

Oakland County Partners with CJI to Expand the Use of Community-Based Resources

The Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) has partnered with county experts, community-based providers, and system impacted youth and families to develop and implement a community resource inventory of programs, organizations, and services. This digital, publicly available, community-based inventory will prioritize resources for youth and their families located within Oakland County, Michigan. Using a data-driven, capacity-building process, Oakland County will thoroughly assess the availability of their resources to enhance youth-serving practices and increase support for youth and their families.

"Oakland County offers outstanding services and resources for juveniles in the county, but we know that navigating these networks can be challenging," said Oakland County Executive David Coulter. "This directory will provide a clear and concise inventory of our services in one easily accessible spot. It will be available for the general public as well as agencies and juvenile justice professionals."



CJI's Jasmine J. Jackson and Leila Khelfaoui tour Children's Village with Heather Calcaterra, Amanda Durand, and David Keel.

"Sometimes community resources can be overlooked or underutilized. Understanding the availability of those resources can make a difference in justice system responses and increase accessibility to communities of greater need," said Jasmine Jackson, CJI's Youth Justice Manager. Oakland County aims to build an expansive continuum of care, divert more youth from the formal system, and ensure youth are receiving the appropriate resources while engaged in the system. Local jurisdictions must seize every opportunity to keep their young people living safely at home with their families, maintaining positive connections to their schools and communities, and lessen overreliance on incarceration.

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