

Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee

Annual Agenda¹—2025

Approved by Executive and Planning Committee: December 5, 2024

I. COMMITTEE INFORMATION

Chair:	Hon. Lawrence G. Brown, Chair, Judge of the Superior Court of Sacramento County
Lead Staff:	Ms. Deanna Adams, Supervising Analyst, Criminal Justice Services Ms. Carrie Zoller, Supervising Attorney, Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Committee's Charge/Membership:

[Rule 10.56 \(a\)](#) of the California Rules of Court states the charge of the Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee, which is to make recommendations to the Judicial Council on criteria for evaluating and improving adult and youth collaborative programs that incorporate judicial supervision, collaboration among justice system partners, or rehabilitative services.

[Rule 10.56 \(b\)](#) sets forth additional duties of the committee:

1. Make recommendations to the council on best practices and guidelines for collaborative programs;
2. Assess and measure the success of collaborative programs, including assessing and recommending methods for collecting data to evaluate the effectiveness of these programs;
3. Identify and disseminate to trial courts locally generated and nationally recognized best practices for collaborative programs, and training and program implementation activities that support collaborative programs;
4. Recommend to the Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee minimum judicial education standards on collaborative programs, and educational activities to support those standards;
5. Advise the council of potential funding sources, including those that may advance collaborative programs;
6. Make allocation recommendations regarding Judicial Council-administered grant funding programs that support collaborative programs; and
7. Identify and disseminate appropriate outreach activities needed to support collaborative programs, including but not limited to collaborations with educational institutions, professional associations, and community-based organizations.

[Rule 10.56 \(c\)](#) sets forth the membership position of the committee. The Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee currently has 23 members (nine judicial officers, two court administrators, one district attorney, one criminal defense attorney, one law enforcement officer, one treatment court coordinator, one probation officer, one treatment provider, one treatment court graduate, one representative from the mental

¹ The annual agenda outlines the work a committee will focus on in the coming year or cycle and identifies areas of collaboration with other advisory bodies and the Judicial Council staff resources.

health field, one social services representative, one non-profit community organization representative, and two public members). The current committee [roster](#) is available on the committee’s web page.

Subgroups of the Advisory Committee²:

1. Juvenile Subcommittee
2. Mental Health Subcommittee (including the joint subcommittee with the Criminal Law Advisory Committee to review mental health legislation)
3. Veterans in the Court and Military Families Subcommittee
4. Racial Justice Equity and Inclusion Subcommittee

Meetings Planned for 2025³

1. Videoconferences every fourth Wednesday of the month.
2. Subcommittee meetings as needed.

Check here if in-person meeting is approved by the internal committee oversight chair.

²For the definition of “subcommittee” see Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.30(c); “working group” see rule 10.70, “workstream,” see rule 10.53(c); and “education curriculum committee,” see rule 10.50(c)(6).

³ Refer to section IV. 2. of the [Operating Standards for Judicial Council Advisory Bodies](#) for governance on in-person meetings.

Note: Because of the current budget and staffing constraints, advisory body chairs and staff must first consider meeting remotely. The chair of the Executive and Planning Committee is suspending advisory body in-person meetings for the 2024–2025 annual agenda cycle. If an in-person meeting is needed, the responsible Judicial Council office head must seek final approval from the advisory body’s internal oversight committee chair. Please see the prioritization memo dated July 1, 2024, for additional details.

II. COMMITTEE PROJECTS⁴

#	New or One-Time Projects	
1.	Project Title: Juvenile Collaborative Court Education and Resource Needs Due to Passage of Proposition 1 (New)	Priority⁵ 1 Strategic Plan Goal⁶ I, IV
<p>Project Summary: Provide subject matter expertise to Judicial Council staff for their work in identifying and developing information and materials to help juvenile collaborative courts understand and respond to changes in the Behavioral Health Services Act funding and services as a result of the passage of Proposition 1.</p> <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Staff Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing from the Center for Families, Children & the Courts.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: None.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: None.</p>		

⁴ All proposed projects for the year must be included on the Annual Agenda. If a project implements policy or is a program, identify it as implementation or a program in the project description and attach the Judicial Council authorization/assignment or prior approved Annual Agenda to this Annual Agenda.

