What an exciting time for the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ)!

During 2008-2009, under the kind and courageous leadership of Robin Jenkins of North Carolina, our National Chair from 2007-2009, CJJ became more nimble, energetic and sustainable. We increased our membership, leadership and state-level engagement, and as a result our impact. Along with Robin, all CJJ members and contributors share credit for the many accomplishments and successes in 2008 and 2009 recounted on the following pages. As you read through our biennial report of progress, you will see that at the heart of CJJ’s success is involvement of state advisory groups and juvenile justice leaders, across all 56 U.S. states, territories and the District of Columbia.

We honored CJJ’s 25th Anniversary in 2009. At that time, we renewed our commitment to effective approaches, including reducing out of home placements and promoting alternatives to formal system involvement, as well as alternatives to detention/incarceration. We also strengthened our emphases on racial justice and youth development principles and practices.

To have CJJ’s Founding Chair, Ms. A.L. Carlisle, grace us with her presence for CJJ’s 25th Anniversary Celebration was, indeed, a special highlight. Ms. Carlisle started CJJ, literally, from her kitchen table in Maine where she crafted a national newsletter on her manual typewriter and dug into her own pocket for postage. At the celebration, she expressed deep appreciation that “CJJ continues to advocate for the rights of those who, all too often, have no voice… with members and leaders who are passionate about making things better for kids and communities.”

We hope that you, too, will join with us to advance CJJ’s goals, to increase CJJ’s voice, and to carry forward A.L.’s vision. You are most welcome at the CJJ table!

David R. Schmidt, New Mexico
National Chair, 2009-2011

Nancy Gannon Hornberger
Executive Director
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Membership and Leadership for Impact and System Improvement

As the sole national organization representing and serving Governor-appointed juvenile justice State Advisory Groups (SAGs), CJJ leaders and staff ensure that our programs, policy positions, training and resources align with the priorities and needs of SAG members, nationwide. Because our members are active participants in juvenile justice reform at the state and local levels, CJJ is grounded in knowledge from the front lines.

State Advisory Groups—the SAGs
State Advisory Group (SAG) members form the heart of our Coalition. Each year, SAG members devote tens of thousands of hours of their time, expertise and significant financial investments in CJJ.

During 2008 and 2009, we were very pleased to welcome back SAGs that had not been formal members for several years, including Delaware, Nebraska, Pennsylvania and South Dakota. Altogether, SAGs in 49 states, territories and D.C. were members in good standing with CJJ over these two years.

Regions: Northeast, South, Midwest and West
CJJ has seen resurgent regional activity, as the elected regional Chairs and Representatives promote information-sharing and collaboration needed to develop solutions to juvenile justice issues. During 2008-2009, the Northeast Region staged state-led regional conferences attracting regional and nationwide CJJ members.

Individual Members at Large
In 2008-2009, CJJ also enjoyed an uptick in the number of individual Members at Large who joined CJJ, many of whom are former SAG members who wished to stay active.
The CJJ Executive Board holds legal and fiduciary authority for CJJ. The Board dedicates itself to creating open dialogue and a collaborative atmosphere among CJJ members and promotes ownership of the organization and investment in all of its activities. Board members often also serve as regional and committee leaders.

