Commission on Juvenile Justice Reform and Emerging Best Practices

Proposed Annual Report Outline (2025)

Introduction

- Commission background, purpose, and scope
- Summary of statutory mandate and key responsibilities

Overview of Year One

- Launching the Commission
- Developing workgroups and their charters
- Engaging members and stakeholders

Workgroup Activity Summaries (Adapt as necessary)

1. **Public Education and Narrative Change**
    - **Co-chairs and members**
    - **Objectives and Approach:**
        - Summary of the group's finalized goals.
        - Strategies (e.g., teach-outs, social media, info sheets).
        - Development process (e.g., surveys, member discussions, etc.).
    - **Meetings, Presentations and Resources Reviewed:** Key discussion topics (e.g., outreach strategies), surveys, discussion
    - **Collaborators:** Vera Institute
    - **Emerging Themes/Preliminary Findings:** early observations on public engagement.
    - **Outputs:** Informational documents, social media campaigns, etc.
    - **Next Steps:** Community education, Commission learning, etc.
    - **Reflections & Considerations (optional):**

2. **Prevention**

    - **Co-chairs and members**

    - **Objectives and Approach:**
        - Identifying primary/upstream interventions.
        - Development process (e.g., Maslow's Hierarchy across domains, service gap mapping, resilience focus)

    - **Meetings, Presentations and Resources Reviewed:** Key topics discussed, documents or data reviewed

    - **Collaborations:** DJS, GOC, etc.

    - **Emerging Themes/Preliminary Findings:** Early insights from data review or stakeholder input.

    - **Next Steps:** Further research, engagement with stakeholders, etc.

    - **Reflections & Considerations (optional):**

3. **Rehabilitative Services**

    - **Co-chairs and members**

    - **Objectives and Approach:** evaluating secondary and tertiary/downstream interventions and services through presentations, panels, etc.

    - **Meetings, Presentations and Resources Reviewed:** Key activities, including expert presentations or data reviews.

    - **Collaborations:** DJS

    - **Emerging Themes/Preliminary Findings:** Early insights on programs, gaps

    - **Next Steps:** Review DJS reports on treatment plans for adjudicated youth and the extent to which those plans were fully implemented, further stakeholder engagement, etc

    - **Reflections & Considerations (optional):**

4. **Fatality Review**

    - **Co-chairs and members**

    - **Objectives and Approach:** Review cases and other relevant reports to offer trends, insights, and recommendations from reviewed cases.

    - **Meetings, Presentations, and Resources Reviewed:**
        - Meeting structure (quarterly) with case presentations from DJS (what makes up the case file)
        - Reports from DJS on nonfatal shootings

    - **Emerging Themes/Preliminary Findings:** Early insights from fatality reviews.

    - **Next Steps:** regular meeting cadence and share out to Commission; reviewing nonfatal shooting reports.

    - **Reflections & Considerations (optional):**

5. **Processes and System Coordination**

    - **Co-chairs and members**

    - **Objectives and Approach:** deep dive into understanding processes and outcomes through data requests, presentations, discussion

    - **Meetings, Presentations, and Resources Reviewed:** Kids charged as adults, data reviewed and requested.

    - **Emerging Themes/Preliminary Findings:** Early findings on charging process

    - **Next Steps:** continue investigation of charging, review Judiciary data, review JJMU reports

    - **Reflections & Considerations (optional):**

Cross-Cutting Themes

- **Themes Across Workgroups:** High-level observations from workgroups' activities.
- **Systemic Barriers:** Challenges identified across workgroups (e.g., data, coordination, funding)

Next Steps and Future Work

- Focus areas for 2025–2026.
- Recommendations for continued engagement, coordination, and stakeholder involvement.
- Opportunities for collaboration with other state efforts.

Appendices

- Full list of members.
- Meeting summaries.
- Summary of data reviewed.