



2023 CJJ Annual Conference

Wednesday, May 24

CJJ Hill Day, CJJ Executive Board Meeting

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 support funding for the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. Participants are expected to schedule/arrange their own meetings in advance of the conference.

7:00 am – 1:00 pm
Mezzanine Foyer

Hill Day Packets available for pick-up

7:00 am – 7:30 am
Scarlet Oak

Skill Building: Hill Day Training

Discuss talking points on current state/federal issues, juvenile justice funding and JJDPa reauthorization with CJJ Staff prior to your Hill Day visits. *This training is being offered twice.*

Speakers:

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Lisette Burton, D.C. Juvenile Justice Advisory Council Member and Co-Chair, Act4JJ Coalition

Brock Landwehr, Associate Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

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4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Silver Linden

CJJ Executive Board Meeting (closed meeting)

Facilitated by: Michelle Diaz (NY), National Chairwoman,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Thursday, May 25

Conference Opening, Workshops, Awards Luncheon, Business Meetings, Regional Meetings

8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Registration Open

8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Exhibit Hall and Networking

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Breakfast

8:00 am – 9:00 am
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Youth Networking and Breakfast Session

8:00 am – 9:00 am
Capitol

**Juvenile Justice Specialists' Meeting
(closed meeting)**

A forum for state Juvenile Justice Specialists to network, share
resources, and discuss emerging issues.

Facilitated by: *Anya Sekino* (OR), National Juvenile Justice
Specialist Representative, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

9:00 am – 10:30 am
Independence Ballroom

Conference Welcome & General Session

Introduction by: *Naomi Smoot Evans*, Executive Director,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

CJJ Welcome by: *Michelle Diaz* (NY), National Chairwoman,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Federal Update:

Elizabeth Ryan, Administrator, Office of Juvenile Justice and
Delinquency Prevention

**Youth Partnership: How Young People with Lived Expertise
Strengthen Their SAGS-** Join youth members from across the
country as we discuss how youth with lived experience are the
SAG's greatest ally in creating meaningful reform that makes
sense for youth, their families, and their communities.

Speakers:

Aide "Sam" Moore, Moderator, Youth Partnership and Training Assistant, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Audriana "Audi" Wodrazka Espinoza, Iowa Youth Justice Council

Isidro Marino, Kansas Advisory Group

Mylan Barnes, Juvenile Justice Advisory Council, Washington D.C., Co-chair

Laura Furr, Chair, Washington DC Juvenile Justice Advisory Council, Co-Chair

Looking at the Past and Present to Address Racial and Ethnic Disparities: The Importance of Historical Context and Data

Analysis- This panel conversation will explore the importance of historical context and analysis as a tool to address racial and ethnic disparities in the youth justice system. While current system data can serve as an important tool, context and history are also key to helping create a more equitable system. Panelists will share their work at the local and state levels, and how they are using context from the past to help better understand and address the challenges that exist in the present.

Speakers:

Derrik Anderson, Executive Director, Race Matters for Juvenile Justice

Michelle Sawyers, Statewide Operations Supervisor, Administrative Office of the Courts, Kentucky

Moderator, Pastor Edward Palmer, Immediate Past Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

10:30 am – 10:40 am

Break

10:40 am – 11:40 pm

Concurrent Workshop Session #1

Treasury

North Carolina's Journey to Implement Collaborative Service Planning with Justice-Involved Youth - North Carolina

Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention implemented collaborative assessment and case planning to achieve more individualized treatment and service outcomes. Using the Youth Assessment and Screening Instrument (YASI) and Collaborative Case Work, North Carolina advanced a strength-based approach to more directly involve youth in service planning. The workshop will describe key components including client feedback, a statewide service directory,

collaborative service planning with youth, measurement of strengths, trauma, health and basic needs, and a statewide staff coaching program.

Presenters:

Candice Moore, Implementation Manager, North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Megan Perrault, Juvenile Justice Social Research Manager, North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

David Robinson, Director of Assessment, Orbis Partners

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Advance Peace: Creating Agents of Peace through Community Violence Intervention - Advance Peace

Peacemaker Fellowship is a community violence intervention strategy dedicated to ending cyclical and retaliatory gun violence by investing in the healthy development and wellbeing of individuals at the center of conflicts. Services are provided by community agents who build relationships and mediate conflicts to stop imminent violence. Our initiative supports participants in becoming agents of peace who are committed to living, actively pursuing non-violent behaviors, and reducing trauma in their lives.

