



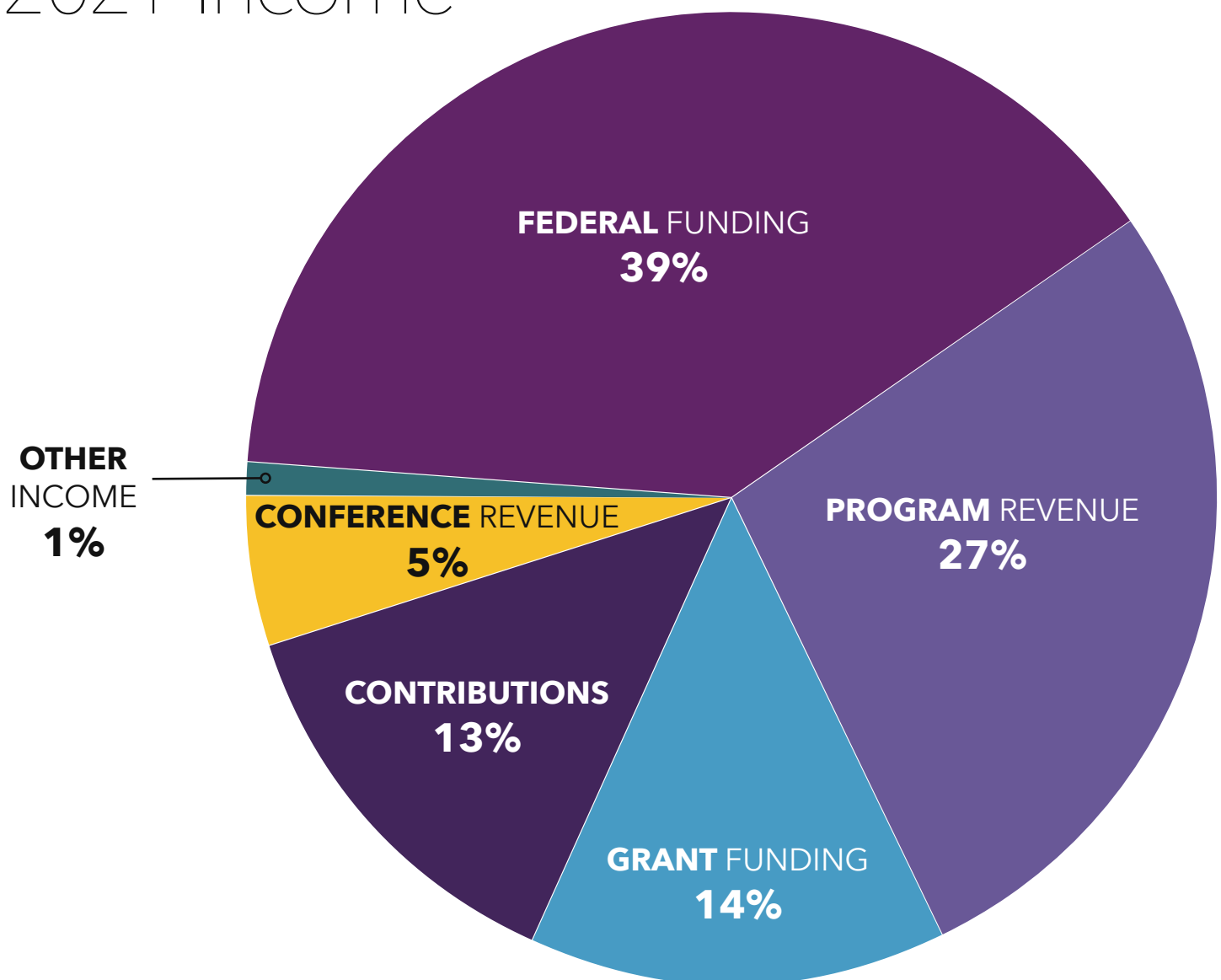
ALLIANCE FOR HOPE STAFF AND BOARD RETREAT , ESTES PARK, COLORADO



## HIGHLIGHTS

4	Alliance for HOPE International
6	Family Justice Center Alliance
8	The Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention
10	Camp HOPE America

## 2021 Income



Dear Friends,

2021 was a year to remember. Despite the challenges, we saw and seized opportunities to Dream Bigger in all our programs. The Alliance became a partially remote organization with most of our staff living in San Diego, California while others worked from Colorado, Idaho, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Utah, and Washington. In 2021, we gave up our leased space in downtown San Diego to purchase a retreat center in Allenspark, Colorado with dreams to build a national training center in Estes Park, Colorado in the future. With our focus on wellness, we couldn't think of a better way to achieve our goal of becoming a hope-centered organization than to start gathering our staff, directors, front-line professionals, first responders, and survivors at a place that naturally promotes health, healing and hope.

