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## NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2011 Public Information Officer (PIO)

**Symposium:** The Ohio Department of Public Safety will be sponsoring the 2011 PIO Symposium on Aug. 26. This free one-day symposium will provide an opportunity for public information officers across the state to network and receive pertinent knowledge in the field of media relations and communication. For agenda and registration information, please visit: [http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/MR2011/07\\_13\\_PIO\\_symp\\_registration.pdf](http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/MR2011/07_13_PIO_symp_registration.pdf)

### Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Program Survey:

The Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Domestic Violence Network are asking representatives on Ohio campuses who are involved with sexual assault and intimate partner violence efforts to complete the questionnaire. The results from the survey will be vital in assisting the Ohio Campus Safety Task Force improve our ability to provide training and technical assistance related to the prevention and intervention of stalking, sexual assault, and intimate partner violence on Ohio campuses.

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete and we ask that the survey be

completed by Friday, August 19, 2011. The link is <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/6PTS8PR>

If you have any questions about participation in this survey, please contact Beth E. Malchus, ODH, Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Program at 614.466.8960 or [beth.malchus@odh.ohio.gov](mailto:beth.malchus@odh.ohio.gov)

**PA Juvenile Judge Sent Away for 28 Years in "Kids for Cash" Scandal:** A federal judge sentenced former Luzerne County, Pa., Judge Mark Ciavarella Jr.--accused in a "kids for cash" corruption scandal--to 28 years in prison yesterday. It appeared to be the longest federal prison sentence ever given in a U.S. political corruption case, said the Philadelphia Inquirer. He had been a key target in an ongoing federal corruption probe which so far has led to charges against nearly 30 officials.

Ciavarella, 61, was accused of conspiring with another judge in the Scranton area to engineer what experts have called the worst juvenile-justice scandal in the nation's history. Two years ago, the federal sentencing judge rejected a plea deal for a seven-year sentence because he felt Ciavarella was not as remorseful

enough. Even after agreeing to plead guilty, Ciavarella continued to insist that there had been no quid pro for the money he received. He repeated that theme Thursday at his sentencing.

Continue reading: <http://www.thecrimereport.org/news/crime-and-justice-news/2011-08-pa-juvenile-judge-sent-away-for-28-years-in-kids-for>

### Few Use Victims Services - New Report:

Just nine percent of victims of violent crime received help from victims assistance agencies between 1993-2009, even though those who do are more likely to see an arrest in their case, according to a new report from the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

Using data from the National Crime Victimization Survey, the new BJS report details which victims of violent crimes are most likely to seek public or privately funded assistance. For example, 21 percent of sexual assault victims received help, compared to nine percent for aggravated assault.

Download the new report: <http://www.thecrimereport.org/news/articles/2011-08-few-use-victims-services-new-report>

## 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 receive the OCJS publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for*

*Funding in a Competitive Market*. Grantwriting 101 trainings take place on the following dates: **August 18, September 22, October 12, November 7 and December 14**. Please visit [http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantTraining\\_2011.pdf](http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/GrantTraining_2011.pdf) to view class titles.

Specialized Grant trainings for the remainder of the year are: *Designing an Effective Evaluation Strategy (October 12)*.

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](http://publicsafety.ohio.gov/links/ocjs_TrainingForm.pdf)

## TRAINING/RESOURCES CONT.

**Two Upcoming Web-Based Trainings on Communities Dealing With Marijuana and Coalition Fundamentals:** CADCA, Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America, is offering two free web-based trainings through the Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training Center.

**The Blunt Truth - Communities Dealing with Marijuana:**

**When:** August 25 from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. EDT

During this hour-long program, *The Blunt Truth: Communities Dealing with Marijuana*, hear how coalitions are getting their prevention message out as laws and attitudes change. Learn the best ways to educate the public about marijuana's harmful effects on the developing brain. Find out how coalitions are working with local and state governments on legislation and ordinances.

**Coalition Fundamentals:**

**When:** September 29 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT

This hour is filled with the answers to the questions about coalitions.

Want a better understanding of what the SPF is? How about a logic model? What exactly is cultural competency and how do I achieve it? During the hour-long broadcast *Coalition Fundamentals*, we'll answer these questions and many more.

