

ONE SAFE PLACE FOR HOPE AND EMPOWERMENT

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A quick road trip through the European experiences in building up Family Justice Centers

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"Taking the best of what you already have and bring it all together" – Casey Gwinn







"Survivors should not have to adapt to what is offered by the service providers or systems" - Voices

It's all about placing the survivors in the middle!

And making a difference in their lives!





What is a Family Justice Center?

Co-location of a multidisciplinary team of professionals who are cooperating under one roof to offer help and support to victims of family violence and their children.

A place where professionals come together and survivors come first – A SAFE PLACE

All services survivors and their children need are under one roof.









EUROPEAN FJC project 2013-2015

- 6 pilots in Europe:
- The Netherlands: Tilburg and Venlo
 Italy: Milan
 Poland: Warsaw
 Germany: Berlin
- Belgium: Antwerp







THE BEGINNING – FEB. 2013







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MEETING POLICYMAKERS AND SHOWING COMMITMENT







MOSTLY SERIOUS SUPPORT, ALTHOUGH









DREAM BIG – START SMALL







Active FJC's in Europe in 2019

- The Netherlands: Tilburg, Mutsaers Venlo
- Poland: Warsaw
- Germany: Berlin
- Belgium: Antwerpen, Hasselt, Mechelen
- N. Ireland: Derry
- Italy: Milan
- Iceland: Reykjavik, Akureyri
- Sweden: Malmö
- France: Paris, Bordeaux

2019: In several regions and countries in Europe, FJCs are being developed and/or stakeholders take action to start this model







EFJCA mapping concrete activities





European Literature about Family Justice Centers

http://www.politeia.be/nl-be/book/one-safe-place/15893.htm









FJC Malmö, Koncept Karin









FJC Reykjavik, Bjarkarhlíð









FJC Paris, La Maison les Femmes







FJC Derry, Foyle



Providing an inclusive safe and caring environment for children and young people

	Officially Opened
	on
	19th May 2017
	by
	Koulla Yiasouma
	NI Commissioner for
	Children & Young People
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Topics important in Europe:

- How to start a FJC
- How to sustain a FJC
- Hope and Empowerment
- Holistic approach
- FJC and Child Advocacy: bridging -> integrating
- Strangulation
- Work with Perpetrators
- Role of employers in tackling domestic violence





2020 and Beyond: most important topics

- Support existing and new members
- Support and outreach to candidate-members
- Work with health sector
- Polyvictimisation and trauma-informed care
- Involving employers
- Promote effective methodologies, Multifocus e.d.
- Work with other EU networks







FIRST FOLLOWER: LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM A DANCING GUY

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fW8amMCVAJQ