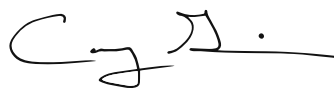
We saw the Family Justice Center movement continue to move and dreams continue to get bigger with the grand opening of 10 new Centers even during the pandemic. They join approximately 150 centers in 44 States and 25 countries including 51 affiliated Centers who have committed to our standards for evidence-based practice. We had the honor to share the Family Justice Center Impact Report with 150 directors and leaders in Nashville, Tennessee for the Leadership Summit where we toured the largest Family Justice Center in world. We continued to be inspired and honored to work with our National and local VOICES members as they share their vision for the future and continue to be our compass.

In the face of rising domestic violence homicides, suicides, officers killed in the line of duty by domestic violence stranglers, and racial injustice, our allied Family Justice Centers and Camp HOPE America programs continued to serve hundreds of tens of thousands of adult and child survivors of domestic and sexual violence and child abuse. Camp HOPE America is now expanding to 25 states.

Our Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention continued developing new resources, advocating for new laws, building a growing presence on social media and training over 35,000 professionals annually (virtually and in-person) on how to prevent homicides by improving their response to strangulation assaults. We also saw an impact in our efforts to bring attention to unsolved cold cases through our Justice Legal Network as two homicide cases were reopened and are now under further investigation.

We encourage you to review this annual report to read about our work in Substance Use, Poly-Victimization, the science of hope, and our new Hope Tech Suite. We owe our success to YOU -- our funders, donors, sponsors, clients, volunteers and survivors. We are extremely grateful to our staff and board for their support, friendship and hard work. The best is yet to come, and the future has never been brighter. Please wear sunglasses!

With Great HOPE,

  
Casey Gwinn, JD  
President and Co-Founder

  
Gael Strack, JD  
CEO and Co-Founder





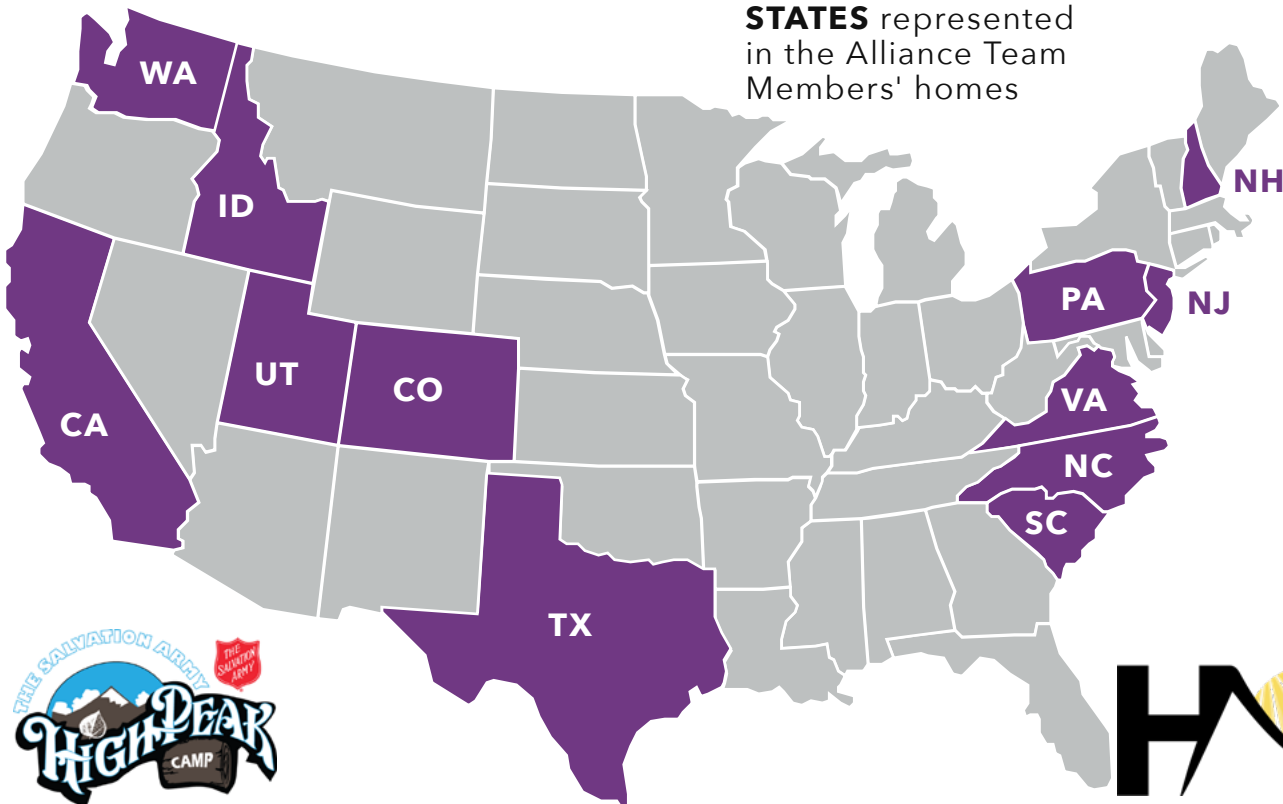
Alliance for HOPE was honored to be recognized as **OUTSTANDING NATIONAL ORGANIZATION** by **DOMESTICSHELTERS.ORG**



