Judge Hyman honored

for juvenile violence work

Of all the statistics captured by all the departments in all the governments of Santa Clara County, one chiller stands out: Depending on the year, up to 20 percent of the county's female homicide victims were under 18 when they met their killers.

So maybe it's worthwhile to pass on good news. This year's United Nations Public Service Award has gone to Judge **Eugene Hyman** and the Santa Clara County Superior Court for a domestic violence program aimed at juveniles.

Call the program a loud wake-up call: Instead of treating violence by juveniles against women informally, the county's program begins with a mandatory arrest and involves a team of justice officials over a 26-week counseling program.

Hyman received the award June 23 in New York City.