Presenters:

Paul Elam, Chief Strategy Officer, MPHI

DeVone Boggan, Founder and CEO, Advance Peace

Erica Lynn, Project Coordinator, MPHI

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See the Girl Monologues: The Power of Narrative Storytelling for Systemic Reform - Nationally, girls

represent about a third of juvenile justice referrals. Behaviors that push girls into the justice system are directly related to their lived experiences of trauma and exploitation. Youth-led activism is a powerful tool that bridges individual healing with social change. The See the Girl Monologues provides a forum for young women to exercise their own agency through narrative storytelling to engage policymakers and diverse stakeholders in community conversations about issues that are important to them.

Presenters:

Dr. Vicky Basra, President & CEO, Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center

Rhianna Scyster, Research and Policy Analyst, Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center

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Talking About Youth Probation, Diversion and Restorative Justice - This session leverages public perception research to help youth justice advocates and practitioners become better communicators to advance reforms. Attendees will learn about Americans' perceptions of the juvenile justice system, crime trends and youth gun possession. The Annie E. Casey Foundation and Fenton Communications have applied this research (by Harris Poll) to core messages and narratives to enhance public understanding of diversion from courts, restorative justice and youth probation.

Presenter(s):

Carol Abrams, Senior Communications Associate, The Annie E. Casey Foundation
Co-presenter, TBA

Congress

OJJDP SESSION: Promoting Youth-Adult Partnership, Youth-Led Projects, and Ensuring Diversity in Voice among Young Adult SAG Members

Explore new tools leveraging the voices of young adults with lived experience involved and not involved in their SAG's. Tools include practical steps for increasing youth engagement and leadership in your SAG and Title II efforts. This session will focus on how youth-adult partnership can move beyond simple SAG membership. Upcoming opportunities for enhanced dialogue between OJJDP and young adults interested/involved in youth justice advocacy will also be shared.

Presenters:

TBA, Youth MOVE National

Kyla Woods, Center for Coordinated Assistance to States and Washington DC Youth Leaders in Action

*Diamond Lewis, Office of Juvenile Justice and
Delinquency Prevention
Cassy Blakely, Center for Coordinated Assistance to
States*

11:40 am – 11:50 am

Break

11:50 am – 1:20 pm
Independence Ballroom

CJJ 2023 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.

Awardees:

- Tony Gobar Outstanding National Juvenile Justice Specialist Award: Chelsea Newton (ID)
- National Spirit of Youth Award: Aide “Sam” Moore (ID)
- A.L. Carlisle Child Advocacy Award: Jason Stone (ID)
- Marion Mattingly Lifetime Achievement Award: Marcia Hazelhorst (MO)

Moderator: Tracey Wells-Huggins, Vice Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

1:20 pm – 1:25 pm

Break

1:25 pm – 2:25 pm

Concurrent Workshop Session #2

Treasury

**Centering Youth & Survivor Voice to Transform
Approaches to Commercial Sexual Exploitation in
California-**

This presentation will describe three innovative approaches to transforming California’s practice and policy approach to serving youth impacted by commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) who are involved in the juvenile justice system, including a new pilot youth feedback structure for centering youth voice in individual and system-level decisions, collaboration with California’s CSEC Action Team Advisory Board, comprised of adult lived experience experts, and the role of harm reduction approaches in serving youth impacted by CSE.

Presenters:

Kate Walker Brown, Senior Director, National Center for Youth Law, Collaborative Responses to Commercial Sexual Exploitation Initiative

Maria Contreras, Community Policy Associate, National Center for Youth Law, Collaborative Responses to Commercial Sexual Exploitation Initiative

Reshay Collier, California CSEC Action Team Advisory Board Member, Training Associate, WestCoast Children's Clinic

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Creating a Trauma Informed Courtroom- Trauma has always been pervasive across the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. The Covid-19 pandemic and the country's more recent racial reckoning have made the impacts of trauma even more profound. Because judges and lawyers often play a pivotal role in either exacerbating or abating a child or family's trauma, this workshop will address the impact of trauma and discrimination on brains and behavior. We will also offer specific tools and strategies to create a trauma-responsive courtroom, which can change the trajectory of a child or family by improving permanency outcomes in child welfare, reducing recidivism in juvenile justice, and most importantly providing litigants with a greater sense of due process and fairness.

