

# South Dakota Council of Juvenile Services' Alternatives to Detention Conference

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Holiday Inn City Centre  
Starlite Ballroom  
Sioux Falls, SD  
September 26-27, 2012

## Wednesday, September 26

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11:30 AM **Registration**

12:00 PM **Welcoming Lunch and Conference Overview**

1:00 PM **Fundamentals of Detention Reform**

Stephanie Vetter, JDAI Management Team and South Dakota Technical Assistance/Team Leader, will introduce newcomers to the Annie E. Casey Foundation's detention reform initiative, known as JDAI. Over the past two decades JDAI has emerged as a best practice in reducing unnecessary youth confinement and racial disparities in juvenile justice systems. JDAI's results are a product of state, county, private and federal efforts to provide better outcomes for youth.

3:00 PM **Break**

3:30 PM **Detention Reform in Rural Jurisdictions**

Molly Rogers, Director of Wasco County Youth Services and JDAI Chairperson for Central and Eastern Oregon Juvenile Justice Consortium, will illustrate how JDAI strategies have been applied in multiple jurisdictions across rural Oregon. Partnerships across county boundaries, fidelity to the JDAI model and local leadership are crucial ingredients of meaningful progress.

5:30 PM **Break**

5:45 PM **Keynote Speaker Over a Working Dinner: Systematic Impacts of JDAI**

Andrea McCoy Johnson, Essex County New Jersey Executive Assistant Prosecutor, Member of Annie E. Casey's Applied Leadership Network, and New Jersey JDAI Steering Committee Member, shares JDAI implementation lessons from the New Jersey perspective, explores how JDAI is beneficial for public safety and describes the role of the prosecutor in improving the juvenile justice system.

## Thursday, September 27

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7:30 AM **Breakfast**

8:00 AM **Detention Reform and South Dakota**

Local leaders from Minnehaha and Pennington Counties will describe the journey of JDAI in the two pilot sites in South Dakota. This session focuses on the earliest phases of JDAI and highlights key developmental milestones accomplished in South Dakota. These milestones include the use of a detention risk assessment instrument, new detention alternatives, faster case processing, and better conditions of confinement for those youth that need secure detention and led to significant and safe reductions in secure detention and improved outcomes for youth in just one year.

10:00 AM **Break**

10:20 AM **Table Discussions**

Participants will partake in peer-to-peer discussions focused juvenile justice related topics and issues.

11:30 AM **Conference Adjourns**