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## About OJJDP

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) was established in 1974 to guide national efforts to prevent delinquency, strengthen the juvenile justice system, and protect children. OJJDP is a component of the Office of Justice Programs within the U.S. Department of Justice.

## Vision

OJJDP envisions a nation where all children are free from crime and violence. Youth contact with the justice system should be rare, fair, and beneficial.

## Mission

OJJDP provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to youth delinquency and victimization. The Office helps states, localities, and Tribes develop effective and equitable juvenile justice systems that create safer communities and empower youth to lead productive lives.

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