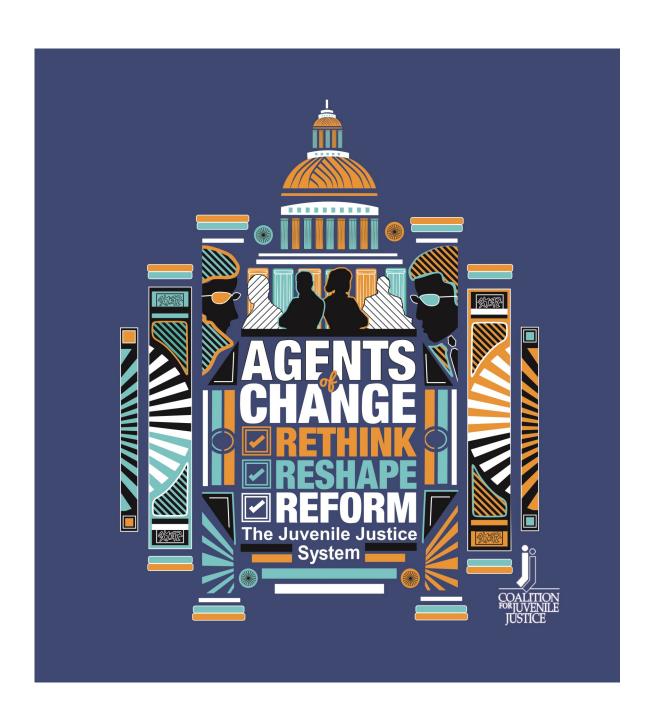
Coalition for Juvenile Justice Youth Summit



August 2-3, 2016 Washington, DC

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Welcome!

On behalf of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ), our members, staff, and allies, we welcome you to the 2015 Juvenile Justice Youth Summit, "Agents of Change: Rethinking, Reshaping, and Reforming the Juvenile Justice System," co-hosted with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

This annual event brings together up-and-coming leaders from around the country. CJJ and OJJDP are excited to provide an experience that will empower emerging leaders with knowledge, resources, and skills on the national level. To that end, this year's agenda was created and driven by our youth members and National Youth Committee. During the Summit, you will learn more about the juvenile justice system and trending reform topics, build relationships with fellow emerging leaders, and develop skills to organize and advocate for reform.

The Summit will open with remarks from CJJ Executive Director Marie Williams and CJJ National Youth Chair Hernan Carvente. Following the opening session, exciting presenters will engage you in sessions on the history of juvenile justice in the United States, pathways to advocacy, reforming the system, and consensus- building. We will also hold thematic working groups on topics such as: the school-to prison pipeline, youth and policy relations, and racial and ethnic disparities. There will also be an opportunity to take a tour of the Capitol or explore the monuments on the National Mall.

This year's program would not be possible without our dedicated co-host and sponsors. CJJ is particularly grateful for OJJDP's continuing support of youth engagement efforts.

Thank you for joining us! We look forward to a tremendous Summit.

Sincerely,

Cecely Reardon

CJJ National Chair

Tuesday, August 2

Summit Opening and Plenaries

7:30 am - 3:00 pm Registration Table Open

8:30 am - 9:00 am Breakfast (provided)

9:00 am - 10:00 am **Summit Opening**

CJJ Welcome

Marie Williams, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

CJJ National Youth Committee Welcome

Hernan Carvente, Chair, National Youth Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

10:00 am - 11:15 am

Juvenile Justice 201

This session will go beyond an introduction to juvenile justice; it will delve into the history and transition of juvenile justice systems from where they were to where they are now, and how they got there.

Presenters:

- Jason Szanyi, Director of Institutional Reform, the Center for Children's Law and
- Nadia Seeratan, Senior Staff Attorney and Policy Advocate, National Juvenile Defender Center

11:15 am - 11:30 am

Break

11:30 am - 12:45 am

Grassroots and Grasstops: Pathways to Advocacy

This session will explore the difference between activism and advocacy and how to affect change with both. It will help participants to identify key pressure points in the reform process.

Presenters:

Liz Ryan, President and CEO, Youth First

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

Lunch (provided)

1:45 pm - 3:00 pm

Reforming the System: An Insider's Perspective

This session will give an inside look into how to affect change from within, including the pathways and obstacles to reform. Participants will gain a greater understanding of potential allies to look for in systems, as well as the parameters within which systems function.

Presenters:

• Gladys Carrión, Commissioner, New York City Administration for Children's Services

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm

Break (snack provided)

3:15 pm - 4:45 pm

Using Your Voice: Advocacy in Action!

Summit attendees will participate in a skill-building workshop conducted by Split This Rock, a diverse group of poets who strive to represent the great stylistic diversity of American poetry today, presenting poetry of all styles on a single stage. The session will focus on spoken word and poetry and how they can be used to advocate for reform.

Presenters:

Joseph Green, Acting Youth Programs Coordinator, Split this Rock

4:45 pm – 5:00 pm

Day 1 Wrap Up

5:00 pm – Evening

Dinner on your own / free time

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

CJJ Emerging Leaders Committee Meeting (closed meeting)

Wednesday, August 3

Workshops and Town Hall Forum

7:30 am – 3:00 pm Registration Table Open

8:00 am – 8:30 am Breakfast (provided)

8:30 am—10:00 am Thematic Working Groups (breakfast provided)

Conference attendees will break into the following working groups where they will learn more about these topics and develop a plan for how to harness the youth voice and perspective to enhance juvenile justice reform.

School-to-Prison Pipeline

Facilitator: Dwanna Nicole, Senior Policy Advocate, Advancement Project

Aftercare and Reentry

Facilitator: Jenny Collier, Project Director, Robert F. Kennedy Juvenile Justice

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Youth and Police Relations

Facilitator: Benjamin Saldana, Actor, Creative Youth Productions

10:00 am—10:15 am Break (snack provided)

10:15 am—11:45 am Thematic Working Groups

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perspective to enhance juvenile justice reform.

Mental Health and Trauma

Facilitator: Lisa Pilnik, Senior Advisor, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Status Offenses

Facilitator: Naomi Smoot, Senior Policy Associate, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Racial and Ethnic Disparities

Facilitator: Jessica Sandoval, Vice President and Deputy Director, Campaign for Youth

Justice

11:45 am—12:30 pm Lunch (provided)

12:30 pm—1:30 pm Working Groups Report Out/Town Hall Forum

Chosen representatives of sessions from both days will briefly report out on the reflections and recommendation of their working groups. Participants will gain an understanding of how their work in these groups is the first step to continued engagement with the Coalition for Juvenile Justice on these issues.

Facilitators:

- Hernan Carvente, National Youth Committee Chair, Coalition for Juvenile Justice
- Audrey Eisemann, Project Associate, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

1:30 pm—1:35 pm	Closing Remarks
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1:45 pm Bus Departs for Hill Activity

2:45 pm Bus Departs for Tour of Monuments

3:00 pm—4:00 pm Juvenile Justice Hill Activity (Optional)

3:00 pm—5:15 pm Free Time to Explore DC Monuments (Optional)

4:15 pm Bus Departs from Capitol Visitors Center

5:30 pm Bus Departs from DC Monuments

The Coalition for Juvenile Justice gratefully acknowledges the generous supporters of the 2016 Juvenile Justice Youth Summit.



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.