



**Council of State Government Site Visit of the JJPOC  
February 20, 2019 - February 21, 2019  
185 Main Street, New Britain  
The Institute of Technology and Business Development**

**Why is Council of State Government (CSG) Coming to CT?**

P.A. 18-31 mandates that by January 1, 2020, the JJPOC shall report on a “Justice Reinvestment Plan that will allow for the reinvestment of a portion of the savings from the decreased use of incarceration and congregate care programming to become strategic investments in home, school and community based behavioral health services for children diverted from the juvenile justice system”.

Tow Youth Justice reached out to the Council of State Government (CSG) to obtain technical assistance in the development of the justice reinvestment plan. The site visit by CSG is part of their final process before deciding if they will select Connecticut as a site to partner with. CSG’s goal is to assemble a task force in CT to assess the juvenile justice system’s current laws, policy and practice, and identify ways to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for youth. At this site visit, CSG will provide juvenile justice experts and stakeholders an overview of their potential work in CT and information regarding successful interventions in other states, as well as learn about barriers and challenges to improving outcomes for youth in CT.

**Who you can expect to attend?**

- a. Appropriations/judiciary committee members or other legislative champions
- b. Governor’s office representatives
- c. Adult and Juvenile corrections agency leadership
- d. Local probation agency leadership
- e. Courts— juvenile judges, prosecutors, public defenders
- f. Other service systems (child welfare, health, education)
- g. Local leaders (county managers, others)
- h. Other stakeholders who are key decision makers in the JJ system

**Why do I need to attend?**

You are a key stakeholder to help CSG learn about the CT JJ continuum. This site visit is part of CSG’s final process before deciding if they will select CT as a site to partner with. They need to hear from you!

**What can you expect?**

You can expect a two-day event where CSG will provide juvenile justice stakeholders an overview of their work and facilitate break-out groups. Their goal is to understand Connecticut’s juvenile justice continuum, and they will be looking for suggestions from the group on what CT does well and what could be improved and/or enhanced. Please see the agenda for specific times where your participation is needed.



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**What do we need from you?**

Your attendance! Please RSVP your attendance to Sue Cusano via e-mail [scusano@newhaven.edu](mailto:scusano@newhaven.edu) by **Monday February 11th 2019**.

**Do you want more information about CSG?**

See attached or [Click here](#) for an overview of CSG's work.

Thank you.



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**Agenda**

**Day 1: February 20th Morning Session**

- 9:00-9:30 Welcome and Introductions
- 9:30-10:30 Formal CSG Presentation
- 10:45-11:45 Focus Group: Legislatures
- 10:45-11:45 Focus Group: Judicial Leadership
- 10:45-11:45 Focus Group: OPM Leadership
- 11:45-12:00 Closing Remarks

**Day 1: February 20th Afternoon Session**

- 1:00-1:30 Welcome and Introductions
- 1:45-2:45 Focus Group: SDE Leadership
- 1:45-2:45 Focus Group: DCF Leadership
- 1:45-2:45 Focus Group: DOC Leadership
- 2:45-3:45 Focus Group: Attorneys
- 2:45-3:45 Focus Group: Advocates
- 2:45-3:45 Focus Group: JJPOC Cross Agency Data Sharing Workgroup
- 3:45-4:00 Closing Remarks



**Day 2: February 21st Morning Session**

9:00-9:30	Welcome and Introductions
9:45-10:45	Focus Group: Probation
9:45-10:45	Focus Group: Detention
9:45-10:45	Focus Group: DOC Line Staff (MYI/YCI)
10:45-11:45	Focus Group: Community Treatment providers
10:45-11:45	Focus Group: YSB
10:45-11:45	Focus Group: JJPOC Educational Committee
11:45-12:00	Closing Remarks