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Dear Conference Attendees:

On behalf of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP), I am pleased to welcome you to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention’s (OJJDP’s) National Conference, “Children’s Justice & Safety: Unite, Build, Lead.”

One of my top goals for OJP continues to be to strengthen our partnerships with state, local, and tribal justice stakeholders. Nowhere is this more important than in the fields of juvenile justice and child protection. This conference, which brings together juvenile justice researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and advocates from across the country, is an important step toward achieving this goal. From prevention programs to deep-end intervention to child victimization, we have much to share and learn from each other.

As you browse the agenda that follows, you will note a broad range of topics and sessions that will be of interest to all participants. In particular, I would highlight some of our new Departmentwide initiatives in which OJJDP plays a significant role, specifically the Defending Childhood initiative and the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention. Both of these efforts demonstrate that establishing strong partnerships across government and with local communities can ultimately improve the systems and services that impact our children’s lives.

I am also gratified to see that this agenda reflects OJP’s ongoing emphasis on the importance of data-driven strategies and evidence-based approaches. I firmly believe that applying rigorous scientific methods to understand what works is the best tool we have to make good use of our limited resources. I applaud the juvenile justice field for leading the criminal justice community in its willingness to assess programs and practices and make adjustments based on what the science tells us.

This conference promises to provide you with a wealth of information and resources; however, I would be remiss not to acknowledge that there is as much or more to learn from your fellow colleagues. It is a rare opportunity to be among so many individuals working in similar areas on similar problems and with similar goals, so I encourage you to seek out new partners and new ideas to take back to your work and your communities.

Warm regards,

Laurie O. Robinson
Assistant Attorney General
Dear Conference Attendees:


More than 5 years have passed since OJJDP last held a national conference of this magnitude, and much has happened in the juvenile justice field during that time. This conference will provide a snapshot of where juvenile justice is today. During the next 2½ days, you will learn what the latest research and evaluation findings are telling us, see how communities are investing in promising practices and programs, and examine the dominant and emerging issues of our time, all of which will help develop a vision to address the challenges that lie ahead.

Conference participants will learn how communities generate solutions and how individuals and groups make a difference in their own neighborhoods. Working together, individuals, groups, and communities can make real and sustained changes. You will hear about major Department of Justice initiatives such as Defending Childhood and the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention, in which communities are developing effective responses to children’s exposure to violence and youth violence. We have invited top experts to discuss anti-gang strategies, juvenile offending, truancy, mentoring, bullying, and youth violence, among many other issues. There is literally something here for everyone in the juvenile justice field.

We have planned many special events during the conference. Attorney General Holder will provide comments following a Town Hall meeting featuring leadership from Department of Justice funding agencies. Former New York Yankees manager Joe Torre will discuss his work with the child victims of domestic violence. We will unveil a new disaster planning guide for juvenile facilities. Missing children’s activist Elizabeth Smart will address the conference, as will top congressional leaders and federal government officials.

This conference will provide you with the tools you need to help youth in your community to become productive, law-abiding citizens; protect our children and teens and keep them safe; and deter delinquent and criminal behavior. Much has already been accomplished to improve the lives of our nation’s children, but much work remains to be done. By continuing to create partnerships throughout our government and communities, we can build on previous successes to provide our youth with opportunities for a better tomorrow.

Thank you again for joining us at this important event.

Sincerely,

Jeff Slowikowski
Acting Administrator

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Defending Childhood—This track will examine the Defending Childhood initiative and its goals to reduce children’s exposure to violence, increase knowledge and public awareness, and reduce the impact of children’s exposure to violence.

Disproportionate Minority Contact—This track will provide information on Section 223(a)22 of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended, which includes current DMC-reduction efforts, empirical research and best practices, and sound approaches to cultural competency.

Engaging Funders—This track will examine the opportunities and benefits that occur when federal, state, and local government agencies and private organizations collaborate to improve services and programs for at-risk and system-involved youth.

Girls at the Margin—This track will explore what is known about interventions and programs to improve the lives of system-involved girls.

Law Enforcement Partnerships—This track will examine how strong partnerships between law enforcement, youth, and communities can prevent delinquency and protect children.

Protecting and Advocating for Children—This track will explore innovative strategies and programs that respond to children in juvenile and family court.

Restructuring the Ivory Tower—This track will explore the research to practice cycle, in which research informs practice and practice informs research, and will highlight the benefits of collaboration between the two endeavors.

Trends in Tribal Youth Policy—This track will examine the issues that have a direct impact on tribal youth and their communities.

Truancy and Dropping Out—This track will examine the early warning signs for truancy and dropping out of school, programs that divert truant youth from court, and cross-system services and programs to address truancy.

Youth in Custody—This track will address strategies and initiatives that target youth at risk of being detained, who are in custody, or who are leaving custody.
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Not Your Mother’s Playground Bully: Responding to the Nature and Consequences of Cyberbullying  
What Data and Research Can—and Can’t—Tell Us About Tribal Youth Delinquency and Victimization *(Track: Trends in Tribal Youth Policy)*  
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10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Mini-Plenary
Development of the Adolescent Brain: These Are Not Miniature Adults
National Harbor 2–3

Randy Muck, Advocates for Youth and Family Behavioral Health Treatment, LLC
Moderator: Gwendolyn Williams, OJJDP

This session will explore the massive changes that the adolescent and young adult brain undergoes, how substance use can delay and impede necessary changes, and most importantly, what the court and treatment providers need to know to recognize the differences between normal brain development and what can happen when drugs or alcohol are introduced to the brain during this process. Interventions that show the most promise will also be discussed.

Workshops

The Legal Lives of Girls (Track: Girls at the Margin)
National Harbor 4–5

Francine Sherman, Boston College Law School
Moderator: Catherine Pierce, OJJDP

This workshop will provide practical information specific to policies, practices, and processes that impact girls throughout the system, from arrest to commitment. Participants will learn practical strategies for helping girls and families navigate the legal system.

Collaborative Leadership: Winning Ways for Uniting Communities and Building Support for Underage Drinking Prevention
National Harbor 6

Linda Chezem, Indiana University
Bill Patterson, Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation
Dr. Chris Spera, ICF International
Moderator: Sharie Cantelon, OJJDP

The panelists will discuss science-based practices, effective enforcement, policy-related strategies, and the importance of a comprehensive community approach, based on state and local experiences and insights garnered from OJJDP’s Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws initiative. The session will highlight collaborative leadership efforts that incorporate law enforcement, the courts, and the community to enforce underage drinking laws, reduce youth access to alcohol, and reduce community health and safety problems. The panel will also examine outcomes and lessons learned from the partnership between selected civilian and military communities that joined forces to combat underage drinking.

Truancy Reduction and Prevention: King County, Washington, Models for Change Project (Track: Truancy and Dropping Out)
National Harbor 10

Justice Bobbe Bridge (retired), Center for Children and Youth Justice
Leila Curtis, Truancy Programs, King County (Washington)
Moderator: Susan Broderick, Georgetown University
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This session will describe the Models for Change initiative in the state of Washington and the emerging evidence-based practices from the four participating counties, with a major focus on the three-tiered model in King County (Seattle). Speakers will discuss their extensive truancy-prevention work with schools and courts and their efforts to create truancy-reduction programs statewide through a pilot program. The presenters will share lessons learned and specific steps in developing practices in which courts and schools work together.

Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) and Cultural Competency: A Sound Approach  
(Track: Disproportionate Minority Contact)  
National Harbor 11
Rita Cameron-Wedding, California State University at Sacramento  
Shalinee Hunter, Juvenile Justice Specialist, California  
Mark Soler, Center for Children’s Law and Policy  
James Bell, W. Haywood Burns Institute  
Moderator: Andrea Coleman, OJJDP
This workshop will provide participants with an overview of the mechanisms that contribute to DMC in juvenile justice, focusing on differential offending and treatment. Participants will learn how to incorporate culturally competent strategies into their juvenile justice systems and youth-serving programs.

Not Your Mother’s Playground Bully: Responding to the Nature and Consequences of Cyberbullying  
National Harbor 12–13
Parry Aftab, Wired Safety  
Sheriff Thomas G. Maurer, Wayne County, Wooster, Ohio  
Ann M. Harkins, National Crime Prevention Council  
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(Track: Trends in Tribal Youth Policy)  
Potomac 1–3
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Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) and Cultural Competency: A Sound Approach (Track: Disproportionate Minority Contact)  
National Harbor 11
Rita Cameron-Wedding, California State University at Sacramento  
Shalinee Hunter, Juvenile Justice Specialist, California  
Mark Soler, Center for Children’s Law and Policy  
James Bell, W. Haywood Burns Institute  
Moderator: Andrea Coleman, OJJDP
This workshop will provide participants with an overview of the mechanisms that contribute to DMC in juvenile justice, focusing on differential offending and treatment. Participants will learn how to incorporate culturally competent strategies into their juvenile justice systems and youth-serving programs.

Not Your Mother’s Playground Bully: Responding to the Nature and Consequences of Cyberbullying  
National Harbor 12–13
Parry Aftab, Wired Safety  
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Detention Reform: A Platform for Juvenile Justice System Transformation  
(Track: Youth in Custody)  
Potomac 4–6
Michael J. Rohan, Cook County (Illinois) Juvenile Probation and Court Services  
Judge Steven Teske, Clayton County (Georgia) Juvenile Court  
Fernando Giraldo, Santa Cruz (California) Probation Department  
Judge F. Lee Forrester, Mercer County, New Jersey  
Moderator: Bart Lubow, Annie E. Casey Foundation
This workshop will explore some of the ways in which the collaborative, data-driven strategies of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) have transformed juvenile justice systems across the country. Panelists from local JDAI sites will describe innovative programming, new ways of engaging youth and parents, workforce development, and leadership initiatives, among other topics.

