

## Committee Quarterly Report April 2024 – June 2024

Racial & Ethnic Disparities Committee Staff Support: Whitney Queral Co-Chairs: Jimmy Hung and Clinton Taylor Email: whitney.queral@dcyf.wa.gov

## **Committee Charter per Council Bylaws:**

## **Accomplishments and Work in Progress:**

#### Jan-March:

Committee chairs and members engaged in a planning session to establish goals and focus areas. Preliminary focus areas include:

- Data and Storytelling: Reclaiming the narratives of youth involved in the criminal legal system
- Early intervention and opportunities for upstream educational work
- Community building and engagement: creating meaningful opportunities to for young people to engage juvenile justice issues specific to R/ED

### April-Jine

- Supported Youth Justice Action Month by raising awareness around the announcement of "mini grants" \$1-5,000 grants to be awarded to 100 recipients. Currently awaiting the announcement of the awardees
- The committee convened in June and July to begin drafting the Racial and Ethnic Disparities 3-year Action Plan to be submitted July 29
- Identified Action Plan Priorities:
  - Uplift and support diversion: landscape analysis and advocacy for incentivized diversion
  - Continue funding and support of Data Dashboards with an emphasis on dissemination of the information to communities and empower communities to use data to tell their stories using data dashboard
  - o Engage the community in education, raising awareness and mobilizing collective action

## Goals and Objectives for 2024:

- Identifying committee areas of focus
- Completion of Federal Racial and Ethnic Disparities Action Plan and 3-year evaluation plan

# WA Partnership Council on Juvenile Justice Grants & TA Committee Report July 25, 2024

Committee Chair: Ada Daniels

Committee Members: Diana Cockrell, Michael Johnson, Dr. Ben Danielson

Administrative Support: Jenny Young

#### **Recent Activities:**

This past quarter the Grants and TA Committee received, reviewed and approved one Technical Assistance application from El Puente, a new organization based in Tri-Cities. The organization focuses on providing mentoring services to gang affected youth and their families and the funds will support the Director in completing the administrative work to get the organization fully up and running. They have already received a grant to provide services to youth and families and these TA funds will focus on supporting the administrative side of the work for the new organization.

#### **Future Activities:**

Requests for 2<sup>nd</sup> year funding applications have been provided to the 6 organizations that were funded last fall for year 1 of the three-year funding cycle. Applications for year 2 are due on August 23<sup>rd</sup> and the Grants and TA committee will provide recommendations to the full council via email for funding year 2 requests based on their reviews. Please note that these applications are not competitive as only those that received awards during the last competitive RFP are eligible.



## Committee Quarterly Report April 1, 2024 - June 30, 2024

## **Behavioral Health & Re-Entry Committee**

Co-Chairs: Dre Thornock, Dr. Eric Trupin & Senator Noel Frame

Staff Support: Jenny Young & Whitney Queral

### **Accomplishments and Work in Progress:**

The Committee is currently on break for the summer and will resume meeting in September. Several priorities have been identified and smaller meetings are occurring in order to identify potential next steps regarding the different priorities.

# Goals and Objectives for 2024:

The priorities identified for 2024 are as follows:

- Collaboration w/ WA Tribes
- JR to 25
- Medicaid Coding for youth in JR and/or Detention
- Incentivizing MCOs and Providers to serve JJ involved youth
- Prioritize Counseling and Education in Diversion Process