

# SAFETY + JUSTICE CHALLENGE NETWORK MEETING

**HYBRID** September 28-30, 2022

**Celebrating Success. Sustaining Progress. Transforming Systems.**

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## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2022**

<b>8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Pre-Conference Meeting: IMPACT Network</b> [Peachtree C D]
<b>10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Pre-Conference Meeting: Using An (Everyday Democracy) Equity Framework When Implementing a Dialogic Approach to Authentic Community Engagement</b> [Peachtree C D]
<b>1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Registration Open</b>
<b>2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Strategic Allies and Initiative Team All Hands Meeting (invitation only)</b> [Augusta 1 2 3]
<b>4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Opening General Session (In-Person and Live Stream)</b> [Peachtree C D]
	Welcome from Meghan Guevara, Pretrial Justice Institute, and Laurie Garduque, John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
	Keynote Presentation from Associate Attorney General Vanita Gupta
	Plenary Panel: The Illinois Pretrial Fairness Act: Creating a More Equitable System
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Garien Gatewood, Illinois Justice Project (moderator)</li><li>● Sharone Mitchell, Cook County Public Defender</li><li>● Dr. Don Stemen, Loyola University - Chicago</li><li>● Honorable David Navarro, Acting Presiding Judge, Pretrial Division, Circuit Court of Cook County</li></ul>

**5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**      **Exposition and Refreshments**      [8th Floor Terrace]

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2022**

**8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast**      [8th Floor Terrace]

**9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**      **General Session** (In-Person and Live Stream)      [Peachtree C|D]

Welcome from the City of Atlanta and Fulton County

Updates on the Safety and Justice Challenge from Laurie Garduque

Emerging Research from the Council on Criminal Justice

- Adam Gelb, President & CEO, Council on CJ
- Thad Johnson, Senior Fellow, Council on CJ

**10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**      **Break**

**10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**      **Concurrent Workshops #1**

- Reckoning with the Past to Reimagine the Future of Justice: Supporting and Empowering Community-Led Coalitions Oklahoma and Multnomah County (In-Person and Live Stream) [Peachtree C|D]

Square One and partners from Oklahoma and Multnomah County are working to advance change through reckoning with historical injustices, supporting community members in reimagining justice and building broad coalitions to create power and equity. Presenters will share how they have engaged diverse stakeholders to reimagine justice with a focus on developing site-specific opportunities for collective learning about local history, building group trust, and co-creating a values-based agenda for long-term change. Participants will consider the application of this work in their own communities.

- Anamika Dwivedi, Senior Manager of Research and Partnerships, Square One Project, Columbia Justice Lab (moderator)
  - Yvita Fox, Statewide Engagement Director, Oklahomans for Criminal Justice Reform
  - Abbey Stamp, Executive Director, Multnomah County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council
  - Aisha Elliott, Research Associate, Square One Project, Columbia Justice Lab
- Engaging With Local Elected Officials to Identify and Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities the Criminal Legal System (In-Person and Live Stream) [Augusta 1|2|3]

To enhance justice, equity and fairness, county leaders are undertaking initiatives to collect and

analyze data to implement practices that address racial and ethnic disparities in the criminal legal system. Strategies to achieve this goal may include understanding and addressing drivers of inequity, deploying resources to community-led groups and authentically engaging the community and residents with lived experience. Workshop participants will learn about the strategies to engage with local elected officials in this work and opportunities to apply them in their home jurisdictions.

- Hon. Lara Roetzel, Interim State’s Attorney, Pennington County, S.D.
  - Hon. George Dunlap, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Mecklenburg County, N.C.
  - Tshaka Barrows, Executive Director, Burns Institute (moderator)
- Redefining “Pretrial Risk”: Understanding Court Non-Appearance and Identifying Non-Detention Responses [Augusta A|B]

Arrests on bench warrants are major contributors to new jail admissions. However, research suggests that many missed court dates are not abscondences, but rather due to unintentional circumstances. These events can be addressed through interventions besides detention. This workshop will describe court nonappearance and present strategies to help prevent misconduct or to mitigate it when it occurs.

