

# Office of the Child Advocate: A Five-Year Look Back



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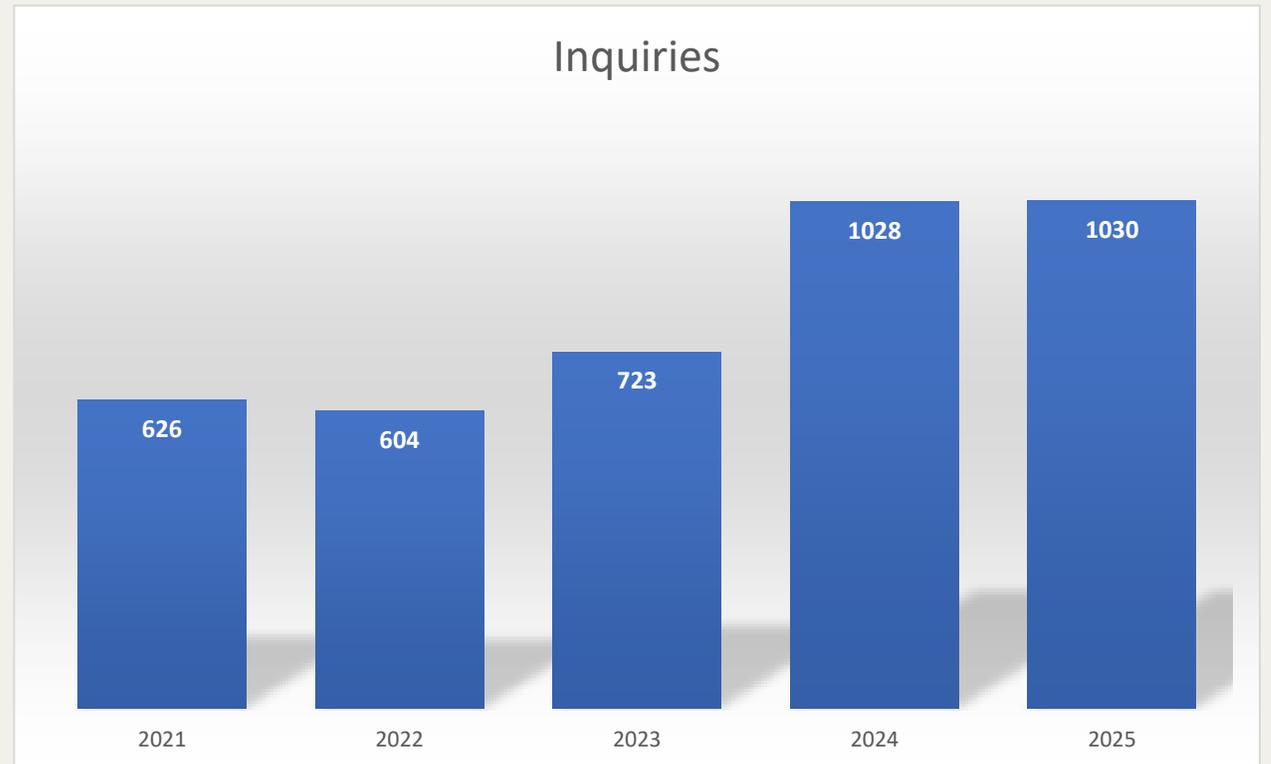