Six Communities Respond to Children’s Exposure to Violence  
(Track: Defending Childhood)  
Chesapeake 1–3
Stephanie Doyle, Division of Violence Prevention, Boston (Massachusetts)  
Janet Kronenberg, Cuyahoga County Witness/Victim Service Center (Ohio)  
Peggie Russell, Shelby County Office of Early Childhood and Youth, Memphis (Tennessee)  
Faye Kihne, Grand Forks Community Violence Intervention Center (North Dakota)  
Joan Mitchell, Tribal Human Services Programs, Chippewa Cree (Montana)  
Natalie Stites, Office of the Attorney General Rosebud Sioux Tribe (South Dakota)  
Moderator: Shania Kapoor, OJJDP Fellow
Participants will learn more about the collaborative planning process that the four Defending Childhood demonstration sites employ and their vision for addressing children’s exposure to violence. The workshop will also include a general overview of the Defending Childhood initiative.
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Exploring the Benefits, Barriers, and Realities of Researcher-Practitioner Collaboration
(Track: Reconstructing the Ivory Tower)
Chesapeake 4–6
Lisa H. Jaycox, RAND Corporation
Elissa J. Brown, St. John’s University and PARTNERS Program
Marilyn J. Bruguier Zimmerman, National Native Children’s Trauma Center, University of Montana
Moderator: Jennifer Tyson, OJJDP

This session will examine successful researcher-practitioner partnerships and how they can benefit both research and practice. It will feature current OJJDP grantees, who will share their unique perspectives on researcher-practitioner collaborations and the lessons they have learned from current projects in children’s exposure to violence and trauma in American Indian children.

Falling Through the Cracks: Serving Youth With Sexual Behavior Problems
Chesapeake D–F
Jane Silvosky, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
Barbara Bonner, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
Moderator/Presenter: Will Bronson, OJJDP

This workshop will discuss the facts and myths around youth identified as having sexual behavior problems and explore evidence-based practices in providing community-based treatment for both the identified youth and the child victims.

Overview and History of Gang Prevention and Intervention Programs (Track: Anti-Gang Strategies)
Chesapeake G–I
James C. Howell, National Gang Center
Moderator/Presenter: Dennis Mondoro, OJJDP

This workshop will provide an overview of the current state of youth gangs in the United States, what the research tells us about youth gang prevention and intervention programs, and information regarding youth risk and protective factors that lead to or prevent/reduce gang membership and involvement.

Effective Partnerships for Catalyzing Change
(Track: Engaging Funders)
Chesapeake J–L
Cecelia Duquela-Fuentes, Program Manager, Child Protection Division, OJJDP
Nancy B. Miller, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

Susan A. Weiss, Casey Family Programs
Glori Burrell, Boys & Girls Clubs of America
Bill Black, Comcast
Dan Rauzi, Boys & Girls Clubs of America
Moderator: Sue Badeau, Casey Family Programs Fellow, OJJDP

This session will highlight two innovative programs—the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges’ Courts Catalyzing Change initiative and the Boys & Girls Clubs’ Club Tech project—that address the needs of vulnerable youth and disproportionate minority representation. By partnering with Casey Family Programs and Comcast, respectively, along with OJJDP, these two projects have achieved and documented stunning impacts on the youth and families they have served.

12:00 P.M. – 1:45 P.M.

Luncheon Keynote
Potomac A–D

Keynote Speaker Introduction
Marilyn Roberts, Deputy Administrator for Programs, OJJDP

Keynote: The Impact of Entertainment and Fashion on Young People
Dr. Sharon Cooper, CEO, Developmental and Forensic Pediatrics, PA; University of North Carolina—Chapel Hill School of Medicine

2:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Mini-Plenary

The Real Deal: Girls and Trauma
(Track: Girls at the Margin)
National Harbor 2–3
Barbara Guthrie, Yale School of Nursing
Marlene Sanchez, Center for Young Women’s Development
Leslie Acoca, National Girls Health and Justice Institute
Moderator: Catherine Pierce, OJJDP

Panelists will share the latest research and recommendations for meeting the needs of girls who have experienced or have been exposed to trauma in their lives. They will discuss how the large number of girls in the juvenile justice system and the high rates of exposure to violence among these girls pose special challenges and obligations for juvenile justice facilities and programs. Panelists will also discuss how research and experience highlight the link between trauma, the lack of appropriate treatment, and behaviors that lead to girls’ involvement in the justice system.
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Workshops

Tribal Law and Order Act: How Does It Impact Youth in Indian Country?
(Track: Trends in Tribal Youth Policy)
National Harbor 4–5
Brendan Johnson, U.S. Attorney, District of South Dakota
Walter Lamar, Lamar Associates
Chris Chaney, Office of Tribal Justice, U.S. Department of Justice
Moderator: Laura Ansera, OJJDP

This session will provide an overview of the recently enacted Tribal Law and Order Act (TLOA) and its impact on tribal youth. Speakers will highlight key elements of the Act and the plans for implementation. The discussion will center around components that are likely to impact tribal youth and families, with a focus on how participants can inform the TLOA implementation process to better address the needs of tribal youth in Indian country.

Looking at Family Drug Courts: Past, Present, and Future
National Harbor 6
Phil Breitenbacher, National Family Drug Court Technical Assistance and Training Program, Children and Family Futures
Nancy K. Young, Children and Family Futures
Moderator: Gwendolyn Williams, OJJDP

This workshop will look at the history of family drug courts and the current challenges and solutions. The panelists will discuss how family drug courts can ensure that participants receive timely access to substance abuse treatment and other services through better communication and improved efficiencies across service systems.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgendered Youth in the Juvenile Justice System
National Harbor 10
Angela Irvine, National Council on Crime and Delinquency
Carolyn Reyes, Legal Services for Children
Jody Marksamer, National Center for Lesbian Rights
Wes Ware, Juvenile Justice Project of Louisiana
Moderator: Karen J. Bachar, OJJDP

The presenters will provide an overview of the emerging literature and information from the field related to the involvement of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered (LGBT) youth in the juvenile justice system, and will discuss what these findings mean for practitioners, communities, and policymakers. Panelists will discuss how LGBT youth enter the juvenile justice system and the nature of their multisystem involvement. They will also discuss findings indicating that LGBT youth experience disproportionate rates of school suspension, expulsion, arrest, and detention when compared with straight community members involved in the same level of criminal activity and that LGBT youth are twice as likely to be detained for running away, prostitution, and status offenses.

DMC Research and Evidence-Based Practices
(Track: Disproportionate Minority Contact)
National Harbor 11
William Feyerherm, Portland State University
Marcia Cohen, Development Services Group, Inc.
Michael Leiber, University of South Florida
Moderator: Andrea Coleman, OJJDP

This workshop will present initial findings from a national analysis of OJJDP’s Disproportionate Minority Contact Relative Rate Index data to identify jurisdictions that have made progress toward reducing DMC over consecutive years. The research will identify the approaches that these jurisdictions used and produce detailed case studies that other jurisdictions can replicate. Panelists will present other evidence-based practices in reducing disproportionality and discuss recommendations for implementation.

Successful School Engagement and Reengagement Strategies
(Track: Truancy and Dropping Out)
National Harbor 12–13
Finessa Ferrell, National Center for School Engagement
Katie Neal, Colorado Youth for a Change
Moderator: Ryan Reyna, National Governors Association

This session will present evidence-based practices that promote school attendance, attachment, and achievement and that engage students in school so they stay on track for high school graduation. Panelists will share specific tools and assessments that participants can use to design local programs and influence practices. In addition, the presentation will include a review of the dropout recovery work in a variety of local schools using a cost-effective model of interventions. Presenters will share strategies for real time dropout recovery, including how to intervene immediately when a student is leaving school.

Breaking the Cycle of Violence: Education Is the Answer—How Is the Question
Potomac 1–3
Stephen M. Daley, radKIDS®
Moderator: Helen Connelly, Fox Valley Technical College

This session will review the current practices in education and introduce a revolutionary new approach on personal safety education that not only teaches children safety, but also helps them develop life skills and a foundational understanding of self-value and self-worth. This approach
is designed to break the cycle of violence and create real change in the lives of children.

Strategies for Effective Investigation and Prosecution of Child Abuse Cases: An Overview of National Resources (Track: Protecting and Advocating for Children)
Potomac 4–6
Suzanna Tiapula, National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
Justin Fitzsimmons, National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
Geri Wisner-Foley, Senior Tribal Attorney, National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
Moderator: Lou Ann Holland, OJJDP
In this session, participants will learn about the mission and vision of the National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse. Speakers will discuss the latest strategies in the prosecution of child abuse and will highlight available national resources and training and technical assistance. Participants will leave the session understanding emerging issues and trends in child abuse prosecution.

Effective Youth Engagement and Best Practices for Sustaining Youth Leadership
Chesapeake 1–3
Nancy Gannon Hornberger, Coalition for Juvenile Justice
Andrew Peterman, Idaho State Advisory Group Member
Moderator/Presenter: Sue Badeau, Casey Family Programs Fellow, OJJDP
This session will provide examples of effective youth engagement in the decisionmaking process within the juvenile justice system and other systems. Panelists will share research regarding the benefits of youth engagement, to include positive impacts on decisionmaking, governance, system performance, and service delivery. A panel of youth members from advisory/governance bodies with first-hand experience will share case examples. Participants will come away with action steps to actively support youth engagement through inclusion, voice, decisionmaking, and leadership in their own settings.

The National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention
Chesapeake 4–6
Saul Green, Skillman Foundation
Tonya Allen, Skillman Foundation
Sharon Hanson, Boston Police Department
Jack Calhoun, Consultant
Moderator: Dennis Mondoro, OJJDP
Participants will learn about how each of the six cities participating in the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention—Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Memphis, Salinas, CA, and San Jose, CA—created comprehensive data-driven and multidisciplinary efforts to address their unique youth violence issues. The Forum, launched at the direction of President Obama, allows participating localities to share challenges and promising strategies with each other and to explore how federal agencies can better support local efforts. Each city has developed strategies to reduce violence, improve opportunities for youth, and encourage innovation at the local and federal levels.

What Can Research Teach Us About the Impact of Children’s Exposure to Violence? (Track: Defending Childhood)
Chesapeake D–F
David Wolfe, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health
Julia Kohn, Center for Court Innovation
Rachel Swaner, Center for Court Innovation
Moderator: Brecht Donoghue, OJJDP
The session will provide an overview of the impact of exposure to violence (especially domestic violence) on children. Panelists will present a review of available research, with an emphasis on the impact of children’s short- and long-term development, and discuss evidence-based prevention and intervention practices. Researchers will also discuss interim evaluation findings from Defending Childhood—a multisite initiative implemented in eight sites across the country to prevent and address children’s exposure to violence. Researchers will discuss common themes, challenges, and potential lessons for other jurisdictions, based on the experience of these sites.

