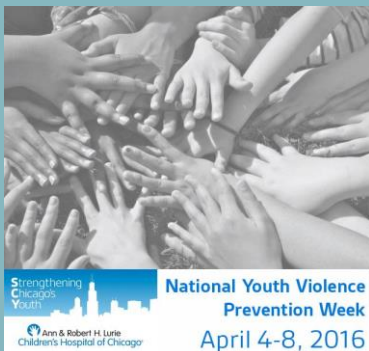




## National Youth Violence Prevention Week (April 4-8)

*Roll Up Your Sleeves*

SCY wants to encourage YOU to roll up your sleeves and help us raise awareness and increase knowledge about the important ways individuals can and do make a difference.



Throughout [National Youth Violence Prevention Week](#), we will be highlighting all the ways Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago employees and volunteers strengthen Chicago's youth, families, and communities through a photo campaign. Get involved by posting your own images or stories of how you strengthen Chicago's youth using the hashtags #violencefreeCHI, #NYVPW, and #RollUpYourSleeves.

### Greetings!

This week Mayor Rahm Emanuel and the [Chicago Department of Public Health](#) announced [Healthy Chicago 2.0](#)--a new 4-year plan to improve health and well-being throughout Chicago communities. SCY and many SCY partners were involved in the planning process and are ready to roll up our sleeves to implement new strategies addressing health disparities and promoting health equity across Chicago. Attend one of the upcoming [town hall meetings](#) to learn more.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Levin, MPH  
Director, Strengthening Chicago's Youth (SCY)  
Strategic Director, Injury Prevention and Research Center  
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

## Transforming Justice

*Mobilizing Incarcerated Mothers and Young Women through Community Action*

The goal of this forum is to mobilize community members and advocates to enact progressive change by raising awareness and by strategizing options for community support and system accountability. Through facilitated conversation, participants will generate policy recommendations surrounding restorative justice practices, sexual abuse and trauma, and community reentry for systems-wide change. This also includes advocacy strategies that can be adopted at the community level.

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Tuesday, April 12, 2016  
8:30am - 2:30pm

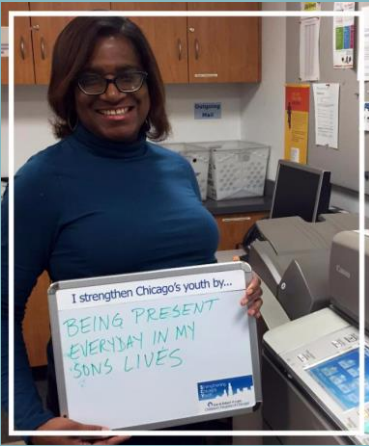
UIC - Student Center East, Illinois Room  
750 South Halsted St., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Community Forum

*Building Community Relationships*

This community forum hosted by the [Richard M. Daley Branch](#) of the Chicago Public Library is intended to build relationships between youth and adults in the community while creating a safe space where they can share struggles, success, and



"I strengthen Chicago's youth by...being present everyday in my sons lives." -Davida, Child Health Research



"Strong Chicago youth are...the future Lurie Children's doctors and nurses." -Leonardo, Surgery



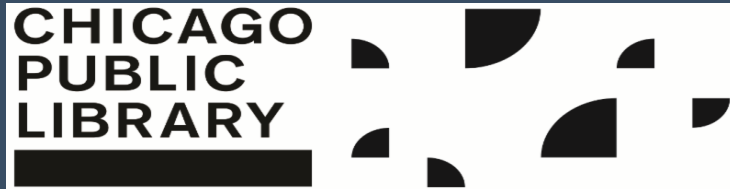
"I strengthen Chicago's youth by...being a role model for my family & families of our community." -Dr. Chin, Surgery

stories. Licensed counselors will lead this group discussion but topics are determined by the people attending the session.

Tuesday, April 12, 2016  
6:00pm - 7:30pm

Richard M. Daley Branch, Chicago Public Library  
733 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



## Generation All Launch Party

*Celebrate and Take Action!*

Join Generation All as the action plan for revitalizing neighborhood public high schools is unveiled! The goal of this action plan is to pave the way to a brighter, more prosperous future for Chicago by ensuring that all students have access to top quality public high schools, no matter their zip code. Come celebrate exciting learning opportunities that already exist in our schools and explore what it will take to build a neighborhood high school system that underlie a city of healthy, thriving communities.

