

From the Past, Here in our Present, Into the Future: Cultivating Youth and Legal System Change



Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Welcome!

On behalf of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) Executive board, Council of State Advisory Groups (SAGs), and the Emerging Leaders Committee (ELC) we welcome you to our 2022 Youth Summit, "From the Past, Here in our Present, Into the Future: Cultivating Youth and Legal System Change." Our goal is for you to leave this conference empowered, informed, motivated and connected with other emerging leaders from across the country.

This year's summit will focus on ways that we can equip young leaders with the tools they need to improve our juvenile justice systems, including self-care, leadership, and advocacy skills to help as they engage in this important work. Youth bring passion, valuable perspective, and in many instances lived expertise, to this work. It is our goal that this summit will enable attendees to use these and other tools to help shape a better and more equitable juvenile justice system.

Over the next two days, we will learn about juvenile justice reform and hear from emerging leaders in the field. We will hear about ways to share personal stories effectively, and ways to collaborate with policymakers. More than anything though, we hope that you walk away from this conference with a network of fellow emerging leaders who can help support your advocacy efforts moving forward.

The 2022 CJJ Youth Summit would not be possible without our Emerging Leaders Committee (ELC). We are grateful to these individuals, who worked tirelessly to create an engaging and informative agenda. During the summit, you will hear presentations from many of these committee members. We thank our ELC, and all of our presenters and attendees for helping us create our best Youth Summit yet. A special thank you to our 2022 ELC for their hard work and dedication and to all of you for being here with us.

Sincerely,

Aaron Toleafoa
Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Emerging Leaders Committee Chair

Coalition for Juvenile Justice 2022 Youth Summit

August 1st
Summit Opening, Keynote, and Plenaries

8:15 am – 5:00 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Registration Open

9:00 am – 9:30 am
Venice 3, 4

Breakfast and Summit Opening

Welcome

Aaron Toleafoa, Chair, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Naomi Smoot Evans, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Gordon McHenry, Jr., Chair, Washington State Partnership Council on Juvenile Justice

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

Morning Intro

Members of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice's Emerging Leaders Committee (ELC) will share a spoken word performance.

Presenters:

Ron Ackerson, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Chris Ford, Member, Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Emerging Leaders Committee

Aaron Toleafoa, Chair, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

9:30 am – 10:15 am
Venice 3, 4

Juvenile Justice 101

This session will explore the youth legal system, as well as its history and transition of juvenile justice systems from where they were to where they are now, and how they got there.

Presenter:

Naomi Smoot Evans, Executive Director, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

10:15 am – 11:00 am
Venice 3, 4

Strategic Sharing 101

Emerging Leaders will examine and develop strategies to successfully share and message their stories as they work to improve systems.

Presenter:

Aide “Sam” Moore, Youth Partnership Associate, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

11:00 am – 11:10 am

Break

11:10 am – 12:10 pm
Venice 3, 4

Mental and Physical Health

Mental and physical health play an important role in young peoples’ lives. Join us to learn more about why caring for your self and your community is important, and how this can be done.

Presenters:

Myla Roundy, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice,
Kimberly Garcia, Member, Emerging Leaders, Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice,
Erin Condon, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

12:10 pm – 1:10 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Lunch (provided)

1:10 pm – 2:10 pm
Venice 3, 4

Self-Care for Advocates

Creating change is a heavy and often emotionally draining process. This session will explore ways that we can care for ourselves as we work to create a more just and equitable world.

Presenters:

Myla Roundy, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Kimberly Garcia, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Hannah Krawczyk, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

2:10 pm – 2:20 pm

Break

2:20 pm – 3:20 pm
Venice 3, 4

Networking and Leadership Building

Participants will learn more about their individual leadership styles and connect with other attendees.

Presenter:

Gabrielle Henry, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

3:20 pm – 3:30 pm

Break

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Venice 3, 4

Art as Advocacy

Art and advocacy have long been interwoven. Together we will take time to create art, both visual and spoken.

Presenters:

Ron Ackerson, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Chris Ford, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Gabrielle Henry, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Kayla Kemp, Intern, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

4:30 pm – 4:45 pm
Venice 3, 4

Closing Remarks

Aaron Toleafoa, Chair, Emerging Leaders Committee,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

August 2nd Plenaries, Keynote, and Summit Closing

8:30 am – 3:45 pm
Ballroom Foyer

Registration Open

9:00 am – 9:10 am
Venice 3, 4

Breakfast and Opening Remarks

Aaron Toleafoa, Chair, Emerging Leaders Committee,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

9:10 am – 9:15 am
Venice 3, 4

Morning Intro

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Presenters:

Ron Ackerson, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Chris Ford, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition
for Juvenile Justice

Aaron Toleafoa, Chair, Emerging Leaders Committee,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

9:15 am – 10:15 am
Venice 3, 4

Advocacy and Campaigning

Advocacy can take on a range of forms, including targeted campaigns aimed at making change on a specific issue. This panel will feature a conversation about advocacy in its different forms, and ways to run a successful advocacy campaign.

Presenters:

Ron Ackerson, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Chris Ford, Member, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee,
Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Gabrielle Henry, Coalition for Juvenile Justice, Emerging Leaders Committee, Member
Hanna Krawczyk, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Nell Bernstein, Author

10:15 am – 10:20 am

Self-Care Break

10:20 am – 11:20 am

Venue 3, 4

Prevention and Intervention

Prevention and intervention can take on a variety of forms, from stemming the school-to-prison pipeline, to better resourcing communities, to ensuring that young people are set up for success when they're reentering from justice involvement. Join us for a conversation on how we can ensure young people's success and look at prevention and intervention in a more holistic way.

Presenters:

Ron Ackerson, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Kimberly Garcia, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Edgar Calixto, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Chris Ford, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

11:20 am – 12:20 pm

Ballroom Foyer

Lunch (provided)

12:20 pm – 1:30 pm

Venue 3, 4

Sentencing Reform

The courts have recognized for almost two decades that young people are different from adults. Even so, sentencing practices across the country continue to be punitive. Join us to discuss how sentencing reform has changed in recent decades, and what work still needs to be done.

[Presenters:](#)

Edgar Calixto, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Ron Ackerson, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Chris Ford, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Gabrielle Henry, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Erin Condon, Member, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

1:30 pm - 1:45 pm
Venice 3, 4

[Closing Remarks and Reflection Activity](#)

Aaron Toleafoa, Chair, Emerging Leaders Committee, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

1:45 pm - 5:00 pm
Venice 3, 4

[Emerging Leaders Committee Meeting \(Closed Meeting\)](#)

Closed session. ELC vision casting and planning session.

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