



***Juvenile Justice Policy and
Oversight Committee***

***January 18th, 2017
Legislative Office Building
2pm Room 1D***

Progress Report

- Monthly update on transfer of Juvenile Justice functions from Department of Children and Families to the Judicial Branch.
- Proposed 2018 Recommendations for Discussion and Adoption by the JJPOC Work Groups
 - Diversion
 - Incarceration
 - Recidivism
- Transforming Education for Youth in Connecticut's Justice System
 - Recap
 - Opportunity for Q&A



***Update on Transfer of Juvenile Justice
Functions from Department of Children
and Families to Judicial Branch***

Judicial Branch

Update on Juvenile Transfer



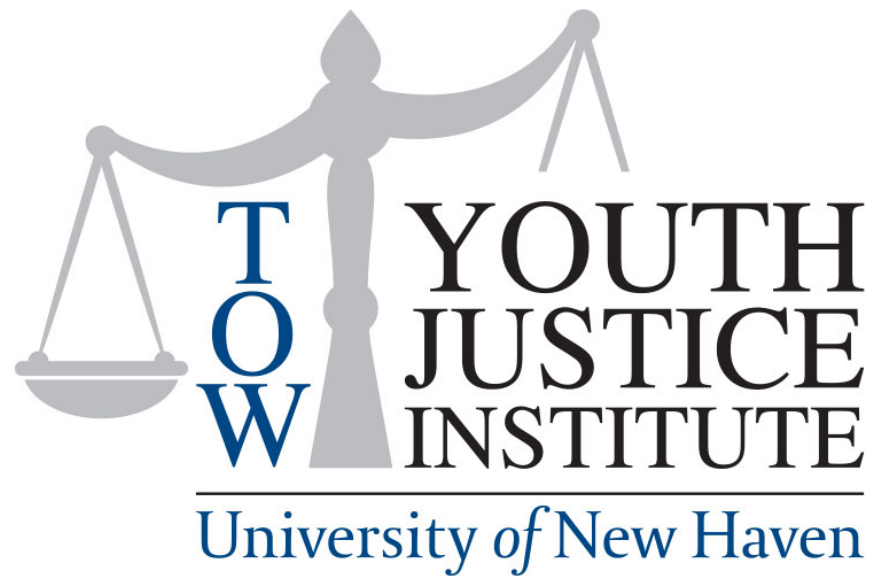
- All workgroups meeting regularly – Statutory/Legal, Probation, Residential/Clinical/Education, Programs, and IT
- Considerable time and attention devoted to process – focus groups to get input from advocates, providers, field operations staff, trade organizations and youth/families
- Short and long term data exchange solutions discussed with DCF IT

Judicial Branch

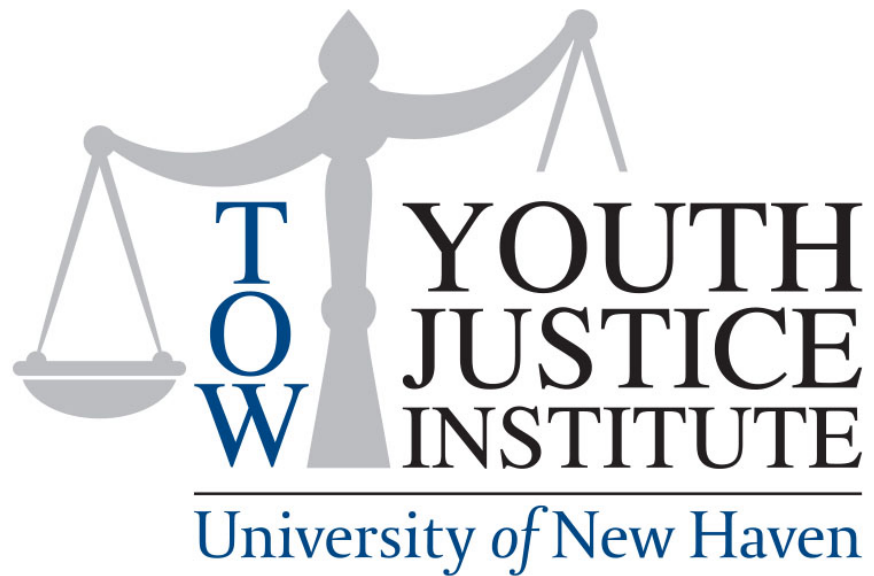
Update on Juvenile Transfer



- Request for Information (RFI) – Secure/Staff Secure Facilities: 6 responses received, next step is REGIONS Request for Proposal (RFP)
- Treatment Foster Care Oregon-Adolescent (TFCO-A) RFP now public, responses due February 23
- Other RFPs in development include in-home and community-based services and treatment beds
- CYFSC - rebidding early, with emphasis on connections to local grassroots organizations
- Working on status of FY18 services with DCF and OPM



