



**MO JUVENILE JUSTICE ASSOCIATION
EXCELLENCE IN JUVENILE JUSTICE
AWARD 2011**

**38TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
“GIRL TALK”**

One of MJJA's many important goals is to provide and share information on new ideas and programming designed by Missouri's juvenile and family courts, which are truly beneficial to the children they serve. When MJJA created the Excellence in Juvenile Court Program Award in 1993, it did so with two purposes in mind. First, to acknowledge the outstanding work being done in Juvenile and family courts throughout the state; and, secondly to inspire us all to creativity and excellence. From its inception, MJJA has chosen to recognize a program only if it has risen to the level, through the judging process, to truly merit the label EXCELLENT. While many very good programs have been offered for consideration, one program was chosen by the Juvenile Court Program Award Committee to receive this year's Excellence Award.

“Girl Talk” is an established program
that provides
mediation, education and counseling
for girls and their mothers
to prevent recidivism, increase self-esteem
and improve relationships.