Executive Board and Committee Chairs 2008 - 2009

- Robert ("Robin") Jenkins, Ph.D. (North Carolina), National Chair
- David R. Schmidt (New Mexico), National Vice Chair/National Chair
- The Honorable Paul H. Lawrence (New Hampshire), Immediate Past Chair
- Ward E. Loyd (Kansas), National Vice Chair (partial term)
- Cindy Durham (Tennessee), Treasurer/Secretary
- Gina E. Wood (Virginia), Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Chair
- Andrew K. Jennings (Virginia), National Youth Chair
- Benjamin A. Deaton (Kentucky), National Youth Chair
- Abby Anderson (Connecticut), National Juvenile Justice Network Representative
- The Honorable Michael Mayer (Minnesota), Midwest Region Chair
- Keith Wood (Missouri), Midwest Region Representative
- Patricia Connell, J.D. (Illinois), Midwest Region Representative
- Reverend Dr. James G. Kirk, STD (Maryland), NE Region Chair and Fund Raising Committee Chair
- Susan Kamp, M.S. (Vermont), NE Region Representative and Training and TA Committee Chair
- Carlos D. Hendricks-Verdejo (New Jersey), NE Region Representative
- Linda W. Hayes (North Carolina), Southern Region Chair
- Eric Williams (Mississippi), Southern Region Representative
- Rodney A. Cook, M.A. (Oregon), Western Region Chair
- Katie Wells, M.P.A., C.A.C. III (Colorado), Western Region Representative
- The Honorable Melody McCray-Miller (Kansas), Western Region Representative
- Richard Lindahl (New Mexico), National Juvenile Justice Specialist
- Theresa Lay-Sleeper (Vermont), National Juvenile Justice Specialist
- Thomas Harig, Ph.D. (New York), National DMC Coordinator
- Brad Richardson, Ph.D. (Iowa), National DMC Coordinator
- The Honorable John Varin (Idaho), 2009 Spring Conference Planning Committee Chair
- Ken Schatz (Vermont), Government Relations Committee Chair
- Derrick Johnson (Arizona), Finance Committee Chair
- Bob Pence (Colorado), Audit Committee Chair
- John Dewese (South Carolina), Personnel Committee Chair
In 2008-2009, the following U.S. jurisdictions were represented on the Council:

Alabama
Alaska
Arizona
Arkansas
Colorado
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
Connecticut
Delaware
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Guam
Hawaii
Idaho
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Montana
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
North Dakota
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Puerto Rico
Rhode Island
South Carolina
South Dakota
Tennessee
Utah
Vermont
Virgin Islands
Virginia
Washington
Wisconsin

The Council comprises SAG Chairs among those SAGs that hold formal membership in good standing with CJJ. The states of member SAGs must also participate in the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA).

The Council meets at least annually to develop, discuss and approve significant organizational policies such as bylaws and policy/topical positions, and to elect representatives to the Executive Board. All policy positions are vetted in advance of meetings and approved by at least a two-thirds majority vote.
Strong Policy
Positions Adopted

The CJJ Council of SAGs took strong, forward-thinking positions in 2008 and 2009:

Platform on Reauthorization of the JJDPA:
In 2008, the CJJ Council of SAGs released a multi-position Platform in support of the Reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA), in advance of the introduction of congressional legislation, to represent the individual and collective views of the states.

Youth PROMISE Act:
The Council issued a statement in support of the Youth PROMISE Act, which achieves a favorable balance of protecting community safety while providing localities with tools and resources necessary to prevent and address youth gang activity and violence, while yielding overall cost savings.

School Engagement vs. Exclusion:
The Council supported a position on school engagement versus exclusion, voicing support for policies that strive to keep students in school and guard against any bias in school discipline or policy that may adversely and disproportionately affect youth of color, disabled youth or any group of students.

Earmarks:
Earmarks and set-asides that carved away JJDPA funds available to the states have, in recent years, undermined state compliance with federal law and effective delinquency prevention and intervention practices, therefore the Council took a position to oppose earmarks on federal juvenile justice programs and appropriations.

Juvenile Sex Offenders:
Given that youth under age 18 charged with sex offenses have been shown to be more amenable to treatment than adults and less likely to re-offend in the future, the Council passed a position to oppose any federal mandate that youth adjudicated within the juvenile court for a sex-based offense be required to register on a national public registry.

To read the above and other CJJ position papers, please visit the Fact Sheets and Position Papers section of our Web site, www.juvjustice.org
Member-driven committees, facilitated by professional staff support, define and develop many aspects of CJJ’s work. Some committees are issue-focused and others strive to keep the organization in sound health.

**Leadership Committees**

- **CJJ Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee**
  Ensures that the diversity of race, culture and ethnicity of youth in the juvenile justice system remains foremost in the minds of CJJ members and works to resolve disproportionate minority contact (DMC) and racial/ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system. The committee advanced a formal position on “School Engagement vs. Exclusion” through the Council of SAGs and actively supported CJJ’s co-sponsorship of the Oregon Governor’s DMC Summit.

- **CJJ Finance Committee**
  Serves as the financial advisor in all of the organization’s affairs. The Finance Committee increased the strength and diversity of CJJ’s financial standing in all areas, including foundation support, individual contributions, conference income and other earned income.

- **CJJ Nominating Committee**
  Ensures that a qualified slate of candidates for each elected position to the Executive Board is presented to the CJJ Council of SAGs for election, annually.