The Alliance became a **PARTIALLY-REMOTE ORGANIZATION**, adapting to the changing world amid the pandemic. Relationship-building continues to be key, and is more important than ever. The Alliance team continued to gather in-person, with safety protocols in place, at key points throughout the year.

12

**STATES** represented in the Alliance Team Members' homes



**HOPE TEAM RETREAT** was hosted **AT HIGH PEAK CAMP** and H7 in Colorado. The retreat took place in November and included Alliance Board Members and staff.



**H7 RETREAT CENTER** was added to the offerings from the Alliance. Located in Allenspark, Colorado, it provides a central location for all affiliates in the US to gather, recharge, and dreaming big.

5000+



**INDIVIDUALS TRAINED on HOPE AWARENESS** at the **CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS OF CALIFORNIA**, the **8<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**, and the **OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**GOALS AND PATHWAYS SETTING (GPS)** Session was developed to replace Annual Staff Evaluations with a hope-centered process that aligns individual and organizational goals. The GPS was piloted in September, with the goal of fully executing in 2022, after implementing feedback from the Alliance team.



51,000+

**UNIQUE VISITORS** to our website

304,500+

**PAGE VIEWS** of our website

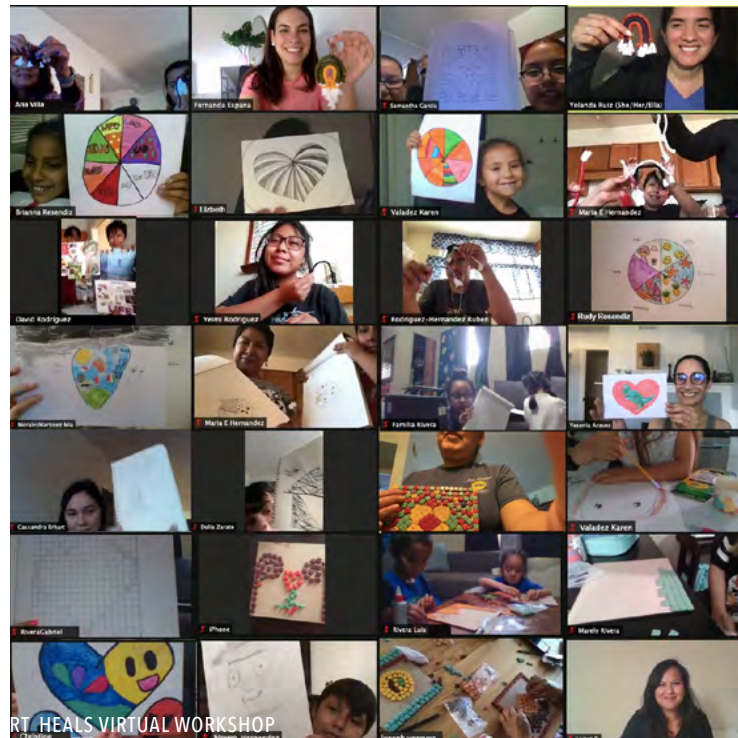
3,500+

**FOLLOWERS** on Facebook

5,500+

**NEW USERS** on the HOPEhub Online Learning Academy

**ART HEALS** is a pilot project in San Diego with the goal of increasing and maintaining high hope, while improving interpersonal communication among families. Initially implemented in partnership with Crisis House in San Diego, the desire is to eventually reach families served by Camp Hope America and Family Justice Center affiliates.

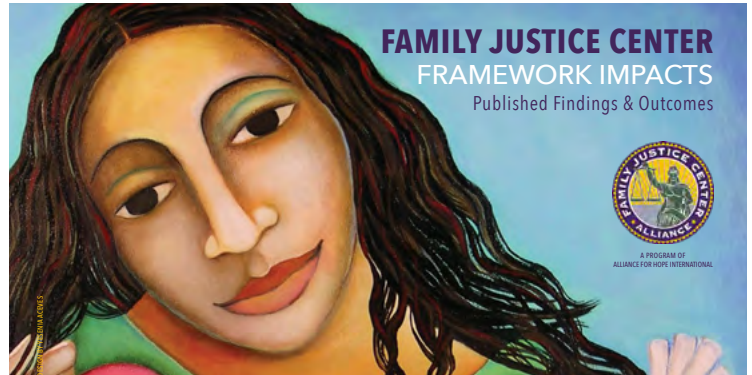


**ALLIANCE FOR HOPE INTERNATIONAL** is one of the leading systems and social change organizations in the country focused on creating innovative, collaborative, trauma-informed, hope-centered approaches to meeting the needs of survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault and their children.





**THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER FRAMEWORK IMPACT REPORT** was produced to highlight outcome and process studies, facts, and quotes from survivors and elected officials.