***Proposed 2018 Recommendations
for Discussion and Adoption***



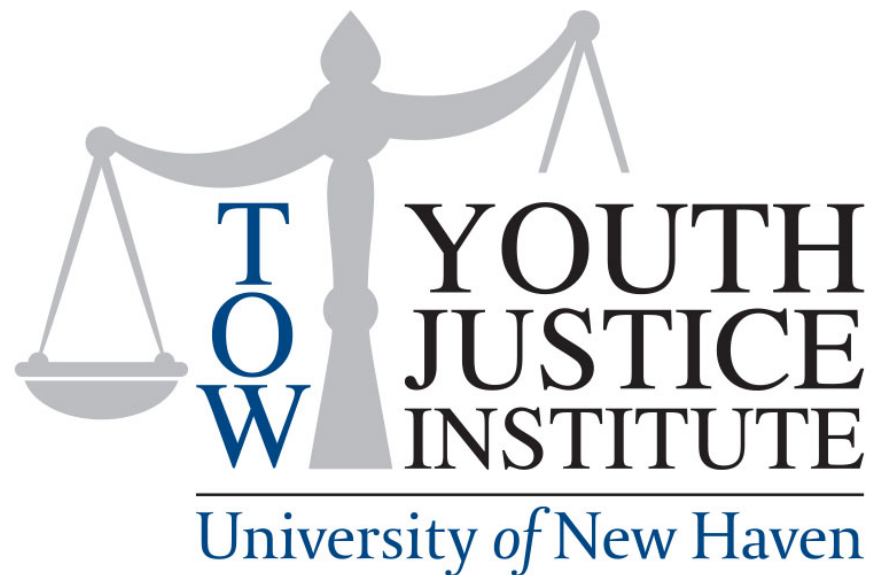
***Diversion Work Group Proposed
2018 Recommendations***

Diversion Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation

- Recommendation 1.1
 - It is recommended that beginning July 1, 2018, the State Department of Education and the Youth Service Bureau network should implement the Community-Based Diversion System Plan, developed pursuant to PA 16-147, § 18(k), over a two-year period within available appropriations
- Recommendation 1.2
 - In the 2018 legislative session, the legislature and the Governor should adequately fund implementation of the Plan.

Diversion Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation

- Recommendation 2.1.
 - Beginning July 1, 2018, the State Department of Education should implement the School-Based Diversion Framework over a two-year period, within available appropriations.
- Recommendation 2.2.
 - In the 2018 legislative session, the legislature and the Governor should adequately fund implementation of the Framework
- Recommendation 3
 - The JJPOC should develop a justice reinvestment plan to guide the reinvestment of any savings realized from the decreased use of incarcerations and congregate care towards strategic investments in home-, school-, and community-based behavioral health services and supports for children diverted from, or involved with, the juvenile justice system.



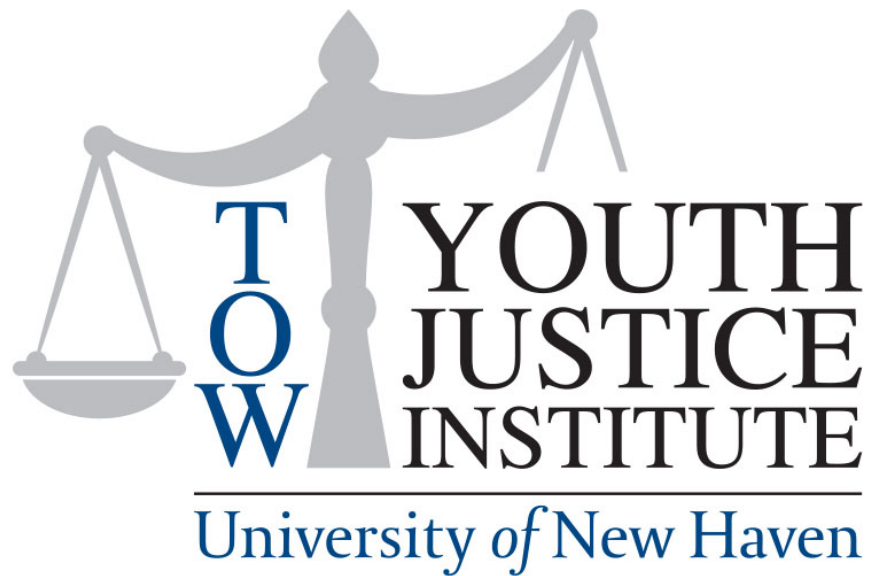
***Incarceration Work Group
Proposed 2018 Recommendations***

Incarceration Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation

- Recommendation 1.1
 - Beginning January 1, 2021, no child under the age of 18 shall be housed in the custody of the Department of Correction.
- Recommendation 1.2.
 - On or before October 1, 2019, the Department of Correction, the Department of Children and Families, the State Department of Education, and the Judicial Branch shall submit to the Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee a plan for implementing Recommendation 1.1. The purpose of the plan shall be to ensure that youth prosecuted as adults are detained and incarcerated in a safe, secure, and developmentally appropriate environment that is consistent with Recommendation 1.1.

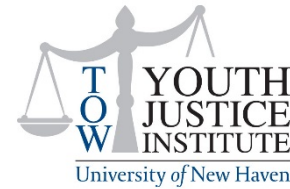
Incarceration Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation

- Recommendation 2
 - The Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee should periodically request, receive, and review information regarding conditions of confinement, including services available, for youth in correctional facilities and other out-of-home placements in the juvenile and criminal justice systems.



