Community-Led Juvenile Diversion:
Building A New Paradigm in Youth Justice

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About the Conference

Join other practitioners and researchers from across the United States for an applied research conference on the timely topic of community-led juvenile diversion.

» Hear the presentation of a seminal Community-led Diversion Impact Paper by the UC San Diego Center for Research and Evaluation team.

» Share best practices and build momentum around the ideas changing the juvenile justice landscape in this country.

» Learn from other cutting-edge thinkers in juvenile justice, including government, non-profit and foundation sectors.

» Collaborate with your peers in working group-style discussions designed to generate lasting impact.

Where
UC SAN DIEGO PARK AND MARKET
(1100 MARKET ST. SAN DIEGO CA)

When
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

NATE BALIS
Director, Juvenile Justice Strategy Group, Annie E. Casey Foundation

Nate Balis is the director of the Juvenile Justice Strategy Group at the Annie E. Casey Foundation. He leads the JDAI network of juvenile justice practitioners in 40 states and over 300 counties, which is working to build a better and more equitable youth justice system.

Agenda

MONDAY, JUNE 5
Host: Steven P. Dinkin, President, National Conflict Resolution Center

8:00am – 9:00am  Breakfast and Registration

9:00am – 9:15am  Welcome
Dr. Elizabeth H. Simmons, Executive Vice Chancellor, UC San Diego
Grant Oliphant, CEO, Conrad Prebys Foundation
Summer Stephan, San Diego County District Attorney

9:15am - 9:45am  Keynote Address/Questions
Nate Balis, Director, Juvenile Justice Strategy Group, Annie E. Casey Foundation

9:45am – 10:00am  Break

10:00am – 11:00am  Presentation of Impact Paper (UC San Diego)

11:00am – 12:00pm  PANEL: Government and Law Enforcement Partners
Scott MacDonald, former Chief Probation Officer, Santa Cruz County, Moderator

12:00pm – 1:00pm  Lunch

1:00pm – 2:00pm  PANEL: Community, Nonprofit and Foundation Partners
Jaquita Monroe, Senior Associate, Annie E. Casey Foundation, Moderator

2:00pm – 3:00pm  San Diego’s Community-Led Diversion Case Study
Steven P. Dinkin, President, National Conflict Resolution Center, Moderator

3:00pm – 4:30pm  Next Steps: Putting Theory into Practice (Breakout Sessions and Report Back)

4:30pm - 4:45pm  Closing
Nate Balis, Director, Juvenile Justice Strategy Group, Annie E. Casey Foundation
About the Impact Paper

The National Conflict Resolution Center (NCRC) and the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) have researched different approaches to community-led diversion; spoken to experts in communities, organizations, and jurisdictions around the country; and identified a set of best practices to support community-led diversion efforts. The result is an impact paper that traces the core ideas of community-led diversion, the many diversion points in the juvenile justice system, and the community-based resources that contribute to healthier and safer communities. The paper looks at the role of critical systems and practices such as probation, mentorship, and restorative justice. It takes a trauma-informed approach to understanding the supports that communities need to make available to diverted youth. To illustrate what community-led diversion can look like, the paper gives examples from around the country including an NCRC-supported community-led diversion program in San Diego: The District Attorney Juvenile Diversion Initiative. The success of this and other programs points to the wider potential for community-led diversion around the country.

About the Center

The National Conflict Resolution Center and UC San Diego together launched the Applied Research Center for Civility (Center for Civility) to conduct research for action into the methods, dynamics and best practices for addressing many of society’s most challenging social issues. Using NCRC’s programming as a springboard, the Center for Civility designs studies, collects data and conducts quantitative analysis on how we can foster connection in divisive times.

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