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Strong Turnout and Powerful Dialogue Defines DCJ's Visions of Justice Conference

Dover, DE (November 24, 2025) The Delaware Center for Justice (DCJ) hosted its annual *Visions of Justice Conference* on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at Delaware Technical Community College. This year's theme, "Legacy of Change: Reimagining Justice," invited participants to consider what a more equitable and restorative justice system can and should look like.

The Visions of Justice Conference serves as a statewide convening focused on dialogue, collaboration, and collective action. This year's breakout sessions focused on critical issues shaping Delaware and the nation, including youth and gun violence, restorative justice, the reentry and opioid crises, and the process of transforming lived experience into policy reform.

The 2025 conference featured Joanna Champney, Director of the Delaware Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH), and David Garlock, criminal justice reform advocate and author, who shared their perspectives on advancing meaningful and sustainable change.

"Visions of Justice is more than conversation — it's about getting active," said Haneef

Salaam, Policy and Community Engagement Coordinator of the Delaware Center for

Justice. "Each year, we bring people together who believe in second chances and community-based solutions. Together, we're shaping a Delaware where justice means restoration, not punishment."

Through shared learning and collaboration, DCJ's Visions of Justice Conference continues to strengthen momentum toward a justice system grounded in equity, accountability, and healing.

About the Delaware Center for Justice

Founded in 1920, the Delaware Center for Justice (DCJ) is committed to transforming justice through advocacy, direct service, and community engagement. DCJ advances equity and second chances by centering restorative justice and the experiences of those most impacted by the justice system.



