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The Familiar Faces Project

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The Council of State Governments Justice Center

We are a national nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that combines the power of a membership association, serving state officials in all three branches of government, with policy and research expertise to develop strategies that increase public safety and support the strengthening of communities.

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How We Work

- We bring people together
- We drive the criminal justice field forward with original research
- We build momentum for policy change
- We provide expert assistance

Our Goals

- Break the cycle of incarceration
- Advance health, opportunity, and equity
- Use data to improve safety and justice

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Familiar Faces Project-Overview

States Supporting Familiar Faces is a funded project that offers support from The Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center to Tribes, Pueblos, Tribal Nations, and state and county leaders to help support capacity to respond to the needs of individuals who have frequent contact with and high need of multiple human service systems and resources.

Familiar Faces Project-Overview

Through this process, we offer support for adopting state policy changes that build capacity to better serve this population by (1) using data to identify and better serve people with frequent system contact; (2) promoting the use of prearrest diversion; and (3) increasing culturally responsive community-based behavioral health services, comprehensive crisis systems, and housing.

Familiar Faces Project-Overview

This initiative, made possible through support from Arnold Ventures, focuses on community-determined models of care that are person centered, culturally affirming and center the perspectives of community members who have direct involvement within this population.

Familiar Faces Project-Intersection Ideas

- Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Relatives
- Support for capacity building strategies and resources for data collection and analysis coordination (Indigenous methodologies available)
- Support of community determined healing designs for survivors, families and communities

Familiar Faces Project-Intersection Ideas

Behavioral Health

- Support for increasing identification of funding streams to expand culturally centered, community specific behavioral health treatment and *Lasting Care*
- Support for behavioral health needs in relation to MMIWR survivors and families through clinical expertise and capacity building for sustainable strategies, including housing resources for prevention and care

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