Law Enforcement and Youth Partnerships for Crime Prevention (Track: Law Enforcement Partnerships)
Chesapeake G–I
Reggie Broddie, Boys & Girls Clubs of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County (Maryland)
Jeff Hood, Charlotte-Mecklenburg (North Carolina) Police Activities League
Ralph Godbee, Jr., Detroit Police Department
Moderator: Robbie Callaway, FirstPic
This session will provide insight about the value of building successful partnerships between law enforcement agencies and youth crime prevention programs and how these partnerships can benefit the community as a whole. Organizations that have established these partnerships will share lessons learned and how other communities can replicate their experiences. Participants will receive concrete examples of methods to use for outreach to both community organizations and law enforcement agencies and how to develop and foster partnerships between local law enforcement and youth around crime prevention and related issues.
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Taking an Evidence-Based Approach to Everyday Juvenile Justice Practice (Track: Reconstructing the Ivory Tower)
Chesapeake J–L
Mark Lipsey, Peabody Research Institute, Vanderbilt University
James C. Howell, The Comprehensive Strategy Group
Susan Terrell Whitten, North Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
Moderator: Shay Bilchik, Georgetown Public Policy Institute, Georgetown University

Presenters will discuss a new, comprehensive approach to evidence-based practice that provides a practical means to translate extensive research about the effectiveness of juvenile justice programs into improved everyday juvenile justice practice. Embedding this approach within OJJDP’s Comprehensive Strategy for Serious, Violent, and Chronic Juvenile Offenders allows efforts to be focused on identifying a sufficient array of programs; matching youth to appropriate services, based on risk and need; and evaluating services to determine if they reduce juvenile recidivism rates and improve outcomes.

3:45 P.M. – 5:15 P.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Workshops

Serious Adolescent Offenders Moving Into Adulthood: Life Events and the Role of Deterrence
National Harbor 4–5
Edward P. Mulvey, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine
Thomas Loughran, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Maryland
Joseph J. Cocozza, National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice
Moderator/Presenter: Carol A. Schubert, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine

In this research-to-practice presentation, speakers will discuss findings from the Pathways to Desistance study, a multisite, longitudinal study of serious adolescent offenders, and will suggest ways that practitioners can use this information when developing evidence-based approaches to work with these youth. The panel will describe youth offending patterns during the 7-year period when they move from adolescence to early adulthood and the differences among subgroups of youth who follow different patterns of antisocial behavior. A juvenile justice practitioner will discuss the implications of this research for the field.

Creating Conditions for Learning: Stopping School Dropouts and Improving Graduation Rates (Track: Truancy and Dropping Out)
National Harbor 10
Jonathan Cohen, National School Climate Council
Ken Seeley, National Center for School Engagement
Moderator: Bill Modzeleski, U.S. Department of Education

This session will focus on current research and practices regarding school climate, school engagement, and the creation of learning conditions that promote high school graduation. The session will feature the National School Climate Standards and discuss how local educators can use them to improve school engagement. In addition, the workshop will highlight the Council’s resource center, provide an overview of its materials on best practices and research-based strategies, and summarize the latest research on connections among bullying, truancy, delinquency, and engagement. It will also focus on creating conditions that can improve outcomes for at-risk youth.

Safety, Fairness, and Stability: Strengthening the Engagement of Families Across Systems
National Harbor 12–13
Diana Denboba, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Nora Wells, Family Voices
Bill Heberle, Missouri Division of Youth Services
Judge Ernestine Gray, Orleans Parish Juvenile Court, Louisiana
Moderator/Presenter: Shay Bilchik, Georgetown University

The panelists—youth and family representatives and practitioners—will describe their experiences in constructing partnerships to improve the well-being of children and families. The panel will highlight improvements that the Children’s Bureau, OJJDP, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the U.S. Department of Education are considering when they partner with families. The panelists will discuss their work, which has engaged youth and their families as essential partners and has built upon what has taken place in the special and mental health systems of care. Participants can expect to deepen their understanding of the principles and practices that actively engage young people and family members in their institutional work.

Juveniles and Hate Crime: Toward Preventing Perpetration and Victimization
Potomac 1–3
Michael Lieberman, Anti-Defamation League
Ty Cobb, Human Rights Campaign
Alice Cahn, Cartoon Network
Moderator: Karen J. Bachar, OJJDP

Children are not born hating others; however, the attitudes and beliefs that promote hate-related speech and behaviors
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...are learned early in life. This workshop will focus on increasing awareness about bias crime and will provide information about promising legislative, education, and counteraction strategies of interest to a wide range of community-based professionals. Presenters will also share strategies to help individuals working with youth better understand the potential of using advanced communications technologies to break down cultural barriers and address bias.

Children in Disasters: Emergency Planning for Juvenile Justice Residential Facilities
Potomac 4–6
Simon G. Gonsoulin, American Institutes for Research
Donald M. "Doc" Lumpkins, Federal Emergency Management Agency
Ned Loughran, Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators
Gregory A. Thomas, The Alan Thomas Security Group, LLC
Moderator: Scott Pesticcide, OJJDP

This panel will discuss how residential facilities can ensure that youth receive the support and services they require when natural disasters and other emergencies cause major disruptions. Each panelist serves on the Justice Working Group on Children and Disasters, which has developed a guide for juvenile justice residential facilities that will help them prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies. The panel will explore how facilities that develop comprehensive emergency plans can realize tangible improvements in the safety and well-being of the most vulnerable individuals in our nation’s justice system.

Planning Community Collaboratives 101
Chesapeake 4–6
Tom Dewar, Roundtable on Community Change, The Aspen Institute
Linda Lopez, System of Care, Onondaga County, New York
James Czarniak, Juvenile Justice and Detention Services, Onondaga County, New York
Damar McMullen, Youth Council of Save the Kids
Moderator/Presenter: Alyson Parham, Partec Consulting

This workshop will provide tools and strategies to help residents and civic leaders plan effective community change initiatives. When developing, implementing, or sustaining reform or community change efforts that span multiple systems and agencies, communities need coordinated, comprehensive planning to navigate challenges and take advantage of opportunities. The workshop will introduce participants to the fundamentals of community planning and the difference good planning makes to sustaining the work of such collaborations over the long term.

The Baltimore Mentoring Collaboration
Chesapeake D–F
Bernard K. Sims, The Family League of Baltimore City, Inc.
Kevin Keegan, The Family League of Baltimore City, Inc.
Selwyn I. Ray, Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Maryland Mentoring Partnership
Moderator: Kellie Dressler, OJJDP

Panelists will discuss the Baltimore Mentoring Collaboration, a targeted, citywide project with the Baltimore City Office of the Mayor that pairs positive adult mentors with children in communities that experience historically high levels of juvenile crime. The panelists will discuss how this initiative engages community organizations with proven mentoring programs as partners and shares resources and expertise to support services for youth to improve their safety, community and family engagement, and opportunities for their future. National partners include but are not limited to 4-H; Big Brothers Big Sisters; Boys & Girls Clubs of America; National Association of Police Athletic/Activities Leagues; Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation; Center for Neighborhood Enterprise; Outward Bound; and U.S. Dream Academy.

Peer-to-Peer Session
Potomac A–D

This highly interactive session provides participants the opportunity to join a small group discussion on 1 of more than 50 topics related to juvenile justice and child protection. Each roundtable will focus on a single issue, and a subject matter expert will serve as the facilitator. The facilitator will introduce the topic, provide a brief overview, and guide the conversation. Participants are invited to ask questions, share experiences, and serve as a resource to their peers. The workshop will be divided into two 45-minute sessions, which will allow participation in more than one discussion. Although some of the discussion topics are also covered in workshop sessions, this small group forum will offer attendees the chance to ask specific questions and receive a tailored response in addition to networking with others in the field.

Poster Session
Exhibit Hall B

The poster session allows organizations to feature their recent program initiatives, research findings, and other information of interest and importance to the juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and victimization communities. Presenters will combine poster-size presentations and informal discussions to interact with conference attendees who are circulating among the displays.
8:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. PLENARY SESSION
POTOMAC A–D

Benjamin Orr Elementary School Chorus

Jeff Slowikowski, Acting Administrator, OJJDP

Michael Bocian, GBA Strategies, Washington, DC—Building Your Juvenile Justice Message

Father Gregory Boyle, Homeboy Industries, Los Angeles, California—Building Programs That Make a Difference

Congressman Bobby Scott (D-VA), 3rd District

Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT) (invited)

10:15 A.M. – 11:45 A.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Mini-Plenary

Family Voices in Juvenile Justice
National Harbor 2–3

Grace Bauer, Parent
Tracy Wells-Huggins, Parent
Mike McIntosh, Parent
Michelle Sanchez, Parent
Tracy McLard, Parent
Moderator: Sue Badeau, Casey Family Programs Fellow, OJJDP

The panelists will share their firsthand experiences with their children’s involvement in the juvenile justice system and recommend ideas for change. Families will discuss how to create community dialogue, system reform, and successful family engagement.

Workshops

Creating a School and/or Community-Based Gang Prevention and Intervention Program
(Track: Anti-Gang Strategies)
National Harbor 4–5

Finn Esbensen, New and Improved G.R.E.A.T. Program
Joe Mollner, Boys & Girls Clubs of America
Lt. Raj Ramnarace, G.R.E.A.T. Midwest Atlantic Region

Moderator: Linda Hammond-Decker, Bureau of Justice Assistance

This workshop will give attendees a comprehensive overview of the key components of two successful gang prevention programs—Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) and Boys & Girls Clubs of America’s Gang Prevention Through Targeted Outreach (GPTTO). The presentation will discuss program components, including school-based curriculums, G.R.E.A.T. Families, summer and afterschool programming, how to start a G.R.E.A.T. program in one’s community, funding, and G.R.E.A.T. officer certification training. GPTTO is a comprehensive gang prevention initiative that mobilizes community leaders and club staff to discuss local gang issues, design a communitywide strategy, and clarify their roles. Through a referral network with courts, police, other juvenile justice agencies, schools, social service agencies, and community organizations, as well as through direct outreach efforts, at-risk young people are recruited and mainstreamed into Boys & Girls Club program activities to divert them from antisocial gang activity.

Using Data To Support Decisionmaking:
OJJDP’s Statistical Briefing Book
National Harbor 6

Melissa Sickmund, National Center for Juvenile Justice
Charles Puzzanchera, National Center for Juvenile Justice
Ben Adams, National Center for Juvenile Justice
Moderator: Janet Chiancone, OJJDP

This session will introduce participants to OJJDP’s Statistical Briefing Book (SBB), which, for more than a decade, has helped fill the information needs of juvenile justice professionals, educators, the media, policymakers, and the general public. The workshop will provide participants with an overview of the SBB’s tools and resources along with practical tips on how they can use these tools to guide their own local and state planning and decisionmaking. Presenters will also provide real-life examples of how the SBB and related data tools have been used to identify program priorities and policy decisions at the state and local levels.