Presenters:

Eliza Hirst, Assistant Public Defender, Post Disposition Unit Head, Office of Defense Services

The Honorable Peter B. Jones, Family Court Judge, Delaware Family Court

Dr. Julius Mullen, Chief Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Officer, Children & Families First

Independence Ballroom

Experts of Their Own Lives: Rejecting the Traditional Service Provider Model- Centering young people, their stories, and their needs, creates space for holistic, individualized support systems. Through three main programs, we prioritize dignity, transformation, self-determination, and healing for our client-partners in a way that empowers them to share their stories and advocate for themselves with autonomy. Through client-partner testimony, our Mutual Responsibility Agreement model, Speakers Bureau initiative, and "Know Your Rights" program will show how restructuring outdated reentry and advocacy models can effectively ensure that youth receive individualized support and services.

Presenters:

Kat Bakrania, Reentry Coordinator, Youth Sentencing & Reentry Project

Isabel Ballester, Program Coordinator, Youth Sentencing & Reentry Project

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The Power of Partnerships: Helping Youth and Families

Navigate Successfully- Connecting young people with new opportunities can make all the difference. Join us to learn how New Jersey is connecting youth with new experiences and opportunities through a range of partnerships, and how in California, navigators are helping young people succeed and even reduce their time on probation.

Presenters:

Stephanie Heying, Juvenile Justice Associate, the Children's Initiative

Veronica Castro, Resource Navigator, the Children's Initiative

Joseph Halsey, Founder and CEO of The James R. Halsey Foundation of the Arts

Mary Anne Tempone, New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission

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Life After Congregate Care: How Organizations Can Pivot to Community-Based Operations to Best Serve Justice-Involved Youth

– Join us for lessons learned while closing a residential treatment campus in 2022 and shifting to whole health community-based care for adolescents in rural Indiana. Grant writing, diversification of funding streams, stakeholder engagement, and strategic planning techniques will be highlighted throughout the presentation.

Presenters:

Mollie Ewing, CEO CFS, Corp.

Tucker Smith, Director of Harm Reduction Programs CFS, Corp

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OJJDP SESSION: Merging the Power of Voice and Data: Strategies for Arming Youth with Data

We speak often about data-driven and youth-led decisions, but what happens when efforts leverage both? Explore strategies for working with young people to collect and leverage qualitative data to advance your local R/ED effort. This session will also explore strategies for making data accessible to youth and for partnering with youth advocacy/social justice champions, as well as ways to make your efforts trauma-competent to honor how the collection and dissemination of data can trigger those most directly impacted.

Speakers:

Kyla Woods, Center for Coordinated Assistance to States and Washington DC Youth Leaders in Action

Mylan Barnes, Washington DC Youth Leaders in Action
TBA, Youth MOVE National

Callie Hargett, Director, Youth Justice Office, Minnesota

Nicole McCrae, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Cassy Blakely, Center for Coordinated Assistance to States

2:25 pm – 2:35 pm

Break

2:35 pm – 3:35 pm

Concurrent Workshop Session #3

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Leveraging Cross Sector Resources to Enhance Prevention -

DC has several initiatives that are centered around prevention and are operationalized through coordinated, cross-sector resources and partnerships. Addressing issues from truancy reduction to violence prevention, DC is leveraging allies across disciplines to improve outcomes for youth and families. In this session, participants will learn about the planning and execution of a pilot program to integrate and expand intensive case management services in schools with high rates of truancy and chronic absenteeism, and a community-based violence prevention initiative directed at youth 11 to 14 years of age.

Presenters:

Melissa Milchman, Juvenile Justice Specialist, DC

John Mein, Chief of Prevention Services, DC Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services

Sheila Clark, Deputy Administrator, Youth Services Division, DC Department of Human Services

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Pipeline to Opportunity: Higher Education for Justice

Impacted Youth- This workshop is designed to highlight successful partnerships between secondary, post-secondary, county probation/juvenile justice systems, and community-based organizations that provide a pipeline to higher education for justice impacted youth. Participants will see a model that has grown exponentially in just three years, offering dual enrollment for in-custody students, regular college enrollment for in-custody students, and a seamless pathway for continuing college education for students moving to out-of-custody status.

Presenters:

René Moncada, Education Coordinator, Pipeline to Opportunity Program, Focus Forward
Marc Salazar, Program Manager, Focus Forward

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Removing the Red Tape: Identifying Ways to Address

Students' Needs – Join us for a conversation about ways that officials in Maine and Illinois have eliminated barriers to student success. Participants in this session will learn about a project in St. Louis to stem the school-to-prison pipeline by connecting young people with counselors, and opportunities to explore careers in the recording industry. Presenters from Maine, meanwhile, have found ways to address young people's needs more holistically, including placing an increased focus on restorative practices, and food security.

