trauma informed therapies, programs and services include:

- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Testing
- County Behavioral Health Dep. counseling
- Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- **Camp Hope**
- Nurturing Parenting
- Motivational Interviewing
- Humane education/equine therapy
- Multidisciplinary Child Protection Teams



FAMILIES



100% of families experienced an increase in safety.



80% reported an increase in empowerment related to their ability to advocate for themselves, make informed choices, and to navigate complex systems.



75% of families experienced an increase in protective factors and resilience in the prevention of secondary assault.



VICTIMS

Family Justice Centers are uniquely situated to treat poly-victims' underlying vulnerabilities because the centers consolidate various services in one location.



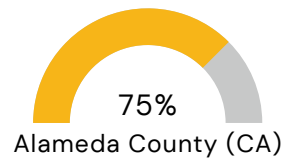
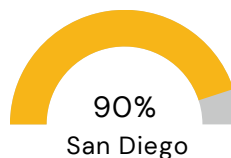
COMMUNITIES

Family Justice Centers have been found to increase community-based organizations (CBOs) effectiveness, increase survivor safety and empowerment, reduce survivor fear, and reduce homicides.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOMICIDES

In 2017, jurisdictions with Family Justice Centers had some of the lowest domestic violence homicides rates in the country. For example, Family Justice Centers contributed to a 90% drop in domestic violence homicides in the City of San Diego, and a 75% reduction in domestic violence homicides in Alameda County.



MENTAL HEALTH

Family Justice Center clients report feeling physically and emotionally safe accessing mental healthcare at a Family Justice Center.

Client Barriers to Mental Healthcare

- Language
- Undocumented status
- Lack of insurance
- Limited resources
- Lack of childcare
- Inexperience
- Distrust
- Stigma
- Custody concerns

Health & Hospitals Onsite FJC Psych Teams

Language lines, multilingual team

Sanctuary model

Free services

Co-located, collaborative services

- Consolidated travel time/costs
- Onsite childcare
- Other providers provide psychoeducation
- Warm handoffs to known providers

Trauma-informed care

Psych services not externally advertised



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THE IMPORTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FOR CFJN AND FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS

The Family Justice (FJ) Center Program, which provides grants to multi-agency, multi-disciplinary Family Justice Centers under California Penal Code §§13750–13751, has been a cornerstone of support for the California Family Justice Network (CFJN) and Centers statewide. This vital funding enables Family Justice Centers to offer life-saving, survivor-centered, and trauma-informed services to individuals impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, child abuse, and elder abuse.

Survivors often require support beyond traditional service models—emergency transportation, short-term housing, cell phones for safety, immediate food or clothing assistance, and trauma-informed therapy. Without flexible funding, many of these critical needs go unmet, forcing survivors to navigate additional barriers in an already overwhelming situation.

California Family Justice Centers serve as one-stop centers, bringing law enforcement, legal aid, victim advocacy, mental health support, and other critical services under one roof. However, without sustained and adaptable financial resources, the ability to provide holistic, wraparound care is compromised. Grant funding ensures that Family Justice Centers can maintain staff, expand services, and respond to emerging challenges like human trafficking, technology-facilitated abuse, and increased demand for services.

By investing in CFJN and local Family Justice Centers, grant funding directly strengthens the statewide network of support for survivors, ensuring that no one is turned away due to lack of resources. This funding is not just beneficial—it is vital to creating safer communities and breaking cycles of violence.

FUNDING PROVIDES HOPE ACROSS CALIFORNIA



Emergency Support for Survivors

- Food, shelter, phones, and personal items

Trauma-Informed Support

- Mental health counseling/care
- Wellness and Hope programs
- Camp Hope for kids
- Outreach to family members

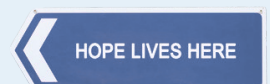
Legal Support/technical assistance

Family Justice Center staffing and training
Facility dogs that provide comfort & healing

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:



cafamilyjusticenetwork.org





The California Family Justice Network

ALAMEDA

Alameda County Family Justice Center

CONTRA COSTA

Central Contra Costa Family Justice Center/Concord

East Contra Costa Family Justice Center/Antioch

West Contra Costa Family Justice Center/Richmond

IMPERIAL/EL CENTRO

Imperial County Family Justice Center

KERN

Kern County Family Justice Center

LOS ANGELES

New Star Family Center/Hawthorne

Strength United/Van Nuys, San Fernando

L.A. Central Family Justice Center, Office of Mayor Karen Bass

MONTEREY

Monterey County Family Justice Center

NAPA

Monarch Justice Center

ORANGE COUNTY

Orange County Family Justice Center Foundation

Santa Ana Family Justice Center

RIVERSIDE

Riverside County SAFE Family Justice Center/Riverside

Riverside SAFE Family Justice Center/Indio

Riverside SAFE Family Justice Center/Temecula

SACRAMENTO

Sacramento Regional Family Justice Center

SAN DIEGO

Your Safe Place, A Family Justice Center

One Safe Place, North San Diego County Family Justice Center

SAN JOAQUIN

San Joaquin County Family Justice Center

SANTA CLARA

Central County/San Jose

North County/ Sunnyvale

South County/Morgan Hill

SOLANO

Solano Family Justice Center

SONOMA

Family Justice Center Sonoma County

STANISLAUS

Family Justice Center of Stanislaus

VENTURA

Ventura County Family Justice Center

EMERGING FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS

Los Angeles, Nevada, Placer, San Diego, Santa Cruz, and Ventura counties

