

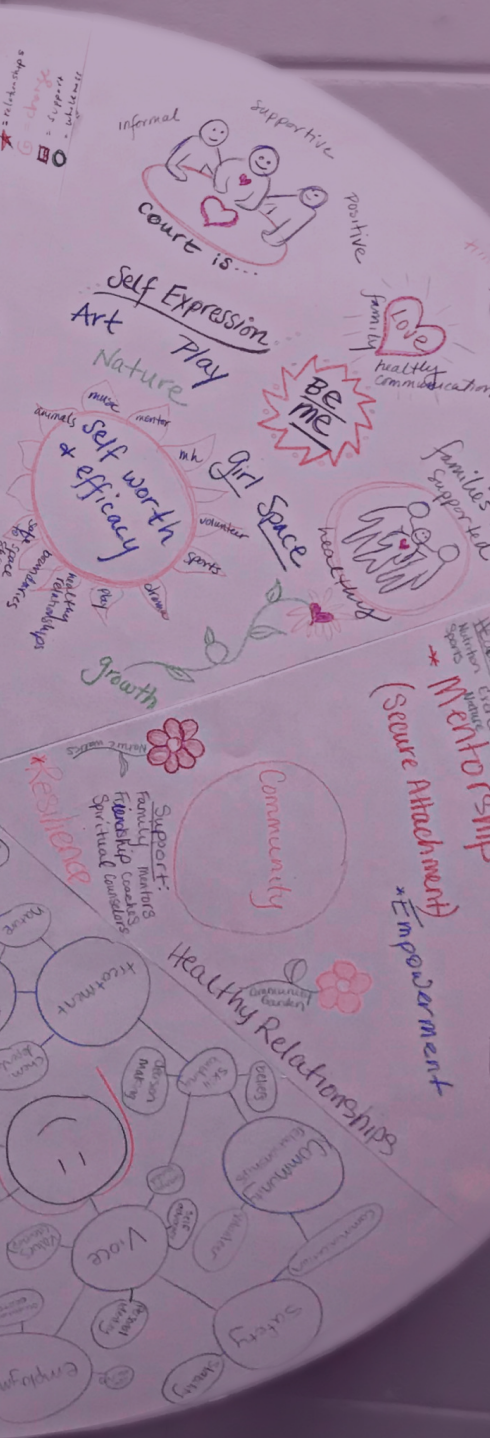


Justice for Girls

COALITION OF WASHINGTON STATE

2019 Annual Report

ANN MUNO,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



“The movement toward justice requires that the truth be told, harm be repaired, conditions that give rise to injustice and violence be eradicated.”

-Archbishop Desmond Tutu

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Strengthening Girl-Centered* Advocacy, Training and Movement Building Efforts



In 2019, the Justice for Girls Coalition steadily moved the state's dial in the direction of centering girls in policy, practice and program reform. Improving the data we collect, shifting policies so we stop punishing girls for the trauma they have experienced, engaging girls in advocacy are among the most important marks we made in 2019.

**"Girls" refers to gender expansive youth (cis girls, trans girls, non-binary youth, gender non-conforming youth, gender queer youth and any girl-identified youth).*



2019 IMPACTS

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LEGISLATIVE POLICY - MODEL PROGRAMS - TRAINING & ASSESSMENT - MOVEMENT SUSTAINABILITY

Looking Back at 2019...



Legislative Policy

We fought Washington's use of the Valid Court Exception to detain girls for non-violent status offenses like running away and truancy. After providing testimony at a public hearing, publishing a *Seattle Times* Op-Ed on the issue and creating a Girls & Status Offenses Fact Sheet, we worked hard to pass SB 5290 which ended the use of detention for youth with status offenses. We also launched an advocacy member group consisting of stakeholders across multiple systems and regions, working to shape legislative priorities that would benefit Washington state girls in the 2020 session.