Presenters:

Stacey Barlow, Restorative Practices Coordinator, Maine Department of Education

Breona Hawkins, Wraparound Wellness Center Social Worker East Saint Louis School District #189

Kellie Bailey, Social and Emotional Learning Specialist, Maine, Department of Education

Dr. Vincent Anderson, Supervisor Wraparound Wellness Center, East Saint Louis School District

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The Success of Diversion and Prevention Centers (a.k.a Assessment Centers)-

Hear from leaders of local Assessment Centers in San Francisco and Las Vegas on how their Assessment Centers have facilitated local collaboration to address the needs of young people and divert them from the justice system. For both Assessment Centers, this collaboration includes youth and families with lived experience, law enforcement, courts and probations departments, schools, and community service providers. Learn how the unique position of these Assessment Centers have allowed them to identify community service gaps and advocate for increased community capacity.

Presenters:

Molli Cook, Executive Director, National Assessment Center Association

Cheryl Wright, Deputy Director, Clark County Juvenile Services

Hillary Buren, Director of CARC, Huckleberry Youth Programs

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OJJDP SESSION: Explore OJJDP's Commitment to Community Alternatives to Detention

Far too many young people are housed in juvenile justice facilities, and often their detention does more harm than good. Community-based alternatives achieve better results than warehousing youth in prisons. OJJDP's Community Alternatives to Youth Incarceration Initiative supports the goal of serving youth at home, with their families, and in their communities. This session will explore alternatives to detention for youth and how OJJDP's initiative can help.

Speakers:

Dana Kaplan, Community Alternatives to Detention

Geroma Void, Community Alternatives to Detention

Mark Peterson, Hawaii

Gladys Carrion, Senior Fellow, Columbia Justice Lab

Randall Sisco, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Cassy Blakely, Center for Coordinated Assistance to States

3:35 pm – 4:35 pm

CJJ Regional Meetings

The challenges states and territories face can vary greatly based on geographical region. This meeting time is dedicated to information sharing, problem-solving, and networking for those looking to share concerns, recent innovations, and successes with juvenile justice professionals confronting similar issues.

All are invited to attend. A list of states by region can be found at the back of your agenda.

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Midwest

Facilitated by: *Hon. Michael Mayer (MN)*, Midwest Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

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Northeast

Facilitated by: *Janelle Ridley (MA)*, Northeast Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

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Southern

Facilitated by: *Chief Tony Jones (FL)*, Southern Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

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Western

Facilitated by: *John "Jack" Martin (NV)*, Western Region Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

4:35 pm – 5:35 pm
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Compliance Monitors Meeting

Join fellow compliance monitors for a conversation about key issues facing those across the country who are tasked with this important work.

Facilitated by:

Danny Turek (OH), National Compliance Monitor, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

4:35 pm – 5:35 pm
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R/ED Coordinators and CJJ Ethnic & Cultural Diversity Committee

Joint Business Meeting

The Ethnic and Cultural Diversity committee ensures that the diversity of race, culture, and ethnicity of youth in the juvenile justice system remains foremost in the minds of CJJ members. Committee members develop juvenile justice system reforms that generate policies and services to resolve racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system. The committee acts as an advisor to CJJ on all ethnic and cultural issues.

Facilitated by:

Toni Lemons (DC), National Racial and Ethnic Disparities Coordinator, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Barbara Wallace (NJ), Chair, Ethnic and Cultural Diversity Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Friday, May 26

Council of State Advisory Groups Meeting, Workshops, CJJ Business Meetings, Conference Plenary

8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Registration Open

8:00 am – 10:00 am

Breakfast

8:00 am – 11:00 am
Independence Ballroom

Council of SAGs' Meeting & Executive Board Elections

All conference attendees are welcome to attend the annual meeting of CJJ's policy-setting body, comprising member-State Advisory Group Chairs/Chair-designees.

Facilitated by: *Michelle Diaz (NY)*, National Chairwoman, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

11:00 am – 11:05 am

Break

11:05 am – 12:05 pm

Concurrent Workshop Session #4

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Juvenile Justice Transformation in New Hampshire - New Hampshire's juvenile justice leadership participated in the Annie E. Casey Foundation Transformation of Juvenile Probation Program at Georgetown University in November of 2019. The team created a statewide assessment process using a strengths and needs tool to determine equitable access to individualized services. They also reduced the number of rules of probation for court-involved youth.

