



RULES OF ENGAGEMENT: SUSTAINING YOUTH COLLABORATION IN PROGRAMS AND STATE ADVISORY GROUPS

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OVERVIEW AND GOALS

- INTRODUCTIONS AND BACKGROUND
- CONVERSATIONAL INTERVIEW ABOUT YOUTH/ADULT PARTNERSHIPS
- AUDIENCE Q&A
- KEY TAKEAWAYS, TIPS, AND IDEAS.



**What do youth/adult partnerships look
like for you?**

**What enables youth to feel that
partnerships are genuine?**

**What is important for adults to know
when entering into a partnership?**

What challenges have you faced?

**Have you been a part of unsuccessful
youth/adult partnerships?**

**How can you make sure partnerships
are maintained post release for
incarcerated youth?**

There is a lot of people who don't believe that incarcerated youth can change, how would you respond to that?

**How can youth in the community be
funded to sustain these partnerships?**

What does success look like?



WHY ARE YOUTH/ADULT PARTNERSHIP IMPORTANT?

COALITION FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE

Audience Q&A

YOUTH/ADULT PARTNERSHIP ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN WASHINGTON



LEGISLATION



ADVOCACY



YOUTH MEMBER
PARTICIPATION



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS



VALUE LIVED EXPERTISE



CREATE A SAFE & INCLUSIVE SPACE



REDUCE BARRIERS



BUILD RELATIONSHIPS



SUSTAINABILITY



MONEY

WHO WHAT WHEN



WHO

Who are the youth?



WHAT

What can you do?
What can you not do?



WHEN

When can you show up?



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