

National Criminal Justice Reform Project 2016 State Strategic Planning and Leadership Summit

October 17-19 | Denver, Colorado
Event Agenda

Below is the agenda and presentation materials for the State Strategic Planning and Leadership Summit, held October 17 - 19, 2016 at the Curtis Hotel in Denver, Colorado as part of the National Criminal Justice Reform Project.

The National Governors Association and National Criminal Justice Association would like to thank Arnold Ventures for their generous support for this Summit.

Monday, October 17, 2016

4:00 - 4:15 PM Welcome

Presenters: Cabell Cropper, Executive Director, National Criminal Justice Association; Jeff McLeod, Director, Homeland Security and Public Safety Division, National Governors Association; and Peter Katz, Director of Criminal Justice, Laura and John Arnold Foundation.

4:15 - 5:00 PM Summit Kickoff

Presenter: Glenn Martin, Founder and President of JustLeadershipUSA.

5:45 - 7:30 PM: Reception at Governor's Residence at the Boettcher Mansion

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

7:30 - 8:30 AM Registration and Breakfast in Teams

8:30 - 9:00 AM Opening Remarks

NCJA and NGA will brief state teams on the key objectives for the Summit, which includes team building and enhanced capacity to develop reform-related data analysis, implementation, and evaluation strategies. NGA and NCJA will highlight the RFP and selection process.

Presenters: Jeff McLeod, Director, Homeland Security and Public Safety Division, National Governors Association; and Karhlton Moore, Executive Director, Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services.

9:00 - 10:30 AM State of Criminal Justice Reform in the US: Successes and Challenges

Session panelists will highlight examples of successful implementation and address potential challenges in criminal justice reform. Discussion will highlight how states can avoid reform fatigue, engage the public on reform efforts, and sustain successful programs across administrations.

Presenters: Anastasiya Bolton, Crime and Justice Reporter, NBC 9NEWS; Marc Levin, Director, Center for Effective Justice and Right on Crime, Texas Public Policy Foundation; Douglas Marlowe, Chief of Science, Law and Policy, National Association of Drug Court Professionals; and Reginald Wilkinson, President, Connecting the Dots, LLC.

10:30 - 10:45 AM Break

10:45 - 12:00 PM Team Time: Reflections and Relevant State Successes and Challenges

States will reflect on the takeaways from the first sessions and highlight relevant successes and potential challenges for criminal justice in their states.

12:00 - 1:00 PM Lunch Keynote

Presenters: Jeff McLeod, Director, Homeland Security and Public Safety Division, National Governors Association; and Colorado Governor, John Hickenlooper.

1:00 - 1:15 PM Break

1:15 - 2:15 PM What Does Evidence-Based Mean?

A leading national expert will discuss the promise and perils of using evidence to inform policy, what constitutes credible evidence, and how attendees can be more informed consumers of different types of evidence about the effectiveness of programs and practices.

Presenters: Cabell Cropper, Executive Director, National Criminal Justice Association; and Delbert Elliott, Distinguished Professor Emeritus and Founding Director, Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence and Blueprints for Violence Prevention (now Healthy Youth Development), University of Colorado.

Presentation materials: [Del Elliot - Selecting Evidence-Based Prevention and Treatment Interventions](#) (slideshow presentation)

2:15 - 3:30 PM Policy Breakouts

Reforming Pretrial Release and Bail

Presenters: Mike Jones, Director of Implementation, Pretrial Justice Institute; and Sue Ferrere, Technical Assistance Manager, Pretrial Justice Institute.

Presentation materials:

- [Policy Breakout: Reforming Pretrial Release and Bail](#) (handout)
- [Pretrial Justice: an Overview](#) (slideshow presentation)

Improving the Reentry Process and Reducing Offender Recidivism

Presenter: Dennis Schrantz, Director, Michigan Council on Crime and Delinquency Center for Justice Innovation.

