YOUNG ADULT JUSTICE
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• Public Health Approach/Trauma Informed Care/Restorative Practices • Workforce & Education Support • Housing Access
• Training for: Police, Probation/Parole, Judges, Prosecutors, SRO’s • Evidence Informed Community Based Programming •
• Systems Alignment (data/programs/funding) • Transportation Access • Support in Navigating the systems •

NO-ENTRY

• Raising the Age of Juvenile Jurisdiction
• Deflection or Diversion from arrest/post-arrest
• Targeted Interventions for Young Adults “at-risk” of system involvement
• Conflict De-escalation
• Violence Intervention
• Crisis Response

SYSTEM INVOLVED

PRETRIAL
• Bond/Release
• Alternatives to prosecution

TRIAL
• Confidentiality Protection
• Closed Courtrooms & Specialized Courts
• Access to Counsel/ Advocate

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS
• Specialized Assessment
• Specialized Probation/Supervision
• Community-based programming/alternatives to incarceration

CORRECTIONS
• Specialized Units

RE-INTEGRATION

• Specific Re-entry Services
• Records Relief/Expungement
• Specialized Parole

CONSIDERATIONS

• Gender Identity/LGBTQ Status
• Finances/Fines & Fees
• Familial Responsibilities
• Access to Benefits (Medicaid/SNAP/Pell Grants)
• Young Adult Voice
• Offense Level

JUVENILE JUSTICE • CHILD WELFARE • SCHOOL SYSTEMS
JOIN THE YOUNG ADULT JUSTICE COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

The Young Adult Justice Community of Practice acts across the continuum to build upon the momentum of the 2018-19 Intergovernmental Policy Academy (IGA). The IGA brought together five teams of city, county and state justice stakeholders over a twelve month period to work on policy alignment and to learn from peers and subject matter experts on justice interventions and policies. Each team came away with significant commitments to reducing the young adult population within their justice systems.

NLC undertakes this initiative in its role as a Strategy Ally in the Safety & Justice Challenge of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. NLC invites the participation of Safety and Justice Challenge sites; thought leaders and researchers; additional SJC Strategic Allies and juvenile justice policy groups whose span has broadened to include a focus on young adults; and leading Opportunity Youth intermediaries and practitioners.

CORE ACTIVITIES:

• Develop strategies to address disproportionate rates of arrest and jailing of young adults and racial and ethnic disparities

• Build upon the policy momentum established through the five-site Intergovernmental Policy Academy

• Interface with broader policy discussions about the most promising supports, services and structures for effective transitions to adulthood

Interested in learning more about NLC’s work on young adult justice?

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