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Using Youth Courts as a Supportive School Discipline Practice

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Presenter Bios

Ms. Nancy Fishman, J.D., is the project director for the Center for Court Innovation's Youth Justice Programs, overseeing the coordination and development of the Center's early intervention, prevention and diversion programs for young people. Her work also includes direct supervision of some of the Center's youth court, truancy, and youth development programs, as well as technical assistance on youth court development and other youth justice issues. Prior to joining the Center, Ms. Fishman served as project director for the Criminal Justice/Mental Health Consensus Project at the Council of State Governments Justice Center, a national initiative focused on improving how the criminal justice system responds to people with mental illness. Ms. Fishman previously worked as the senior law and policy analyst and director of the Equal Justice Initiative for the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice, where her work focused on community and economic development and criminal justice policy reform. She has taught at New York University School of Law, and was a Skadden Fellow at the Legal Aid Society of New York. Ms. Fishman received her J.D. and B.A. from Yale University and also received an M.A. in Human Development and Social Policy from Northwestern University.

Ms. Lorrie Hurckes is the Co-Director and Youth Court Coordinator with the Dane County (Madison, Wisconsin) TimeBank, Inc. She has been with the TimeBank since 2006 and sees the TimeBank as a tool for systems change and community organizing. She is currently focusing her work with the TimeBank on implementing alternatives to the traditional juvenile justice system and increasing timebanking in the school system. Ms. Hurckes recently expanded the Dane County TimeBank's Youth Court program into all four Madison city high schools. She presently serves on Dane County's Disproportionate Minority Contact Advisory and Implementation Committee and is a TimeBank USA Ambassador Core member. Ms. Hurckes earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology at Eastern Illinois University.

Ms. W. Kate Spaulding has worked for the Pima Prevention Partnership's Teen Court program as a Program Associate since 2001. She is currently the coordinator of Teen Court in the Schools (TCIS) and implemented the expansion of Pima County (Tucson, Arizona) Teen Court to include Northwest Teen Court in 2003 and Eastside Teen Court in 2007. Ms. Spaulding partners with schools to implement and maintain their Teen Court programs, designs new constructive sentencing options, manages and recruits volunteers, and created the 29-hour Attorney Training program for Pima County Teen Court. She represents Pima County Teen Court in the Arizona Teen Court Association and the National Association of Youth Courts, of which she is a founding member. Ms. Spaulding also serves as a local and national trainer for both organizations. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Ohio Wesleyan University.