⁵ For non-rules and forms projects, select priority level 1 (must be done) or 2 (should be done). For rules and forms proposals, select one of the following priority levels: 1(a) Urgently needed to conform to or accurately reflect the law; 1(b) Council has directed the committee to consider new or amended rules and forms; 1(c) Change is urgently needed to remedy a problem that is causing significant cost or inconvenience to the courts or the public; or 1(d) Proposal is otherwise urgent and necessary, such as a proposal that would mitigate exposure to immediate or severe financial or legal risk. For each priority level 1 proposal, the advisory body must provide a specific reason why it should be done this year and how it fits within the identified category. 2(a) Useful, but not necessary, to implement changes in law; 2(b) Responsive to identified concerns or problems; or 2(c) Helpful in otherwise advancing Judicial Council goals and objectives. If an advisory committee is interested in pursuing any Priority Level 2 proposals, please include justification as to why the proposal should be approved at this time.

⁶ Indicate which goal number of The Strategic Plan for California's Judicial Branch the project most closely aligns.

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2.	Project Title: Monitor Opportunities to Enhance the Role of Collaborative Programs in Connecting Participants to Treatment and Rehabilitation Services (One-Time)	Priority 1 Strategic Plan Goal IV
<p>Project Summary: This project was initiated in response to courts’ requests for information about state-level changes to mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health service that are relevant to court administration for collaborative courts and division programs. The committee will monitor state-level changes and, if appropriate, develop informational resources for the courts. State-level changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medi-Cal transformation under California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) and its Justice Involved Initiatives; • Drug Medi-Cal; • Proposition 1 (approved by voters in March 2024), Modernizing Our Behavioral Health System & Building More Mental Health Housing, which revises the distribution and use of Behavioral Health Service Act funds, a funding source regularly leveraged by local justice partners to provide services to collaborative court and diversion participants; and • Proposition 36, a November 2024 ballot measure that would allow felony charges and increase sentences for certain drug and theft crimes. <p>This project was started as part of the 2024 annual agenda and is in progress due to continued reforms that impact collaborative programs.</p> <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Staff Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing from Criminal Justice Services, Center for Families, Children & the Courts, and Governmental Affairs.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local trial courts and justice system partners, California Department of Health Care Services, California Department of Health and Human Services, and County Behavioral Health Directors Association.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: None.</p>		
3.	Project Title: Update Standards of Judicial Administration (One-Time)	Priority 1 Strategic Plan Goal IV
<p>Project Summary: This project seeks to update the Standards of Judicial Administration, standard 4.10 (Guidelines for diversion drug court programs), to better address judicial leadership and court responses impacting collaborative justice courts and diversion programs. The amendments would seek to (1) update the scope of standard 4.10 to more accurately align with the evolution of collaborative courts, and (2) update the reference to national drug court standards to ensure standard 4.10 reflects current national treatment court best practices.</p>		

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	<p>This project will also fulfill the requirements proposed under Senate Bill 910 that, if enacted, would require the Judicial Council to update the Standards of Judicial Administration to reflect prescribed state and nationally recognized best practices and guidelines for collaborative programs by January 1, 2026.</p> <p>This project was started as part of the 2024 annual agenda and is in progress to incorporate requirements proposed in Senate Bill 910.</p> <p>Status/Timeline: Anticipate circulating for comment in spring 2025, for an effective date of January 1, 2026.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Staff Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing from Criminal Justice Services and Center for Families, Children & the Courts; the Joint Rules Subcommittee of Trial Court Presiding Judges and Court Executive Advisory Committees (TCPJAC/CEAC JRS) will review proposals for court operations impacts as necessary.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</i></p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Trial courts and justice system partners.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: Criminal Law Advisory Committee and Rules Committee.</p>	
4.	<p>Project Title: Juvenile Collaborative Court Resource Repository (One-Time)</p>	<p>Priority 1</p> <p>Strategic Plan Goal I, IV</p>
	<p>Project Summary: Create a repository of resources available for juvenile collaborative courts to help them start or improve their collaborative courts. Resource materials are being developed based on program manuals and other materials currently in use, as well as available research on effective practices, such as the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention’s Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines. This project began as part of the 2023 annual agenda and is currently in progress.</p> <p>Status/Timeline: In progress. Anticipated completion in March 2025.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Staff Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing from Center for Families, Children & the Courts.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</i></p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: None.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: None.</p>	

