Coalition for Juvenile Justice Presents

2013 Annual Conference, Council of State Advisory Groups’ Meeting & Hill Day

Building Supportive Communities to Prevent Violence and Delinquency

May 1-4, 2013
The Dupont Circle Hotel
Washington, D.C.
Welcome!

On behalf of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) Executive Board, Council of State Advisory Groups (SAGs), our members, staff and allies, we bid you a warm welcome to our 2013 Annual Conference: “Building Supportive Communities to Prevent Violence and Delinquency.” Thank you for joining us!

Across the nation, renewed attention is being paid to how to prevent and treat youth violence and delinquency. It is CJJ’s view that community-based efforts based in collaboration across multiple sectors—engaging youth, families, schools, law enforcement, community partners and the court system—often produce the greatest good for the greatest number of youth and families, while enhancing community well-being.

With this focus in mind, our 2013 conference committee has assembled exciting panels, speakers and workshops, focused on multi-stakeholder collaborations and coalitions that have come together to meet the needs of at-risk and court-involved youth and their families. We extend our deep appreciation to the thoughtful and hardworking members of the CJJ Conference Planning Committee: Marty Bolden (NH), Loretta Chavez Johnson (NM), Laura McCauley (KY), Brad Richardson (IA), Symone Sanders (NE), Anya Sekino (OR), Jerry Walsh (AR) and Meg Williams (CO). Also, our deep appreciation goes out to the CJJ Government Relations Committee for organizing CJJ’s Annual Hill Day and to the CJJ Executive Board and Nominating Committee for organizing the elections and Council of SAGs’ Meeting.

Please be sure to join colleagues and friends as we honor three exceptional individuals during Saturday’s National Awards Luncheon. Each year, CJJ receives an abundance of superb nominees, and we appreciate the careful and difficult decisions made by the Awards Committees in selecting these most worthy recipients of CJJ’s highest honors.

This year’s conference would not be possible without our dedicated sponsors. CJJ is grateful to these individuals and organizations for their generous contributions. Please take a look at the back cover of this program for full information. We also benefit from conference support provided by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, allowing us to highlight their landmark juvenile justice reform initiative, Models for Change.

Most of all, we thank you for joining us. We hope you will leave this conference well-informed, motivated and connected with colleagues from across the country.

Sincerely,

Susan Kamp (VT)
CJJ National Chair

Alfred Martin (MS)
CJJ National Vice Chair

Roger Jarjoura (IN)
CJJ 2013 Conference Planning Chair
Wednesday, May 1

CJJ Hill Day

Conference attendees are encouraged to visit their members of Congress to inform them of state and local needs, interests and accomplishments in juvenile justice and delinquency prevention and to urge them to act on the reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA) and other CJJ policy priorities.

7:00 am - 1:00 pm
Registration desk
1st floor, off lobby

7:00 am - 8:30 am
Georgetown

Hill Day packets available for pick-up

Hill Day Training
This session will provide an overview of suggested talking points for visits to Capitol Hill, plus a summary of CJJ positions on juvenile justice funding and JJDPA reauthorization.
**Thursday, May 2**

**CJJ Hill Day, Regional & CJJ Committee Meetings, Early Registration**

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**Foxhall A**  
**DMC Coordinators’ Business Meeting & Election**  
A forum for all state DMC Coordinators and colleagues to network, share resources and discuss emerging issues.

**Facilitated by:** Shalinee Hunter (CA), National DMC Coordinator Representative, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

**Guest Speaker:** Andrea Coleman (DC), Audit and Compliance Division, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
**Georgetown**  
**Member Services Open Forum**  
The CJJ Member Services Committee invites you to participate in an open discussion on developing SAG leadership. The goal is to create learning resources and toolkits that help SAG leaders – new and experienced – be more effective working with state partners and promoting system change. Please come and learn more about what is on the horizon and lend your voice to the discussion!

**Facilitated by:** Robin Jenkins (NC), Member Services Committee Co-Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice; and Melody McCray-Miller (KS), Member Services Committee Co-Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
**Foxhall B**  
**Resource Development & Finance Committee Joint Meeting**

**Facilitated by:** Rev. Dr. James Kirk (MD), Finance and Resource Development Committee Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice; and Daniel Coppa (NV), Treasurer/Secretary, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Evening on your own
Friday, May 3
Council of SAGs’ Meeting & Executive Board Elections, Conference Opening, National Chair’s Reception

7:30 am - 5:00 pm
Registration and “Take One” Tables Open
Breakfast on your own

1st floor, off lobby

9:00 am - 10:30 am
Juvenile Justice Specialists’ Business Meeting
A forum for all state Juvenile Justice Specialists and colleagues to network, share resources and discuss emerging issues.

