

NEBRASKA JUDICIAL BRANCH PROBLEM-SOLVING COURTS

Across its 12 judicial districts, the state serves 1,400 participants annually with its 32 problemsolving courts. Court types include:

- Adult Drug and DUI Courts
- Family Drug Treatment Courts
- Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts
- Mental Health Courts
- Reentry Courts
- Veterans Treatment Courts
- Young Adult Court

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"... an editorial appeared in the Omaha World Herald offering support for the development of our problemsolving courts, calling our efforts "one of the smartest steps Nebraska has taken over the past two decades." As the article notes, 'The courts provide a unique combination of benefits to Nebraska by being humane, practical and cost-effective.' In the court system, we wholeheartedly agree."



CHIEF JUSTICE MICHAEL G. HEAVICAN, STATE OF THE JUDICIARY, JANUARY 2021

- Nebraska problem-solving courts operate within the district, county, or juvenile courts in all 12 Nebraska Judicial Districts.
- Most problem-solving courts in Nebraska operate under the Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation, with the exception of the Adult Drug Courts in Douglas and Lancaster Counties, and the Central Nebraska Adult Drug Court, which serves the 9th and 10th Judicial Districts.
- Family Drug Courts typically operate within both the Courts and the Department of Health and Human Services.
- Problem-solving courts are post-plea or post-adjudicatory, intensive supervision treatment programs designed for high-risk and high-need individuals.
- Nebraska problem-solving courts can only be established with the approval of the Nebraska Supreme Court. All Nebraska problemsolving courts are governed by the Nebraska Supreme Court Committee on Problem-Solving Courts under the direction of the Nebraska Supreme Court.
- Problem-solving courts reduce recidivism and increase community safety through a comprehensive and coordinated court response utilizing early assessment and intervention, individualized treatment, intensive community supervision, and consistent judicial oversight. All Nebraska problem-solving courts adhere to established standards.

Problem-Solving Courts' Ongoing Endeavors

Currently, Nebraska problem-solving courts are working tirelessly on completing the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan (approved by the Nebraska Supreme Court in April 2020). This Strategic Plan seeks to ensure fidelity to evidence-based practices, develop a comprehensive and sustainable training strategy, improve client access to services, grow and expand problem-solving courts statewide, manage stakeholder relationships, and provide a competent and fair program to all participants. Nebraska's problem-solving courts are dedicated to preparing courts for the future and using data to enhance court operations.

Problem-solving courts must operate consistently and be offered in more jurisdictions if they are to continue to advance as one of Nebraska's most effective responses to the problems of drug addiction, mental health, and associated crime.

District 1

- Judge Vicky L. Johnson
- Judge Rick Schreiner
- Judge Julie D. Smith

District 2

- Judge Lawrence D. Gendler
- Judge Stefanie A. Martinez
- Judge Robert B. O'Neal
- Judge Michael A. Smith
- Judge George A. Thompson

District 3

- Judge John A. Colburn
- Judge Darla S. Ideus
- Judge Andrew R. Jacobsen
- Judge Kevin R. McManaman
- Judge Robert R. Otte

District 4

- Judge Timothy P. Burns
- Judge J. Michael Coffey
- Judge James M. Masteller
- · Judge Thomas A. Otepka
- Judge Leigh Ann Retelsdorf
- Judge Gregory M. Schatz
- Judge Shelly R. Stratman
- Judge Horacio J. Wheelock

YOUR PROBLEM-SOLVING COURT JUDGES

District 5

- Judge Rachel A. Daugherty
- Judge Christina M. Marroquin
- Judge James C. Stecker

District 6

- Judge Francis W. Barron III
- Judge Geoffrey C. Hall
- Judge John E. Samson
- Judge Kenneth J. Vampola

District 7

- Judge Mark A. Johnson
- Judge James G. Kube

District 8

- Judge Kale B. Burdick
- Judge Mark D. Kozisek
- Judge Karin L. Noakes
- · Judge Tami K. Schendt

District 9

- Judge Andrew C. Butler
- Judge Ryan C. Carson
- Judge John H. Marsh
- Judge Mark J. Young