Presenters:

Amy McCormack, DCYF Associate Bureau Chief, Juvenile Justice
Jeffrey Sellars, Assessment Administrator
Jennifer Archer, New Hampshire Juvenile Justice Specialist

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Cultural Healing and Transformative Youth-Adult

Partnerships - Youth are the future, but they're also our present. We will discuss the importance of working in full collaboration with young people on social justice and cultural healing issues. Participants will leave the workshop with knowledge on how to hold space and create a safe environment for youth, while incorporating indigenous grounding practices.

Presenters:

Hector Ramos, Prevention Programs Manager, Horizons Unlimited
Ashley Monterrosa, Principal Program Coordinator, Horizons Unlimited
Joel Uicab, Principal Program Coordinator, Horizons Unlimited

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Youth Partnerships: How Youth Justice Agencies are

Rethinking Engagement – This session will engage members of DC's Youth Justice Council and agency leaders from New Jersey in a roundtable conversation about creating and maintaining meaningful opportunities for youth partnership. Participants will have time to break into small groups to provide feedback and ideas for furthering youth and adult partnerships as a means of system improvement.

Presenters:

Tamerdis Hollywood, Senior Associate, National Community Action Partnership

James Earl Hollywood III, Program Associate, Annie E. Casey Foundation

Kyla Woods, D.C. Juvenile Justice Advisory Council

D'Vontay Hope, D.C. Juvenile Justice Advisory Council

*Edwin Lee, Jr., Deputy Executive Director, Operations
Juvenile Justice Commission, New Jersey*

Capitol

Supporting a Collaborative Approach to Improving Youth Interactions through Law Enforcement Training -

Officers are not trained to work with youth. Most law enforcement agencies don't have policies regarding youth interactions, and even fewer have initiated partnerships with youth programs. It's time for that to change. This presentation makes the case that a 21st Century approach to juvenile justice requires training law enforcement on key developmental differences between youth and adults, the role trauma plays in youths' interactions with officers, and opportunities to connect youth to meaningful supports and services outside of the juvenile justice system.

Presenters:

David Walker, Training Director / COO, Strategies for Youth, Inc.

*Alice Perry, Assistant Director, Clackamas County, Oregon
Juvenile Department*

*Brett M. Peterson, JD, Director, Utah Division of Juvenile Justice
and Youth Services*

Congress

OJJDP SESSION: Monitoring for Separation and Removal:

The intersection of the JJDP and PREA - Participants will hear from leaders of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's (OJJDP), State and Tribal Relations Assistance Division (STRAD), as well as the National Prison Rape Elimination Act Resource Center. Presenters will compare the separation requirements for youth charged as adults (JJDP) with those for youth found guilty upon conviction (PREA), including what OJJDP plans to do to address these differences in the future and how monitors can view compliance now.

Speakers:

Lucia Turck-Gamble, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

*Dana Shoenberg, National Prison Rape Elimination Act
Resource Center*

*Didier Moncion, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency
Prevention*

Cassy Blakely, Center for Coordinated Assistance to States

12:05 pm – 1:05 pm

Lunch on Your Own

12:05 pm – 1:05 pm
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**CJJ Government Relations Committee Meeting
(Lunch provided for committee members.)**

This committee reviews federal policy issues and questions related to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention on behalf of CJJ and all of its members. It formulates educational documents, including position papers, to represent the views of the SAGs and CJJ members. The committee organizes CJJ's annual Hill Day and other member training opportunities. They are also tasked with presenting policy recommendations to the CJJ Executive Board and the CJJ Council of SAGs. The committee also serves as a liaison to other national and state organizations working on federal policy.

Facilitated by: *Melissa Milchman* (DC), Government Relations Committee Chair

12:35 pm – 1:05 pm
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**CJJ Finance Committee Lunch Meeting
(closed meeting; lunch provided)**

This committee serves as the financial advisor to the CJJ Executive Board and the CJJ Council of SAGs in all of the organization's financial affairs, in concert with the Executive Director, including, but not limited to: preparing an annual operating budget prior to presentation to the Executive Board; conducting periodic review of all financial reports; facilitating a periodic review of all financial policies; reviewing the work of the audit committee; and designing and ensuring compliance with a general accounting practices and a system of internal accounting controls.

