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Crime and Justice Institute Offers Several Free Workshops Around California Workshops offer assistance in managing AB 109 issues

The Crime and Justice Institute (CJI), is offering a series of three free workshops around the state to assist key criminal justice stakeholders in California in the implementation of Assembly Bill 109, better known as public safety realignment. CJI has been tasked with reaching out to these stakeholder groups to determine challenges related to implementation of realignment and to offer technical assistance and training to address identified priorities. Through a series of criminal justice stakeholder focus groups, CJI was able to identify several pressing issues and build a series of regional events to address those areas. In addition to the focus groups and regional events, CJI hopes to offer resources to key stakeholders around such topics as pre-trial, risk needs assessments, and managing female offenders.

From their website:

CJI operates as a division of Community Resources for Justice, and provides nonpartisan policy analysis, consulting, and research services to improve public safety throughout the country. With a reputation built over many decades for innovative thinking, unbiased issue analysis, and effective policy advocacy, CJI's strength lies in our ability to bridge the gap between research, policy and practice in public institutions and communities, and provide evidence-based, results-driven recommendations. With our creative, collaborative approaches to today's most pressing and complex social and public safety problems, CJI is improving public safety and human service delivery nationwide.

The workshops are free to County officials. Please see the attached "Save the Date" for topics and logistics. Highlights from the different workshops will include:

- --How to apply cost-benefit analysis at the local level, and insights from a Sheriff that has used the process
- --A risk-based model for integrating probation and post-release supervision strategies

--Data dashboards for the state and local level

For more information and to register, please visit http://cjinstitute.org/projects/CArealignment, or contact Kristen Nielsen at knielsen@crj.org or 303.659.2495.

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