**RACIAL TRAUMA ADVISORY GROUP** established under the Alliance's Family Justice Center **POLYVICTIMIZATION INITIATIVE**, conducted a series of five focus groups and, based on focus group feedback, revised the Polyvictimization Assessment Tool used to tailor services for survivors and better provide long-term holistic services for survivors who have experience multiple forms of violence in their lives to assess for racial trauma.

**10**

## NEWLY AFFILIATED CENTERS

### 14<sup>TH</sup> CIRCUIT VICTIM SERVICES CENTER

Okatie, SC

### HOPE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

New Haven, CT

### ONE SAFE PLACE

Redding, CA

PORCHLIGHT, A  
FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER  
Lakewood, CO

### NYC FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS

- BRONX
- BROOKLYN
- MANHATTAN
- QUEENS
- STATEN ISLAND

New York, NY

### YORK REGION CENTRE FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY MARKHAM

Ontario, Canada

**51**

## AFFILIATED Centers

**4**

## CENTERS opened

### PORCHLIGHT,

A FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER  
Lakewood, CO

### BRIDGES TO HOPE

FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER  
OF FORSYTH COUNTY  
Winston-Salem, NC

### CARDINAL POINT

A DIRECTION FOR HOPE  
El Reno, OK

### THE HEIGHTS

Tazewell, TX

**9**

## INFORMATIONAL GUIDES developed

to inform and support communities with new and developing Centers:

- FJC GOVERNANCE MODELS
- A GUIDE TO FOSTERING WELLBEING
- DEVELOPING A BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- ESTABLISHING A RECONCILIATION PROGRAM -SPAN & ENG
- DREAM BIG, START HERE: FIRST STEPS IN YOUR JOURNEY
- PATHWAY TO AN FJC
- RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITIES
- RESOURCES FOR NEW DIRECTORS
- RESOURCES FOR NEW STAFF



**\$20,000**

### GRANT

awarded by the RONALD W. NAITO FOUNDATION will be used to host a week-long retreat event for VOICES

**10**

**COMMUNITIES SUPPORTED** who are developing FJCs

150

**IN-PERSON ATTENDEES** at the largest ever Leadership Summit in Nashville, TN



**THE HOPE TECH SUITE**, a Case Management Tool specific to the needs of Family Justice Centers, was approved for national distribution by the Office for Victims of Crime. For the first time, national aggregate data on the most prevalent needs across the country will be available for FJCs to communicate the impact they have such as increased hope scores and decreased danger scores.