Restorative Justice—A Reality Check
National Harbor 10

Dr. Gordon Bazemore, Florida Atlantic University, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
Dee Bell, Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice
Moderator: Linda Rosen, OJJDP

This presentation focuses on both the strengths and weaknesses in current juvenile justice applications of restorative justice and considers changes that could make the restorative model useful for a wide range of crime and harm, especially violent crimes.

What Is DMC and How Does It Affect My Work? (Track: Disproportionate Minority Contact)
National Harbor 11
Brad Richardson, DMC Coordinator, Iowa
Judge Patricia Martin, Circuit Court of the Cook County (Illinois) Child Protection Division
Moderator: Carmen Santiago-Roberts, OJJDP

This workshop will provide a brief history and overview of Section 223(a)(22) of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended, often referred to as the Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) core requirement. The session will also provide information on how DMC affects “crossover” youth in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems, the lack of opportunities for prevention and treatment, and adverse results of DMC on communities.

Words That Work: Communicating on Youth Justice Reform
National Harbor 12–13
Michael Bocian, GBA Strategies
Mac Pritchard, Pritchard Communications
Eric Solomon, Campaign for Youth Justice
Moderator: Catherine Doyle, OJJDP

The panel will discuss key strategies for communicating about youth justice issues. Topics examined will include knowing your audiences, developing a coherent framework for your message, and choosing your words carefully. This will be an interactive session in which participants may ask questions and practice their communication skills.

Youth in the Adult Criminal Justice System
Potomac 1–3
Howard N. Snyder, Bureau of Justice Statistics
Sheriff Gabriel Morgan, Newport News, Virginia
Toni Walker, State Representative, Connecticut
Moderator: Morris Thigpen, National Institute of Corrections

This workshop will begin with an update on the latest federal efforts to address the issues facing youth in the adult criminal justice system. Presenters will discuss new national data collection efforts to document the status of youth in adult criminal courts. State experts will discuss the latest trends to improve the status of youth prosecuted in adult court, focusing on Connecticut and Virginia.

OJJDP’s National Mentoring Programs—Serving America’s Youth
Potomac 4–6
Karen Mathias, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America
Rick Goings, Boys & Girls Clubs of America
Jennifer Sirangelo, National 4–H Council
Moderator: Kellie Dressler, OJJDP

This session will highlight mentoring programs from three national organizations that OJJDP supports: Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, and the National 4–H Council. These organizations provide a variety of mentoring programs targeted for at-risk youth across the nation. Each presenter will share information about their organization’s mentoring programs, how the programs are implemented across the nation, and outcomes for youth that their programs serve. The presenters will discuss direct one-on-one mentoring, group mentoring, or peer-mentoring services that they provide to underserved youth populations and to youth with a parent in the military, including a deployed parent.

Using Volunteer Standards To Assure Program Quality in Youth-Serving Programs
Chesapeake 1–3
Megan Robinson, Communities in Schools
Waleed Hypolite, United Way of the National Capital Area
Paulina Migalska, United Way of America
Moderator/Presenter: Sally Erny, National CASA

This workshop will examine how youth-serving organizations developed standards for volunteer training and supervision and a mechanism for measuring compliance with these standards. The workshop will focus on the importance of establishing volunteer management standards and will provide practical guidance for other organizations that are developing and implementing standards of their own.

Law Enforcement and Youth Partnerships: Alternatives to Arrest (Track: Law Enforcement Partnerships)
Chesapeake 4–6
Morris Copeland, Miami-Dade (Florida) Police Department
Inspector Bryan Schafer, Minneapolis (Minnesota) Police Department
Moderator: IACP representative

This session will examine strategies that two police departments have adopted to keep youth out of the formal justice system but still hold them accountable. These programs also provide opportunities for law enforcement to work with youth in positive ways and to partner with local nonprofit organizations to ensure that troubled youth receive needed services.
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These efforts allow local law enforcement to focus its limited resources on the most violent offenders, but still ensure a response for lower level offending.

Responding to the Legal Needs of Children (Track: Protecting and Advocating for Children)
Chesapeake D–F
Robert Listenbee, Defender Association of Philadelphia (Pennsylvania), Juvenile Unit
Eric Zogry, Juvenile Defender, Raleigh, North Carolina
Sandra Simkins, Children’s Justice Clinic, Rutgers School of Law
Moderator/Presenter: Patricia Puritz, National Juvenile Defender Center

Speakers will address national trends and strategies relating to juvenile justice and juvenile indigent defense and will highlight an array of resources available to juvenile defenders and other juvenile justice professionals to ensure that youth’s rights are protected at all stages of the justice system.

What’s Happening Now With Information Sharing and Juvenile Justice?
Chesapeake G–I
Stephanie Rondenell, Center for Network Development
Tom Carlson, Tom Carlson Consulting and Center for Network Development
Moderator: Mark Sakaley, OJJDP

This session will provide an update on the Juvenile Information Sharing Initiative (JISI) that will cover the Juvenile Justice XML Data Model, JISI’s recent collaboration with the former “Family Services” domain of the National Information Exchange Model, and the creation of its new “Children, Youth and Family Services” domain. The session will also cover the progress and lessons of the pilot sites’ work in Colorado and the implementation of the data model, JISI guidelines and the development of revised guidelines based on lessons learned from the pilot sites, a review of new tools developed specifically for the juvenile justice community, the establishment of the new Information Sharing Committee of the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, and an update on the work of the National JISI Advisory Group.

Business and Philanthropic Partners as Community Conveners Driving Successful Advocacy Efforts (Track: Engaging Funders)
Chesapeake J–L
Diane Sierpina, The Tow Foundation, New Canaan, Connecticut
Lara Herscovitch, Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance
Katayoon Majd, Public Welfare Foundation

Daniel Okonkwo, DC Lawyers for Youth
Moderator: Larry Fiedler, OJJDP

In this interactive session, two funders and their community partners (grantees) will discuss how their partnership led to increased understanding of the needs of youth in their communities and generated opportunities for multilevel community-supported juvenile justice system reform and advocacy efforts. Participants will gain concrete ideas about how these powerful relationships can lead to sustainable change.

12:00 P.M. – 1:15 P.M. WORKING LUNCH

Luncheon Keynote
Potomac A–D

Keynote Speaker Introductions
Melodee Hanes, Acting Deputy Administrator for Policy, OJJDP
The Honorable Thomas Perrelli, Associate Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice

Keynote: Prevention and Intervention: Overcoming the Trauma of Children’s Exposure to Violence
Joe Torre, Chairman of the Board, Joe Torre Safe At Home® Foundation

1:30 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Mini-Plenary
Demystifying Philanthropy
National Harbor 2–3
Alexandra McKay, Casey Family Programs
Roderick M. Sherwood, III, Westwood One
Carmen James Lane, Eugene and Agnes E. Meyer Foundation
Danielle Scaturro, Edna McConnell Clark Foundation
Caroline Maillard, Seattle Foundation
Moderator: Melodee Hanes, OJJDP

In this talk-show style discussion, funders will “demystify” the funder/community partner relationship, offer tips for enhancing and increasing engagement with the community and national funders, and take questions streamed from the audience. Participants will leave the session understanding the importance of developing relationships with funders in their communities, the process and considerations funders go through when deliberating about investing in the community, and how to begin or deepen funder/community partner relationships.
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Workshops

The West Side Story Project
(Track: Law Enforcement Partnerships)
National Harbor 4–5
Pamela Beal, Writer
Kim Bogucki, Seattle Police Department
Linda Puoplo, City of White Plains (New York) Youth Bureau
Moderator: Tawana Waugh, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services

This session will examine the West Side Story Project, which began in 2007 as an innovative collaboration between the Seattle Police Department, the Seattle Police Foundation, and Seattle’s 5th Avenue Theatre. This project created an opportunity for law enforcement to partner with a local theater in cooperation with schools and youth organizations to develop new approaches to gang prevention, youth violence, youth-police relations, and cultural conflict. Participants will learn how they can form a collaboration between police, schools, and theater to develop and implement their own West Side Story Project, as well as plan for pre- and post-project surveys to measure outcomes and other important results for followup activities.

The National Survey of Children’s Exposure to Violence: An Update for Policy and Practice
National Harbor 6
David Finkelhor, Crimes Against Children Research Center, University of New Hampshire
Sherry Hamby, Department of Psychology, Sewanee: the University of the South
Heather Turner, Department of Sociology, University of New Hampshire
Moderator/Presenter: Kristen Kracke, OJJDP

This workshop will provide an overview of the National Survey on Children Exposed to Violence. Participants will learn about the latest findings, particularly in the area of polyvictimization or multiple kinds of victimization. In addition, the panel will discuss how to use the findings and the survey instrument to screen youth for a broad range of violence experiences and to better assess their levels of risk and trauma for intervention. The panel will also discuss the policy and practice implications for these key findings.

Federal Role in Equal Opportunity to Education and Access to Justice for Juvenile Justice System-Involved Youth
National Harbor 10
Anurima Bhargava, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice
Jonathan Smith, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice
Moderator: Lynn Overmann, U.S. Department of Justice

This workshop will allow the audience to interact with federal staff from the Department of Justice’s Educational Opportunities and Special Litigation Sections of the Civil Rights Division and the Access to Justice Initiative. The workshop will highlight education, conditions of confinement, court improvement, access to legal counsel, and related justice issues that impact vulnerable children who are at risk for being incarcerated or who are in state custody.

Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategies
(Track: Anti-Gang Strategies)
National Harbor 11
Candace Kane, Project CeaseFire
Moderator: Dennis Mondoro, OJJDP

Panelists will discuss the different components of OJJDP’s Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategy and how communities can access resources to assist them in addressing their specific youth violence/gang issues. Participants will learn how to access successful prevention and intervention strategies to address their response to youth gang issues and how to work collaboratively with other federal agencies and components of the Department of Justice on this complex social issue.