- Surgeon Kennedy, Justice Management Institute (moderator)
  - Natalie Michaildes, Director, Harris County Pretrial Services
  - Domingo Corona, Director, Pima County Pretrial Services
  - Angharod Stock, Chief Deputy Court Administrator, Allegheny County
- Advancing Young Adult Justice Equitably [Augusta C|D]

The 2022 Young Adult Justice National Scan presents the various ways in which young adults come into contact with the justice system and how deflection, diversion and reentry efforts can lead to improved outcomes and alternatives to jail admittance for this overrepresented population. Through this session, attendees will preview the scan, discuss local efforts and work collaboratively to consider where their jurisdiction is or could be supporting young adults in innovative and impactful ways.

- Kirby Gaherty, NLC (moderator)
  - Lisa Varon, City of Philadelphia Office of Criminal Justice
  - Lisa Jacobs, Loyola University
  - Anne Teigen, NCSL
  - Savannah Felix, Cook County
  - Young Adult Council Members
- Collaborative Caseflow Management: Courts and Communities Working Together [Augusta E|F]

Using a conversational and interactive approach, this session will highlight effective collaborative court caseflow management practices along the sequential intercept model, starting with the implementation of 988. To reduce jail populations and length of stay of individuals with behavioral health needs, this session will highlight strategies to strengthen community responses and to minimize criminal justice involvement, as well as strategies to promote early intervention and

effective management of court cases.

- Patti Tobias, NCSC
- Travis Parker, PRA

- Using an Everyday Democracy Equity Framework When Implementing a Dialogic Approach to Authentic Community Engagement [Augusta G|H]

Everyday Democracy will introduce how it uses a Dialogue-to-Change Approach to supports authentic community engagement. We will share how a customized engagement plan, which is reflective of and relevant to the specific needs of a particular community is co-created with system stakeholders, community residents, and supporters to ensure authenticity of that community's needs and desired outcomes. This approach emphasizes a combination of relational organizing with community, active listening to different viewpoints, and engaging productively in solving and developing priorities for action ideas for community change.

- Strategic Consensus Building: The Foundation for Feasible Implementation of a Crisis Diversion Facility [Chastain 1|2]

Participants will learn how to identify the building blocks of a crisis diversion facility and sequence buy-in from key stakeholders. Panelists will discuss the strategic framework employed from problem identification to solutions analysis to model consensus to resource development to program implementation for a Crisis Diversion/Restoration Center Facility from three unique viewpoints: the criminal justice perspective, the behavioral health systems perspective, and provider implementation. Participants will begin their own stakeholder mapping and sequencing process with guidance.

- Kevin Maccioli, Director of Media Relations & Public Information, Middlesex Sheriff's Office (moderator)
- Lester Baker, Chief of Police, City of Framingham, Massachusetts
- Abigail Kim, Director of Public Policy and Strategic Initiatives, Association for Behavioral Healthcare
- Danna Mauch, President and CEO of the Massachusetts Association for Mental Health (MAMH)

- [M+R Office Hours] in Chastain B

**12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.**      **Lunch**      [8th Floor Terrace]

**1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**      **Break**

**1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**      **General Session** (In-Person and Live Stream)      [Peachtree C|D]

Conversation with the Atlantic, Moderated by Ronald Brownstein

**2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.**      **Break**

**2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Peer Roundtables/Working Sessions**

- Session A - Project Directors [Chastain 2]
- Session B - Prosecutors [Chastain C]
- Session C - Data Analysts [Augusta C]
- Session D - Law Enforcement and Jail Administration [Augusta D]
- Session E - Public Defenders [Augusta E]
- Session F - Judges and Court Administration [Chastain J]
- Session G - Elected Officials [Peachtree A]
- Session H - Community Members/Advocates/Peer Navigators [Augusta F]
- Session I - Behavioral Health: 9-8-8 Implementation [Augusta G]
- Session J - Community Supervision [Augusta H]
- Session K - M+R Office Hours [Chastain B]