500+

**VIRTUAL ATTENDEES** logged in to the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual International Family Justice Center Conference

300+

**ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTED** at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual International Family Justice Center Conference



6,000+

**INDIVIDUALS** trained

Completed the development of an **8-PART VIRTUAL LEARNING SERIES** on the intersection of **SUBSTANCE USE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**, providing hope, healing, and advocacy for clients of FJ/MA Centers

11

**NATIONAL WEBINARS**

5

**VIRTUAL TRAININGS**

96,000+

**UNIQUE VISITORS** to our website

4,000+

**WEBINAR ATTENDEES**

8

**IN-PERSON TRAININGS**

315,000+

**PAGE VIEWS** of our website

FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER ALLIANCE

THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER ALLIANCE serves as the clearinghouse, research center, and national affiliation organization for Family Justice Centers and other multi-agency models that serve victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, elder abuse, child abuse, and/or human trafficking.





The first **HYBRID TRAINING** at the **ROSE ANDOM CENTER** in Denver, CO



51

**IN-PERSON**  
attendees

139

**VIRTUAL**  
attendees

35,000+

Multi-disciplinary  
professionals  
**TRAINED**

2

new international  
alliances with  
**IRELAND AND  
THE UK**

4

**E-NEWS** produced:  
What we Learned;  
Aggressor; DV Tips;  
Law Enforcement

2

**NEW TOPICS**  
introduced: Staged  
Suicides/Crime  
Scenes and Pediatric  
Investigations

2,600+

**FOLLOWERS**  
on Facebook

57

**VIRTUAL  
TRAININGS** hosted

8

**IN-PERSON  
TRAININGS** hosted

4

**4-DAY ADVANCED  
COURSES** hosted

150,500+

**UNIQUE  
VISITORS**  
to our website

6

**WEBINARS** hosted:  
What Every Advocate  
Needs to Know;  
Identifying the  
Dominant Aggressor;  
Court Considerations;  
Safety Planning;  
Elevating Voices;  
What we Learned;  
Reunion

1,300+

**VIEWERS**  
made "**HOW  
PROFESSIONALS  
DISHONOR  
VICTIMS**"

the most popular  
**SNEAK PEEK OF  
THE MONTH** on  
Facebook Live

**VIRTUAL GRAND  
ROUNDS TRAINING**  
on-demand course  
added to the  
HOPEhub

3000+

**PROFESSIONALS WATCHED** the webinar  
"What Every Advocate Needs to Know"





**STRANGULATION/SUFFOCATION INVESTIGATIVE WORKSHEET**

VICTIM/OFFENDER/WITNESS INFORMATION		REPORT NUMBER:
Victim's name:		DOB:
Offender's name:		DOB:
Relationship:	Length of relationship:	Relationship status?
History of D.V.		
Is there an active Order of Protection? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If so, issue date: Court:		
Who else was present during the attack?		
Who have you called, texted or spoken with about this incident?		

**STRANGULATION/SUFFOCATION INVESTIGATIVE WORKSHEET (SSIW)**

was developed in collaboration with Ret. Lt. Dan Rincon, the Legal, Medical, and Advocacy Committees. A pilot project to evaluate the tool is currently underway in partnership with Puerto Rico, and Dekalb, IL

4

**NEW RESOURCES**

developed: Best Practices Report Card; Safety Plan; SSIW; Ohio Sentencing Benchcard

90

**MULTI-DISCIPLINARY SPECIALISTS AND EXPERTS**

constitute the National Advisory Committee, volunteering their time to three core areas: Medical, Legal and Advocacy. They identify gaps in the field and develop new resources used around the country.

The **BEST PRACTICES REPORT CARD** was produced in collaboration with Ret. Assistant District Attorney of Riverside, Jerry Fineman to measure a community's response to handling non-fatal strangulation assaults.

**BEST PRACTICES REPORT CARD**

Back to school time... because lives depend on what you know!