#	Ongoing Projects and Activities	
1.	Project Title: Substance Abuse Focus Grant Allocations (Implementation Project)	Priority 1
		Strategic Plan Goal IV
<p>Project Summary: Implement the directives of the Judicial Council to allocate and administer the Collaborative Justice Substance Abuse Focus Grant (SAFG), a legislatively mandated grant program, distributing funds from the State budget that are earmarked for collaborative and drug court projects that support local collaborative justice and drug courts throughout California, as well as supplementing dependency drug courts with federal funding from the Court Improvement Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report to the Judicial Council on grant activities. • Recommend to the Judicial Council grant allocations to local courts based on the Judicial Council approved allocation methodology. • Review biannual reports regarding funding distribution, invoicing, budgets, and deliverables reports from local courts. • Recommend methods of allocation and grants administration, if needed, for next annual funding cycle. <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: Funded through external earmarked funding for collaborative and drug courts. Resources include council staff from the Judicial Council’s Budget Services and Branch Accounting and Procurement.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</i></p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts, collaborative court coordinators, and California Association of Youth Courts.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: None.</p>		
2.	Project Title: Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program Allocation (Implementation Project)	Priority 1
		Strategic Plan Goal IV
<p>Project Summary: Make recommendations for the allocation and administration of the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (Byrne SCIP). Byrne SCIP provides federal funding for the creation and/or implementation of specialized court-based programs, such as drug courts, mental health courts, and veterans treatment courts that address the behavioral health needs of individuals likely to commit or become victims of gun violence. Byrne SCIP funding will be awarded annually over a four-year program period and will allow the Judicial Council to provide funding, training, and technical assistance to local courts. This funding is authorized by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (Pub. L. No. 117- 159, 136 Stat. 1313, 1339); 28 U.S.C. 530C.</p>		

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	<p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: Approximately \$15 million will be allocated to the courts and Judicial Council to implement the program. Resources include council staff from Criminal Justice Services, Budget Services, and Branch Accounting and Procurement.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</i></p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts and the California Board of State and Community Corrections.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: None.</p>	
3.	<p>Project Title: Assist Local Courts with Obtaining Funding and In-Kind Assistance for Local Collaborative Programs, such as Federal or State Grants or Ongoing Funding (Implementation Project)</p>	<p>Priority 1</p> <p>Strategic Plan Goals IV, VII</p>
<p>Project Summary: Distribute information on grants and other funding opportunities and assist local courts, upon their request, to obtain funding and other assistance for local collaborative programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify funding and support efforts to increase funding for courts in collaboration with partners that may include, but are not limited to, the California State Legislature, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Juvenile Court Improvement Program, and the Bureau of Justice Assistance to support existing and planned collaborative courts. • Assist local courts in identifying appropriate federal grant opportunities and preparing applications for funding of collaborative programs through the federal funding cycle. • Share findings from collaborative court outcome and cost studies, as well as compiled reports and studies from local collaborative courts, with collaborative court coordinators in quarterly meetings to assist courts in seeking local, federal, and private funding. • Explore and pursue potential avenues for permanent funding, including the potential submission of a Budget Change Proposal, and encourage the expansion of local treatment and evaluation capacity, as appropriate. <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: Increases funding for local courts.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</i></p>		

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	<p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local trial courts and justice system partners, California Association of Collaborative Courts, California Association of Youth Courts, National Center for State Courts, and Center for Court Innovation.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: None.</p>	
4.	Project Title: Mental Health: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices (Implementation Project)	Priority 1
	<p>Strategic Plan Goals IV, V</p> <p>Project Summary: Identify priority policy issues and best practices for improving court responses to individuals with mental illness in the court system through legislation tracking, continued support for education, research, and the improved dissemination of information as outlined below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track and review proposed legislation that impacts mental health in adult criminal, family law, dependency, and juvenile justice cases; identify emerging mental health legislation, policies, and best practices in areas such as competency restoration, diversion, and conservatorship cases to advocate for improvements, as appropriate. Advise the Criminal Law Advisory Committee and Probation and Mental Health Advisory Committee on council sponsored legislation proposals impacting incompetent to stand trial case referrals to Community Assistance Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Act proceedings. Track, review, and comment, as appropriate, on all proposed rules and regulations of State departments and agencies that relate to individuals with mental illness who become court involved. Continue to support education, research, and the improved dissemination of information, including increasing the accessibility and relevancy of mental health resources on the California Courts website, and identify training and program implementation needs that support collaborative programs. Assist in identifying emerging issues and needs for litigants with mental illness, such as accommodation needs, issues related to incompetence to stand trial, informed consent, confidentiality, accessing services, and serving veterans and military families. Identify opportunities for collaboration with mental health stakeholders, programs, and initiatives (e.g., Stepping Up Initiative and Words to Deeds). <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts and California Association of Collaborative Courts.</p>	

