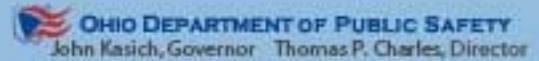




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NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pew Study Offers Look At State by State Recidivism Rates: A new report from The Pew Center on the States examines efforts by states to combat rising recidivism rates. The report, *State of Recidivism-The Revolving Door of America's Prisons*, is the first-ever national survey providing state-by-state data on recidivism. The report updates the last U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics national study of recidivism rates.

According to the report, 45.4 percent of people released from prison in 1999 and 43.3 percent of those released from prison in 2004 were imprisoned again within three years of release. Re-incarceration within those three years, according to the report, was due to committing a new crime or violating parole or probation conditions after release. While the numbers are not very encouraging, the report highlights three states successful criminal justice policy efforts for significantly reducing recidivism rates. Furthermore, although many states legislators believe in increasing imprisonment spending to combat crime, the report notes that the 19 states that cut their imprisonment also experienced a decline in crime rates.

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New Cost-Benefit Knowledge Bank for Criminal Justice: The Cost-Benefit Knowledge Bank for Criminal Justice (CBKB), cbkb.org (<http://ncja.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT0xMTM4MjI0JnA9MSZ1PTc1OTk4NzY1MiZsaT00OTAwMDI4/index.html>), provides useful resources for justice practitioners and policymakers interested in using cost-benefit analysis methods and applications to better evaluate the economic impact of criminal justice policy choices.

The new web site features educational materials, such as webinars and toolkits, to guide visitors through the steps of a cost-benefit analysis. It also serves as a resource clearinghouse, with announcements of the latest publications and events, and a reference database of hundreds of cost-benefit studies. CBKB is administered by the Vera Institute of Justice's Cost-Benefit Analysis Unit (<http://ncja.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT0xMTM4MjI0JnA9MSZ1PTc1OTk4NzY1MiZsaT00OTAwMDI5/index.html>) and funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Campaign for Youth Justice Report Looks At Placing Youth in Adult Courts: A new report from The Campaign for Youth Justice, *State Trends: Legislative Changes from 2005 to 2010-Removing Youth from the Adult*

Criminal Justice System examines the consequences of trying youth as adults in the criminal justice system as well as several strategies enacted by 15 states to keep youth in the juvenile justice system. The report, released last month, is the fourth by the organization highlighting research regarding youth in the adult criminal justice system.

The report discusses eight ways youth can be placed in the adult system, such as age of the juvenile court jurisdiction, transfer and waiver provisions, judicial waivers, prosecutorial waivers, reverse waivers, statutory or legislative exclusion, and blended sentencing. According to the organization, another provision known as "once an adult, always an adult" requires youth who have been once tried as an adult to be prosecuted as an adult for any other offenses. Through these mechanisms, over 250,000 children are prosecuted, sentenced or incarcerated as adults every year in the United States.

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TRAINING/RESOURCES

Free Grant Writing Seminars: OCJS is hosting free Grant Writing seminars in 2011. OCJS's grant trainings provide an overview of identifying grant sources, analyzing program objectives, creating a budget, seeking letters of support, and writing proposals. Federal and state grants available to criminal justice professionals are discussed. Attendees also re-

ceive the OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*. Trainings take place on the following dates: **May 3, June 16, July 21, August 18, September 22, October 12, November 7 and December 14**. Please visit http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantTraining_2011.pdf to view class titles.

All trainings are held from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom, located at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, on the first floor. To download and print a training registration form, visit: http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf

TRAINING/RESOURCES CONT.

Social Networking Webinar Training Series:

Social Networking crimes are flooding the court systems. Learn how to handle these new and complicated issues.

This webinar series is directed towards law enforcement officers, detectives, fire/arson investigators, prosecutors, attorneys, fire/police chiefs, and all other members of public safety tasked with criminal investigation or agency policy and procedure.

Twitter Investigative Procedures and Techniques:

When: May 6 at 2 p.m. EST

Duration: 45 minutes plus 15 minutes for questions.