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Bylaws-Required Committees
Ad Hoc Committees

CJJ Conference Planning Committee
Organizes content for CJJ national conferences, including workshops and keynote presentations.

CJJ Fund Raising Committee
identifies and implements activities to increase revenue in keeping with the goals of the CJJ Strategic Plan, with a strong focus on the Circle of Leaders’ individual gifts program. The committee substantially increased individual contributions income for the 25th Anniversary year.

CJJ Government Relations Committee
Reviews federal policy issues and questions related to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention and formulates educational documents, including position papers, to represent the SAGs and CJJ members. Please see the Council of SAGs policy positions on page 8.

CJJ Training and Technical Assistance Committee
Responsible for SAG member training and leadership development, in conjunction with the CJJ annual national conference and in states, as requested/contracted. In 2008-2009, the committee worked closely with the Youth Committee to begin development of youth engagement training for the SAGs.

CJJ National Youth Committee
Ensures that CJJ members are aware of the needs of youth in the system, and that SAGs actively involve youth members. The Youth Committee implements the annual CJJ Spirit of Youth Award. In 2008-2009, the Youth Committee launched a youth-member listserv, increased youth participation, held a leadership retreat and began work on youth-engagement training for SAGS, as well as a Youth Manual for SAGs.

To find the CJJ Youth Manual and other CJJ Publications, visit the Newsletters and Reports: Topic Specific Reports section of our Web site, www.juvjustice.org
2008:
“Investing in Our Children: Emerging Reform Efforts in Juvenile Justice” was the theme of the 2008 CJJ Annual Spring Conference & Council of SAGs’ Meeting.
CJJ’s 2008 Annual Conference, attended by representatives from 48 states and territories, showcased juvenile justice reform efforts led by local, state and federal government and public/private partnerships.

2009:
“Unlocking the Future of Juvenile Justice” was the theme of the 2009 CJJ Annual Spring Conference & 25th Anniversary Celebration.
The conference was focused on successful alternatives to formal system involvement, out of home placement, detention and incarceration for youth who become involved in the justice system and emphasized infusion of youth development principles and practices into juvenile justice and delinquency prevention. Representatives from 43 states and territories attended.

To read more, please visit the Conferences and Trainings section of our Web site, www.juvjustice.org

In 2008-2009, keeping with tradition, CJJ’s signature event was its Annual Spring Conference and Hill Day. Through an open and competitive selection process, CJJ offered innovative and interactive workshops and inspiring keynote speakers. After each event, CJJ made conference presentations and workshop materials available on its website for wide public benefit.
CJJ was created to provide, among other things, a national voice for State Advisory Groups (SAGs) to advise the President, the Congress, and the Administrator of OJJDP on best practices, promising programs, trends, and concerns relative to juveniles and the juvenile justice system. CJJ was specifically created, because there was no national organization to provide state-specific information at the national level.

“CJJ continues to provide a forum for the SAGs to share their problems, concerns, and triumphs with each other and with others who are interested in improving services for juveniles and the juvenile justice system. CJJ comprises those very groups which are largely responsible for implementing the Act in the states and whose efforts have done so much to improve things for young people, not just in their individual states, but also nationwide.

“CJJ is the most effective mechanism to ensure the Act is implemented in all states and territories. Our recommendations have become part of the Act and part of OJJDP initiatives, as well as part of state laws and programs.”

—A.L. Carlisle,
CJJ Founding National Chair

1984-2009: Honoring 25 Years
of Service to Youth, Our Members and the Nation

A special highlight in 2009 was CJJ’s celebration of its 25th Anniversary with our Founding Chair, Ms. A.L. Carlisle. She explained how a manual typewriter on her kitchen table was the wellspring of member communications lifting the voice of the states and SAGs until the organization was eventually officially recognized by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). Renowned musician, Josh White, Jr., and youth poets from the District of Columbia’s Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services topped off the celebration with great music and spoken word performances. A slideshow of photos taken at the celebration is available on CJJ’s Web site.
Award Recipients and Chairs

A.L. Carlisle was joined by CJJ award recipients and Chairs from the span of CJJ’s 25 years. Including:

National Chairs:

1980-1987  A.L. Carlisle  Cape Elizabeth, Maine
1988      Richard Gardell  St. Paul, Minnesota
1989      Allen Button  Louisville, Kentucky
1990      Robert M. Hunter  Boulder, Colorado
1991      Vicki B.E. Neiberg  East Lansing, Michigan
1992      Susan Morris  Shawnee, Oklahoma
1993      Farrell Lines  Albuquerque, New Mexico
1994      Michael E. Saucier  Portland, Maine
1995      Allison Fleming  Des Moines, Iowa
1996      Lavonda Taylor West  Memphis, Arkansas
1997      Thomas S. Begich  Anchorage, Alaska
1998      Bernardine S. Hall  West Monroe, Louisiana
1999      Linda W. Hayes  Dunn, North Carolina
2000      Robert Pence  Littleton, Colorado
2001      B. Thomas Leahy  Basking Ridge, New Jersey
2002      Rodney Cook  Gladstone, Oregon
2003      John Dewese  Lancaster, South Carolina
2004      Kenneth A. Schatz  South Burlington, Vermont
2005      Vicki Blankenship  Fairbanks, Alaska
2006      Paul Lawrence  Goffstown, New Hampshire
2007-2009  Robin Jenkins  Fayetteville, North Carolina
### Child Advocacy Award Winners

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<td>Robert M. Hunter</td>
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<td>Birch Bayh</td>
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<td>1995</td>
<td>Terry Edwards</td>
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<td>1996</td>
<td>Bernardine (Hall) Adams</td>
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<td>Frank A. Orlando</td>
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<td>Stacey F. Atkinson</td>
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<td>Robert E. Shepherd, Jr.</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>William R. Byars, Jr.</td>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>Linda O’Neal</td>
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<td>Vincent N. Schiraldi</td>
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### Spirit of Youth Award Winners

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<td>Derrick Bedford</td>
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<td>Corey Kean</td>
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<td>2002</td>
<td>T. Nicole Wright</td>
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<td>2003</td>
<td>Rita Naranjo</td>
<td>California</td>
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<td>2004</td>
<td>Jeremy Estrada</td>
<td>California/Washington, DC</td>
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<td>2005</td>
<td>Antoine Perry</td>
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<td>2006</td>
<td>Marvin Gumba</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>Keanalu Chartrand</td>
<td>Hawaii</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>Lance Garner</td>
<td>Hawaii</td>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>Micheal M. Cox</td>
<td>North Carolina</td>
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### Tony Gobar Outstanding National Juvenile Justice Specialist Award Winners

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<td>Suzanne Toguchi</td>
<td>Hawaii</td>
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<td>2006</td>
<td>Pat Cervera</td>
<td>Colorado</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>Larry Carter</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>Richard Lindahl</td>
<td>New Mexico</td>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>Sandy Rempe</td>
<td>Missouri</td>
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In 2008-2009, CJJ partnered with its regional coalitions and state members to offer high quality juvenile justice training to the field:

- The 10th Annual Oregon Governor’s Summit on Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) was co-sponsored and supported by the Oregon SAG with CJJ.
- The CJJ Northeast Coalition voluntarily organized and staged two excellent regional conferences in 2008 and 2009, in Maine and Pennsylvania, respectively.
- Peer-led SAG member training was staged at CJJ conferences, as well as on-site in Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Mexico and Oregon.

To complement in-person training, CJJ held distance-learning Webinars and conference calls, including the following titles:

- Community of Practice on School Behavioral Health: Focusing on Building Bridges to Juvenile Justice.
- Making a Difference: Implementation Strategies to Make Use of Evidence-Based Programs and Practices.
- Reclaiming Futures Strategies in JJDPA State Plans to Increase Access to Substance Abuse Treatment.
- Advancing the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative in JJDPA State Plans.

Regional and State-Based Trainings
Enhanced Communications to Broaden Reach and Influence

In 2008, CJJ launched SAG Source™, a new online resource that catalogs and highlights the accomplishments of the nation’s SAGs in a virtual library, searchable by priority areas – such as detention reform or disproportionate minority contact (DMC) – as well as by states or territories. In 2009, substantial “building” of the site was accomplished; many states shared resources, including State Three-Year Plans and SAG Annual Reports.