Facilitated by: *Mark Hutchinson* (MA), Treasurer/Secretary, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

1:05 pm – 1:10 pm

Break

1:10 pm – 2:10 pm

Concurrent Workshop Session #5

Treasury

Listening and Growing: Sharing Your Input on LGBTQ+ Two Spirit Youth in the Juvenile Justice System- We invite you to share your perspectives on the gaps and the best practices to respond to the needs of justice-involved LGBTQ+ and Two-Spirit youth. The purpose of this listening session is to understand the new and emerging issues in the field. Through

this conversation, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and our partners will develop training and technical assistance to increase awareness in the juvenile justice system of the unique strengths and needs of justice-involved LGBTQ+ and Two-Spirit youth.

Presenter:

Lauren Beal, Senior Program Manager, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

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Why Youth Incarceration Fails: And What's the Alternative? – Building on The Sentencing Project's (TSP) December 2022 report "Why Youth Incarceration Fails," and a forthcoming report on alternatives, this panel will review research and present information about effective models and strategies to reduce youth incarceration.

Presenters:

Richard Mendel, Senior Fellow, The Sentencing Project

YAP participant – TBA

YAP staff member – TBA

Clinton Lacey, President and CEO, Credible Messenger
Mentoring Movement (CM3)

Josh Rovner, Moderator, Director of Youth Justice, The Sentencing Project

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Caring for Youth in Rural Jurisdictions through Community Strengths and Supports- Rural communities frequently face barriers to adequately serving juvenile justice and at-risk youth that urban and suburban areas are less likely to encounter. However, rural jurisdictions have unique opportunities to address the needs of this population through collaborative practices. This session will explore real world strategies from rural communities across the country that apply outside-the-box thinking to strengthen interagency practices and improve supports for youth.

Presenters:

Alexandra Miller, PhD, Deputy Director for Multi-System Operations, Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform

Macon Stewart, MSW, Senior Deputy Director, Georgetown University Center for Juvenile Justice Reform

Skyler Irons, LCSW-C, Local Care Team Coordinator, Somerset County Local Management Board

Capitol

Racial Healing Circle Experience- Racial Healing and relationship building is people work. It focuses on ways for all of us (youth and adults) to heal from the wounds of the past, to build mutually respectful relationships across lines of difference that honor and value each person's humanity, and to build trusting intergenerational and diverse relationships that better reflect our common humanity. Join us to take part in a racial healing circle. (NOTE: Attendance for this session is limited.)

Presenters:

Tamerdis Hollywood, Senior Associate, National Community Action Partnership

James Earl Hollywood III, Program Associate, Annie E. Casey Foundation

Congress

OJJDP SESSION: Leveraging Title II to Advance Juvenile Justice Reform in Your State

The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act was created nearly 50 years ago with the intent to advance a fair and just juvenile justice system for all youth. This session will cover examples of how states and territories have utilized the Act, and OJJDP funding, to advance youth justice topics, reforms, and services. In addition to examples, this session will provide participants opportunities to share their needs around policy, guidance, resources, funding streams, and program manager support to further their work.

Speakers:

Jill Padgett, Juvenile Justice Specialist, Iowa

Greg Hopkins, Juvenile Justice Specialist, Virginia

Aloysius Anderson, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Cassy Blakely, Center for Coordinated Assistance to States

2:10 pm – 2:15 pm

Break

2:15 pm – 4:00 pm

Independence Ballroom

Plenary and Conference Closing

Welcome and Introduction: *Naomi Smoot Evans*, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

The Journey of York – For more than 200 years we have learned about the epic adventure that was the Lewis and Clark Expedition. But there was so much more to this adventure than the story of these two men. Now it is time to hear from one of the expedition's unsung heroes.

Join us for the Journey of York, a powerful living history performance focused on the heroic contributions and sacrifices made by York, an enslaved Kentuckian who was the only Black member of the Lewis and Clark Expedition from 1803 to 1806. This presentation focuses on ways to access your own story to make history relevant, and highlights the impact the arts can have in youth justice.

Discover York. His story is History!

Presenter: *Hasan Davis J.D.*, Southern Region Representative, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

The Role of Historically Black Colleges and Universities in Supporting Justice Reform –

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) are key partners in the work to end racial and ethnic disparities in the youth legal system. Join us for a conversation about the ways HBCUs can serve as a tool to end the over-representation of Black youth in the legal system.

Presenters:

Ridha Kapoor, Moderator, Policy and Field Relations Associate, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Vanita Snow, Professor, University of the District of Columbia, David A. Clarke School of Law

Johnny Rice PhD, Assistant Professor, Coppin State University