***Recidivism Work Group Proposed
2018 Recommendations***

Recidivism Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation



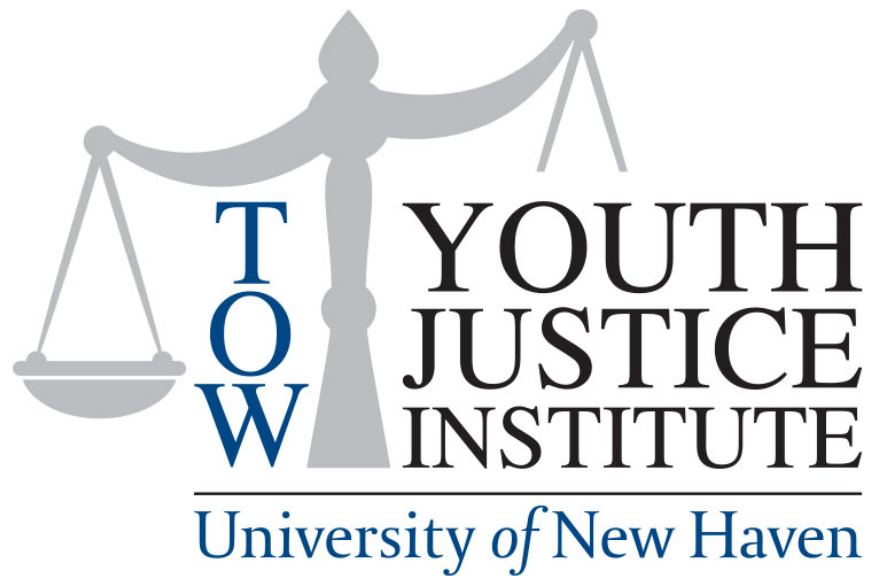
- **Recommendation 1.** The JJPOC should create a plan to develop a consolidated system for educating youth in custody for implementation by July 1, 2020. The plan should include, at a minimum, the following components: a protocol with timelines for educational support of youth transitioning into and out of custodial facilities; the maintenance of enrollment by local school districts of youth held in detention; a data system of real-time sharing of educational records for transitioning youth; designation of staff liaisons between the justice system and school districts with significant numbers of youth in the system; and technical high school programming for youth in custody and returning to the community.

Recidivism Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation

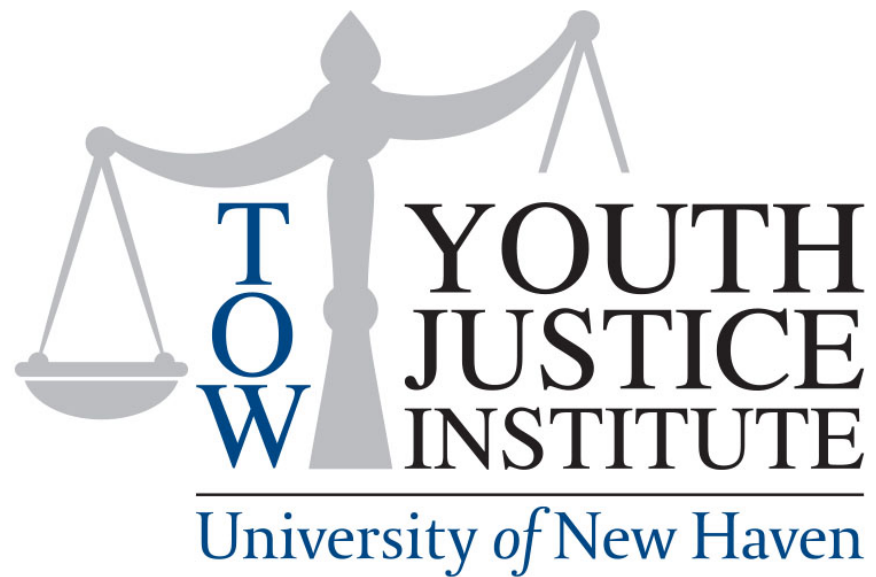
- **Recommendation 2.** The JJPOC should formally request that agencies and providers report annually to the JJPOC on continued compliance with the provisions of PA 16-147 § 13 forbidding the use of out-of-school suspensions in educational settings in custodial facilities.
- **Recommendation 3.** The JJPOC should formally request that state agencies that house justice-involved youth under 18 report annually to the JJPOC, or one of its sub-groups, on continued compliance with the provisions of PA 16-147 § 16 requiring the use of de-escalation techniques to reduce re-arrests for youth in custody.

Recidivism Work Group Proposed 2018 Recommendation

- **Recommendation 4.** The JJPOC should continue to provide input to, and seek updates from, the Office of Policy and Management as it moves towards producing its first report on juvenile recidivism in August of 2018.
- **Recommendation 5.** The JJPOC should formally request that the Office of Policy and Management continue to update the JJPOC on progress under the community supervision grant that the state received from the federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.



***Transforming Education
for Youth in Connecticut's
Justice System***



Discussion



***Next JJPOC Meeting
February 15th, 2018
2:00-3:30 PM***