To read more, please visit the SAG Source™ section of our Web site, www.juvjustice.org

CJJ’s Juvenile Justice e-Monitor:
CJJ’s monthly e-newsletter went out, nationwide, to a growing mailing list featuring profiles of CJJ members and SAGs, best practice information, government relations/federal policy updates and resources of value to SAGs and other juvenile justice leaders. To subscribe to CJJ’s e-Monitor, email your request to info@juvjustice.org.

To read more, please visit the Newsletters and Reports section of our Web site, www.juvjustice.org
State-Informed Positions to Advance National Policy and Federal Leadership

CJJ was a recognized key leader in several areas of federal policy, including:

- Reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA).
- Youth PROMISE Act.
- Increasing School Engagement vs. Exclusion.
- Eliminating Earmarks on Federal Juvenile Justice Appropriations to the States.
- Opposing Public Registry of Juveniles Charged with Sex Offenders.

See page 7 on CJJ Council of SAGs for more details.
In addition, CJJ brought forward the voice and views of its members in the following ways:

**JJDPA Compliance Challenges and Successes:**

**A Pivotal Moment**

In anticipation of the reauthorization of the JJDPA thirty-five years after its enactment, CJJ explored state and local compliance with the core requirements of the Act. CJJ commissioned a nationwide survey, and captured findings and recommendations based on the research in: “A Pivotal Moment: Sustaining the Success and Enhancing the Future of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act.” The report was released at a major event involving speakers from the President’s Domestic Policy Council, the SAGs and CJJ. The survey and report were supported with SAG memberships and a grant from the Public Welfare Foundation.

Related to the report, David Schmidt, CJJ National Chair, and Ward Loyd, CJJ Vice Chair, co-authored an op-ed: “Juvenile Justice at a Pivotal Moment,” published in Roll Call, a widely read Capitol Hill publication. The report and this op-ed were delivered to all members of Congress with juvenile justice jurisdiction.

**Connecting with the New Presidential Administration and Leaders at the U.S. Department of Justice**

Before and after the election of President Obama, CJJ stayed on pace with the transition team, the President’s Domestic Policy Council and the new Administration at the U.S. Department of Justice, participating in public comment opportunities and meetings on behalf of our members.

In 2009, CJJ issued recommendations to the Department of Justice on racial/ethnic disparities and Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC).

CJJ members offered President-elect Obama’s transition team recommendations regarding the transition of OJJDP and its administrator.

CJJ members called for a highly-qualified permanent administrator of OJJDP.
Building Consensus and Momentum for Juvenile Justice Reform

CJJ co-chaired the “Act-4-JJ Campaign” formed in 2006 to advance reauthorization of the JJDPA, with co-chair, Campaign for Youth Justice. This multi-year initiative has resulted in a broad consensus among more than 380 international, national, state and local organizations involving a range of perspectives from SAGs, system professionals, law enforcement, advocates, legal and policy-oriented groups, as well as child and family service organizations. CJJ also continued to manage the Act-4-JJ Web site, www.act4jj.org, and began an Act-4-JJ Campaign page on Facebook.

CJJ co-convened with The Sentencing Project, the National Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Coalition (National JJDP Coalition), of which Act-4-JJ is a major taskforce. This well-established caucus of national and state organizations has been working in common cause to improve juvenile justice for more than a decade. The National JJDP Coalition addresses four core areas of federal juvenile justice policy: 1) JJDPA reauthorization; 2) juvenile justice appropriations; 3) gang abatement; and 4) re-entry.

CJJ collaborated across the states and with DC-based national organizations to build consensus and increase momentum for improvements in national, state and local juvenile justice policy and practice. To this end, CJJ served as lead convener and valued partner; contributed to and learned from the successes of others; and shared the priorities of the SAGs and our members in the broadest possible arenas, lending our unique voice.

Since 2002, CJJ has fiscally sponsored the National Juvenile Justice Network (NJJN). NJJN has developed into a thriving network of state-based coalitions and advocacy groups enacting significant legislative, and administrative changes and system reforms. Many NJJN members also serve as SAG members.
CJJ’s partnership with the Annie E. Casey Foundation and its Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI), formed in 2000, continued to flourish over these two years. Highlights include significant new publications in 2008-2009, among other activities:

- **State-Level Detention Reform: A Practice Guide for State Advisory Groups**, released in 2008, is a practice guide for SAGs interested in learning about effective leadership with the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI). The guide features prominent examples of SAG-supported work with JDAI at the state and local level and demonstrates the effectiveness of detention reform efforts in supporting compliance with JJDPA core protections and improving juvenile justice systems.

