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Dear Criminal Justice Professionals:

Welcome to the November/December edition of "Evaluation News: Expanding Knowledge Through Information Exchange." This monthly E-newsletter contains national and state evaluation publication sources, information on upcoming conferences, news updates, and funding opportunities. The E-newsletter provides evaluation information to states on a regular basis using technology to promote information exchange and enhance capacity to access the research community.

NATIONAL EVALUATION NEWS

The Community Oriented Policing Services Office (COPS) has released a report entitled *Policing Smarter Through IT: Lessons In Enterprise Implementation*. Sections one and two of the report are available at:

<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/mime/open.pdf?Item=1332>

Sections three and four of the report are available at:

<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/mime/open.pdf?Item=1333>

This document is a companion publication to *Policing Smarter Through IT: Learning from Chicago's Citizen and Law Enforcement Analysis and Reporting (CLEAR) System*.

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) has recently released two reports on implementing community policing. *Community Policing Beyond the Big Cities* can be retrieved at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/205946.pdf>

The report is a summary based on a more comprehensive report entitled, *COPS: Innovations in Policing in American Heartlands* (2001)

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/grants/194604.pdf>

Drug Detection in Prison Mailrooms summarizes a drug detection study sponsored by NIJ being used to improve drug screening techniques in Federal, State, and local prison mailrooms. This document is available at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/205685.pdf>

The full report, *Mailroom Evaluation Scenario* is available at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/grants/199048.pdf>

Has your state published recent evaluation reports? Contact Veronica Puryear to insure your work is included in a future edition of Evaluation News!

NATIONAL EVALUATION NEWS CONTINUED

Impact Munitions Use: Types, Targets, Effects, released by NIJ, discusses survey findings concerning circumstances when alternatives to deadly force have been used by police and their resulting physical effects. This report is available at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/206089.pdf>

The St. Louis Consent-to-Search Program is one report of the National Institute of Justice's Reducing Gun Violence publication series. This report is available at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/191332.pdf>

This report is based on the final report, *From Problem Solving to Crime Suppression to Community Mobilization: An Evaluation of the St. Louis Consent-to-Search Program* which can be found at:

<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/grants/188291.pdf>

STATE EVALUATION NEWS

The Colorado Division of Criminal Justice, Office of Research and Statistics has released a report entitled, *Evaluation of the Youthful Offender System (YOS) In Colorado: A Report of Findings Per 18-1.3-407, C.R.S.* This report is available at:

http://dcj.state.co.us/ors/pdf/docs/YOS_REPORT_2004.pdf

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

The Eastern Evaluation Research Society (EERS) will be hosting its 28th Annual Conference, *Ethics, Evidence, and Evaluation* at the Seaview Marriott Resort and Spa located in Abescon, New Jersey April 17-19, 2005. Complete details are available at: <http://www.eers.org/conference.htm>

The National Institute of Justice's Mapping & Analysis for Public Safety (MAPS) program has released a call for presentations and professional development workshops for the 8th Annual Crime Mapping Research Conference, *Research & Practice Affecting Public Policy*. The conference will be held September 7 - 10, 2005 at the Savannah Westin Golf & Spa Resort, Savannah, Georgia. The deadline for abstract and brief presentation/workshop description submissions is January 25, 2005. More information is available at: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/maps/savannah2005/>

NEWS UPDATES

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is now sponsoring *Family Drug Court Technical Assistance Services* through the National Drug Court Institute. These technical assistance services are designed to provide technical assistance to family drug court programs across the nation. While priority will be given to current BJA drug court grant recipients, technical assistance services are available for all family drug courts. For more information on the types of technical assistance available as well as information on areas in which drug courts can benefit from technical assistance, visit:

http://www.ndci.org/training_bja1.htm

NEWS UPDATES CONTINUED

The Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA) is now offering an online version of the *Directory of Justice Issues in the States*. It contains, a state-by-state listing of programs implemented and evaluated at the state level, research in progress, and other activities such as information systems maintenance and integration, crime reporting, and policy impact analyses. The directory is available at: <http://www.jrsa.org/pubs/directory/justice-xvii.pdf>

The National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS) Catalog has been replaced with *The Justice Resource Update* which is an online quarterly publication highlighting significant justice related initiatives, priorities, products, Web sites, and funding announcements. To register for this new online resource visit: <http://www.ncjrs.org/justiceresupd.html>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**From the National Institute of Justice (NIJ):**

*Information-led Policing Research, Technology Development and Testing, and Evaluation
<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/sl000691.pdf>

*Research and Evaluation on Community Corrections
<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/sl000693.pdf>

*Violence Against Women Research and Evaluation
<http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/sl000690.pdf>

From the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA):

*FY 2005 Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Targeted Areas of Need
http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/ti05003_TCE.aspx

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