**2:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Network Expansion Cohort Meetings (invitation only)**

- California Network [Chastain 1]
- Probation Network [Augusta A|B]

**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Off-Site Reception**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast, with optional Site Team Breakouts**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Concurrent Workshops #2**

- Using Jail Trends Data to Measure Progress and Examine Public Safety Across the SJC (In-Person and Live Stream) [Peachtree C|D]

As part of its work tracking progress across the SJC, ISLG built two tools: an internal dashboard making jail population measures accessible within the network, and Measuring Progress, a tool to help the public understand and engage with data across the initiative. The SJC's goal is not only to reduce jail populations and related inequities, but to do so safely. There has been national attention on the recent uptick in violent crimes, particularly homicides, and whether jail population reductions are related. To unpack this, it is important to examine the relationship between decarceration and local crime trends as well as returns to custody within the pretrial release population. This workshop will provide an overview of both jail trends tools, preliminary results from our public safety analysis, and will focus on their use in telling data stories that engage and inform audiences both inside and outside the SJC.

- Sana Khan, ISLG
- Stephanie Rosoff, ISLG
- Otgonjargal Okhidoi, ISLG

- Fostering Collaboration between Justice and Housing Partners to Implement Housing Solutions for Justice-Involved People (In-Person and Live Stream) [Augusta 1|2|3]

The goals of this session are to (1) highlight successful strategies for improving collaboration between justice and housing system partners at the local level and (2) present a variety of housing solutions that could improve outcomes for justice-involved people. Improved collaboration can help remove silos that contribute to the persistent housing barriers faced by those with a history of criminal justice involvement and ensure that solutions are intentionally designed for this group. The presentation will include initial lessons learned from the Just Home Project - an effort in four SJC communities to improve housing stability for justice-involved people. Facilitators will provide attendees with a list of policy and programmatic housing solutions and guide attendees through an exercise to identify a subset to consider for local implementation. Attendees will also be prompted to identify strategies to improve local housing and justice system collaboration.

- Kelly Walsh, Program Policy Associate, Urban Institute
- Katie Fallon, Sr. Program Policy Manager, Urban Institute
- Jessica Perez, Policy Analyst, Urban Institute

- A Path Forward: Collaborative and Innovative Solutions to Community Engagement [Augusta A|B]

In collaboration with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Tamien Dysart, CEO of Think 3D Solutions, and Lieutenant Jason Leach of Sioux Falls Police Department will share strategies to address equity, build partnerships with the community, and engage in authentic conversations. They will discuss the benefits and challenges of authentic community engagement and identify programs and policies that have been implemented in their community. Through interactive discussions, participants will be encouraged to share their own experiences on how to sustain progress in creating healthy and safe communities.

- Alana Richardson, IACP
- Tamien Dysart, Think 3D Solutions
- Lieutenant Jason Leach, Sioux Falls Police Department

- From Pilot to Program: How Los Angeles County applied Business-Management Practices to Scale and Sustain a Pre-Plea Mental Health Diversion Program [Augusta C|D]

- Community-Centered Alternative Responses: The Solution to Stopping the Criminalization of Disability [Augusta E|F]

As the nation has rolled out numerous federal and local initiatives related to 988, housing, and other aspects of life, there has been an increased concern whether or not BIPOC people with disabilities and lived experiences are centered and included as we rethink what mental health support and community safety looks like. Through this workshop, participants will develop a greater understanding of disability, intersectionality, and proven ways to address obstacles as we collectively re-think safety and inclusion in ways that reduce, and eventually end police response, incarceration, and institutionalization of our BIPOC Disability community members during a

mental and behavioral health crisis. Through the workshop, we offer insights and guidance for true community-based responses. We also will provide strategies to help people advocate for themselves as well as their communities to adopt new and more effective supports and services.