Presentation materials:

- [Policy Breakout: Improving the Reentry Process and Reducing Offender Recidivism](#) (handout)
- [On the Chopping Block: State Prison Closings](#) (handout)
- [The Louisiana Prisoner Reentry Initiative Framework Summary](#) (handout)
- [What Works to Reduce Crime, Recidivism, and Prison Populations? Seven Lessons Learned in Michigan](#) (handout)
- [Michigan Breaks the Political Logjam: a New Model for Reducing Prison Populations](#) (handout)
- [Prison Break: How Michigan Managed to Empty its Penitentiaries While Lowering its Crime Rate](#) (handout)
- [National Evidence-Based and Best Practices for Prisoner Reentry: What It Takes to Develop Effective and Sustainable Collaborations to Improve Returning Citizen Outcomes](#) (slideshow presentation)

Addressing Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders in Justice-Involved Populations

Presenters: Frankie Berger, Director of Advocacy, Treatment Advocacy Center; and Douglas Marlowe, Chief of Science, Law and Policy, National Association of Drug Court Professionals.

Presentation materials:

- [Policy Breakout: Offenders with Substance Use Disorders and Evidence-Based Interventions](#) (handout)
- [Policy Breakout: Offenders with Mental Illness and Evidence-Based Interventions](#) (handout)
- [Doing Justice: The Executive Summit On Criminal Justice Reform](#) (handout)
- [Evidence-based Criminal Justice Reform](#) (slideshow presentation)
- [Bio - Doug Marlowe](#)

Safely Reducing Prison and/or Jail Populations

Presenter: Reginald Wilkinson, President, Connecting the Dots.

Presentation materials: [Policy Breakout: Reducing Prison and Jail Populations by Implementing Alternatives to Incarceration and Reducing Recidivism](#) (handout)

Implementing Evidence-Based Practices, Including Access to Data, Information Sharing Practices, Adopting Performance Metrics, and Integrating Evaluation

Presenters: David Steingraber, Senior Policy Advisor, National Criminal Justice Association; and Roger Przybylski, Founder/Consultant, RKC Group.

Presentation materials:

- [Implementing Evidence-Based Practices, Including Access to Data, Information Sharing Practices, Adopting Performance Metrics, and Integrating Evaluation](#) (slideshow presentation)
- [Glossary of Terms](#) (handout)

3:30 - 4:30 PM Teams Reconvene: Takeaways from Policy Breakouts

4:30 - 5:00 PM Closing Session: Wrap-up

Facilitators will lead a discussion highlighting takeaways from the policy breakout sessions. Facilitators: Jeff McLeod, Director, Homeland Security and Public Safety Division, National Governors Association; and Cabell Cropper, Executive Director, National Criminal Justice Association.

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

7:30 - 8:15 AM Breakfast with the Experts

Teams can meet for breakfast with NGA, NCJA, and subject matter experts.

8:15 - 9:30 AM Policy Breakouts

These sessions will repeat the content from Tuesday, giving team members the opportunity to participate in two breakout sessions during the summit. See Tuesday policy breakout sessions for presentation materials.

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9:30 - 9:45 AM Break

9:45 - 11:15 AM Key Principles for Strategically Planning, Implementing and Sustaining Reform Efforts

Experts will discuss the value of strategic planning and the key elements of an effective planning process in the context of criminal justice reform, including a shared vision for the future, collaboration, and the leveraging of assets and disparate resources. The importance of data collection and analysis, and lessons learned from implementation science and sustainment research also will be presented. Presenters: Clay Yeager, Senior Vice-President, Evidence Based Associates and National Policy Director, Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development; and Roger Przybylski, President, RKC Group.

Presentation materials:

- [Key Principles for Strategically Planning, Implementing and Sustaining Reform Efforts](#) (slideshow presentation)
- [Implementing Evidence-Based Practices](#) (handout)
- [Effective Strategic Planning](#) (handout)

11:15 - 11:45 AM The National Criminal Justice Reform Project's Request for Proposal Process

NGA and NCJA will discuss required elements of the RFP, clarify expectations, and highlight next steps in the application and selection process for ongoing technical assistance. Presenters: Jeff McLeod, Director, Homeland Security and Public Safety Division, National Governors Association; and Cabell Cropper, Executive Director, National Criminal Justice Association.

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