Privacy: The Need To Know and the Need To Share
National Harbor 12–13
Judge Anthony Capizzi, Montgomery County (OH) Juvenile Court; Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative Privacy and Information Quality Working Group
Dr. Donald Bross, Kempe Foundation for the Prevention and Treatment of Child Abuse and Neglect
Jeff McDonald, Jefferson County (Colorado) Juvenile Assessment Center
Moderator: Christopher Traver, Bureau of Justice Assistance

This session will address the need to ensure privacy and protect sensitive data as a critical element of information sharing to achieve positive outcomes for juveniles involved in the justice system. Presenters will discuss need-to-know information cases within a local juvenile assessment center and the issues and concerns about the need to share information in this environment. The session will cover privacy concerns from both juvenile justice and child welfare
research perspectives and the family and youth perspective, based on focus group discussions from the National Juvenile Information Sharing Initiative’s pilot sites. The goal of this session is to promote improved procedures and policies of information sharing across federal, state, and local agencies and with youth and juvenile services within communities.

**National Center for Youth in Custody**  
*Track: Youth in Custody*  
*Potomac 1–3*  
David Rousch, National Partnership for Juvenile Services  
Tim Decker, Council of Juvenile Correctional Administrators and Missouri Division of Youth Services  
Elissa Rumsey, OJJDP  
Moderator: Carol Cramer Brooks, National Center for Youth in Custody

Presenters in this workshop will provide the foundational basis for the work of the National Center for Youth in Custody as well as an overview of the services that it provides. Presenters will discuss the Center’s three priority service areas: (1) providing those involved in youth custody services with tools to improve their organizational culture, particularly the conditions of confinement; (2) supporting and enhancing involvement in the core requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act; and (3) understanding, strengthening, and promoting family and community engagement in all aspects of youth custody.

**Children’s Advocacy Centers: Multiagency Partnerships To Protect Children**  
*Potomac 4–6*  
Robert E. Cramer (retired), Former Member of Congress  
Chris Newlin, National Children’s Advocacy Center  
Muriel Wells, National Children’s Advocacy Center  
Moderator: Lou Ann Holland, OJJDP

Panelists will discuss Children’s Advocacy Centers, which use multidisciplinary teams of professionals involved in child protective, victim advocacy, law enforcement, prosecution, and physical and mental health services to coordinate the investigation, treatment, and prosecution of child abuse cases. The panel will examine how this innovative model coordinates the response from the criminal and civil systems with a strong focus on the needs of each individual child and how Children’s Advocacy Centers have revolutionized the response to child sexual abuse in the United States and other countries.

**Changing the Culture of Violence: A Neighborhood-Based Approach to Crime Prevention**  
*Chesapeake 1–3*  
David E. Whittaker, Chicago Area Project  
Howard Lathan, Chicago Area Project  
Michael A. Borum, South Shore Drill Team  
Joy Hernandez, Chicago Area Project  
Rickey Williams, Chicago Area Project  
Moderator: Karen J. Bachar, OJJDP

This session will examine successful strategies and locally based approaches to community crime prevention that engage indigenous leaders, residents, and youth in planning and implementing strategies to reduce youth involvement in criminal activity. This session will also explore 75 years of the Chicago Area Project’s practices and programs, including its advocacy-based approach to neighborhood and youth development and capacity-building strategies that support neighborhood youth and community development practitioners.

**Following the Evolution: What Works, the Model Programs Guide, and CrimeSolutions.gov**  
*Track: Reconstructing the Ivory Tower*  
*Chesapeake 4–6*  
Denise Gottfredson, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, University of Maryland  
Marcia Cohen, Development Services Group, Inc.  
Phelan Wyrick, Office of Justice Programs  
Moderator: Brecht Donoghue, OJJDP

Presenters will discuss the evolution of the Office of Justice Programs’ (OJP’s) evidence-based efforts, how OJP identifies and reviews programs, and the current state of evidence-based program development. The discussion will focus on the publication of the National Institute of Justice’s Preventing Crime: What Works, What Doesn’t, What’s Promising in 1997; OJJDP’s development of the Model Programs Guide in 2000; and the June 2011 launch of OJP’s CrimeSolutions.gov, which offers online resources that use rigorous evaluation evidence to assess program effectiveness across a broad range of juvenile and adult criminal justice and victims’ programs.

**The Invisible Population: Mothers in the Juvenile Justice System**  
*Track: Girls at the Margin*  
*Chesapeake D–F*  
Jeannette Y. Pai-Espinosa, The National Crittenton Foundation  
Malika Saada Saar, The Rebecca Project for Human Rights  
Laurie A. Westley, Girl Scouts of the USA  
Moderator: Kristie Brackens, OJJDP

Panelists will discuss the needs of pregnant and parenting young women under correctional supervision and share
recommendations for effective responses to addressing their needs. The panelists will examine the impact that the juvenile justice system has on more than 1 million minor children who have a mother under correctional supervision and more than 250,000 children who have mothers in jail or prison.

Prevention and Intervention: Overcoming the Trauma of Children’s Exposure to Violence; Showcasing Joe Torre’s Margaret’s Place

(Track: Defending Childhood)

Chesapeake G–I

Joe Torre, Safe at Home Foundation
Judith Lynn, Margaret’s Place
Jessica Mischkot, Margaret’s Place

Moderators: Will Bronson and Shania Kapoor, OJJDP

In this session, Joe Torre will discuss the work of Margaret’s Place. In 2002, Mr. Torre and his wife created the Safe At Home Foundation, whose mission is “educating to end the cycle of domestic violence and save lives.” In 2005, the Joe Torre Safe At Home Foundation opened its first school-based programming initiative, Margaret’s Place, at Hostos-Lincoln Academy, Bronx, New York. Margaret’s Place, a tribute to Mr. Torre’s mother, is a comprehensive program that provides students with a safe room in school where they can meet with a professional counselor trained in domestic violence intervention and prevention. Currently, the Joe Torre Safe At Home Foundation has 10 fully funded and operational Margaret’s Places in New York City and Westchester County (New York).

Special Session: Introduction to Anti-Oppressive Practices (Note: this is a 3-hour session)

Chesapeake J–L

Laura Nissen, Reclaiming Futures
Ann Curry-Stevens, Portland State University

Moderator: Marilyn Roberts, OJJDP

This session will introduce anti-oppressive practice (AOP) theories, frameworks, and strategies to increase equity, decrease disparities, and interrupt oppression in the juvenile justice and other government systems. The session will explore how this framework is being used to increase focus on equity and resolving disparities in a variety of health, human services, and justice-based work both in the United States and internationally. The session will highlight building awareness of equity efforts and effectiveness, increasing client/community voice and power, using AOP in both clinical and organizational settings, creating action plans (or auditing existing ones) to understand where resistance to equity progress occurs and what to do about it, and exploring projects that can boost effectiveness at the individual, organizational, and community levels. The discussion will also examine an evaluation of the Reclaiming Futures initiative.

Mini-Plenary

Emerging Local, State, and Federal Efforts To Improve School Discipline Policies

National Harbor 2–3

Michael Thompson, Council of State Governments Justice Center

Moderator/Presenter: Bill Modzeleski, U.S. Department of Education

This session will review a groundbreaking analysis conducted in Texas on the effects that school expulsion and suspension have on students and their likelihood to become involved with the juvenile justice system. The study has national implications, promotes innovative strategies that communities are designing to reduce schools’ dependence on suspension and expulsion to manage student behaviors, and highlights a federal initiative that the Attorney General and Secretary of Education recently announced on this topic.

Workshops

Best Practices for Supporting Children in Juvenile and Family Courts

(Track: Protecting and Advocating for Children)

National Harbor 4–5

Judge Ernestine Gray, Orleans Parish Juvenile Court, Louisiana
Judge Constance Cohen, Des Moines, Iowa
Judge Karen Adam, Tucson, Arizona

Moderator/Presenter: Zulema Ruby White Starr, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

This workshop will highlight several important initiatives that support children in juvenile and family courts. Participants will learn about the Child Victims Act Model Courts Project, a network of 36 courts that serve as models and mentors to jurisdictions nationwide, and will receive an overview of the Delinquency Model Court Project, a network of 7 courts that improve practice in delinquency cases through implementation of the Juvenile Delinquency Guidelines. In addition, the session will provide an overview of a new resource center that provides access to information and assistance for those working in the field of domestic violence and child protection and custody.
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**Sport-Based Youth Development**
National Harbor 6
Lawrence Cann, Street Soccer USA
Lou Bergholz, Doc Wayne Athletic League
Justina Sharrock, Coach Across America and Harlem RBI
Moderator: Paul Caccamo, Up2Us

In this panel presentation, Up2Us (a coalition of youth sports organizations that use sports as a solution to critical issues facing youth) will highlight strategies and programs that have achieved positive outcomes for hard-to-serve youth—homeless youth; youth in underserved, impoverished communities; and youth in residential mental health treatment facilities. These programs use sports as a way to prevent and reduce violence, promote prosocial behavior, and avoid risky behaviors. Participants will learn about evidence-based best practices, tested curriculums and strategies for program delivery, and how to bring human resources to programs using sports as a way to keep kids safe, happy, and healthy.

**Promising Examples of Judicial Leadership To Achieve Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders**
National Harbor 10
Judge David Stucki (retired), Stark County Family Court (Ohio)
Judge Joan Byer, Jefferson Circuit Court, Family Trial Division (Kentucky)
Judge Karen Ashby, 2nd Judicial District, Denver Juvenile Court (Colorado)
Moderator: Tara Andrews, Coalition for Juvenile Justice

Three judges who have the statutory authority to securely detain status offenders under the valid court order exception will discuss why they have chosen to pursue alternative options that achieve both the letter and the spirit of the deinstitutionalization of status offenders core requirement of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended. Workshop participants will learn about evidence-based best practices, tested curriculums and strategies for program delivery, and how to bring human resources to programs using sports as a way to keep kids safe, happy, and healthy.

**Moving Toward Best Practices for Mentoring: Recent and Ongoing Research on the Moderators of Program Effectiveness**
National Harbor 11
David Dubois, Institute for Health Research and Policy, University of Illinois at Chicago
James Trudeau, RTI International
Stephanie Hawkins, RTI International

Scott Peterson, Global Youth Justice
Moderator: Michael Shader, OJJDP

This panel will highlight what is currently known about the best practices for mentoring programs and will describe three currently funded OJJDP mentoring research projects to further inform the field. The panelists will describe research on the components of a mentoring program that are most effective and will identify the components of mentoring programs that can reduce juvenile delinquency and offending.