District 10

- Judge Terri S. Harder
- · Judge Stephen R. Illingworth

District 11

- Judge James E. Doyle IV
- Judge Michael E. Piccolo

District 12

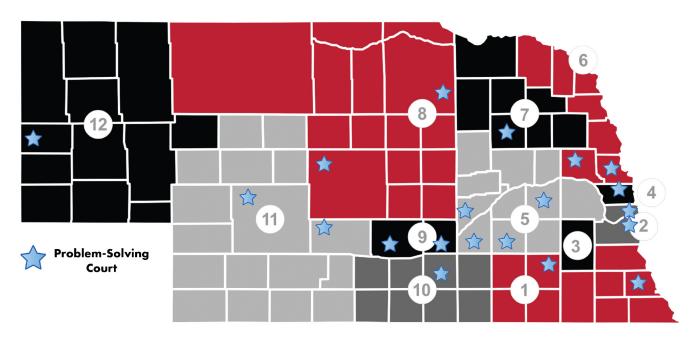
- Judge Leo P. Dobrovolny
- Judge Andrea Miller



To read the 2020-25 Nebraska Problem-Solving Courts Strategic Plan, please visit the Judicial Branch website's publication page:

supremecourt.nebraska.gov>Publications>Problem-Solving Courts

Nebraska Problem-Solving Courts



District 1 Coordinator: Christina Reece

Southeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court: Nemaha Co. (Auburn), Saline Co. (Wilber)

District 2 Coordinator: Creston Ashburn

Sarpy County Adult Drug Court: Sarpy Co. (Papillion) Sarpy County Reentry Court: Sarpy Co. (Papillion) Sarpy County Wellness Court: Sarpy Co. (Papillion) Sarpy County Juvenile Drug Court: Sarpy Co. (Papillion) Cass County Adult Drug Court: Cass Co. (Plattsmouth)

District 3 Coordinators: Landon Parks, Dean Rohwer

Lancaster County Veterans Treatment Court: Lancaster Co. (Lincoln)

Lancaster County Adult Drug Court: Lancaster Co. (Lincoln) Lancaster County DUI Court: Lancaster Co. (Lincoln)

District 4 Coordinators: Teresa Bunjer, William Payne

Douglas County Veterans Treatment Court: Douglas Co. (Omaha)

Douglas County Young Adult Court: Douglas Co. (Omaha) Douglas County Adult Drug Court: Douglas Co. (Omaha)

District 5 Coordinator: Morgan Campbell

5th Judicial District Problem-Solving Court: Hamilton Co. (Aurora), Merrick Co. (Central City), York Co. (York), Saunders Co. (Wahoo) Butler Co. (David City)

District 6 Coordinator: Brandon Jerred

District 6 Adult Drug Court: Dodge Co. (Fremont), Washington Co. & Burt Co. (Blair)

District 7 Coordinator: Matt McManigal

Northeast Nebraska Adult Drug Court: Madison Co. (Madison)

District 8 Coordinator: Doug Stanton

North Central Adult Drug Court: Holt Co. (O'Neill), Custer Co. (Broken Bow)

District 9 Coordinators: Skye Lindgreen, Todd Rosno

Hall County Reentry Court: Hall Co. (Grand Island)
Central Nebraska Veterans Treatment Court: Hall Co.
(Grand Island), Buffalo Co. (Kearney)
Central Nebraska Adult Drug Court: Hall Co. (Grand Island), Buffalo Co. (Kearney)

District 10 Coordinators: Skye Lindgreen, Todd Rosno

Central Nebraska Veterans Treatment Court: Adams Co. (Hastings)

Central Nebraska Adult Drug Court: Adams Co. (Hastings)

District 11 Coordinator: Anne Power

Midwest Nebraska Problem-Solving Court: Dawson Co. (Lexington), Lincoln Co. (North Platte)

District 12 Coordinator: Andee Hardesty

Scotts Bluff County Adult Drug Court: Scotts Bluff Co. (Gering)

Scotts Bluff County DUI Court: Scotts Bluff Co. (Gering)