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	<i>AC Collaboration:</i> Criminal Law Advisory Committee and Probation and Mental Health Advisory Committee.	
5.	Project Title: Juvenile Collaborative Justice Courts: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices (Implementation Project)	Priority 1 Strategic Plan Goals IV, V
	<p>Project Summary<i>Error! Bookmark not defined.:</i> Identify priority policy issues and best practices regarding juvenile collaborative justice courts in areas such as juvenile mental health courts, truancy, youth courts, trafficking, girls’ court, and delinquency and family treatment courts. Continue work in support of youth and peer courts, including holding the annual Youth Summit in partnership with the California Association of Youth Courts, and providing local assistance to courts seeking to implement or improve their peer court.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide subject matter expertise and guidance by developing and maintaining updates of briefing papers on evidence-based practices on assessments, juvenile collaborative courts, and human trafficking. • Create webinars and other online education that will assist judicial officers, court staff, attorneys, and others working in juvenile collaborative courts. • Support local efforts to provide appropriate behavioral health screenings, access services, and medication assessments. • Consult with Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee on ways juvenile collaborative courts can help meet the needs of the juvenile court. • Continue to provide subject matter expertise on educational and training programs that focus on substance use disorders and enhanced educational support in delinquency and dependency cases. • Assist in branch coordination efforts to address permanency for children in foster care by providing subject matter expertise and guidance to promote and expand the use of Family Treatment Courts as a best practice model. • Provide education and technical assistance in the area of the needs of homeless youth and families, including educational rights and issues of disproportionality. • Provide subject matter expertise to the National Center for Youth Law for their work developing juvenile mental health related bench guides, information sheets, and webinars on accessing services. • Consult with youth and those with lived experience in identifying priorities and development of tools and resources. <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</i></p>	

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	<p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, National Center for Youth Law, and California Association of Youth Courts.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee.</p>	
6.	<p>Project Title: Racial Justice, Equity and Inclusion: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices (Implementation Project)</p>	<p>Priority 1</p> <p>Strategic Plan Goals 1, IV, V</p>
	<p>Project Summary: Identify best practices and priority policy issues for improving racial justice, equity and inclusion in collaborative programs through legislation tracking, continued support for education, research, and the improved dissemination of information as outlined below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Track and review proposed legislation that impacts equity and inclusion within collaborative courts and diversion programs. • Identify emerging legislation, policies, and best practices impacting areas such as participant eligibility, program access, participation in rehabilitative treatment and social services, and participant outcomes. • Continue to support education, research, and the improved dissemination of information, including best practices for addressing racial and other inequities within collaborative programs. • Create webinars and other online education that will assist collaborative programs in adhering to best practice standards, including best practices on equity within program operations. • Support court efforts to implement best practices for collaborative court and diversion programs that promote diversity, equity, and inclusion, such as implementation of the All Rise Best Practice Standard II: Equity and Inclusion. • Provide subject matter expertise on educational and training programs pertaining to collaborative programs to ensure equity and inclusion are embedded in learning objectives. <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, All Rise (founded as the National Association of Drug Court Professionals).</p> <p>AC Collaboration: Advisory Committee on Providing Access and Fairness, and Tribal Court-State Court Forum.</p>	

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7.	Project Title: Veterans and Military Families: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices (Implementation Project)	Priority 1
<p data-bbox="170 305 1980 412">Project Summary: Identify priority policy issues and best practices regarding Veterans and Military Families in areas such as legislation tracking and continued support for the Veterans Treatment Court Strategic Plan developed in coordination with the Center for Court Innovation and the California Association of Collaborative Courts.</p> <ul data-bbox="226 456 1980 862" style="list-style-type: none"> • Review, track, and provide comment on legislation that impacts veterans treatment courts and involve veterans and military families, as appropriate. • Leverage judicial education programs to disseminate training materials, resources, and education job aids to assist judges, court staff, and veterans’ stakeholders to better serve justice involved veterans and military families. • Continue to support the improved dissemination of information relevant to veterans and military families by updating the veterans treatment courts webpage on the California Courts website. • Update and review veterans treatment courts roster to ensure accuracy of information. • Coordinate with system partners including, American Bar Association, the State Bar, California Lawyers Association, United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet), local veterans agencies, veterans advocacy and affinity groups, and homeless groups to follow trends and developments regarding court-involved veterans and military families, and to seek opportunities to collaborate in providing education and resources to court staff and partners. <p data-bbox="170 906 527 938">Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p data-bbox="170 976 1367 1008">Fiscal Impact/Resources: This work will be conducted using existing resources and staffing.</p> <p data-bbox="170 1019 1980 1089"><input type="checkbox"/> This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</p> <p data-bbox="170 1133 1980 1203">Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, California Judges Association, and Center for Justice Innovation.</p> <p data-bbox="170 1247 506 1279">AC Collaboration: None.</p>		