Facilitated by: Meg Williams (CO), National Juvenile Justice Specialist Representative, Coalition for Juvenile Justice; and Julie Fischer (MT), National Juvenile Justice Specialist Representative, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Guest Speakers: Robin Delany-Shabazz, State and Community Development Division, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention; and Jennifer Yeh, State and Community Development Division, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

9:00 am - 10:30 am
CJJ National Youth Committee Meeting

Facilitated by: Symone Sanders (NE), Chair, National Youth Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

9:00 am - 10:30 am
Georgetown

10:30 am - 10:45 am
Break - Coffee, tea, soft drinks

10:45 am - 12:30 pm
Council of SAGs’ Meeting & Executive Board Elections (Part 1)
All conference attendees are welcome to attend the annual meeting of CJJ’s policy-setting body, comprising member-State Advisory Group Chairs/Chair-designees.

Presiding: Susan Kamp (VT), National Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Special Guest Presentation by: Patricia Puritz (DC), Executive Director, National Juvenile Defender Center

12:30 pm - 1:45 pm
Break - Lunch on your own

1:45 pm - 3:30 pm
Council of SAGs’ Meeting & Executive Board Elections (Part 2)
All conference attendees are welcome to attend the annual meeting of CJJ’s policy-setting body, comprising member-State Advisory Group Chairs/Chair-designees.

Presiding: Susan Kamp (VT), National Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Special Guest Presentation by: Robert Schwartz (PA), Executive Director, Juvenile Law Center
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm  Break - Light Refreshments  
Foxhall C

4:00 pm - 4:50 pm  Conference Opening: Welcome & Keynote Address  
Dupont Ballroom

**Welcoming Remarks by:** Susan Kamp (VT), National Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice; and Nancy Gannon Hornberger, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

**Keynote Presentation by:** Robert J. Listenbee, J.D., Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

**Introduction of Keynote Presenter:** Robert Schwartz (PA), Executive Director, Juvenile Law Center

4:50 pm - 5:30 pm  Conference Plenary: “Raising Awareness and Advocacy for Youth Services”  
Dupont Ballroom

**Presenter:** R. Daniel Okonkwo (DC), Executive Director, DC Lawyers for Youth

**Moderator:** Alfred Martin (MS), National Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

5:45 pm - 7:00 pm  National Chair’s Reception & DC Lawyers for Youth Infographics Display  
Foxhall A, B, & C

**Hosted by:** Susan Kamp (VT), National Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice & the CJJ Executive Board

Please join us for light refreshments and cash bar
Saturday, May 4

General Session, CJJ National Awards Luncheon, Concurrent Workshop Sessions

7:30 am - 4:00 pm  Registration and “Take One” Tables Open

7:00 am - 8:30 am  Continental Breakfast provided courtesy of The Pew Charitable Trusts
        Dupont Ballroom

7:30 am - 8:15 am  Hill Day Round Table Debrief
        Georgetown
        Participants of CJJ’s Annual Hill Day are invited to a drop-in post-Hill Day discussion to assess, share and evaluate their experiences.

8:30 am - 9:15 am  Conference Plenary: Great Progress in Georgia: A Report from the Pew Public Safety Performance Project
        Dupont Ballroom
        Presenters: Jason Newman (DC), Manager, State Policy, The Public Safety Performance Project, The Pew Charitable Trusts; Hon. Steve Teske (GA), Chief Judge, Clayton County Juvenile Court; Joseph Vignati (GA), Administrator, Justice Division, Governor’s Office for Children and Families, and Georgia Juvenile Justice Specialist; and Tanya Washington, Senior Associate, Annie E. Casey Foundation
        Introduction by: Nancy Gannon Hornberger, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

9:15 am - 10:15 am  Conference Plenary: POSITIVE POWER: Exercising Judicial Leadership to Prevent Court Involvement and Incarceration of Non-Delinquent Youth
        Dupont Ballroom
        Presenters: Hon. Jerrauld Jones (VA), Presiding Judge, Norfolk Circuit Court; Hon. Chandlee Kuhn (DE), Chief Justice, Family Court, State of Delaware; and Hon. Michael Nash (CA), Presiding Juvenile Court Judge, Edmund D. Edelman Children’s Court, Los Angeles, and President, The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ)
        Moderator: Katayoon Majd (DC), Program Officer for Juvenile Justice, Public Welfare Foundation

10:15 am - 10:30 am  Break
Concurrent Workshop Session 1

A. Building Community Capacity: How to Build System-Community Partnerships for Sustainable Juvenile Justice Reform
Sustainable juvenile justice reform requires not only modifying system policies and practices, but developing capacity in local communities to provide ongoing support, supervision and services for youth. This workshop highlights the South Bronx Community Connections initiative, the Arches Transformative Mentoring initiative and the Asbury Park Community Coaching initiative – to illustrate principles of effective system-community partnerships that reduce recidivism and improve long-term life outcomes for youth.

