

**News Briefs****Disconnected Youth Leadership Academy Audio Conference:**

A recent audio conference was held to discuss ways to involve municipal leaders regarding disconnected youth issues and how NLC tools can be instrumental to this effort. You can read the article at length in the Nations Cities Weekly.

[http://www.nlc.org/nlc\\_org/site/newsroom/nations\\_cities\\_weekly/display.cfm?id=C6C40CBD-2C1D-45C7-B522CBA045DCD789](http://www.nlc.org/nlc_org/site/newsroom/nations_cities_weekly/display.cfm?id=C6C40CBD-2C1D-45C7-B522CBA045DCD789)

**Resources*****Reading:*****JAIBG National Evaluation Report Available:**

One finding is the JAIBG program stimulated collaboration among local stakeholders-units of local and city governments, CBO's, service providers, and schools. Many JAIBG coordinators emphasized the importance of and benefits from these multi-agency collaborations that begun under JAIBG. Please view at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/grants/202150.pdf>

**The Orphan Foundation of America Scholarship Opportunity.** Eligible young men of color who are currently in their final year of college or a technical program, and can verify their status as having aged out of the US foster care system, OFA can offer up to \$5000 towards unmet tuition need or outstanding student loans on a one-time-only, first-come, first-served basis. For information: [http://www.orphan.org/casey\\_family\\_scholarships.html](http://www.orphan.org/casey_family_scholarships.html)

**NMHA Releases Guide on Mental Health Treatment for Youth in the Juvenile Justice System.** This free guide features current evidence-based practices that are highly effective in reducing recidivism rates and highlights state-of-the-art treatments designed to account for the individual needs of youth involved with the juvenile justice system. To download the report, [CLICK HERE.](#)

***Training:***

If you or someone from your city is attending the National League of Cities Congress of Cities we encourage you to participate in the following workshops: Investing in Youth, Reducing Juvenile Crime at 3:00pm on 12/2 and Thinking Across Systems Discussion Session at 11:00am on 12/4. To register online and for more detailed information and updates about the Congress of Cities, November 30 - December 4, 2004, in Indianapolis, IN. visit the NLC web site at [www.nlc.org](http://www.nlc.org).

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