

News from Kansas

KS Juvenile Justice Workgroup Releases Report

[Link to the Final Report](#)

[Link to the Executive Summary](#)

Juvenile Justice Research: Implications for Intervention and Policy

The State of Kansas has been receiving technical assistance from the Pew Charitable Trusts, Public Safety Performance Project, to comprehensively examine Kansas' juvenile justice system and to develop data-driven policies based upon research and built upon consensus among key stakeholders from across our state. New research and new approaches have emerged to offer states a wide range of effective and cost-effective options for protecting public safety, holding juvenile offenders accountable, and improving recidivism and other outcomes for children and families while containing costs.

On September 9, 2015, the Kansas Juvenile Justice Workgroup met for the fourth time. On this occasion, the Workgroup reviewed research on effective juvenile justice practices as well as additional data presented as follow-up to previous meetings. During this meeting, presentations were made by Edward P. Mulvey, Ph.D., Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, and Mark W. Lipsey, Ph.D., Peabody Research Institute, Vanderbilt University. Below are links to a summary of the meeting, the video of the presentation by Drs. Mulvey and Lipsey, and the two Power Point presentations used by Drs. Mulvey and Lipsey.

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[Video of Dr. Mulvey and Dr. Lipsey presentation to Kansas Juvenile Justice Workgroup on 9/9/2015](#)

Edward P. Mulvey, Ph.D.
[View Dr. Mulvey's PowerPoint presentation from 9/9/2015](#)

Mark W. Lipsey, Ph.D.
[View Dr. Lipsey's PowerPoint presentation from 9/9/2015](#)

Summary of Presentations by Drs. Mulvey & Lipsey, 9/9/2015
[KS Juvenile Justice Workgroup Meeting Summary, 9/9/2015](#)

2016 DOC-Juvenile Services Training Schedule

Legal Issue Training (½ day)
Location DOC Central Office, Topeka
Dates May 11, 2016
November 2, 2016
To Enroll Email courtney.child@doc.ks.gov

2016 YLS Training
Locations To be determined
Dates March 8-10, 2016
June 14-16, 2016 (Western KS)
September 13-15, 2016
December 13-15, 2016
To Enroll Email michelle.montgomery@doc.ks.gov

2016 EPICS II (1 ½ days)
Locations DOC Central Office, Topeka
Dates April 12-13, 2016
October 12-13, 2016
To Enroll Email courtney.child@doc.ks.gov

Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking Cases Soar in Wichita

The bags are piled in Jennifer White's office, waiting for her or a group of volunteers to fill them. The "fresh start" bags will be stuffed with new clothes, gift certificates for food and personal care items for victims of human trafficking or abuse. "As fast as we make them, they use them," said White, founder of ICT S.O.S., a grassroots organization that combats trafficking and abuse. [Read more](#)

January 2016 is Human Trafficking Awareness Month in Kansas

Kansas Governor Sam Brownback proclaimed January to be Human Trafficking Awareness Month. [Read more](#)

Rural Community Organizations Address Human Trafficking

A new grant program from the [U.S. Administration for Children and Families](#) is trying to untangle how to develop services for domestic victims of human trafficking. The most recent round of grants focuses on rural areas, where runaway. [Read more](#)

The Juvenile Justice Corner

**By Randy Bowman, Director
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For many of us, the holiday season is one of the most anticipated times of the year as we celebrate faith, family and enjoy traditions passed from generation to generation. This season offers us many opportunities to share with others, whether that is of our time to help organize holiday celebrations in our church, school or community, making a donation to help provide for others, or spending time the most important people in our lives. This is indeed a joyous time of year!

As juvenile justice professionals, we also know well that the responsibilities of our work are indeed 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Whether your job is assisting law enforcement with the emergency placement of a child at juvenile intake, or your caseload includes youth in placement who cannot be with their families and you attend to their need for support and encouragement in this difficult time, or you work in a group home or facility, each of you and your families make an extraordinary commitment to children and youth, particularly during the holiday season. While other professions may offer more holiday friendly schedules, I know of none that is as meaningful, rewarding, or provides a greater opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of individuals and our communities safer. I thank you for that commitment!

On behalf of all of us at KDOC-Juvenile Services, may peace, prosperity, and happiness be yours throughout the holidays and new-year!

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Why Reform Juvenile Justice in Kansas?

