



HENRY C. LEE COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL
JUSTICE AND FORENSIC SCIENCES

Transforming Youth Justice: *A Leadership Development Program*

UNH Orange Campus





WHO WE ARE

The University of New Haven, founded in 1920, emphasizes experiential education, academic service-learning, work integrated learning, and faculty-mentored research for its 6,400 undergraduate and graduate students. The Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences has more than 50 faculty members with expertise in juvenile justice, youth violence, domestic violence, victimology, law enforcement, public service, legal studies, forensic psychology, adult corrections, national security and forensic science.

The Tow Youth Justice Institute is the only organization in the State of Connecticut and one of a few organizations in the nation that is solely dedicated to youth justice issues based on a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary, research-driven model to address this important subject. This academic-based institute at University of New Haven is dedicated to the training and education of state and local officials, policy-makers and future leaders. It is also designed to promote, monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of evidence-based practices, programs and policies related to youth justice, focusing on the needs of youth up to the age of 21. The Institute is supported with funds from the Tow Foundation and the State of Connecticut.

PROGRAM GOALS

The goals of the Transforming Youth Justice: A Leadership Development Program include:

1. To build the capacity of present and future leaders as agents of change, transforming youth justice from a community response paradigm.
2. To advance leadership development skills and knowledge of best practices in reform, organizational and community change, and self-awareness.
3. To be a resource to the organizations, communities, and systems serving youth through a network of dedicated leaders.

The Tow Youth Justice Institute and the University of New Haven are grateful for previous funding from the Community Foundation for Greater New Haven and the Tow Foundation to provide this program at no cost to participants who work on behalf of youth in the greater New Haven area.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Participants in the Transforming Youth Justice: A Leadership Development Program will form a core group of individuals dedicated to transforming youth justice and developing their personal leadership skills. Participants will be actively involved in youth justice and employed in positions as mid-level managers in:

- Law Enforcement/Policing
- State and local government
- Public and private agencies
- Non-profit service providers

As well as community members in:

- Middle and High Schools
- Policymakers
- Community leaders
- Faith leaders
- Parents
- Youth and parent advocates

Applications are available at www.newhaven.edu/TowInstitute.

STRUCTURE

Transforming Youth Justice: A Leadership Development Program will meet for a full day once a month on Fridays at the University of New Haven's Orange Campus, located at 584 Derby Milford Road, Orange, Connecticut. The program will kick off with a 1½ Day Intensive Introductory Session in March 2017 and will meet monthly thereafter concluding with a final session in November. Monthly sessions will be augmented with extra-curricular activities, readings, or events between sessions, and a Capstone project.

CONTENT

The curriculum for the Transforming Youth Justice: A Leadership Development Program will focus on three subject areas in each session.



“Change is important. We need to grow and we need to adjust; we want to make progress in the state of CT. This opportunity to develop a new level of leadership to continue juvenile justice reform is what will sustain CT as a national model for youth justice.”

— Rep. Toni Walker, Co-Chair Juvenile Justice Policy and Oversight Committee

LEAD FACILITATORS



Catherine (Kitty) Tyrol, Lead Facilitator and Program Director, is the Director of Education and Training for Tow Youth Justice Institute. She has nearly twenty years of experience in program development, curriculum and training design, strategic planning, project coordination and implementation, and quality assurance with particular focus on workforce development in youth justice. As a former Director of Training for a gender-based youth justice program with national and international practice, she invokes a broad perspective on youth justice efforts from leadership development, staff training, programming and practice. Ms. Tyrol is well respected in CT by multiple stakeholders (Judicial Branch, DCF, community providers, non-profits, education and advocacy) as a subject matter expert in positive youth development with extensive experience as a Trainer and Quality Assurance Project Manager for the Juvenile Risk Reduction Program of the Judicial Branch (CSSD Center for Best Practices).



Deborah Stewart, Project Coordinator. Deb is recognized for youth leadership development initiatives in Greater New Haven and the state. She coordinated a statewide project to improve relations between youth and police for five years as the Director of the Youth Development Training and Resource Center located at The Consultation Center, Inc. in New Haven, a non-profit arm of the Division of Preventions and Community Research in the Department of Psychology at the Yale University School of Medicine.



William H. Carbone, Executive Director of the Tow Youth Justice Institute and Director of Experiential Education for Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, is also a Co-Facilitator for the Leadership Program providing expertise on Juvenile Justice, the CT Judicial System, strategic planning and implementation on juvenile justice reform, and leadership of a state agency. Mr. Carbone was formerly the Executive Director of the Court Support Services Division (CSSD) in the Connecticut Judicial Branch. He directed and managed over 1,600 employees involved with adult and juvenile probation, family services, juvenile detention, alternative sanctions and pretrial release. Mr. Carbone was involved as a leader in all of the major juvenile justice reforms accomplished in Connecticut.

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