
The Judicial Oversight Demonstration Initiative

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Overview

The Judicial Oversight Demonstration (JOD) Initiative tests the idea that a coordinated community response to domestic violence that ensures a focused judicial response and a systematic criminal justice response can improve victim safety and service provision, as well as increase offender accountability. During fiscal year 1999, three demonstration sites were competitively selected to participate in a five-year demonstration initiative: City of Boston/Dorchester District Court, MA; Washtenaw County, Ann Arbor, MI; and Milwaukee County, WI. Since implementation, each demonstration site has developed multiple governmental and non-governmental partnerships working to address domestic violence.

The following materials provide an overview of the project and a summary of each demonstration site:

- Overview [/documents/1jod/factsheet_rev_060502.pdf]
- City of Boston/Dorchester District Court, MA [/documents/1jod/dorchester.pdf]
- Washtenaw County, Ann Arbor, MI [/documents/1jod/washtenaw.pdf]
- Milwaukee County, WI [/documents/1jod/milwaukee.pdf]