#	Ongoing Projects and Activities	
8.	Project Title: Conduct Multidisciplinary Education to Support Effective Practices and Beneficial Outcomes in Collaborative Programs; Identify and Distribute Information on New or Pending Policy Changes (Implementation Project)	Priority 1 Strategic Plan Goal V
<p>Project Summary: Continue to develop and execute educational and training programs that support the development of effective practices and beneficial outcomes in collaborative programs. Outreach activities may include notifying collaborative programs of policy changes that may be of impact (mental health or competency issues, diversion, or human trafficking, etc.) and identifying promising practices developed in response to the changes. Educational and training activities include developing educational recommendations and assisting in the implementation of judicial and multi-disciplinary education curricula in areas related to collaborative justice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to collaborate with justice system partners on training activities. Partners may include, but are not limited to, California Association of Collaborative Courts (CACC), California Lawyers Association, the Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center, County Behavioral Health Director Association (CBHDA), Council of Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health (CCJBH), All Rise (formerly the National Association of Drug Court Professionals), National Drug Court Institute Justice for Vets, the California Association of Youth Courts (CAYC), the Department of Veterans Affairs, California Judges Association (CJA), Center for Justice Innovation, and the American Bar Association (ABA) Commission on Homelessness and Poverty, and ABA Judicial Committee on Human Trafficking. • Continue to work with the CJER Advisory Committee to make recommendations for and assist in the implementation of judicial and multidisciplinary education curricula in the area of collaborative justice. This includes providing guidance to committee staff regarding the preparation of collaborative justice-related educational toolkits and job aids and identification of faculty. • Continue to distribute information on effective practices through regular webinars, and hosting listservs for collaborative court and mental health professionals. <p>Status/Timeline: Ongoing.</p> <p>Fiscal Impact/Resources: Provides distance and in-person education for local courts at a reduced cost; provides information regarding effective/efficient court practices to reduce case processing costs and recidivism. Resources include council staff from Public Affairs and CJER.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This project may result in an allocation or distribution of funds to the courts. We will coordinate with Budget Services to ensure their review of relevant materials.</p> <p>Internal/External Stakeholders: Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, California Judges Association, All Rise (formerly the National Association of Drug Court Professionals), and Center for Justice Innovation.</p> <p>AC Collaboration: CJER Advisory Committee.</p>		

III. LIST OF 2024 PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#	Project Highlights and Achievements
1.	Conducted three quarterly virtual meetings for collaborative court coordinators where participants discussed best practices used in local programs and identified solutions to local challenges arising out of policy changes and other impacts to collaborative programs. Over 100 participants attended these meetings.
2.	Hosted two in-person trainings for judicial officers on the intersection of mental health and the court system through the Judges and Psychiatrists Leadership Initiative, a training curriculum developed by the Council of State Governments Justice Center and the American Psychiatric Association Foundation. Roughly 100 judges attended the training in July and August 2024.
3.	Hosted a September 2024 webinar for the courts and local justice system partners on recent amendments to mental health diversion legislation. This webinar was cohosted by the California Department of State Hospitals (DSH) and included information about changes to diversion programs funded by DSH. Over 250 participants attended the webinar.
4.	Developed a mental health training for judges that was accepted by the council’s Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee for inclusion in the 2024 Criminal Law Institute.
5.	Hosted an in-person training in March 2024 for current and prospective evaluators used by courts in competence to stand trial proceedings. Roughly 70 evaluators attended the training.
6.	Guided development of a virtual webspace for court staff and forensic evaluators appointed by the courts to assist with competence to stand trial evaluation reports.
7.	Provided guidance on the development of data definitions for data reported by trial courts to the Judicial Council regarding grants of mental health diversion and other mental health diversion data elements outlined in the Supplemental Report of the 2019 Budget Act by the Legislative Analyst’s Office.
8.	Administered the Collaborative Justice Substance Abuse Focus Grant and the Dependency Drug Court Augmentation using the new allocation formula based on population.
9.	In collaboration with the California Association of Collaborative Courts, held the in-person 2024 Annual Youth Court Summit, with the theme “Building Bridges through Restorative Justice.” This four-day summit was open to both youth and adults supporting local youth courts. Sessions included topics on youth court models, substance use disorders, restorative justice, bias, and included a mock trial for participants to learn from and critique.
10.	Provided guidance on the development of new juvenile behavioral health webinars and bench guides posted on the Behavioral Health webpage of the California Court’s website.