



**JJPOC Executive Committee**  
**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**1:00 PM-2:30 PM**  
**Zoom Conference Call**

**Meeting Summary:**

- Intent of the Executive Committee meeting is to remind everyone of the JJPOC timeline for the 2020-2021 Recommendations. The vetting process was explained, as well as important forthcoming dates.
- JJPOC 2020 Recommendations Recap
  - Diversion Workgroup
    - Legislation be proposed for raising the minimum age of juvenile court jurisdiction from 7-12.
    - Revision of referral process: instead of juvenile court system they will be referred to behavioral health system, the community-based diversion system and/or other community-based services.
    - Data for the under 12 population was previously presented to the JJPOC
  - Incarceration Workgroup
    - Limit the number of transfer cases to decrease the population of youth in the adult system as well as adopt a “second look” provision for all youth transferred to adult.
    - Legislation to provide the automatic erasure of certain juvenile records
    - Recommendation for telephone service and other telecommunications provided shall be free of charge.
  - Community Expertise Workgroup
    - Recommendation to increase the membership of JJPOC by 2 community members and 2 youth.
  - Education Committee:
    - Legislative be proposed to create a DCF administrative body to oversee all juvenile justice out-of-home placement and incarcerated youth.

**Additional New Recommendations to be proposed in 2021 Legislative Session:**

- RED:
  - Pedestrian stop legislation
    - The subgroup is collaborating with IMRP, CCA, and CCLP to recommend that pedestrian stop data be collected, similarly to car stops, in CT. The subgroup is in the process of defining “pedestrian stop” for this recommendation
  - School Resource Officers
    - CT Voices completed a study regarding the effectiveness of SRO’s in school. Their results showed that the SRO’s system isn’t an effective system. The subgroup is exploring recommendations to improve this, including options such as creating certification training or eliminating SROs

from public schools. Schools should focus on wrap around services as opposed to funding SRO's, there is a large disparity of black youth being impacted with trauma due to SRO's and create a strained relationship. However, parents are worried about safety in schools and SRO's create a sense of safety.

- Education:
  - 911 Calls
    - In response to the OCA report regarding Waterbury Schools 911 calls, the Education Committee is recommending that all schools document and submit data on their 911 calls. This data should be reviewed by the Education Committee on a bi-annual basis. The Education Committee will also collaborate with CHDI to explore ways in which the Education Committee can review data on 211 calls made by the schools as well.
  - Removing School Suspensions
    - The recommendation to remove in-school and out-of-school suspensions was also discussed. Data regarding the current rates, and disparity of rates for minority youth, were discussed.

**Next Meeting-** December 2, 2020 @ 1:00-2:30 PM