- Christopher Huff, Access Living
- Jalyn Radziminski, Bazelon Center
- Candace Coleman, Access Living

- Financing the Future of Local Initiatives: Centering Equity in Financial Sustainability [Augusta G|H]

This spring, the CSG Justice Center launched Centering Equity in Financial Sustainability Planning, a structured planning guide and tools, including a searchable database of federal funding opportunities, to support communities meaningfully using an equity lens in their financial sustainability planning. This tool was piloted through a learning community of SJC sites and two of these sites- St. Louis, MO, and Multnomah County, OR- will be presenters in this session to describe how they have incorporated this approach in their own financial sustainability planning and work with participants to discuss what this could look like in their own communities. Participants will leave this workshop with an idea of what it takes to take an equitable approach to financially sustaining their local initiatives.

- Hallie Fader-Towe, Council of State Governments Justice Center
- Miranda Gibson, Grant Manager at St. Louis County Department of Justice Services
- Abbey Stamp, Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, Multnomah County
- Beth M. Huebner, University of Missouri-St. Louis, Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice

- Managing, Securing and Maintaining Case-Level Criminal Justice Data [Chastain 1|2]

The CUNY Institute for State and Local Governance (ISLG) collects comprehensive criminal justice data from SJC sites in order track site progress and support broader SJC knowledge development. In facilitating this effort, ISLG created a data repository to store, organize, and ultimately use data across multiple sites and multiple agencies within sites. During the session, ISLG will share the process to manage and secure data, and will also discuss preparing data for analytic use – along with a candid conversation around technical limitations, challenges, and lessons learned along the way.

- Osama Qureshi, ISLG
- Brian Holliday, ISLG
- Stephanie Rosoff, ISLG

**9:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.      Break**

**10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.      Concurrent Workshops #3**

- Implementing a Data-Informed Familiar Face Strategy: Lessons from 2 SJC Sites (In-Person and Live Stream) [Peachtree C|D]

This workshop will feature two SJC sites, Fulton Co, GA and Pennington Co, SD, discussing their diversion efforts for individuals known as “familiar faces/high utilizers” across justice, behavioral health, housing, and social service systems. The Council for State Governments (CSG) Justice Center and Policy Research, Inc. (PRI) will also highlight key strategies including building collaboration and buy in to withstand staff transition, screening and identification processes, and the importance of fidelity. The session will then shift into breakout groups where participants and panelists will have an opportunity for peer learning and report out.

- Risë Haneberg, Deputy Division Director, Behavior Health Division, CSG Justice Center
- Kristin Stoycheff, Court Support Manager II, Justice & Mental Health Projects, Planning and Development Division, Office of the Court Administrator, Atlanta Judicial Circuit, Superior Court of Fulton County, GA
- Sarah Desmarais, PhD, President, Policy Research Associates
- Liz Hassett, Pennington County Grant Manager, Pennington County Auditor’s Office, SD

- Sustaining Reform Momentum (In-Person and Live Stream) [Augusta 1|2|3]

Counties are undertaking innovative approaches to reduce the overuse and misuse of local criminal justice systems and direct resources to programs, practices and policies that best serve community members. These initiatives may begin with time-limited resources such as grant or state funding, and more recently, federal American Rescue Plan Act dollars. This workshop provides an opportunity to learn about strategies to incorporate successful practices into local government budgets, opportunities to plan for long-term resources and approaches to crafting a narrative that sustains momentum.

- Chelsea Thomson, NACo (moderator)
- Kate Vesely, Director of Justice Services, Pima County, Ariz.
- Robert Udell, Sheriff, Yakima County, Wash.
- Mary Ellen Heng, Deputy City Attorney – Criminal, Hennepin County/Minneapolis, Minn.

