

November 15, 2017

Strengthening
Chicago's
Youth



Letter from the Director

Dear Kirstin,

Earlier this month, Illinois State Representatives missed a chance to help protect our kids from gun violence when they failed to vote on the Gun Dealer Licensing Act. Please stay engaged in the Our One Job campaign by calling your **State Representatives** and asking them if they were with us -- they owe you an explanation if they weren't. Thanks to growing and coordinated efforts of the **Illinois Gun Violence Prevention Coalition**, we remain confident that we will come back in January stronger than ever.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Levin, MPH
Director, Strengthening Chicago's Youth
Strategic Director, Injury Prevention and Research Center
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UPCOMING SCY EVENTS

November 16: Training Series

Introduction to Kingian Nonviolence
Still time to register!

December 7: Winter Symposium

Gender and Justice: The Criminalization of Youth in Cook County

FEATURED ARTICLE: GENDER AND JUSTICE

The Criminalization of Youth in Cook County Winter Symposium

Gender disparities often exist within the criminal and juvenile justice system and as a result of this, the specific needs of young women and girls as well as LGBTQI/GNC youth often go unaddressed. The purpose of the winter symposium is to examine the role of gender and criminalization, with a unique focus on the experiences of young women and girls as well as LGBTQI/GNC youth between the ages of 13-24 in Cook County.

Young women and girls are the fastest growing population to enter the justice system. According to the White House Report, "Advancing Equity on Women and Girls of Color" Girls between the ages of 13-24 represent a growing share of arrests, delinquency petitions, detentions, and post-adjudication placements in both the juvenile and criminal justice system. These national trends are also consistent in Cook County. In fact, girls in Cook County who were judged to be delinquent reported "suffering inordinate amounts of emotional, physical and sexual trauma in early childhood and adolescence." For LGBTQ/GNC youth in Cook County, they face additional risk factors that lead to incarceration.

This will be the first conversation about gender justice centering young women and girls as well as LGBTQ/GNC at this level in Cook County. The symposium is presented by members of [She Dreams of Freedom Consulting Group](#), [Juvenile Temporary Detention Center](#), [Demoiselle 2 Femme](#), [Cabrini Green Legal Aid](#) and in partnership with Kim Foxx and the [Cook County States Attorney's Office](#).

Thursday, December 7, 2017

8:30 am - 1:00 pm

check-begins at 8:30 am, training starts promptly at 9:00 am

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
225 E. Chicago Avenue
11th Floor Conference Center
Chicago, IL 60611

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Join this exciting [Voices in Leadership](#) talk in a live webcast with Sally Jewel, former U.S. Secretary of the Interior under President Barack Obama.



HARVARD
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Thursday, November 16, 2017

11:00 am

Online

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HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

Mental and Emotional Well-Being

Don't miss the chance to participate in this [Health Resources & Services Administration](#) national prevention strategy webinar discussing mental and emotional well-being.

Thursday, November 16, 2017
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Online



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DIRECT CONNECT LEARNING COMMUNITY

Working with LGBTQI2-S Youth

Led by [Youth M.O.V.E. National](#), this learning community is a platform for youth and young adults to develop professional skill sets via virtual training opportunities, connect as a community to share and gather new resources, and unite with other youth advocates and professional peers from across the country.

Monday, November 20, 2017
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Online



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DEMYSTIFYING "CHIRAQ"

How to Effectively Build Safer Communities and Address Violence in Chicago

[Loyola's Public Interest Law Reporter](#) is presenting a symposium that will begin with a review of violent crime in Chicago. Speakers will address potential solutions including police relations & accountability, juvenile justice, and community advocacy and engagement.

Friday, November 17, 2017
8:30 am - 2:45 pm
Phillip H Corboy Law Center
25 E Pearson Street
Power Rogers & Smith Courtroom
10th Floor
Chicago, IL

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ONLINE CERTIFICATE IN SCHOOL DISCIPLINE REFORM

Spring Enrollment

This part-time program with Loyola's [School of Law](#) and [School of Education](#) is designed to equip education professionals with the tools and skills needed to implement holistic, prevention-oriented approaches to school discipline. The certificate is interdisciplinary and incorporates system consultation, research and evidence-based practices, data analysis, needs assessment, action planning, restorative justice skills-building and legal/policy analysis.



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Information Session

Wednesday, November 29, 2017

7:00 pm

Online

Application Deadline

Friday, December 15, 2017

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EVALUATION 101 WORKSHOP

Introduction to Program Evaluation for Community Organizations

Hosted by Northwestern University's [Institute for Public Health and Medicine](#), this session is an interactive workshop focused on the basics of program evaluation that includes information on building stakeholder engagement, evaluation planning, methods and processes.



Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

**Institute for
Public Health and Medicine**

Monday, December 4, 2017

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wieboldt Hall South Entrance

Room 421

340 East Superior Street

Chicago, IL 60611

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

4th Annual ABC-D Conference

The [ABC Conference](#) Planning Committee is seeking presentation proposals for the 4th Annual ABC-D Conference, "Lives in the Balance: Caring for Children with Special Needs, Their Families, Their Communities, And Ourselves in These Precarious Times."



- ◆ Autism
- ◆ Behavior
- ◆ Complex Medical Needs

Supporting primary care to improve the lives of children in need

Proposal Deadline

Monday, December 4, 2017
5:00 pm

Conference

Friday, May 4, 2018
O'Fallon, IL

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**SPORT IS PART OF THE SOLUTION TO ENDING
SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Launching Raliance's NEW Sport + Prevention Center

This [Prevent Connect](#) web conference will showcase this exciting new resource that includes a prevention database, key research, a roadmap (or Theory of Change) and a learning exchange.

Wednesday, December 6, 2017
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Online

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**THOUSAND WAVES SEEKS ORGANIZATIONAL PARTNERS AND PROGRAM
EVALUATOR**

Upcoming Project

[Thousand Waves Martial Arts & Self-Defense Center, NFP](#) is looking for organizational partners for "Safe, Strong, & Respected: Empowerment Self-Defense for Everyday Safety." Social service agencies, educational institutions, and for-profit businesses are all encouraged to apply. Concurrent with the search for program partners, they are issuing a request for proposals to provide program evaluation for the project.

RFP for Program Evaluation Deadline

Friday, December 15, 2017

[LEARN MORE](#)**Program Outline and Application Deadline**

Sunday, December 31, 2017

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THE CHICAGO FORUM FOR JUSTICE IN HEALTH POLICY

We Can't Gentrify Our Way to Health Equity

This [Health & Medicine Policy Research Group](#) event positions displacement prevention as a core public health agenda item, a necessary part of the process of achieving health equity.

Health & Medicine
POLICY RESEARCH GROUP

Friday, December 8, 2017
9:00 am - 12:30 pm
Loyola University Regents Hall
Lewis Towers
111 E Pearson, 16th Floor
Chicago, IL 60611

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SCHOOL INTEGRATION PILOT

Accepting Nominations

[Chicago United for Equity](#) is accepting nominations for selected communities that will join citywide and nationwide school integration networks and receive support in implementing best practices in equitable school integration.



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ENHANCED HEALTH ATLAS WEBSITE

Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH)

CDPH has unveiled a new and improved website to support the Chicago Health Atlas, featuring more than 160 health and health-related indicators in scientifically robust, yet easy to understand visuals and data from more than 30 sources, including new community-level data.



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