Price: \$25

Register: <https://patc.webex.com/tc05051c/trainingcenter/register/registerSession.do?siteurl=patc&backUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fpatc.webex.com%2Fcmp03061c%2Fwebcomponents%2Fcalendar%2Fcalendar.do%3Fsiteurl%3Dpatc%26serviceType%3DTC%26tabType%3Ddupcoming%26ownerID%3D0%26pageNum%3D1%26timezoneID%3D0%26orderBy%3DstartTime%26orderType%3Dasc%26year%3D2011%26month%3D3%26date%3D20%26showpast%3Dfalse%26showreg%3Dfalse&confID=851277218>

Social Networks-Employer and Employee

Rights:

When: May 12 at 3 p.m. EST

Duration: 45 minutes plus 15 minutes for ques-

tions.

Price: \$25

Register: <https://patc.webex.com/tc05051c/trainingcenter/register/registerSession.do?siteurl=patc&backUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fpatc.webex.com%2Fcmp03061c%2Fwebcomponents%2Fcalendar%2Fcalendar.do%3Fsiteurl%3Dpatc%26serviceType%3DTC%26tabType%3Ddupcoming%26ownerID%3D0%26pageNum%3D1%26timezoneID%3D0%26orderBy%3DstartTime%26orderType%3Dasc%26year%3D2011%26month%3D3%26date%3D20%26showpast%3Dfalse%26showreg%3Dfalse&confID=851277351>

Social Network Evidence - Search Warrants and Court Orders:

When: May 19 at 2 p.m. EST

Duration: 45 minutes plus 15 minutes for questions.

Price: \$25

Register: <https://patc.webex.com/tc05051c/trainingcenter/register/registerSession.do?siteurl=patc&backUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fpatc.webex.com%2Fcmp03061c%2Fwebcomponents%2Fcalendar%2Fcalendar.do%3Fsiteurl%3Dpatc%26serviceType%3DTC%26tabType%3Ddupcoming%26ownerID%3D0%26pageNum%3D1%26timezoneID%3D0%26orderBy%3DstartTime%26orderType%3Dasc%26year%3D2011%26month%3D3%26date%3D20%26showpast%3Dfalse%26showreg%3Dfalse&confID=851277608>

Through Children's Eyes - Key Issues and Promising Practices When Working With Children/Youth Exposed to Domestic Violence:

Thursday, May 12, from 12pm to 1pm Eastern Time

Services for children who experience domestic violence must be tailored to their specific needs in order to be effective. Join us for this exciting webinar where we will hear from a child witness about her own experiences and the leading researchers who have identified key issues and promising practices when working with children and youth. These practices were recognized at a recent national round table held at the University of Minnesota. The webinar will include a description of a new online resource being developed with support from the Avon Foundation for Women to help train staff on these issues and promising practices.

Leading the discussion is Dr. Jeffrey L. Edleson, professor at the University of Minnesota School of Social Work and Director of the Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse. He is one of the world's leading authorities on children exposed to domestic violence and has published more than 120 articles and 12 books on domestic violence, group work and program evaluation.

To register, please visit: <http://www.jwi.org/page.redir?target=https%3a%2f%2fwww.jwi.org%2fSSLPage.aspx%3fpid%3d2627&srcid=11625&srctid=1&erid=746878>

GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

FY 2011 OCJS JAG and VAWA Grant Opportunities:

The Office of Criminal Justice Services would like to announce funding opportunities for JAG and VAWA. Proposals for both programs will be accepted from May 1 to May 31. Due to the amount of detail, it is best to visit: <http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/grants.stm> to view the "Request for Proposal." The RFP will provide all the information needed to apply for funding.

OVW Fiscal Year 2011 Grants to State Sexual Assault And Domestic Violence Coalitions And Sexual Assault Services to State Coalitions Program:

<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/fy11-state-coalitions-solicitation.pdf>

DEADLINE: May 25, 2011, 11:59 P.M. Eastern Time.

OVERVIEW: State coalitions have played a critical role in advancing the goals of VAWA, serving as a collective voice to end violence against women through collaboration with federal, state, and local organizations, including faith-based and community organizations. Statewide sexual assault coalitions provide direct support to member rape crisis centers through funding, training and technical assistance, public awareness activities, and public policy advocacy (e.g., state coalitions might work with law enforcement, prosecution, faith-based and community organizations to enhance their responses to victims of sexual assault).

Statewide domestic violence coalitions provide comparable support to member battered women's shelters and other domestic violence victim service providers. This grant program supports the enhancement of coalitions by funding specific projects.

ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS: State Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions

AWARD INFORMATION: All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.

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