

Youth Justice in Maine:

IMAGINE A NEW FUTURE



All Maine justice involved youth
experience a fair, equitable,
responsive system that contributes
to positive youth outcomes.





MAINE YOUTH JUSTICE REFORM

We have been here before and we are still at it.

High Fidelity
Wrap Around

Integrated Case
Management
with the
Children's
Cabinet

Juvenile
Detention
Alternatives
Initiative
(JDAI)

Trauma
Informed
Systems of
Care

Disproportionate
Minority Contact
(DMC)
Forums

2009
Juvenile Justice
Task Force

2010
Maine Rising
Juvenile
Justice
Summit

Jurisdictional
Team
Planning

EDUCATION

Increase high school graduation rate

Achieve a 90% high school graduation rate by 2016 and 95% by 2020.

90%

BY 2016

Implement uniform discipline policy

Implement uniform statewide suspension, expulsion, zero tolerance, and truancy policies.

100%

BY 2011

Increase early childhood education.

Increase access to quality early childhood education, proven prevention strategies throughout adolescence.

50%

BY 2014

JUVENILE JUSTICE

Reduce use of confinement

Reduce reliance on traditional methods of commitment and pre-adjudication detention.

50%

BY 2015

Implement quality case processing

Ensure quality programs & expedient, effective case management for detention alternatives, community based programs, and court proceedings.

100%

BY 2011

Implement 8 local district councils

Develop a Coordinated Services District System (CSDS) that will integrate services across sectors & implement recommendations.

100%

BY 2010

JUVENILE JUSTICE

Develop plan for continuum of care

Form group charged with coordinating & overseeing the implementation of recommendations & continued reform efforts.

BY 2010

Integrate public and private flex funds

Identify on-going mechanism for flexible funding who are served by multiple state agencies, including funding options for youth in the juvenile justice system.

BY 2010

Form a Juvenile Justice Task Force Institute

Detail a statewide system for in-home & out-of-home services that ensures high-quality, accessible programming.

BY 2010

Then

80.3%

2009–2010

Baseline Maine High School Graduation
Rate

Now

87.5%

2014–2015

Most Recent Maine High School
Graduation Rate

Then

2009-2010

161

YOUTH CONFINED

Average daily population of
commitments & pre-adjudicatory
detentions

Now

As of today

79

YOUTH CONFINED

Less than half the number of youth are
confined today than were 7 years ago

The goal of integrated services across agencies remains

By coordinating the system of community-based services and holding those services to high standards of efficiency and effectiveness, youth across Maine will have better access to:

- a continuum of diversion programs and placement alternatives,
- a comprehensive system of afterschool programs,
- drop-in centers,
- weekend recreational programs,
- transition services,
- family supports.



TODAY AT A GLANCE

An invitation for a temperature check and to reflect upon models of youth justice

- Build on successes of prior reform initiatives
- Learn from national experts regarding justice reform
- Align our vision, priorities and contributions in Maine.
- Identify local solutions to strengthen our continuum of care

BEFORE YOU LEAVE TODAY

*Add your voice
to the*
VISION
WALL

*Name your
contribution to*
MAINE'S
CONTINUUM
OF CARE

Visit the
RESOURCES
TABLE

Take a
DATA WALK

*Share your vision on
social media*
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YOUTH ART
INSTALLATION

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