





## JUSTICE FOR ALL PROJECT GARNERS ADDITIONAL SUPPORT, RELEASES PLANNING UPDATE

The Justice for All project, which seeks to enhance states' commitment to re-imagine how to work across organizational and disciplinary boundaries to optimize available resources and advance access to justice for all, is pleased to announce additional project support and release of lessons learned from Justice for All awardee state plans.

## **PROJECT SUPPORT**

The recently adopted CCJ/COSCA Resolution 3, <u>Expanding Meaningful Access to Justice for All</u>, explicitly promotes the Justice for All project concepts and encourages all states, territories, and the District of Columbia to:

- Review the Justice for All project guidance materials and the lessons learned from the planning efforts in the seven states;
- Undertake their own inventory assessment of the services and capabilities required to achieve meaningful access to justice for all;
- Use the resulting assessment to identify access to justice gaps; and
- Create an integrated and coordinated statewide strategic action plan to fill those gaps and initiate efforts to implement that plan.

The Resolution also urges its members to partner with "traditional and non-traditional access to justice stakeholders to establish and maintain a collaborative governance structure to coordinate the preparation of the inventory assessment, to conduct strategic action planning, and to design implementation efforts to expand access to justice to realize 100 percent meaningful access to justice for all."

The Justice for All project has also received additional funding for its implementation phase from the Open Society Foundations. This funding enables additional technical assistance and robust implementation grants for states interested in implementing their Justice for All vision.

## **PLANNING UPDATE**

Given the national interest in the Justice for All project and recent conclusion of the planning phase, the Justice for All project is releasing <u>Justice for All State Planning Documents:</u>

<u>Lessons from the Field</u> on the planning effort. This brief document highlights themes and lessons learned from the state plans, and also contains links to the individual plans. Additional questions about the Justice for All project should be directed to Shelley Spacek Miller, J.D., <u>sspacek@ncsc.org</u> or 757-259-1538. Project resources, including strategic planning guidance materials, are also <u>Justice for All</u> website.

