

January 2023



Idaho Juvenile Justice Association

IJJA Welcomes the 2023 Board Members

District I Representative	Jessica Nordheim (Boundary County Community Justice)
District I Representative	Kelly Bell (Boundary County CASA Supervisor)
District II Representative	Ryan Gehring (Latah County Youth Services)
District II Representative	
District III Representative	Amanda Goldston (Children’s Mental Health, Region III)
District III Representative	Lina Smith (Trivium Life Services)
District IV Representative	DeeDee Phillips (Valley County Juvenile Probation)
District IV Representative	
District V Representative	Nick Rothe (Gooding County Adult Probation)
District V Representative	
District VI Representative	
District VI Representative	Shannon Fox (Bannock Youth Foundation)
District VII Representative	
District VII Representative	Moni Havelange (Madison County)
Floating Representative	Aletia Straub-Workman (Custer County Probation)
Floating Representative	
Tribal Representative	Del Rae Kipp (Nez Perce Tribe Prosecutor’s Office)
Tribal Representative	Breanne Speas (Nez Perce Tribe Juvenile Probation Office)

Theme for 2023 Annual Conference:

“Putting the Pieces Together”

IJJA Executive Board 2022

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Idaho Juvenile Justice Association Members,

Happy New Year! With gratitude, I thank you for your continued support of IJJA. How sweet it was to be back in-person for our last conference in September 2022. While meeting virtually provided an opportunity for us to continue our conferences during the pandemic, nothing beats the ability to network, catch-up, and learn from one another in-person.

The IJJA Board has been busy reviewing member feedback provided in the conference surveys and planning the 2023 conference, Putting the Pieces Together, which will take place at the Nampa Civic Center in Nampa, Idaho, September 11-12, 2023. A common theme during planning meetings continues to be reevaluating our WHY. As the 2023 IJJA President, my desire to challenge the Board to look through this lens when planning our next conference is to make sure we are not just doing things a certain way because we have always done it that way before. This is not to say what has been done before is incorrect, but rather as we go into our 32nd year of existence, how are we ensuring our annual conferences continue to provide relevant training materials for our members.

Author and inspirational speaker, Simon Sinek, encourages incorporations to not only think about WHAT they do, or HOW they do it, but WHY they do what they do. Simon describes our WHY as, “the purpose, cause, belief, and the reason you get out of bed in the morning.” As we begin this new year, I encourage all of us to stop and think about our WHY. What is our why for working in this field? Sure, we need employment as a resource to survive, but beyond that, what is the purpose, cause, or belief that led you to this field and has kept you in this field? As a Board, we will continue to reflect on this question as we move forward into 2023 and prepare to see you all in September.

In the coming months, be on the lookout for quarterly newsletters, meeting minutes, and email updates from your District Representative. If you have questions or comments for the Board, please reach out to me or your District Representative. Contact information for all IJJA Board Members is located on our website at www.ijja.us.

I wish you a safe, happy, and healthy 2023!

Samantha Graefe
IJJA President 2022-2023
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Since 1991

Our Mission

It is the mission of the IJJA to provide a forum for discussion and resolution of issues related to juvenile justice; to provide a central focus of networking for professionals in career development, service delivery, and progressive growth in the profession; to provide leadership for Idaho in the promotion of community safety, victim restoration, and effective service delivery for at-risk youth, their families, and communities.

IJJA Who Are We?

The Idaho Juvenile Justice Association is an organization dedicated to providing training for a sound juvenile justice system in Idaho. Members include representatives from juvenile probation, law enforcement, education, social work, judiciary, and the business community. Line staff, managers, and administrators join together in pursuit of the vision that Idaho's communities can be safe, youth can be held accountable, and can develop competency skills to live productive lifestyles.

Our Beliefs

- The "Balanced Approach," promoting and utilizing its concepts;
- A coordinated system working toward common goals;
- Recognition of dedicated professionals;
- Candid discussion of issues to facilitate joining in pursuit of common goals; and
- "Joining with," not "demanding of," as a process for building teams and accomplishing goals.



The Idaho Juvenile Justice Association Needs District Representatives!

Currently, we have several District Representative positions available. It is important to have every district represented on the IJJA Board. If you are within one of the districts that has an opening, please consider taking a position with the IJJA Board.

Serving on the IJJA Board gives you opportunities to meet members from all across the state of Idaho, help bring quality training to professionals in Idaho, and make friendships that will last a lifetime.

Districts in need of representatives are:

District IV	1 position available
District V	2 positions available
District VI	1 position available
District VII	1 position available
Floating Rep	1 position available

District Representative job duties can be reviewed on the IJJA website:

<http://www.ijja.us/rules-procedures/board-duties/>

If you are interested or have questions, please contact our current president, Sam Graefe, by email at sgraefe@adacounty.id.gov.

Please consider joining our team!



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2023 Annual IJJA Conference “Putting the Pieces Together”

SAVE THE DATE!