We like to believe our domestic violence response is the best of the best. Maybe it is. Maybe it could be better. Take a moment to reflect on ways to improve your response. Here is a list of some of the best practices in place in various parts of the country (there are more than 10, but we picked these).

- 1 Do your dispatchers receive ongoing specialized training in handling domestic violence/strangulation cases? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 2 Are all your sworn law enforcement personnel training on investigating strangulation cases and does their training include a duty to warn victims about the potential dangers of strangulation? You can answer yes if all your cases are handled by a DV Response Team that uses a duty to warn. ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 3 Are your paramedics specially trained in responding to strangulation cases? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 4 Are all your assigned prosecutors trained on investigating and prosecuting strangulation cases? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 5 Do strangulation victims receive forensic exams, imaging, and medical evaluation in all strangulation cases? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 6 Do you have a strangulation response protocol in your jurisdiction? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 7 Do you have expert testimony available for your strangulation cases? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 8 Do you implement risk assessments and safety planning with survivors? Do you have a good working relationship with your non-governmental advocates (whether through a Family Justice Center or otherwise)? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 9 Are the other members of the criminal justice system (court/defense bar/probation) trained in understanding the significance of strangulation? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE
- 10 Do you have a mechanism for victims to provide feedback on your response (survivor groups, etc.)? ☐ YES ☐ NO/UNSURE

FIGURE OUT YOUR GRADE, LIKE IN SCHOOL:

90-100 A  
80-90 B  
70-80 C  
60-70 D

TOTAL SCORE: 0

Scoring low does not necessarily make your program bad, it just suggests there are other best practices to explore.

If you would like information on best practices, please email us at [institute@allianceforhope.com](mailto:institute@allianceforhope.com)



The **SAFETY PLAN BROCHURE** was developed in collaboration with Joyce Bilyeu, from the Sacramento Regional FJC, and the Advocacy Committee to help survivors of non-fatal strangulation assault make a safety plan and record injuries.



ESPERANZA FEATURED DURING A SITE VISIT TO PORCHLIGHT, A FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

2

**COLD CASES REOPENED** as a result of the Justice Legal Network's **JUSTICE PROJECT**

1

**CIVIL LAWSUIT** against an attorney for misconduct is pending trial



**JUSTICE  
LEGAL NETWORK**

THE TRAINING INSTITUTE ON STRANGULATION PREVENTION provides consulting, training, resources, and support services to professionals working in the fields of domestic violence and sexual assault.



Camp HOPE America Founder, Casey Gwinn received the prestigious **CHAMPION FOR CHILDREN AWARD** in Dallas from the **TEXAS LAWYERS FOR CHILDREN** recognizing his visionary leadership in the Family Justice Center movement and the development of Camp HOPE America.



Significant progress was made towards ensuring both physical and mental safety for all Camp HOPE America participants and millions of campers across the country in our **COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP** with the American Camp Association and our **ACA: PATH TO ACCREDITATION INITIATIVE**



**10,000+ YOUNG PEOPLE REACHED** through in-person and virtual trainings to 42 Salvation Army Campleaders, 134 YMCA Camp Directors, and 27 of our Affiliates Partner Camps



**TRAINED 225 STAFF** on Trauma-Informed Care at **CHELEY CAMPS**, known to be one of the best sleepaway summer camps in the US



Provided guidance on Trauma-Informed and Hope-Centered Care in the Camp Setting with an article in the Association of Camp Nursing's **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE GUIDE**



**FAIRTRADE CARAVANS Boosted Hope** and made a *World of Difference* by sharing 25% of their proceeds to providing a pathway to give children their childhood back

The work of Camp HOPE America was featured on the podcast **CAMPFIRE CONVERSATION: A SUMMER OF HOPE**

**3**  
**ONLINE**  
courses created for the Alliance's HOPEhub Online Academy

**110**  
**ENROLLED**  
**USERS** on the HOPEhub for Camp HOPE America's online courses

**18,600+**  
**UNIQUE**  
**VISITORS**  
to our website

**9,000+**  
**PEOPLE**  
reached through **FACEBOOK LIVE** events during summer





Developed a unique **HOPE COACH APPROACH** to mentoring as they established a **NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP** with **MENTOR**, the Department of Justice's Technical Assistance Provider for mentoring.