Presenters: Rev. Rubén Austria (NY), Executive Director, Community Connections for Youth; Clinton Lacey (NY), Deputy Commissioner, NYC Department of Probation

Moderator: Tshaka Barrows (CA), Deputy Director, W. Haywood Burns Institute

B. DC YouthLink - Building Community Partnerships to Help
In 2009, the DC Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services, the Children and Youth Investment Trust (CYITC) and local private foundations collaborated to launch DC YouthLink, a coalition of community-based organizations that provide an array of services, including mentoring, tutoring and workforce development, to court-involved youth in their home neighborhoods. This workshop describes DC YouthLink in the context of positive youth development, how and why it was formed, its use of data to promote system improvement and the emerging outcomes for youth and their communities.

Presenters: Sheila Clark (DC), DC YouthLink Manager, Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services; Youth Participant, DC YouthLink; Amanda Petteruti (DC), Program Analyst, Office of Research and Evaluation; and Henry Culbreath (DC), Founder and Executive Director of Children, Children, Children

Moderator: Marie Williams, Deputy Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

C. Supporting Local Efforts to Reduce Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Connecticut: Law Enforcement and Probation Agency Leadership That Gets Results
Since 2011, local officials in Bridgeport and Hartford, Connecticut, have built collaborations aimed at reducing disproportionate minority contact (DMC). Leadership by law enforcement, probation staff and community partners has created new diversion opportunities and sharply reduced school-based arrests for youth of color. In this workshop, law enforcement and probation leaders from Connecticut will share effective strategies to create more equitable and effective juvenile justice systems.

Presenters: Sergeant Paul A. Grech (CT), Supervisor, School Police and Security, Bridgeport Police Department; and Mark White (CT), Regional Manager, Juvenile Probation Services, Court Support Services Division, State of Connecticut Judicial Branch

Moderator: Jason Szanyi (DC), Staff Attorney, Center for Children’s Law and Policy
D. Youth Voice and the Arts
The Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, a State Advisory Group, has recently formed a Youth Advisory Board to equip and empower Youth Commissioners and mobilize them to impact juvenile justice policy and develop pro-social, youth-led activities that prevent delinquency and intervene with justice-involved youth. This workshop will discuss the innovative work of several youth members to illustrate (1) how youth voices can be mobilized to impact juvenile justice policy and (2) how the arts can be used in delinquency prevention and intervention.

Presenters: Arnetra Jackson (IL), Commissioner, Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission and Community Outreach & Evaluations Coordinator, BUILD Inc.; and Ethan Viets-Van Lear (IL), Commissioner, Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission and Know Your Rights Project Volunteer, Children and Family Justice Center, Northwestern University School of Law

Moderator: Miguel Rodriguez (IL), Visual and Performing Artist-in-Residence, Graffiti Zone, and Youth Engagement Specialist, BUILD Inc.

E. New Mexico’s Juvenile Justice Continuum Model: Developing a Diversity Framework through Community Collaboration and Innovation
New Mexico is the sixth most diverse state in the nation. To address this, the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (JJAC) and the Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD) developed a unique model to address local needs for juvenile justice prevention, diversion and alternatives to detention programming. Nineteen local continuum boards make funding decisions to develop programs that are culturally responsive, utilize community strengths and leverage partnerships to meet New Mexico’s diverse youth needs.

Presenters: Charlotte Andrade (NM), Community Development Director, DWI Coordinator and the Program Coordinator, Chaves County Comprehensive Strategy Board; Amber Parker (NM), Juvenile Diversion Programs Supervisor, City of Las Cruces; and Richard Lindahl (NM), New Mexico Juvenile Justice Specialist (retired)

Moderator: Hon. Louis P. Mc Donald (NM), Chief Judge, Sandoval County District Court, Thirteenth Judicial District

11:45 am - 12:00 pm Break
12:00 pm - 1:45 pm
Dupont Ballroom

CJJ National Awards Luncheon

Each year, CJJ recognizes and celebrates the accomplishments of its national award recipients. Nominated and selected by CJJ members, each recipient has made significant and inspiring contributions to the juvenile justice field.

The Following Awards will be Presented:

• 2013 Tony Gobar Outstanding Juvenile Justice Specialist Award - Valerie A. LaMotte (CT)
• 2013 National CJJ Spirit of Youth Award - Hernan Carvente (NY)
• 2013 CJJ A.L. Carlisle Child Advocacy Award - Robert H. (“Robin”) Jenkins, Ph. D. (NC)

Moderator: Roger Jarjoura (IN), Conference Planning Committee Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

1:45 pm - 2:00 pm
Break

2:00 pm - 3:15 pm
Concurrent Workshop Session 2

Georgetown

A. Diverting the Pipeline: How Coordinated Training in De-Escalating Juvenile Aggression Can Prevent Youth Entry into the Juvenile Justice System

Law enforcement officers, probation officers and teachers are three gatekeepers to the juvenile justice system, yet many lack the skills and training to appropriately respond to youth exhibiting aggressive behavior and to de-escalate potentially violent situations. This workshop will showcase work in Illinois, Kansas and Nebraska to employ “De-Escalating Juvenile Aggression” training with these individuals serving as “gatekeepers,” leveraging local resources and documenting measurable youth outcomes.