[Watch video](#)

News from other States

Pathways to Prosperity Event Engages Business Leaders in Milwaukee

Leaders of 25 local businesses joined Lt. Governor Rebecca Kleefisch, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, and other state and city officials on Oct. 14 to promote employment opportunities for people formerly involved with the justice [Read more](#)

Midwestern States Share Innovative Strategies for Hiring People with Criminal Records

In 2012, three Michigan-based employers—Butterball Farms, Cascade Engineering, and Grand Rapids Community College—set out to prove to the business community what they had known for years: hiring people with criminal records is an investment worth making. The trio launched the 30-2-2 Initiative, which aims to work with 30 local organizations that agree to hire two individuals with criminal records and track their progress for two years. To date, the initiative has signed on 19 committed companies that have hired more than 100 employees. [Read more](#)

San Francisco Called a Model for Ending Mass Incarceration

San Francisco has rapidly reduced its jail and prison populations with a series of "best practices" innovations that have built on California's well-publicized legislative reforms enacted since 2009, according to a research study released today. [Read more](#)

Maryland's JJ System – A Youths Perspective Juvenile Justice: the Road to Reform

[Watch video](#)

Overview – The Ohio Juvenile Justice System

In Ohio, youth who are incarcerated are more likely to reoffend and have less success in education and employment. Speaker Erin Davies from the Ohio Juvenile Justice Coalition shared how Ohio reduced the number of kids facing jail time and the latest numbers on Ohio kids in the juvenile justice system.

[Watch video](#)

State of Kansas – Population Trends

Kansas Juvenile Correctional Facilities		
Population Comparisons	2014	2015
July	292	247
August	283	242
September	284	234

From PEW Charitable Trusts - Updates . . .

Examining Electronic Monitoring Technologies 5 experts explore advantages, disadvantages, and future research priorities

. . . I think electronic monitors are effective for youthful offenders, because they provide structure and rules that juveniles must follow to remain in the community. The courts now are using the monitors to enforce rules the parents often could not, such as being in the house at a specific time, not associating with certain people, attending school, and not going to specific areas. [Read more](#)

Prison Kids – A video on juvenile justice

Prison Kids: A Crime Against America’s Children

An investigative documentary about juvenile justice in America
Throughout history, children as young as seven years old who were accused of wrongdoing have been imprisoned with adults. In the early 19th century, the idea of reforming youth offenders took root in the United States. On Wednesday, panelists discussed juvenile justice reform at the U.S. Capitol following a preview of “Prison Kids: A Crime Against America’s Children.” The investigative documentary, produced by Fusion in partnership with The Root and Univision, details the negative impact of locking up more than 60,000 American juveniles, a number higher than any other country in the world.

[Read more](#)

[Watch the documentary](#)

Campaign for Youth Justice - CFYJ

Zero Tolerance: How States Comply with PREA’s Youthful Inmate Standard

Note – The “Zero Tolerance” report includes information received from the states. Kansas was polled for this information prior to the 2015 legislative session. At that time, youth between the ages of 15 to 18 that were convicted as adults were not allowed to be in Kansas Juvenile Correctional facilities, which resulted in them being placed in juvenile facilities out of state. In 2015, the law was modified to allow these youth to be kept in Kansas Juvenile Correctional Facilities, which allowed them to be closer to their families and for programing staff to better control the quality and types of programming provided the youth. (KSA 38-2366) Additionally, the minimum age that a juvenile can be prosecuted as an adult changed from 10 to 12. (KSA 38-2347) Currently, there are no juveniles under the age of 18 sentenced as adults that are in state adult correctional facilities, while there are three at the Kansas juvenile correctional facilities.

Campaign for Youth Justice's new report explores how states house youth under 18 in prisons in the new age of PREA compliance and enforcement. Furthermore, this report highlights national trends in juvenile arrests, crimes, and incarceration of children in the adult system.

[Executive Summary – Read more](#)

[Full Report – Read more](#)

[KSA 38-2347 \(After the 2015 Legislative Session\)](#)

[KSA 38-2366 \(After the 2015 Legislative Session\)](#)

DOC-Juvenile Services Standards Updates

The following standards have been recently reviewed and updated.

