

### **CJJ Northeast Region Quarterly Call**

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**I. States Present:** Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, D.C.

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## II. State Updates:

- **A. Maine:** Taking \$3 million out of secure care funding and opening a community resource center for boys and men on June 1st.
- **B.** Connecticut: The state's JJ Reform bill may be called to the floor this week. Some changes have been made to the original bill such as raising the minimum age to 12 is now moved back to 10. Session wraps up June 9th.
- C. New Hampshire: Finalized 3-year plan. Implementing a motor vehicle educational project similar to the Mirror Project as the issue of lack of driver's education in young people when stopped has risen. NH is looking into mental health assistance as well. Bias training is still in progress to assist with effective interactions with youth.
- **D. Maryland**: Proposed jail removal/protection bill failed. Currently working with agencies to remain in compliance with the JJDPA through a non-legislative approach. Subcommittee is conducting meetings and grantees are heard from at each meeting. Finalizing 3-year plan.
- **E. Pennsylvania**: Finalizing 3-year plan and applications. Scheduled meetings to work on court holding compliance and new OJJDP guidance. Partnering with Georgetown University to receive their R/ED Certificate Training Program. Seven county teams and one statewide team to assist counties will all be trained.
- **F. D.C.**: SAG approved DC's 3-year plan. Georgetown trauma training was a success with SAG members. To learn more about the training click here. Started back working to address the needs of young people charged with status offenses reform. Obtaining R/ED recommendations in cities arrest of young people and

looking into the custody orders that may appear disportionate. Notice of funding opportunity for youth diversion at the law enforcement level.

# III. CJJ Updates:

- A. <u>Annual Conference</u> rates have increased!. To register and receive an invoice please use discount code CJJ2021INVOICE. If multiple people should be included on one invoice, please contact Kristen Powell at <u>powell@juvjustice.org</u> with a list of individuals.
- B. <u>Youth Summit</u>: CJJ's 2021 Youth Summit will take place Aug. 9-10 at the Hotel Murano in Tacoma, WA. It will be a hybrid event with members able to join in person or via live stream. Nell Bernstein, author of "Burning Down the House" will be joining us. In addition to providing a keynote, Nell will also be interviewing some of the attendees for a new book she is working on.
- C. Racial and Ethnic Disparities Conference: Our Racial and Ethnic Disparities Conference will take place in Louisville, Ky., on November 1-4, 2021 at the Omni Louisville Hotel. The event will feature a track highlighting work that has been done in the state to address R/ED. A current agenda is available here. Registration is available here. We will have limited attendance and social distance based on hotel guidelines. Attendees will also be asked to register in advance for workshops. A limited livestream will be available for those who prefer to join remotely. The livestream will feature all plenary speakers and one workshop offering per time slot.
- D. So far in 2021, CJJ has released two new reports to help support our members and their work. In March, we released a Youth Manual to help young people better understand their role as members of a State Advisory Group. A copy of the Youth Manual is available here.
- E. In partnership with Racial and Ethnic Disparities Coordinators from across the country, CJJ has also created a <u>Peer Resource Guide</u> to help new R/ED Coordinators navigate their work. The guide is also a useful tool for others in the youth justice field who are working to address racial inequities. The guide was released in April and is available <u>here</u>.
- F. CJJ's second quarter book club is June 24th at 3pm. <u>The Burning House:</u> <u>Educating Black Boys in Modern America by Desmond Williams</u> To learn more and/or join click here.

### IV. Other Business - Voting & Elections

- A. Two candidates (Erica Bromley from Connecticut and Janelle Ridley from Massachusetts) are running for the Northeastern Regional Representative position with CJJ Executive Board. (Election materials sent via email)
- B. **Voting will remain open till June 4th**. Each person can vote only once. To place your vote click <u>here</u>.
- C. Winner will be announced during the Council of SAGs meeting on June 11th.

#### V. Meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.