- Reducing Jail Populations through Supportive Reentry Services [Augusta A|B]

NLC’s Municipal Reentry Leaders Network launched in April of 2022 during Second Chance Month in efforts to bridge the gap between city-led reentry efforts, community-based organizations and higher education. Through this session, SJC sites and partners who have prioritized local reentry and the voices of returning citizens will discuss the challenges and promises of reentry and how cross-system collaboration is key for success.

- Tony McCright, NLC
- Ronald Simpson-Bey, JustLeadership USA
- Christopher Huff, Access Living

- The Atlas Initiative: Voluntary Pretrial Supports for Individuals and Communities [Augusta C|D]

In 2020, the New York City Mayor’s Office of Criminal Justice launched an ambitious new initiative, Atlas, to provide services and support to individuals released pretrial without any mandated conditions. A truly voluntary, community-centered initiative not tied to case outcomes or court reporting, Atlas has sought to innovate in two key program areas: outreach and

engagement. This panel will examine how MOCJ has worked with program partners to develop strategies to identify and connect eligible participants to community-based services and turned Atlas into a potential national model.

- Aubrey Fox, New York City Criminal Justice Agency
  - Molly Slothower, Executive Director of Research Innovation, New York City Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice
  - Joann De Jesus, Director of Supervised Release, New York City Criminal Justice Agency
- Strategies for Public Defenders to Engage with Their Communities, Build Trust, and Develop Holistic Services [Augusta E|F]

Widespread calls for racial equity in the criminal legal system, as well as the needs that public defender clients have in and tangential to their criminal case, make it critical for defenders to engage with their communities to build trust and collaborate on delivery of services. In this session, SJC public defenders will discuss innovative pathways and best practices to initiate or expand community partnerships, e.g., through social service providers, community-driven policy agendas, and client feedback.

- Taking Back the Criminal Justice Reform Conversation: Effectively Communicating about Crime, Public Safety and Reform [Augusta G|H]

Owning the narrative around criminal justice reform and public safety has never been more imperative. This workshop will highlight new message research and lessons learned for talking to key audiences about these issues and offer tips and best practices for harnessing effective messaging to shape the conversation in your communities.

- Perry Sacks, Managing Account Supervisor, M+R (moderator)
  - Rachael Eisenberg, Senior Director, Criminal Justice Reform, Center for American Progress
  - Lisel Petis, Resident Senior Fellow, Criminal Justice and Civil Liberties, R Street Institute
- Rewriting History: Quashing Non-Violent Misdemeanor Warrants that Disproportionately Impact Minoritized Communities [Chastain 1|2]

This workshop will provide participants with a better understanding of the steps in creating a warrant strategy and quashing/recalling active misdemeanor non-violent warrants at scale. Attendees will hear from representatives from both Cook County's State's Attorney and Clerk of the Circuit Court's office directly involved with resolving warrants. In addition, attendees will learn necessary key steps to resolve warrants, and more importantly, create agency buy-in and personnel efficiencies, while actively seeking and applying community feedback.

- Georgette Greenlee, Cook County State's Attorney's Office
- Ana Yeli Ruiz, Cook County Office of the Chief Judge
- Eduardo Garza, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County
- Rebecca Barboza, Justice System Partners (moderator)

- 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**      **Break**
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**      **Closing Session** (In-Person and Live Stream)      [Peachtree C|D]  
 Looking to the Future with Laurie Guarduque
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.**      **Boxed Lunch Available**      [8th Floor Terrace]  
**Tickets available for self-guided tour of the National Center for Civil and Human Rights**      [8th Floor Terrace]
- 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**      **Post Conference Meetings (invitation only)**
- Focused Racial Equity Project [Augusta A|B]
  - Just Home Project [Augusta C|D]
  - CasePro Network [Augusta 1|2|3]
  - Wichoyanke Network [Augusta E|F]