Community Supervision Standards – [Click here . . .](#)

CSS-02-100	Agency Director Qualifications
CSS-02-101	Agency Supervisor Qualifications
CSS-02-102	Agency Supervision Officer Qualifications
CSS-02-105	Training
CSS-02-112	Weapons

Juvenile Intake and Assessment Standards – [Click here . . .](#)

JIAS-02-100	JIAS Supervisor/Director Qualifications
JIAS-02-101	JIAS Full-Time Staff Qualifications
JIAS-02-102	JIAS Part-Time Staff Qualifications
JIAS-02-104	Training
JIAS-04-108	Weapons

National Institute of Corrections

Evidence-Based Decision Making: Victim Service Provider User’s Guide

The purpose of this Guide is to prepare and assist Victim Service Providers to become part of an Evidence-Based Decision Making policy team, as outlined in "A Framework for Evidence-Based Decision Making in Local Criminal Justice Systems" [Read more](#)

Females: Juvenile Justice Issues - updates . . .

States Grapple with Girls in the Juvenile Justice System

When she was 11, KiAmber was arrested for defacing school property—a misdemeanor the Tallahassee, Florida, girl insists she did not commit. That experience scared her. By the time she turned 12, she was pregnant. School wasn’t safe—fights broke out all the time. So KiAmber asked to enroll in a program for at-risk girls, funded by the state, where she receives intensive counseling and tutoring. Now, the ninth-grader said, she’s matured and is looking forward to creating a stable life for herself and her 3-year-old daughter. Without early intervention, “I don’t know where I’d be,” [Read more](#)

From The Council of State Governments Justice Center Updates . . .

People of Color Sent to Prison, Put on Probation Far More Than Whites

In the movies and on television, when the crime is solved and the wrongdoer convicted, the story ends, usually with someone headed to prison. But in the real world, those in the criminal justice system say, it’s not the end. A whole other story starts when the convict gets out. It’s a story about not being able to find a job or a place to live. It’s about families losing a significant part of their income and children more likely to suffer childhood trauma, fall behind in school and end up being arrested in a cycle that can last generations. [Read more](#)

The Crime Report

Let’s Stop Trying to ‘Fix’ Kids’ Behavior With Incarceration

The juvenile justice system was created to ensure public safety while helping youth overcome difficulties and become successful members of their communities. For many young people who have been adjudicated by the juvenile court, though, the system has become a tool for broader intervention than simply preserving safety: a way of getting kids help. Consequently, well-meaning juvenile courts sometimes make decisions to incarcerate kids in hopes of getting them the services they need. [Read more](#)

Juvenile Justice Geography, Policy, Practice & Statistics Juvenile Justice GPS

Juvenile Justice GPS (Geography, Policy, Practice, & Statistics) is a project to develop an online repository providing state policy makers and system stakeholders with a clear understanding of the juvenile justice landscape in the states. The site layers the most relevant national and state level statistics with information on state laws and practice and charts juvenile justice system change. In a landscape that is highly decentralized and ever-shifting, JJGPS provides an invaluable resource for those wanting to improve the juvenile justice system. [Read more](#)

The MacArthur Foundation

Juvenile Justice in a Developmental Framework: A 2015 Status Report

Note – The MacArthur Foundation report includes information received from the states prior to the 2015 legislative session. In 2015, Kansas law was modified to change the minimum age that a juvenile can be prosecuted as an adult from 10 to 12. (KSA 38-2347)

Advances in the understanding of adolescent development have provided a foundation for progress in juvenile justice reform, including changes in state legislation. In accord with the Supreme Court’s recognition of a basic principle—that children are different from adults, and the justice systems that deal with them must be shaped by those differences—state after state has to some degree adopted developmentally appropriate legislation. These reforms mark a dramatic change from the harsh and punitive laws enacted in the 1980s and 1990s. [Read more](#)

Corrections Fatigue Training

Kansas Corrections Care Coalition is providing several free training opportunities on Corrections Fatigue. It is an all-day training event and pre-registrations are required (ideally, 30 days prior to the training event). It is designed so that supervisors and employees that do not supervise anyone attend different sessions. For more information contact Dawn Shepler (316-613-7234) or e-mail dawn.shepler@doc.ks.gov

<i>Line Staff trainings</i>	<i>Supervisor’s trainings</i>
Topeka - 2/2/16 and 2/3/16	Wichita - 2/2/16 and 2/3/16
Emporia - 2/2/16, 2/3/16 & 5/3/16	Emporia - 2/2/16
Great Bend – 5/4/16	Great Bend – 5/3/16