**Adolescent Substance Abuse and Treatment**
National Harbor 12–13
Randy Muck, Advocates for Youth and Family Behavioral Health Treatment, LLC
Carol A. Schubert, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine
Edward P. Mulvey, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine
John F. Kelly, Harvard Medical School, MGH-Harvard Center for Addiction Medicine
Moderator: Susan Broderick, Georgetown University

Presenters will highlight the latest research findings on the near-epidemic proportions of juvenile use and/or abuse of alcohol and other substances at younger ages and offer innovative strategies that can broaden avenues of prevention and dispel some myths about certain interventions. In addition, presenters will discuss the Pathways to Desistance Study and its findings relating to the effectiveness of treatment in reducing both subsequent use and subsequent offending. An overview of 12-step programs for youth will expand the discussion beyond treatment to include issues surrounding recovery.

**Ensuring Public Safety Through Successful Reentry—A Developmental Model (Track: Youth in Custody)**
Potomac 1–3
David Altschuler, Johns Hopkins University
Judge Denise Cubbon, Lucas County (Ohio)
Kevin Shepherd, Ohio Department of Youth Services
Ryan Shanahan, Vera Institute of Justice
Moderator: Shay Bilchik, Georgetown University

This discussion will focus on strategies and barriers for the successful reentry of juvenile offenders as they transition to adulthood. The focus will be on mainstreaming youth back to the community, school, and into the workforce following placement in the juvenile justice system. The session will explain the need for a strength-based approach that engages youth and their families and the need for a strong focus on case management, interventions based on adolescent development, cognitive behavioral methodologies, education and employment, and a stable, well-supported transition to adulthood. The panelists will address these issues through
the lens of their respective areas of expertise: family and community, the judiciary, juvenile corrections, parole, and the use of evidence-based practices in undertaking this life-changing work.

Collateral Consequences of Crime and Expungement of Juvenile Records
Potomac 4–6
Starcia Ague, University of Washington
George Yeannakis, TeamChild
Lisa Campbell, Philadelphia Defender Association
Christopher Gowen, American Bar Association
Moderators: Lou Ann Holland and Linda Rosen, OJJDP

Panelists will discuss the general collateral consequences of juvenile adjudications and the need for juvenile expungements (or sealings), especially in light of *Padilla v. Kentucky*. The accounts will include the experiences of a former juvenile offender turned activist as well as those of practitioners working to help youth sort out the aftermath of their juvenile criminal adjudications. The session will also feature a nationwide study of juvenile collateral consequences, the vast inconsistencies across the nation regarding expungement laws and procedures, and the need for uniform definitions of terms. The session will highlight various publications and available resources.

A First Drink Before A First Breath: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
Chesapeake 1–3
Susan Carlson, Juvenile Justice Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota
Barbara Wybrecht, Great Lakes Regional Training Center
Sharon James Williams, Northrop Grumman Corporation, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
FASD Center for Excellence
Morgan Fawcett, Tlingit Nation, FASD Youth Activist
Howard Davidson, American Bar Association Center for Children and the Law
Moderator: Karen J. Bachar, OJJDP

This panel will discuss the legal and health-related implications of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD), the impact of maternal alcohol abuse on newborns, and the implications for the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. The panelists will examine the range of physical, behavioral, and cognitive effects that can occur to a child as a consequence of prenatal alcohol exposure and how children who have not been diagnosed to determine whether they have FASD tend to be overrepresented in juvenile justice and mental health settings.

Strength-Based Healing Programs for Native Girls
(Track: Trends in Tribal Youth Policy)
Chesapeake 4–6
Suzanne Koeppinger, Minnesota Indian Women’s Resource Center
Niki Vandenberg, La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians
Moderator: Patrick Dunckhorst, OJJDP

Presenters will provide an overview of the Shattered Hearts report, the first of its kind to analyze sexual exploitation of any demographic group. The session will summarize the data on victimization and trauma of American Indian women and girls, including homelessness, alcohol use, and physical violence. Presenters will also discuss how they have designed and implemented strength-based programs that empower American Indian women, girls, and families to exercise their cultural values, achieve sustainable life styles, and advocate for justice and equity.

Strategies for Youth
Chesapeake D–F
Lisa Thurau, Strategies for Youth
Candace Kattar, Identity, Inc.
Moderator: Stephanie Rapp, OJJDP

The first part of this workshop will give the audience a better understanding of how to enhance the relationship between law enforcement and adolescents. Lisa Thurau will describe Policing the Teen Brain: A Police Training Program. The second part of this workshop will give the audience an overview of a successful community- and school-based program that works with gang-involved and at-risk youth. Identity, Inc., provides programs for Latino youth in Montgomery County, Maryland, to help youth achieve a sense of confidence, connection, and control over their lives. Positive youth development is at the core of Identity’s mission and is the foundation of the multilayered program.

Evidence-Based Practices: A Call for Rigor in Programs
(Track: Engaging Funders)
Chesapeake G–I
Brian S. Lyght, Annie E. Casey Foundation
Julia N. Boerth, Stoneleigh Foundation
Barbara Langsford, Youth Transitions Funders Group, Mindspring Consulting
Moderator: Sue Badeau, Casey Family Programs Fellow, OJJDP

Join foundation leaders from the Youth Transitions Funders Group for an interactive discussion about investing in evidence-based programs for vulnerable youth. Panelists will share tools and approaches to grantmaking to encourage grantees to use research-based evidence. Participants will discuss and reflect on gaps in evidence-based programs.
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for vulnerable populations and consider potential next steps to support the use of evidence in supports and services for older youth in foster care.

5:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Information Sharing: Lessons and Issues From the Field (Listening Session)
Azalea 3
Stephanie Rondenell, Center for Network Development
Jeff McDonald, Jefferson County (Colorado) Juvenile Assessment Center
Meg Williams, Colorado Department of Public Safety, Adult and Juvenile Justice Assistance
Moderator: Mark Sakaley, OJJDP

Pilot site members will conduct this discussion about barriers to information sharing and what they have heard from families involved with multiple juvenile justice systems. An open discussion with conference participants about their experiences will follow. These discussions will affect decisionmaking and the development of priorities about how to address information-sharing barriers across juvenile justice, child welfare, and education arenas at the federal level. The goal is to reduce ambiguity about real and perceived confidentiality barriers and to help tribal, state, and local systems exchange appropriate information regarding at-risk youth while ensuring that their privacy is protected.

State Roundtables
Potomac A–D

This interactive session will provide roundtables for each state and territory. Learn about what is taking place in your area, your state’s juvenile justice priorities and how they are determined, and what federal funding sources are available and how this funding is distributed. Come and meet your juvenile justice specialist and connect with others who are proactive in the juvenile justice field in your jurisdiction. The juvenile justice specialist in each state and territory will facilitate each roundtable session and will provide a brief overview of the juvenile justice system, followed by information sharing among participants.

Poster Session
Exhibit Hall B

The poster session allows organizations to feature their recent program initiatives, research findings, and other information of interest and importance to the juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and victimization communities. Presenters will combine poster-size presentations and informal discussions to interact with conference attendees who are circulating among the displays.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2011 – LEAD

8:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. OPENING SESSION AND YOUTH PERFORMANCE
POTOMAC A–D

Remarks and Introduction of Performers

Jeff Slowikowski, Acting Administrator, OJJDP
South Shore Drill Team and Performing Arts Ensemble, Chicago, Illinois

9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. TOWN HALL

Children’s Justice and Safety: A Dialogue With Leaders of DOJ’s Program Offices

Facilitator: Laurie O. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs

Presenters:
Linda M. Baldwin, Director, Office of Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking
Susan B. Carbon, Director, Office on Violence Against Women
Dennis Greenhouse, Deputy Director, Office for Victims of Crime
Bernard K. Melekian, Director, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services
Denise O’Donnell, Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance
Jeff Slowikowski, Acting Administrator, OJJDP

Note: After brief remarks from panelists, questions will be taken from the audience.

10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. OJJDP CONFERENCE AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Awards
The Donn Davis Public Service Award
Organization of the Year Award
Overcoming Adversity Youth Award
The Spirit of OJJDP Award

11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. CHILDREN’S JUSTICE AND SAFETY: A LOOK AHEAD

Introduction: Laurie O. Robinson, Assistant Attorney General

Presenters:
R. Gil Kerlikowske, Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy (invited)
Eric H. Holder, Jr., Attorney General
LINDA M. BALDWIN, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SEX OFFENDER SENTENCING, MONITORING, APPREHENDING, REGISTERING, AND TRACKING (SMART)

Prior to joining the U.S. Department of Justice’s SMART Office, Ms. Baldwin served as a project manager for the New York State Unified Court System’s Office of Court Administration, where she planned and implemented court initiatives on behalf of the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for Court Operations and Planning. During her 7-year tenure, Ms. Baldwin implemented and expanded statewide initiatives for New York State’s sex offense, mental health, and drug treatment courts. Prior to joining the Unified Court System, Ms. Baldwin spent 8 years in private practice, concentrating in commercial litigation, real estate, and zoning law. She began her legal career as a law clerk for New Jersey Supreme Court Justice Gary S. Stein after receiving her law degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1993. Before attending law school, Ms. Baldwin worked for 5 years for the city of New York’s Department of Housing Preservation and Development and Department of City Planning. Ms. Baldwin received a master’s degree in urban planning from the New York University Wagner School of Public Service in 1989 and a bachelor of arts degree from Amherst College in 1985.

SUSAN B. CARBON, DIRECTOR, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Susan B. Carbon is Director of the U.S. Department of Justice’s Office on Violence Against Women. President Obama nominated Director Carbon to this position on October 1, 2009, and the U.S. Senate confirmed her on February 11, 2010. As Director, she serves as the liaison between the Department and federal, state, tribal, and international governments on crimes of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking. Director Carbon was first appointed to the bench in 1991 and served as Supervisory Judge of the New Hampshire Judicial Branch Family Division from 1996 to 2010. She was a member of the Governor’s Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence and chaired New Hampshire’s Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee. Director Carbon also served as President of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges from 2007 to 2008, and was President of the New Hampshire State Bar Association from 1993 to 1994. Director Carbon is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the DePaul University College of Law. Prior to becoming a judge, she was in private practice for a decade, and previously worked at the American Judicature Society in Chicago on a number of national court reform initiatives.