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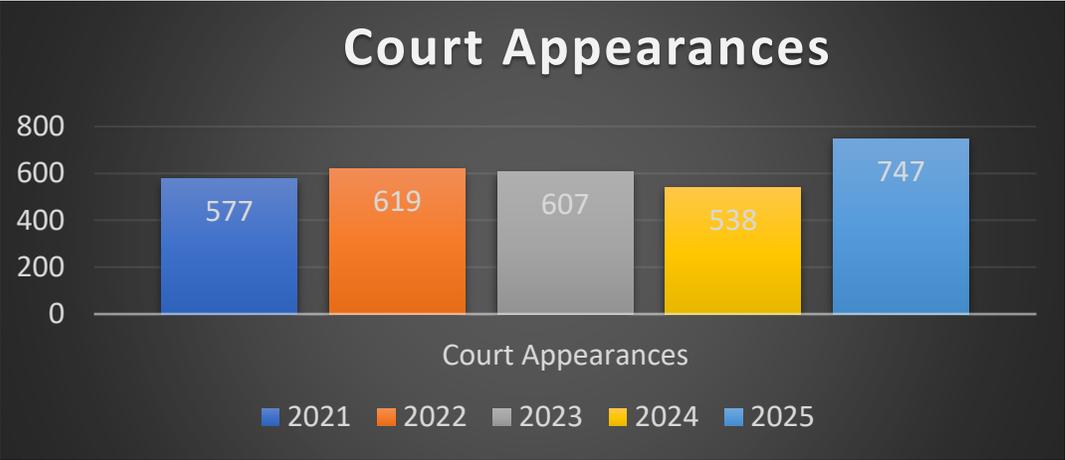
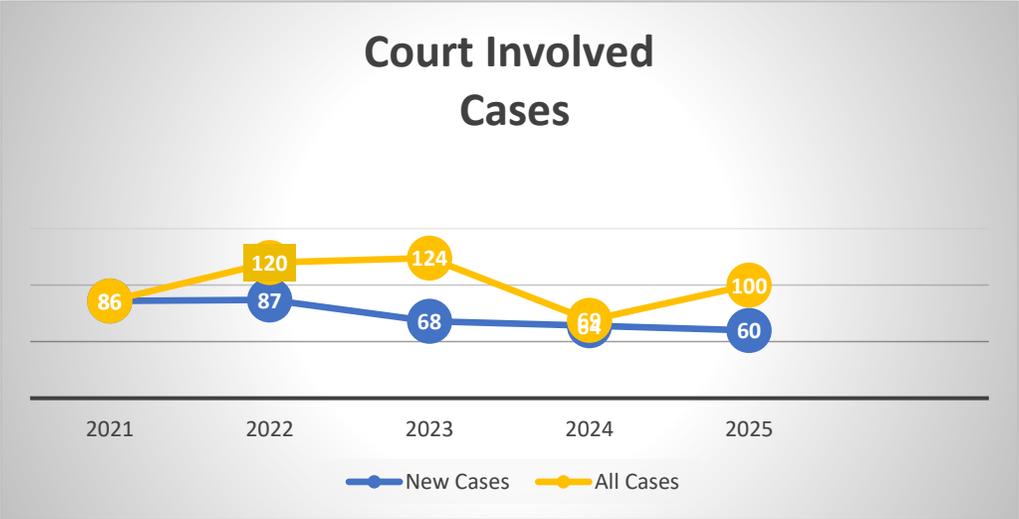
# Inquiries

