



Scope of the Problem

In 2011—

- **Nationwide, 60 percent of all arrests of youth were for nonviolent, minor, or status offenses.**
- **18 percent of these arrests were for curfew violations.**
- **In Oregon, 67 percent of the 23,378 arrests were for nonviolent, minor, or status offenses.**

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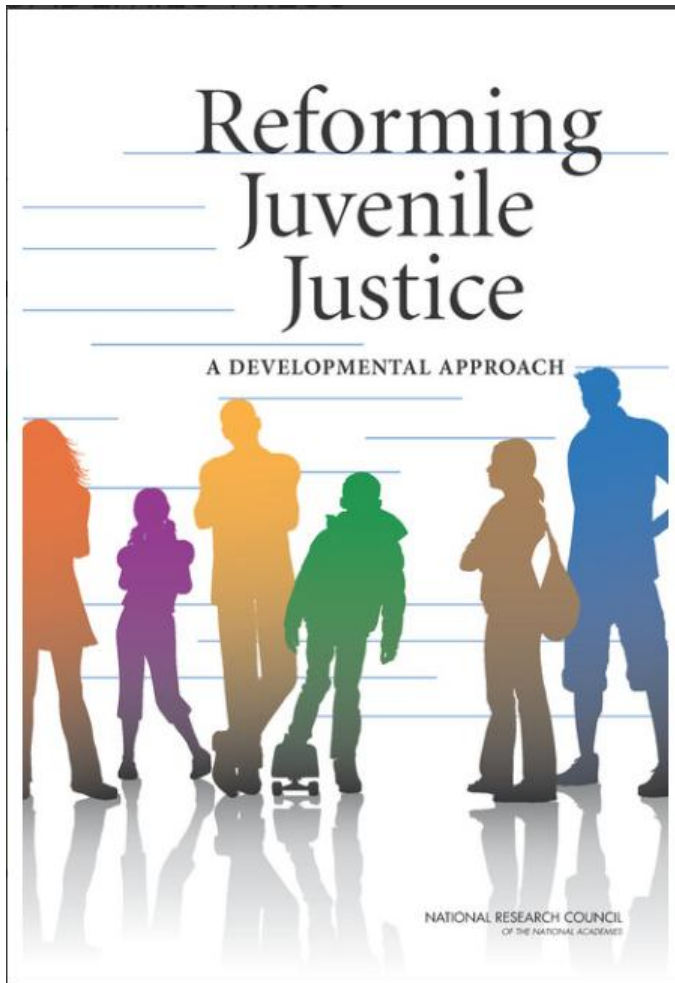
Hallmarks of the Developmental Approach

- 1. Accountability without criminalization.**
- 2. Use alternatives to justice system involvement.**
- 3. Individualize response based on assessment of needs and risks.**
- 4. Confine only when necessary for public safety.**
- 5. Commit to fairness.**
- 6. Be sensitive to disparate treatment.**
- 7. Engage families.**

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NAS Recommendations



- 1. Develop systemwide juvenile justice planning and collaboration.**
- 2. Reduce detention.**
- 3. Improve conditions of confinement.**
- 4. Close large institutions and reinvest in community-based programs.**

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NAS Recommendations (cont'd.)

- 5. Detain juveniles in juvenile justice systems—not with adults.**
- 6. Use evidence-based programs that reduce recidivism.**
- 7. Improve access to and quality of mental health services.**
- 8. Provide quality defense attorney services.**
- 9. Provide access to educational programs in detention and post-release.**
- 10. Modify harsh sentencing laws for juveniles.**
- 11. Build multisystem approaches in child welfare and juvenile justice.**

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OJJDP-CDC NatSCEV Study

- 60 percent of children in the U.S. were exposed to violence, crime, or abuse in their home, school, or community during the 1-year study period.
- One in 10 were victims of violence 5 or more times in that year.
- Almost 40 percent were direct victims of two or more violent acts during that period.



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SAMHSA's Concept of Trauma and Guidance for a Trauma-Informed Approach

- **Safety**
- **Trustworthiness and Transparency**
- **Peer Support**
- **Collaboration and Mutuality**
- **Empowerment, Voice, and Choice**
- **Cultural, Historical, and Gender Issues**

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Call To Action

In 2011, 1,598—5.3 percent—of the 34,003 youth committed to residential facilities were confined due to status offenses.

We need to move the number to ZERO.

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OJJDP Vision Statement

The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention envisions a nation where our children are healthy, educated, and free from violence. If they come into contact with the juvenile justice system, the contact should be **rare, fair, and beneficial** to them.

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