

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 20-14

Access to Juvenile Justice Data

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council's (CJCC) Juvenile Justice Committee serves as the executive body for the juvenile justice system and is charged with setting juvenile justice strategic priorities; and

WHEREAS, the power and duties of the Juvenile Justice Committee include providing relevant and timely data on juvenile justice trends; and

WHEREAS, the Juvenile Justice Data Committee fulfils the duties of the Juvenile Justice Committee that pertain to providing relevant and timely data on juvenile justice trends and issues; and

WHEREAS, the Juvenile Justice Data Committee is the body that examines and exchanges juvenile justice data on behalf of the Juvenile Justice Committee and consists of the following partnering agencies: Family Court of the DC Superior Court, Family Court's Court Social Services Division, Child and Family Services Agency, Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services, Metropolitan Police Department, Metro Transit Police Department, Office of the Attorney General, Public Defender Service, Department of Human Services, Students in the Care of DC Coordinating Committee, and the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council; and

WHEREAS, the CJCC is tasked with coordinating and facilitating information sharing among District and federal criminal and juvenile justice system agencies in the District of Columbia, and the CJCC's Statistical Analysis Center is charged with conducting research and analyses with respect to the District criminal and juvenile justice systems, the CJCC will gather, inspect, copy, compile and analyze data and information from juvenile case records, juvenile social records, and police and other law enforcement records of juveniles; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with D.C. Code §§ 16-2331(c)(5), 16-2332(c)(5), and 16-2334(a)(2), the court may permit, by special order, the inspection of juvenile case or social records and access to fingerprint records;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is by the Court,

ORDERED, that the Executive Director of CJCC shall provide the Executive Officer of the District of Columbia Courts a written list of the CJCC employees authorized to access juvenile records pursuant to this order and shall update the list as necessary; and

FURTHER ORDERED, that the partnering agencies' authorized personnel may provide CJCC with data and information from juvenile case records, juvenile social records, and police and other law enforcement records of juveniles in the PINS (persons in need of supervision) and

delinquency system so that CJCC may compile and analyze the data and information for the Juvenile Justice Data Committee; and

FURTHER ORDERED, that authorized employees of the CJCC may gather, inspect, copy, and analyze information and data from juvenile case records, juvenile social records, and police and other law enforcement records of juveniles in the PINS and delinquency system in order to conduct research and analysis to identify juvenile justice trends and evaluate the impact of existing juvenile justice system efforts in the District, for use with the Juvenile Justice Data Committee; and

FURTHER ORDERED, that the compiled information may be viewed and distributed to the agencies participating on the Juvenile Justice Data Committee; and

FURTHER ORDERED, that data and information compiled by the authorized employees of CJCC pursuant to this order may be shared with the Juvenile Justice Committee during committee meetings, but shall not be distributed otherwise or disclosed to other persons or organizations without further order of the Chief Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; and

FURTHER ORDERED, that any request to distribute or disclose such data and information to other persons for purposes other than the Juvenile Justice Data Committee or the Juvenile Justice Committee shall be made by the CJCC to the Chief Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

ORDERED, that this Order shall take effect on the 17th of November, 2020

SO ORDERED.
BY THE COURT
DATE: November 17, 2020



Anita Josey- Herring
Chief Judge