With the help of **NOVIR**, a renowned COVID Diagnostics company, and hundreds of donors we **RAISED \$30,000** to help send **1,200 PARTICIPANTS** to camp safely (nationwide, we had only four known positive cases and no outbreaks at camp).

Made possible by Verizon, **THE HOPE COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD** was created to recognize young mentors in the Camp HOPE America program, and provide a grant for their local program. Hope Coaches are trained to understand the Science of Hope, and have a life-coaching approach.

Also introduced in 2021, **THE CAMPER OF THE YEAR AWARD** acknowledges a camper who exemplified hope while at camp. The National Football League Players Association is celebrating the camper by covering their camp fees for the upcoming summer.



*Zoey Hu* HOPE COACH OF THE YEAR  
Pathways to Hope for Children, Shasta, CA



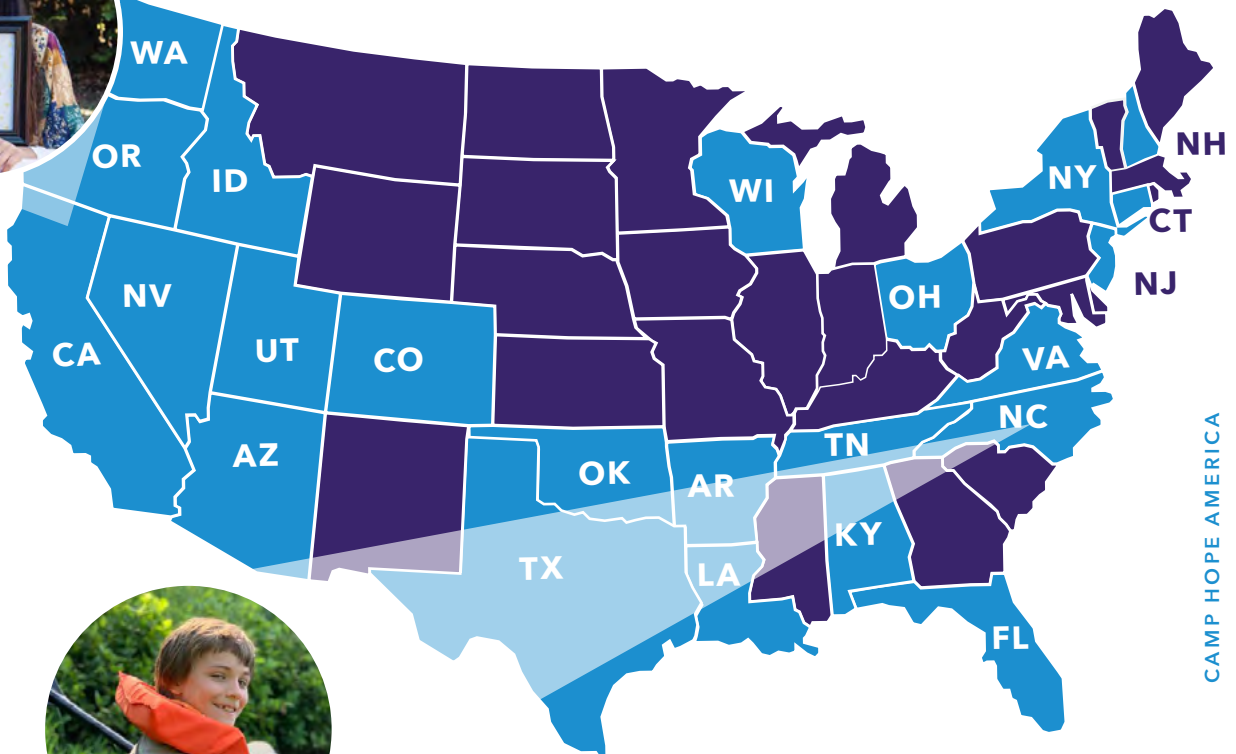
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**STATES** with  
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**43**  
**AFFILIATES**

**9**  
**READINESS  
SITES**

**4,000+**

**PARTICIPANTS**  
served



*Camden Poole* CAMPER OF THE YEAR  
Guilford County Family Justice Center, Greensboro, NC

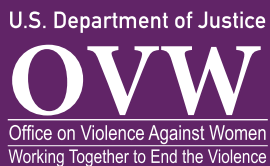


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