To register for these webinars, click: [http://www.mctft.com/telecasts/upcoming\\_telecourses.shtml](http://www.mctft.com/telecasts/upcoming_telecourses.shtml)

**Victim Awareness Facilitator Training:** The Office of Victim Services will be conducting the Victim Awareness Facilitator Training in Cleveland, Ohio. The Victim Awareness Program is an evidence-based program that provides an opportunity for offenders to begin to see crime from a different perspective: from the perspective of the victim. The approved curriculum examines various crimes and looks at the dynamics of each crime and the effects crime has on victims. This training is a 40-hour training and all participants must attend all five days to receive a certificate of completion from the Office of Victim Services.

**Who Should Attend:** All those interested in facilitating the Victim Awareness Program. Community partners are welcome to attend!

**Training Location:**

North Star Resource Center, 1834 E. 55th Street, Cleveland, OH

**Training Dates:**

August 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30

For more information: call 1.888.VICTIM4 or contact Roxanne Swogger at 614.752.1141 or email [Roxanne.swogger@odrc.state.oh.us](mailto:Roxanne.swogger@odrc.state.oh.us)

**John Schools and Demand Reduction**

**(Webinar):** Please join National Criminal Justice Association (NCJA) and Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for the next webinar in a continuing series on evidence based programs, practices and trends in criminal justice field. August's webinar *John Schools and Demand Reduction* is the second in a two part series related to human trafficking and law enforcement efforts to reduce victimization.

**When:** August 24 at 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time

To register: [https://ncja.webex.com/mw03061d/mywebex/default.do?service=7&nomenu=true&main\\_url=%2Ftc05051d%2Ftrainingcenter%2FLoading.do%3Fsiteurl%3Dncja%26rnd%3D6415198694%26servicename%3DTC%26RT%3DMiMxMQ%3D%3D%26FM%3D1%26HMAC%3Db9524d18385e4202c7f583d1b38db268546527bc%26ED%3D130941932%26UID%3D1104150977%26needFilter%3Dfalse&siteurl=ncja](https://ncja.webex.com/mw03061d/mywebex/default.do?service=7&nomenu=true&main_url=%2Ftc05051d%2Ftrainingcenter%2FLoading.do%3Fsiteurl%3Dncja%26rnd%3D6415198694%26servicename%3DTC%26RT%3DMiMxMQ%3D%3D%26FM%3D1%26HMAC%3Db9524d18385e4202c7f583d1b38db268546527bc%26ED%3D130941932%26UID%3D1104150977%26needFilter%3Dfalse&siteurl=ncja)

## GRANTS/FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

**Correctional Health Care Executive**

**Curriculum Development:** The National Institute of Corrections (NIC) Administration Division is seeking applications for the development of a competency-based correctional health care executive curriculum to train two-person teams comprised of a Warden, Associate Warden, or Jail Administrator and a Health Services Administrator. This project will be for an eighteen-month period. NIC Administration Division staff will direct the project and will participate in curriculum design, lesson plan development, and the creation of related material.

Eligible applicants include any state or general unit of local government, private agencies, educational institutions, individuals, organizations, or teams with expertise in the described areas. Applicants must have demonstrated ability to implement a project of this size and scope.

**Review Considerations:** Applications received under this announcement will be subject to a NIC review process consisting of a three to five person team. Evaluation will be based on criteria such as:

- clarity of applicant's understanding of project tasks
- background, experience, and expertise of the proposed project staff, including subcontractors
- specific experience with and expertise in local jail and/or prison health care administration;
- innovative approaches, techniques, or design aspects that enhance the project
- experience with curriculum design based on ITIP
- experience in designing, managing, facilitating, or delivering training on correctional health-care-related topics;
- clarity of the description of all project elements and tasks
- technical soundness of the project design and

methodology

- financial and administrative integrity of the proposal, including adherence to federal financial guidelines and processes
- a sufficiently detailed budget that shows consideration of all contingencies for this project and a commitment to work within the proposed budget
- an indication of availability to meet with NIC staff at various points during the project
- design and quality of sample curriculum

**Deadline:** Applications must be received by **4:00 p.m. EDT, Friday, August 26, 2011.**

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