Presenters: Joseph Camp (KS), City of Wichita Police Department, Senior Instructor

Moderator: Jeff Golden (FL), Executive Director, The National Justice Group

Foxhall A

B. How to Build a Community Continuum of Care That Limits Youth Entry Into the Criminal Justice System

Over the past two years, key community stakeholders in Utica, NY, have come together to create an evidence-based arrest diversion process and continuum of care that has demonstrably mitigated the “school to prison” pipeline. Leaders from Utica’s “WISE Arrest Decision Making Program” will share how they developed an interdisciplinary Juvenile Assessment Team (JAT), used an evidence-based diversion model to build a continuum of care for youth and created meaningful outcome indicators focused on youth achievement and behavior.

Presenters: James Franco (NY), Director of Operations, Utica Safe Schools Healthy Students Partnership, Inc.; and John Syrotynski (NY), Director of Security, Utica City School District

Moderator: Anne Lansing (NY), Executive Director, Utica Safe Schools Healthy Students Partnership, Inc.
C. Guiding Voices: Incorporating Youth into Community, State, and System Collaborations

Meaningful engagement and partnership with youth is essential to the success of juvenile justice systems and better outcomes for all touched by those systems. Based on this principle and the Positive Youth Development approach, youth leaders from the Coalition for Juvenile Justice, with the Development Services Group, have developed and enhanced a Youth Involvement Curriculum. The curriculum provides SAGs and youth-serving organizations with tools and best practices to incorporate youth voice into their work. This workshop will explore the curriculum’s latest toolkit and discuss its application at the local, state and national levels with current youth leaders.

Presenters: Benjamin Deaton (KY), Youth Member, Kentucky State Advisory Group; Cassy Rockwell (NE), Nebraska SAG Vice President/Youth Committee Chair and Youth Engagement Coordinator, Nebraska Children and Families Foundation; and Symone Sanders (NE), Chair, National Youth Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Moderator: Lisa Hutchinson (AR), Lead Consultant, Development Services Group, Inc.

D. How Well Are We Preparing Police Officers to Work with Youth?

Juvenile justice reform efforts focus most intently on postarraignment issues, typically located in the courts and confinement. Yet, officer training at the recruit and in-service levels is increasingly important as youth and police come into more and more contact. In 2011, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) surveyed police departments, finding that none had conducted in-service training in more than five years to address best practices for police involvement in youth incidents. Presenters will discuss the findings of this landmark study and highlight promising approaches in Boston, MA; Philadelphia, PA; and Portland, OR, that prepare police to more effectively respond to and interact with youth.

Presenters: George D. Mosee, Jr. (PA), Deputy District Attorney, Philadelphia; Lisa H. Thurau (MA), Executive Director, Strategies for Youth, Inc.

Moderator: Alexandra Staropoli, Associate Director of Government and Field Relations, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm  Break - Coffee, tea, soft drinks
3:30 pm - 4:45 pm  
**Conference Plenary: Exclusive Screening of “Zero Tolerance” Film Module and Discussion**

**Moderator:** Cecely Reardon (MA), Attorney in Charge, Roxbury Youth Advocacy Division, Committee on Public Counsel Services

**Presenter:** Maikiko James (CA), Program Consultant, Active Voice

**Learning from Kids for Cash - A Film Module in Action**
CJJ and Active Voice, with the support of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, are pleased to officially premiere a film module for use in your work in states and localities, based on a feature-length film to be released to the general public in coming months. Participants at the CJJ conference will be the first in the nation to see “Zero Tolerance.”

After the screening, a group discussion will focus on target audiences (families, judges, social service providers), practical strategies for using these powerful stories across states and communities, as well as brainstorming of opportunities for SAGs and others to share the film module with their networks as we build up to the full film’s release.

*Please note: Session participants may be asked to sign non-disclosure agreements in advance of viewing the module, as they will be viewing pre-release footage.*

4:45 pm - 4:50 pm  
**Closing Remarks:** Susan Kamp (VT), National Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

4:45 pm - 5:30 pm  
**Closing Networking Reception - Light refreshments provided**
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About the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ):

CJJ envisions a nation where fewer children are at risk of delinquency; and if they are at risk or involved with the justice system, they and their families receive every possible opportunity to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives.

CJJ is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs) and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system.