- **Supporting Juvenile Detention Reform in JJDPA State Three-Year Plans:** Coalition for Juvenile Justice Best Practices Bulletin, released in 2009, features best practice examples from four states that have successfully addressed JJDPA core requirements and strengthened their juvenile justice systems by including juvenile detention reform objectives in their JJDPA State Three-Year Plans. Additionally, the bulletin presents strategic opportunities for expanding juvenile detention reform as the JJDPA is reauthorized.

- **CJJ National Chair, David Schmidt, was a “JDAI Newsmaker” featured in JDAI News, August 2009.**

CJJ also continued as a partner with the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation’s Models for Change juvenile justice reform initiative in 2008-2009, serving a vital role in developing and managing the Models for Change national working conference and supporting work across 16 states in coordination with the SAGs and NJJN.
Increasing and Diversifying Support by CJJ Donors

CJJ is supported by many organizations, professionals and individuals, in the form of financial contributions and volunteer hours.

SAG Support
In 2008-2009, CJJ leaders, officers, and committee members contributed an incredible 20,000-plus hours of volunteer time to CJJ each year and, as mentioned above, 49 SAGs “invested” paid memberships in CJJ.

Foundation Support 2008-2009
Annie E. Casey Foundation, Baltimore, MD
John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Chicago, IL
Public Welfare Foundation, Washington, DC

In Kind/Pro Bono Support 2008-2009
Covington Burling LLC, Washington, DC
Jones Day LLC, Washington, DC
Josh White, Jr., Novi, MI
Tom Begich, Anchorage, AK
University of California Semester in Washington Interns:
Lauren Schick (UCLA) and Leonardo DeHaro (UC-Santa Cruz)

2008-2009 Circle of Leaders Fund
The CJJ Circle of Leaders Fund is the organization’s individual contributions program. Each year, 100% of the CJJ Executive Board, including the Executive Director, gave to the Fund and were joined by many other generous individuals. In 2008-2009, the Circle of Leaders Fund monies were used to support the 25th Anniversary Celebration and the National CJJ Awards.

2008 total: $4,945
2009 total: $9,575
Benefactors
($1500 or more):
The Rev. Dr. James G. and Elizabeth J. Kirk Maryland

Patrons
($500 to $1,499):
Anonymous
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Robert "Robin" Jenkins North Carolina
Honorable Paul Lawrence New Hampshire
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Excellent Financial Standing & Wise Use of Resources

CJJ practiced excellent financial stewardship to provide maximum benefits for our members and to advance our mission on behalf of children, families and communities, nationwide. In 2008-2009, formal audits were conducted by Halt, Buzas & Powell, Ltd., Certified Public Accountants and Management Consultants. For copies of the full financial statements, please send a written request, with your name and address to: info@juvjustice.org

2008-2009 Financial Standing

CJJ achieved a balanced budget each year. 2008 Annual Operating Budget: $1.4 million 2009 Annual Operating Budget: $1.2 million

71%

of CJJ’s income in 2008 & 2009 came from grants and contributions. Membership contributions in 2008 & 2009 accounted for 22% of CJJ’s income. 7% of CJJ’s income was generated from earned income and interest.

2008-2009 Program vs. Management Expenses

88%

of CJJ’s spending was devoted to program services to support state-based juvenile justice leaders and reform activities. Management and administrative costs only accounted for 12% of CJJ’s annual budget.
Dedications

The Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) dedicates this inaugural annual report of its progress to the leaders and donors to the CJJ Circle of Leaders Fund who have passed away in recent years, leaving a legacy of excellence and commitment. They are (in alphabetical order):

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During 2008-2009, CJJ’s substantive areas of work included:

- Promoting empirically-supported policies and practices in delinquency reduction and prevention.
- Educating the public and advising on urgent issues and needs in federal and state juvenile justice policy.
- Assisting states and territories to meet the core requirements of the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA).
- Instituting juvenile justice system reforms to improve the quality, racial/ethnic competence and accessibility of community and court-based policies and practices.
- Linking national, state and local advocates and organizations together, across many disciplines and circumstances, to pursue a common mission.