

# PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY

## 2016-2020 STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

**Our Role ...** By statute, the Commission provides leadership in system-wide coordination and in building collaboration among public servants and private citizens representing all aspects of the criminal and juvenile justice systems and victim services.

**Our Values ...** We shape our priorities around **service**, expand our understanding from **experts**, support training to ensure the **preparedness** of our practitioners, and above all, maintain **integrity** in pursuit of our goals.

**Our Mission ...** To enhance the quality, coordination and planning within the criminal and juvenile justice systems, to facilitate the delivery of services to victims of crime, and to increase the safety of our communities.

**Our Vision ...** To be a state and national leader supporting programs and practices that promote justice for all citizens and communities of Pennsylvania.

### **Emerging Priorities:**

- Target and enhance services for adult and child victims.
- Results-oriented Criminal and Juvenile Justice Reinvestment strategies.
- Promote the appropriate use of pre-trial diversionary programs.
- Better integrate behavior health solutions with the justice population.
- Increase the role of PCCD in coordinating and implementing a comprehensive delinquency and violence prevention strategy for the Commonwealth.
- Increase high-impact prevention and education efforts.
- Increase support of law enforcement.
- Assist communities in responding to the growing opioid abuse epidemic.
- Improve the issuance and administration of grants (statewide efficiencies and transparency).
- More widely share understanding of PCCD's value and impact.

### **Goal I: To make communities safe through collaboration and targeted investments**

I.1. Increase the efficacy of state and local planning efforts through interagency planning and collaboration.

I.2. Provide law enforcement with the appropriate tools and training to assist them in combating and preventing crime.

- I.3. Develop solutions for justice-involved individuals with mental illness and/or substance abuse and co-occurring disorders.
- I.4. Promote and support the use of evidence-based programs and practices.
- I.5. Promote the appropriate use and measure the effectiveness of promising approaches and dispositional alternatives.
- I.6. Increase the utilization of evidence-based programs and practices to prevent delinquency and other problem behaviors, and reduce the disproportionate number of minority youth who come into contact with the juvenile justice system.
- I.7. Promote the implementation of reentry programs and practices.

**Goal II: To reduce the impact of crime on victims.**

- II.1. Enhance the quality and availability of services for victims of crime.
- II.2. Increase the availability of children’s advocacy centers and functioning multi-disciplinary investigative teams throughout the Commonwealth to support the victims of child abuse.
- II.3. Engage schools, communities and families in violence prevention and increase the support services provided to those who have been victims of violence.

**Goal III: To develop and share relevant expertise, resources and technical assistance both within the agency and with our external partners.**

- III.1. Improve the accuracy and reliability of state and local criminal justice data through the automated exchange of information.
- III.2. Improve PCCD’s research, evaluation and data analysis.
- III.3. Improve PCCD’s visibility and recognition as a criminal and juvenile justice leader through communication and outreach.
- III.4. Increase the overall knowledge and skills among victim service, criminal and juvenile justice practitioners through training and accreditation.
- III.5. Assure impact, fairness, transparency and performance in PCCD’s grant processes.