JAMES COLE, DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

James Cole was sworn in as Deputy Attorney General on January 3, 2011. Mr. Cole first joined the Department of Justice in 1979 as part of the Attorney General’s Honors Program and served for 13 years—first as a trial attorney in the Criminal Division and later as the Deputy Chief of the Division’s Public Integrity Section, the office that handles investigation and prosecution of corruption cases against officials and employees at all levels of government. While he was with the Public Integrity Section, Mr. Cole tried a number of notable cases, including prosecution of a U.S. District Court judge, a member of Congress, and a federal prosecutor. Mr. Cole has been a member of the adjunct faculty at Georgetown University Law Center, teaching courses on public corruption law and legal ethics, and has lectured at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. He is a former chair of the American Bar Association (ABA) White Collar Crime Committee and has served as the Chair Elect of the ABA Criminal Justice Section. He received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Colorado and his law degree from the University of California—Hastings.

DENNIS GREENHOUSE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

In June 2011, Dennis E. Greenhouse was named Deputy Director of the Office for Victims of Crime. Prior to that, he served as Director of the Community Capacity Development Office from 2006 and Deputy Director of the Office for Victims of Crime from 2003 to 2006. From 1999 to 2000, Mr. Greenhouse served as the principal deputy director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS). Before coming to the COPS Office, Mr. Greenhouse was Acting Deputy Director of the Bureau of State and Local Affairs for the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. Mr. Greenhouse joined the Drug Policy Office in 1997. From 1989 to 1997, Mr. Greenhouse was
the elected county executive of the most populous county in Delaware, serving two-thirds of the residents of the state. From 1983 to 1989 he was state auditor. Mr. Greenhouse has been recognized for his contributions in the areas of economic development, housing, water resources and environmental protection. A graduate of Fairleigh Dickinson University, Mr. Greenhouse had a career in finance before his election to public office. Mr. Greenhouse and his wife Elizabeth reside in Rockville, Maryland.

ERIC H. HOLDER, JR., ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

President Obama announced his intention to nominate Eric H. Holder, Jr., as Attorney General on December 1, 2008, and Mr. Holder was sworn in as the 82nd Attorney General of the United States on February 3, 2009, by Vice President Biden. In 1997, President Clinton nominated Mr. Holder to be the Deputy Attorney General, making him the first African American named to that post. Previously, he served as U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia. In 1988, President Reagan nominated Mr. Holder to become an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. He attended Columbia College, majored in American history, and graduated in 1973. He graduated from Columbia Law School in 1976. Mr. Holder lives in Washington, DC, with his wife, Dr. Sharon Malone, a physician, and their three children.

SENATOR PATRICK LEAHY (D-VT)

Patrick Leahy was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1974 and remains the only Democrat elected to this office from Vermont. As a leading member of the Appropriations Committee, Sen. Leahy is Chairman of the Committee’s Subcommittee on State and Foreign Operations. Sen. Leahy cochairs the Senate National Guard Caucus and has led efforts to ensure that members of the National Guard in Vermont and across the nation receive the resources they need to fulfill their heightened missions. In 2003, the National Guard Association presented Sen. Leahy with its greatest individual honor, the Harry S. Truman Award, for his “sustained contributions of exceptional and far-reaching magnitude to the defense and security of the United States in a manner worthy of recognition at the national level.” Patrick Leahy has been married to Marcelle Pomerleau Leahy since 1962. They have a daughter, two sons, two daughters-in-law, a son-in-law, and five grandchildren. The Leahys live on a tree farm in Middlesex, Vermont.

MARY LOU LEARY, PRINCIPAL DEPUTY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Mary Lou Leary joined the Office of the Assistant Attorney General at the Office of Justice Programs in May 2009, when she was appointed Deputy Assistant Attorney General. She was named Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General in September 2009. Previously, she served as Executive Director of the National Center for Victims of Crime, a private nonprofit organization in Washington, DC, for 4 years. From 1999 to 2001, Ms. Leary’s service at the U.S. Department of Justice included Acting Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Justice Programs, Deputy Associate Attorney General, and Acting Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Ms. Leary has also served as U.S. Attorney, Principal Assistant, and then Senior Counsel to the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia; and Chief, Superior Court Division. Her career included extensive trial and grand jury experience as Assistant U.S. Attorney in the District of Columbia and Assistant District Attorney in Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

BERNARD K. MELEKIAN, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES

Attorney General Holder announced Bernard K. Melekian’s appointment as Director of the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) on October 5, 2009. Director Melekian leads an organization that works closely with the nation’s state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies to enhance the safety of communities by advancing community policing. Director Melekian served as police chief for the City of Pasadena, California, for more than 13 years before assuming leadership of the COPS Office. He also served with the Santa Monica Police Department for 23 years, where he was awarded the Medal of Valor in 1978 and the Medal of Courage in 1980. In April 2010, the American Society for Public Administration and the National Academy of Public Administration awarded him the prestigious National Public Service Award. Director Melekian holds a bachelor’s degree in American history and a master’s degree in public administration, both from California State University at Northridge. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and the California Command College and is currently a doctoral candidate in public policy at the University of Southern California.

CONGRESSMAN CHRISTOPHER S. MURPHY (D-CT)

Congressman Christopher S. Murphy is currently serving his third term representing Connecticut’s Fifth District, which includes the towns of Danbury, Meriden, New Britain, and Waterbury. He serves on the Foreign Affairs Committee and its Middle East and South Asia Subcommittee. He also serves on the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and its Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and Procurement Reform and Health Care, District of Columbia, Census, and National Archives subcommittees.
DENISE E. O’DONNELL, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE

Denise E. O’Donnell was sworn in as Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance on June 6, 2011, after being nominated for the post by President Obama and confirmed by the U.S. Senate. In 1985, Director O’Donnell joined the U.S. Attorney’s Office in the Western District of New York as a criminal prosecutor. President Clinton appointed her as U.S. Attorney in 1997, and she became the first woman to hold the position of top federal prosecutor in upstate New York. Director O’Donnell served as Vice Chair of the U.S. Attorney General’s Advisory Committee, where she was a member of the Investigations and Intelligence, Northern Border, and Civil Rights subcommittees. Director O’Donnell entered private practice in 2001, becoming a litigation partner at Hodgson Russ LLP. In recent years, she has served as the New York State Deputy Secretary for Public Safety, overseeing 11 homeland security and criminal justice agencies, and as Commissioner of the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, the state administrative agency for Bureau of Justice Assistance funds. A native of Buffalo, New York, Director O’Donnell was the first person in her family to graduate from college. She obtained a master’s degree in social work from the State University of New York at Buffalo and graduated summa cum laude from the University at Buffalo Law School.

THOMAS J. PERRELLI, ASSOCIATE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Thomas J. Perrelli was sworn in on March 12, 2009, as Associate Attorney General of the U.S. Department of Justice. Mr. Perrelli previously served in the Department as Counsel to Attorney General Janet Reno (1997 to 1999) and as Deputy Assistant Attorney General in heading up the Civil Division’s Federal Programs Branch (1999 to 2001). Mr. Perrelli graduated from Brown University and Harvard Law School, where he was managing editor of the Harvard Law Review. Mr. Perrelli is married and has two children.

WINTLEY PHIPPS, CEO AND FOUNDER OF THE U.S. DREAM ACADEMY

Wintley Phipps is a world-renowned vocal artist, education activist, motivational speaker, pastor, and CEO and Founder of the U.S. Dream Academy. For his work at the U.S. Dream Academy, he has received numerous service awards, including the Excellence in Mentoring for Program Leadership Award from MENTOR/National Mentoring Partnerships, the Oprah Winfrey Angel Network Use Your Life Award, and the Philanthropist of the Year Award from The National Center for Black Philanthropy, Inc. A two-time Grammy Award nominee, Mr. Phipps has performed in front of distinguished audiences, including Presidents Obama, George H.W. Bush, George W. Bush, Clinton, and Carter; former South African President Nelson Mandela; Mother Teresa of Calcutta; and Oprah Winfrey. Born in the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Mr. Phipps moved to Montreal at an early age and then studied at Oakwood University, where he received his bachelor of arts degree in theology. He also earned a master’s of divinity degree from Andrews University. Mr. Phipps has three sons with his wife Linda Diane Galloway Phipps and currently serves as senior pastor for the Palm Bay Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Palm Bay, Florida.

LAURIE O. ROBINSON, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

Laurie O. Robinson was sworn in as Assistant Attorney General on November 9, 2009. She previously served as Assistant Attorney General at the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) from 1993 to February 2000. During that time, she oversaw the largest increase in federal spending on criminal justice research in the nation’s history; under her leadership, the annual appropriations for OJP grew substantially, from $800 million in 1993 to more than $4 billion in 2000. At the same time, she also spearheaded initiatives in areas ranging from comprehensive community-based crime control to violence against women, law enforcement technology, drug abuse, and corrections. Since returning to the Department of Justice, she has overseen the implementation of the $2.7 billion in programs for which Congress assigned responsibility to OJP under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, launched a new agencywide Evidence Integration Initiative to help ensure science-based approaches in OJP-funded programs, and held a series of “listening sessions” with state and local constituents to learn what OJP can do to better serve the field. From 2004 to January 2009, Ms. Robinson served as director of the Master of Science Program in the University of Pennsylvania’s Department of Criminology. From 2001 to January 2009, she also served as a Distinguished Senior Scholar in the University’s Jerry Lee Center of Criminology and as Executive Director of its Forum on Crime and Justice. Ms. Robinson is a magna cum laude graduate of Brown University and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

CONGRESSMAN ROBERT C. “BOBBY” SCOTT (D-VA)


JEFF SLOWIKOWSKI, ACTING ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

Jeff Slowikowski was designated as Acting Administrator of OJJDP by President Obama on January 20, 2009. Mr. Slowikowski has served as Associate Administrator of OJJDP’s Demonstration Programs Division since May 2004. Under his direction, the division manages a variety of grants that support demonstration, research, evaluation, and training and technical assistance programs, including drug court, gang, juvenile violence, mentoring, reentry, tribal youth, truancy, and underage drinking initiatives. Mr. Slowikowski was instrumental in the development and implementation of the performance measure system that assesses the efficacy of programs that OJJDP funds. Mr. Slowikowski joined OJJDP in August 1990 under the Presidential Management Intern Program. From 1990 to 2003, he served in the Research and Program Development Division as a program manager and, subsequently, as deputy director. Mr. Slowikowski earned a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice from the University of Baltimore in 1987 and earned a graduate certificate in police administration and a master’s degree in public administration from the University of Baltimore in 1990.