We hosted our fifth state-wide summit, *Beyond Pink: Lifting Up Local Expertise*, once again drawing an at-capacity crowd with attendees representing ten counties and multiple sectors including education, child welfare, juvenile justice and more. We showcased roundtables lead by subject-matter experts and hosted the first-ever Beyond Happy Hour event where we presented the JFG Girl Justice Champion Awards to Sen. Jeannie Darneille and Rep. Noel Frame for their tireless efforts on behalf of our state's most marginalized youth. We trained community members and court staff on girl-centered best practices at the first comprehensive therapeutic, gender responsive Girls Court which launched in Kitsap County. Read more about the Girls Court in this [press release](#).

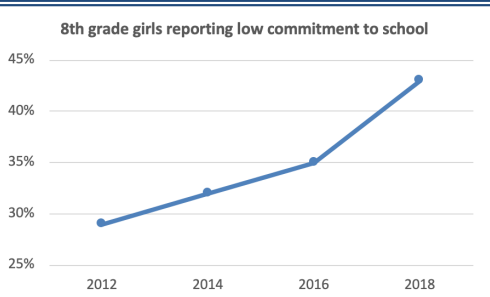
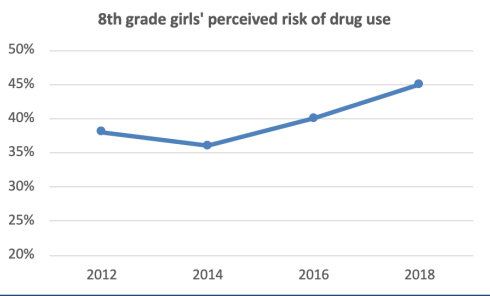
Training & Assessment



2019 IMPACTS

LEGISLATIVE POLICY - MODEL PROGRAMS - TRAINING & ASSESSMENT - MOVEMENT SUSTAINABILITY

Looking Back at 2019...



We partnered with the SAJE Center (Study and Advancement of Justice Effectiveness), Dept of Psychiatry at the University of Washington to

compile a data brief on the status of girls in Washington state. Research partnerships are invaluable as we use an equity lens to understand root causes of how WA girls get pushed out of opportunity. The data brief reviewed academic, social and emotional well-being among girls and young women in WA and presented it during our annual Beyond Pink conference. This data allows the coalition to identify areas of great risk to young women in our state and provided data for upcoming briefs and future communications.

Data and Trends



Movement Sustainability

We grew our national connections in 2019 as we deepened our relationships with partnering organizations across the country by participating

in our 2nd year of the Robert Wood Johnson Fellowship program. Highlights include being mentored by leaders of the Young Women's Initiative in Minnesota and advocacy experts at the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center in Florida. Here in Washington state, The Mockingbird Society provided expert guidance as we build our girls advocacy programming. These partnerships are vital in shaping our efforts to build a WA State Young Women's Initiative.

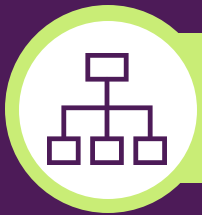


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Looking Back at 2019...



Program Development

We launched the **Girls Advocacy & Impact Network (GAIN)** and it was a huge headline. GAIN equips girls with tools, support and skills

so they can amplify their voices and effectively influence the policies that directly impact their lives. We hired a Youth Chapter Leader to facilitate our Olympia Chapter alongside our YWCA community partners.

We also advanced the **One Girl Many Systems (OGMS)** model program, which is in its 2nd year of partnering with community stakeholders across systems, to ensure girls in Pierce county at risk for entering the juvenile justice system can access effective services. The Washington state team has provided data, in-person convenings, and webinars on the topic and held an advisory group meeting where members identified issues and provided recommendations to benefit girls in Pierce county. The community driven effort outlines scalable solutions -- girl-centered programs and trainings, for instance -- designed to lead to improve girl's health and well-being and ensure a reduction in court contact.



WHERE WE ARE GOING

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ADVANCING ADVOCACY & TRAINING EFFORTS

Looking Ahead...