The Office of the Child Advocate (OCA) receives calls from providers, schools, social workers, attorneys, Judges, parents, foster parents, and most importantly, kids!

The OCA reviews each inquiry made to our office and being fully staffed has been vital in responding to the significant increase in calls to our office over the last year.

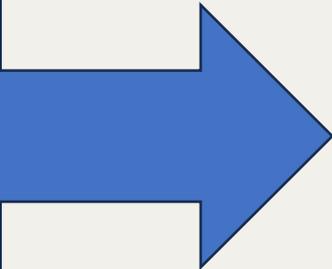


# Court Involvement



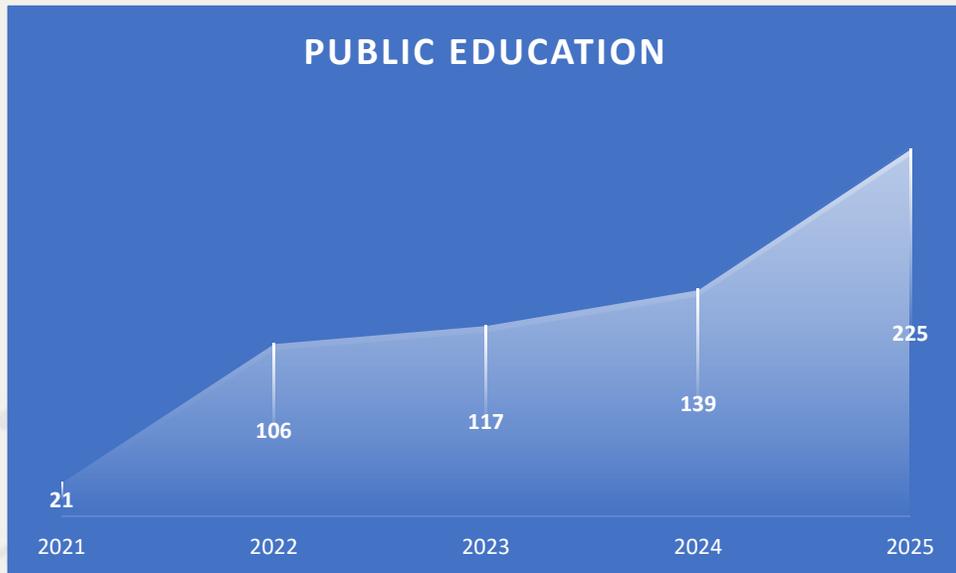
Placement  
Investigations

The OCA continues to be present at Rhode Island Family Court to advocate for the legal rights of youth in care.



Education  
Transition Age Youth

# Public Education



The OCA conducts public education with anyone in Rhode Island who would benefit from knowing about our office – which is everyone! Last year, we spent a significant amount of time with agencies providing residential services to figure out what they are seeing and how we can assist youth. We continue to increase our presence with youth specifically, as they are the best advocates for what they need!

New DCYF Staff

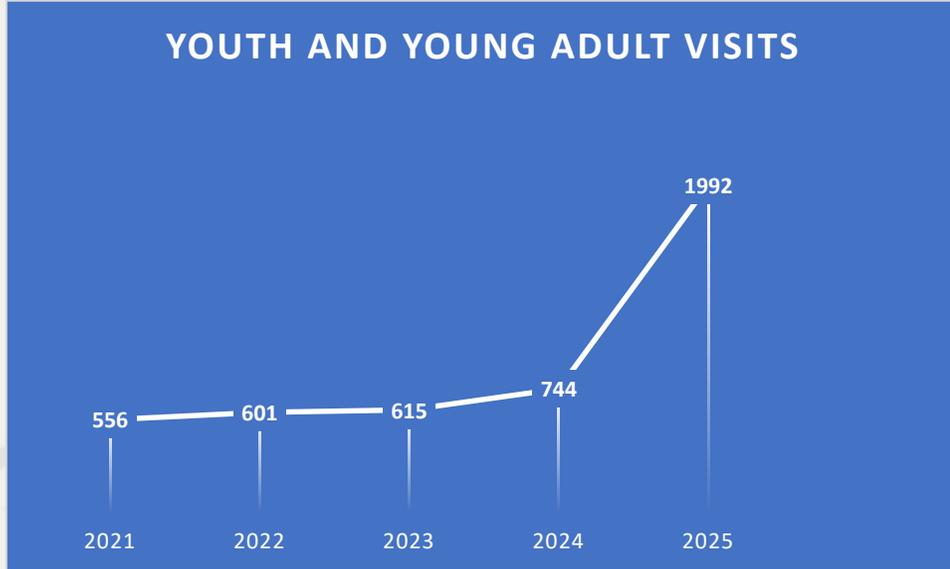
Provider Agencies

Youth and Young Adults

School and Police Departments

Community Partners

# Youth and Young Adults



The OCA was successful in meeting with a large number of youth in 2025. The OCA wants to ensure that every youth and young adult open to DCYF knows the role of the OCA and how to contact our office if support is needed.

During 2025, the OCA increased our presence at residential facilities due to being fully staffed and updates to our internal processes for site visits.