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How Maryland Courts Can Work Best for Everyone: A Conversation About Juvenile Justice

The Maryland Judiciary's Equal Justice Committee (EJC), through its Community Outreach Subcommittee, hosts community forums across the state to increase the community's understanding of the courts while the courts learn the community's perspective and needs.

On Wednesday, October 29, 2025, the Community Outreach Subcommittee will host a virtual forum for Baltimore City on juvenile justice, featuring conversations about resources and restorative justice for youth. The program will offer a holistic perspective on juvenile justice matters along with information on opportunities and alternatives for young people and their families. The program will offer information about the juvenile court, including its goals, procedures, and practices; the work of the Department of Juvenile Services, including its efforts to divert children from the court through provision of community-based services; and the work of other key juvenile justice partners.

WHAT: Baltimore City Community Forum Featuring
A Conversation About Juvenile Justice
Information and resources from community
organizations serving Baltimore's youth

WHEN: Wednesday, October 29, 2025 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Zoom Webinar

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HOST

Deborah WeinerWBAL-TV News Anchor



COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Green Cadets
- Maryland 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline
- Re-Engagement Center
- Youth Advocate Program (YAP)

PANELISTS



Judge Charles M.
Blomquist
Circuit Court for
Baltimore City



Betsy Fox
Tolentino
Acting Secretary,
Maryland Department
of Juvenile Services



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How Maryland Courts Can Work Best for Everyone:

A Conversation Between Court and Community Leaders

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AGENDA:

- 1. Greetings and Review of the Program Baltimore City District Court Judge Ana D. Hernandez
- 2. Introduction of the Panelists, Community Partners, and Community Resources Baltimore City District Court Judge Ana D. Hernandez

Community Partners:

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Community Resources:

Baltimore City Department of Social Services Youth Resources • Elev8 Baltimore, Inc. • HeartSmiles • Maryland Youth & The Law (MYLAW), Teen Court • University of Baltimore Tackling Chronic Absenteeism Project (TCAP)

- 3. Discussion Topic: A Conversation About Juvenile Justice WBAL-TV Anchor Deborah Weiner
- 4. Questions and Comments from Community Members WBAL-TV Anchor Deborah Weiner
- 5. Closing Remarks and Meeting Adjournment WBAL-TV Anchor Debora Weiner