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We are ramping up our advocacy efforts across sectors to ensure better services and policies for girls in our state. With the help of our legislative partners, we are working on sexual health education and enhancing our state's Safe Harbor legislation policy. We provided testimony at a public hearing for the **Safe Harbors** bill, and published a **Seattle Times Op-Ed** on trafficked girls in the first two months of 2020.

We are building on this momentum by creating strategies for change and implementing recommendations offered by the model program in Pierce County (OGMS) as well as drafting an issue brief on gender-based violence in Washington.

We are launching two additional GAIN Chapters in Tacoma and Seattle. Our goal is to convene the three chapters at a summer retreat where members will deepen their understanding of advocacy and learn skills from expert trainers. We also hope to hire Youth Chapter Leaders to facilitate the regional chapters.

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We are growing our Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) practices under the guidance of our newly formed Board Equity committee which will guide all aspects of our work moving forward.

WHERE WE ARE GOING

ADVANCING ADVOCACY & TRAINING EFFORTS

Looking Ahead...

We are bringing girl-centered training to more systems. We look to expand our training services to professionals across multiple systems including schools, youth development, child welfare, law enforcement, housing and health. We will host Beyond Pink on an annual basis, bringing more consistent training and advocacy education to individuals and organizations in our state.

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We are developing a Young Women's Initiative to gain a clearer picture of what is happening to our girls and young women in Washington state. We plan to replicate a community participatory action research process to produce a state-wide Blueprint and report that reflects the status and needs of girls and young women. The big picture goal of this initiative is to produce a girl-centered roadmap for creating conditions in Washington state where all young women are valued and can thrive.



STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2019

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · Operating Checking - 5548	313,348.96
Total Checking/Savings	313,348.96
Total Current Assets	313,348.96
Fixed Assets	
1310 · Equipment	
1311 · Accumulated Depr. - Equip	-963.60
1310 · Equipment - Other	1,314.10
Total 1310 · Equipment	350.50
Total Fixed Assets	350.50
Other Assets	
1800 · Security Deposits Asset	800.00
TOTAL ASSETS	314,499.46
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2100 · Payroll Liabilities	
2140 · SUTA Payable	12.48
2150 · WA L&I Payable	160.81
2100 · Payroll Liabilities - Other	69.68
Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities	242.97
Total Other Current Liabilities	242.97
Total Current Liabilities	242.97
Total Liabilities	242.97
Equity	
3010 · Unrestricted Net Assets	255,334.52
Net Income	58,921.97
Total Equity	314,256.49
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	314,499.46



GRATITUDE

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DONORS, MEMBERS, STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all of our generous volunteers, donors and partners who helped us pave the way to becoming a leading-edge state for girl-centered policies, programs, and practices. Join us to ensure that girls who face extreme hardship and marginalization have the ability to access better opportunities and support.

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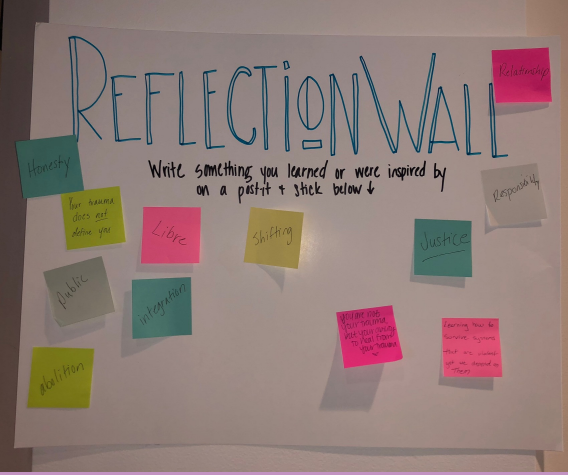
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- 2. Send us a donation: jfgcoalition.org/donate**
- 3. Email us to become an advocacy member:
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- 4. Register to vote and encourage young people to do the same!**