ELIZABETH SMART

In the early morning hours of June 5, 2002, while Ed and Lois Smart, along with their six children, were asleep in their Salt Lake City home, Brian Mitchell broke in and abducted their then 14-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, at knife point. Investigation efforts continued for the next 9 months. On March 12, 2003, Elizabeth was recovered and safely returned to her family. To control her, Elizabeth’s captors had threatened to kill her and her family if she tried to escape. At her abductor’s trial, Elizabeth testified about the very private nightmare she endured and how she was determined to survive and continue her life after that tragedy. She remains an active advocate for change related to child abduction, recovery programs, and legislation. Two years ago, Elizabeth worked with four other recovered young adults and the U.S. Department of Justice to create a survivors’ guide entitled You’re Not Alone: The Journey From Abduction to Empowerment. The guide encourages children who have gone through similar experiences to not give up and to know that there is life after tragic events. She recently started the Elizabeth Smart Foundation, which supports and promotes best practices for the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force and sponsors prevention education materials through the radKIDS program.

SOUTH SHORE DRILL TEAM

Founded in 1980 with a handful of neighborhood children, the South Shore Drill Team has grown to serve 325 young people ages 8 to 21 annually. In 2010, the group performed at 120 events in 7 states. In April 2011, the team won the World Championship in Winter Guard International Independent A Class. Well known for its amazing precision drilling, the team is a favorite of parade-goers everywhere. In addition to its unique marching style, the South Shore Drill Team has a wide repertoire of dance, including classical and contemporary music, hip hop, jazz, and modern dance. Team members have traveled extensively throughout the United States and toured Morocco in 2005. The group was featured in the movie Ferris Bueller’s Day Off. The organization’s purpose extends far beyond entertainment. It was founded by former Chicago public school teacher Arthur Robertson, and its focus remains on education. All members are required to be students in good standing, and their grades are monitored. The team offers tutoring for those who struggle in school. Despite the fact that the majority of members come from schools where the dropout rate is as high as 55 percent, the team sees 99 percent of its members graduate with their class, and most go on to college or technical school, breaking a cycle of poverty. In addition to education support, the team offers programs in employment training and leadership development. Members learn about self-discipline, teamwork, and responsibility, frequently staying with the team for 5 years or more. An estimated 5,000 young people have been part of the group. Team alumni include teachers, police officers, entrepreneurs and business managers, entertainers, and medical professionals. For more than 30 years, the South Shore Drill Team has helped young people build a future for themselves.

JOE TORRE

Joe Torre is a New York icon and one of baseball’s most popular personalities. Mr. Torre is most famous for his successful career as manager of the New York Yankees. In 1996, he led the New York Yankees to their first World Series win since 1978. He went on to lead the Yankees to three straight World Series titles in 1998, 1999, and 2000. A former major league baseball player himself, Mr. Torre is also the coauthor of two books and a sought-after public speaker. In 2005, the Joe Torre Safe At Home® Foundation opened its first school-based programming initiative, Margaret’s Place, at Hostos-Lincoln Academy, Bronx, New York.
The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP) Act of 1974, as amended, governs the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention’s (OJJDP’s) activities.

OJJDP sponsors research and demonstration programs, offers training and technical assistance, and develops and distributes resources. Under the direction of the Office of the Administrator, OJJDP’s work is carried out through the following components—a policy office that provides leadership and coordinates national policy on juvenile justice and three program divisions that administer grant programs to strengthen the juvenile justice system and prevent juvenile delinquency and child victimization.

The Child Protection Division (CPD) administers programs related to crimes against children and children’s exposure to violence. CPD provides leadership and funding to promote effective policies and procedures to address the problems of missing and exploited children, abused or neglected children, and children exposed to domestic or community violence. CPD programs include:

- **Defending Childhood**: Harnesses resources from across the federal government to prevent children’s exposure to violence, mitigate its impact, and create awareness. CPD oversees a demonstration program to prevent and reduce children’s exposure to violence in their homes, schools, and communities.

- **Internet Crimes Against Children**: Helps state and local law enforcement agencies prevent and respond to cyberenticement and child pornography cases through the use of specialized task forces.

- **National Center for Missing & Exploited Children**: Serves as a national resource center and clearinghouse to help prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation; find missing children; and provide assistance to child victims, their families, and the professionals who serve them.

- **AMBER Alert**: Creates voluntary partnerships between law enforcement agencies, local media, transportation agencies, and other entities to notify and solicit the help of the public when a child has been abducted.

- **Children’s Advocacy Centers**: Coordinate the investigation, treatment, and prosecution of child abuse cases through teams representing child protective and victim advocacy services, law enforcement and prosecution, and physical and mental health disciplines.

The Demonstration Programs Division (DPD) provides discretionary funds to public and private agencies, organizations, and individuals to develop and support programs and replicate tested approaches to delinquency prevention, treatment, and control in areas such as mentoring, gangs, chronic juvenile offending, and community-based sanctions. DPD also coordinates efforts with tribal governments to expand and improve tribal juvenile justice systems. DPD programs include:

- **Mentoring Program**: Funds national and community initiatives to develop and expand mentoring services for at-risk youth who are underserved due to where they live, a shortage of mentors, special physical or mental challenges, and other extenuating situations.

- **Anti-Gang Programs**: Support the National Gang Center, which offers training and technical assistance, research, and resources on evidence-based gang prevention, intervention, and suppression strategies, and the Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) program, a

What Is OJJDP’s Mission?

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to juvenile delinquency and victimization. OJJDP supports states, communities, and tribal jurisdictions in their efforts to implement effective prevention and intervention programs and to improve the juvenile justice system so that it protects public safety, holds offenders accountable, and provides treatment services tailored to the needs of juveniles and their families.

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school-based curriculum taught by law enforcement officers that helps students avoid delinquency, violence, and gang membership.

- **Second Chance Act Youth Offender Reentry Initiative:** Supports juvenile offenders as they transition from residential confinement back to their communities through the delivery of evidence-based treatment and services. The program’s goal is to reduce reoffending and improve public safety.

- **Tribal Youth Program:** Funds tribal communities to develop juvenile delinquency prevention and control programs, reduce violent crime, and improve juvenile justice systems.

- **Drug Courts Grant Program:** Provides grants to support the development and implementation of juvenile and family drug courts.

The **State Relations and Assistance Division (SRAD)** provides funds to help state and local governments achieve the system improvement goals of the JJDP Act, implement delinquency prevention programs, and support initiatives to hold juvenile offenders accountable for their actions. SRAD programs include:

- **Formula Grants Program:** Provides funds directly to states to help them implement comprehensive state juvenile justice plans based on detailed studies of needs in their jurisdictions.

- **Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Program:** Provides block grants to states to reduce juvenile offending through accountability-based programs that are targeted to both offenders and the juvenile justice system.

- **Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws Program:** Supports and enhances state and local efforts to prohibit the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages by minors.

- **Community Prevention Grants Program:** Helps communities develop and implement collaborative, community-based delinquency prevention plans that focus on critical risk and protective factors.

The **Office of Policy Development (OPD)** assists the Administrator by providing leadership and direction for national juvenile justice policy, research, training, and compliance efforts. OPD advises the Administrator on policy and program issues and on how OJJDP can best accomplish its mission. OPD also manages OJJDP’s planning and information dissemination efforts. Entities integral to OPD’s efforts include:

- **Concentration of Federal Efforts Program:** Advances interagency collaboration among federal agencies with responsibilities in the area of juvenile justice.

- **Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention:** Coordinates federal programs and activities related to juvenile delinquency prevention, the care or detention of unaccompanied juveniles, and missing and exploited children. Composed of 22 federal agency and practitioner members, the Council makes annual recommendations to Congress regarding juvenile justice policies, objectives, and priorities. The Attorney General serves as chairperson and the Administrator of OJJDP serves as vice chairperson.

- **Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice:** Advises the President and Congress on matters related to juvenile justice and advises the OJJDP Administrator on the work of OJJDP. A consultative body established by the JJDP Act, the Committee is composed of appointed representatives of State Advisory Groups.

- **Budget and Planning Division:** Handles OJJDP’s budget and planning operations and manages the Office’s research and training and technical assistance functions. The division also oversees all administrative and personnel matters.

- **Communications Unit:** Responsible for OJJDP’s information dissemination and outreach. The unit develops OJJDP publications, manages its Web site and online services, and performs a range of writing and editing functions to support the Office. The unit also handles media-related inquiries and issues.

To stay informed about OJJDP and other juvenile justice programs, publications, resources, and events, subscribe to the JUVJUST listserv and OJJDP News @ a Glance by visiting OJJDP’s Web site at ojjdp.gov.
While you are at the National Conference, take time to visit the Exhibit Hall in Prince George’s Exhibition Hall B, located on Convention Center Level 1. The Exhibit Hall will open at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, and will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, October 12 and 13. Coffee will be available in the morning prior to the sessions and during mid-day breaks.

Many activities will take place in the Exhibit Hall, including the following:

- More than 80 exhibitors will display their services and programs.
- OJJDP will release several new publications at the conference. Printed copies will be available at the OJP/OJJDP display.
- Conference attendees can access a demonstration of CrimeSolutions.gov, OJP’s searchable database of evidence-based programs covering a wide range of justice-related topics.
- Grantees who have questions about OJP’s Grants Management System can speak with OJP helpdesk staff.
- Participants can speak with researchers and program representatives about their recent initiatives, research findings, and other activities at the poster sessions.
- Attendees can view short public service announcements or slideshow segments of federally funded activities and programs and preview longer training videos.
- South Shore Drill Team and Performing Arts Ensemble, along with other artists, will perform throughout the conference.
- Participants can pick up a paint brush and add a splash of color to a mural that will be created under the guidance of Mural Arts Program artists during the conference.
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The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) extends its sincere gratitude and appreciation to each organization, agency, and individual who donated time and expertise that contributed to the success of the National Conference’s learning labs, plenary sessions, workshops, and exhibits. Your participation was pivotal in support of OJJDP’s conference goals of improving juvenile justice and protecting our children.

Special thanks go to our youth, who shared their talents and made our conference complete. Your valuable participation in our sessions provided an important perspective to the proceedings and contributed greatly to meeting our conference goals. Your enthusiastic participation is greatly appreciated.

Finally, we owe a special debt of gratitude to OJJDP staff, the National Training and Technical Assistance Center, and everyone else who labored together tirelessly to develop the conference curriculum and to organize the agenda. The scope and size of this event dictated that many individuals cooperate and coordinate their efforts under difficult circumstances and tight deadlines to bring everything together. Your hours of dedication and collaboration were critical to the success of this year’s conference.
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