2023 Conference Location

Nampa Civic Center
Best Western Plus Peppertree
311 3rd St. S
Nampa, ID 83651
(208) 468-5500



P.O. Box 6430
Boise, ID 83707
www.ijja.us

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

September 10-12, 2023

September 10, 2023

Early Registration and Meet and Greet

September 11 2023

Registration, Keynote Speaker and
Breakout Sessions

September 12, 2023

Breakout Sessions, Luncheon, Awards and
Closing of 2023 Conference

Don't forget to ... **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!**



**Cost of Membership through
April 30 ... \$35.00 per person**

**Cost of Membership starting
May 1 ... \$40.00 per person**

Go to our website to join:

www.ijja.us

District 1

Bonner and Boundary County's District Judge, Barbara Buchanan, announced her retirement in October.

<https://bonnercountydailybee.com/news/2022/oct/01/end-era-judge-buchanan-retire-january/>

Governor announces Susie Jensen's appointment to the new District Judge for Bonner and Boundary.

<https://bonnercountydailybee.com/news/2022/dec/06/jensen-named-first-judicial-district-post/>

District III

2022 Back to School Kick Off Event Update

We had an incredible year with so much support from our partners. Over 1,000 attendees, handed out over 450 backpacks, 21 bikes and took 24 kids shopping for school clothing! It was a record year!





Article regarding free counseling sessions for students and their families in the **Ada County school district**. It works like an EAP program where students and their families can get 5 free counseling sessions, per incident, per year. 😊

https://www-boisestatepublicradio-org.cdn.ampproject.org/c/s/www.boisestatepublicradio.org/show/idaho-matters/2023-01-03/new-program-helps-support-mental-health-of-idaho-students?_amp=true

Also, the same program is also going in D5 with the **Twin Falls School District**.

Charlie Health

Charlie Health is reimagining the way high acuity mental health care is accessed and delivered. With youth depression, anxiety, and suicide at an all time high, Charlie Health recognizes that we need an innovative and accessible solution to address this crisis. Charlie Health's virtual treatment leverages technology to expand access for teens and young adults, all while providing high quality and evidence based treatment.

We offer intensive outpatient therapy for people ages 11-33, with highly specialized groups to build connection and promote healing. With a wide range of evidence based and experiential therapies, with additional individual and family therapy, Charlie Health maintains that there is no "one size fits all" treatment plan. At Charlie Health, we believe everyone deserves to be empowered and loved. Please reach out to Amanda Davison if you have any questions: amanda.davison@charliehealth.com

[Click to join!](#)

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

Join us on Mondays at 6pm MT. For parents, grandparents, or guardians of teens and young adults who struggle with mental health and substance use disorders. Including specific groups for parents of teens, young adults, LGBTQIA+, families of color, and Grupo de Cuidadores en Español.

[Click to join!](#)

SUICIDE SURVIVOR SUPPORT GROUP

Join us Fridays at 12pm MT. A safe space for those affected by the loss of a loved one to suicide to share stories, build community, and gain support across a virtual and healing space.

[Click to join!](#)

ATHLETE SUPPORT GROUP

Join us every other Wednesday at 5pm MT. A therapist-guided space for athletes who are struggling with their mental health to connect with other athletes and learn coping skills.

[Click to join!](#)

PROVIDER SUPPORT GROUP

Join us every other Friday at 12pm MT. Free provider support group to share our experiences, coping skills, and different facets of self care to create a trusted network of support.

Open Community Support Groups from Charlie Health

Youth Assessment Centers

In Spring 2022, the Idaho Legislature appropriated the Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections \$6.5 million to establish Youth Assessment Centers across Idaho. IDJC partnered with the National Assessment Center Association to provide Assessment Center 101 training in Idaho and develop a competitive grant process. Through that process, eight Assessment Center grants were awarded across each judicial district in Idaho. The projects started on July 1, 2022 and as of 12.13.22, four assessment centers are open and serving youth in their communities and four projects are in varying states of implementation. The project period will end June 30, 2023. Stay tuned for updates regarding this exciting work and contact Holly Walund, IDJC Project Manager for additional information.

Youth Behavioral Health Community Crisis Centers

Also in spring 2022, the Idaho Legislature appropriated IDJC \$4.4 million to establish youth crisis centers in Idaho in collaboration with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. IDJC and IDHW collaborated to release a grant on September 30, 2022. We received 7 applications, spanning 6 of the 7 judicial districts across Idaho. In December, four YBHCCC grant awards were accepted and YBHCCCs will be coming in Districts 3, 4, 5 and 7. Stay tuned for additional updates on those projects and contact Holly Walund, IDJC Project Manager for additional information (Holly.Walund@idjc.idaho.gov).

988 Partner Toolkit

<https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/988/partner-toolkit>

MultiSystem Therapy

If you're an agency or know of agencies that are interested in providing Multisystemic Therapy please contact Jennifer Barnett - Jennifer.Barnett@dhw.idaho.gov or Jose Martinez – jose.martinez@idjc.idaho.gov for more information.”

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If anyone is interested in filling the vacant spots, please contact Sam Graefe.