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## Wisconsin and Selected National Resources for Information on Juvenile Justice

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### **Department of Health and Human Services**

The mission of the Division of Youth Services (DYS) is to “change the behavior of the status offender and delinquent youth to prosocial behavior, to protect the public from antisocial delinquent acts, and to help these youth to lead satisfying and well-adjusted lives”. DYS carries out this mission by supporting and assisting public and private agencies in providing treatment, habilitation, and control services for alleged or adjudicated delinquents and status offenders; by providing care and treatment for adjudicated delinquents in secure juvenile correctional institutions; and by providing aftercare services to adjudicated delinquents upon their release from correctional facilities. In addition to the above services, DYS provides statistical data on the numbers of youth in state correctional facilities, recidivism rates for youth in state custody, as well as the numbers of youth involved in state aftercare programs. DYS also publishes an annual report on juvenile delinquency and status offenders in out of home care and Youth Aids expenditures in Wisconsin.

*Contact:*

Division of Youth Services  
1 West Wilson, Box 8930  
Madison WI 53708-8930  
(608) 266-9342

### Office of Justice Assistance

The Office of Justice Assistance, along with the Governor’s Juvenile Justice Commission is responsible for implementing the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act in Wisconsin. Through the funds provided by the act, funding is available for a wide range of local and community juvenile justice programs including prevention and early intervention programming. The office is also responsible for annual crime reports including information on county and state juvenile arrests and county detention placements.

*Contact:*

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222 State Street, Madison WI 53702  
(608) 266-7639

## **University of Wisconsin-Madison**

Dr. Temi Moffitt and Dr. Avshalom Caspi are researchers and national experts on the subject of juvenile justice, juvenile crime, and other related topics.

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## **Wisconsin Clearinghouse**

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*Contact:*

Wisconsin Clearinghouse  
315 N. Henry, Madison WI 53701  
(608) 248-9244 or (608) 262-2797

## **Wisconsin Council on Children and Families**

The Wisconsin Council on Children and Families follows current legislative activities that involve or relate to juvenile justice in Wisconsin.

*Contact:*

Wisconsin Council on Children and Families  
16 N. Carroll Street, Madison WI 53703  
(608) 284-0580

## **Wisconsin Juvenile Court Intake Association**

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*Contact:*

Rob Fadness, President, WJCIA Board of Directors  
c/o Circuit Court, Children's Division Courthouse  
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## **Federal/National Resources**

### **The National Council on Crime and Delinquency**

The National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) is a non-profit organization committed to the development and promotion of fair, humane, effective, and economically sound criminal and juvenile justice strategies. NCCD aims to assist federal and state officials, criminal justice professionals, and community organizations in the implementation of programs that will improve the criminal justice system.

*Contact:*

The National Council on Crime and Delinquency-Midwest Office  
6409 Odana Road  
Madison WI 53719  
(608) 274-8882

### **The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention**

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) provides national leadership, direction, coordination, and resources to prevent, treat and control juvenile delinquency, improve the juvenile justice system, and address the problem of missing and exploited children. OJJDP provides policy and program development; research and statistical studies; information dissemination and training; and technical assistance. OJJDP also provides funding for initiatives related to improving the juvenile justice system.

*Contact:*

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