Wednesday, April 13, 2016  
5:00pm - 7:00pm

Ukrainian Cultural Center  
2247 West Chicago Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)



## Upcoming Events & Important Dates

**April 8**

*BUILD 2016 Youth Innovation Conference*

[LEARN MORE](#)

## Whiteness Circles

*A Facilitated Talking Circle about Whiteness*

As a system of domination, whiteness is notoriously slippery. It erases its own tracks and eludes analysis. What is whiteness? How can we conceive of and understand it? How does white privilege operate? What tools and strategies can help us assess

## April 11-15

*Childhood Exposure to Violence  
Prevention Week*

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## April 12

*Transforming Justice: Mobilizing  
Incarcerated Mothers and  
Young Women through  
Community Action*

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## April 12

*What Makes a Community  
Grow? Community Forum*

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## April 12

*Community Forum: Building  
Community Relationships*

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## April 12-14

*Safe States Alliance 2016  
Annual Meeting in Albuquerque,  
New Mexico*

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## April 13

*Generation All Launch Party--  
Celebrate and Take Action!*

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## April 13

*Whiteness Circles--A Facilitated  
Talking Circle about Whiteness*

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## April 14-15

*Professional Development 2-  
Day Workshop: ACT Facilitator  
Training Program For  
Professionals*

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## April 16-17

*Doctor: Is Your Patient At Risk  
for Gun Violence?  
Training for Clinical and Public  
Health Professionals*

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## April 18-21

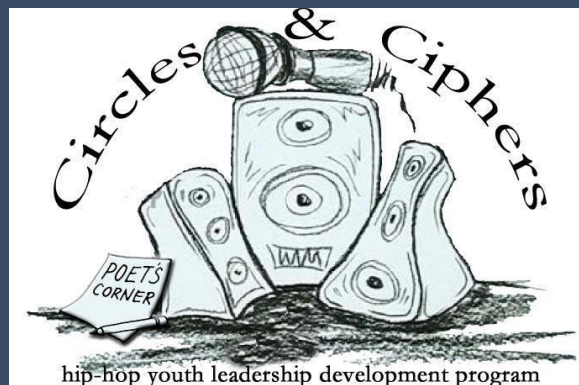
*After School Matters University:  
Finding Your Path Workshop,  
Panel, and Resource Fair*

how effectively our work resists white supremacy and engenders racial justice?

This is a talking circle. It is open to all, but particularly recommended for white adults who work in and with communities of color, and who are interested in examining their role in the movement for racial justice.

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Wednesday, April 13, 2016  
6:00pm - 8:30pm  
Circles & Ciphers Peace Room  
United Church of Rogers Park  
1545 W. Morse Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Professional Development 2-Day Workshop

ACT Facilitator Training Program For Professionals

ACT is an early childhood parenting program directed by the American Psychological Association. Through ACT, parents and primary caregivers of children aged 0-8 years attend groups designed to prevent child maltreatment, build positive, nonviolent parenting skills, and prevent or reduce children's aggression and related behavior problems.

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Thursday and Friday, April 14-15, 2016  
8:00am - 4:30pm  
Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago  
225 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago

Learn more and register [here](#)  
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## April 19

*Keeping Children Safe:  
Preventing, Recognizing,  
Responding To and Reporting  
Sexual Abuse*

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## April 19

*The Power of Empathy  
18th Annual Francine C.  
Rosenberg  
Lecture*

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## April 20

*Search Engine Optimization  
Workshop*

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## April 22

*Youth and Mental Health:  
Understanding, Engaging and  
Destigmatizing*

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## April 26

*La Seguridad de la Familia  
(Family Safety, conducted in  
Spanish)*

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## April 26

*What Makes a Community  
Grow? Community Forum*

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## April 27

**SAVE THE DATE**

*Using ACEs to Shift Policy and  
Practice with Laura Porter*

[LEARN MORE](#)

## April 27 & May 4

**SAVE THE DATE**

*Spokesperson Workshop*

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## April 29 - May 1

*Awaken Chicago: The Power of  
All People. Together*

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## April 29 - May 1

*Schweitzer 20th Anniversary*

# Childhood Exposure to Violence Prevention Week (April 18-22)

*Protecting Every Child, Every Day #StopCEV*

Each year, the Chicago Safe Start (CSS) collaborative hosts Childhood Exposure to Violence (CEV) Prevention Week. CEV Prevention Week focuses attention on the negative impact of CEV with a special focus on infants and very young children. The collaborative encourages parents and caregivers, and the providers that serve them, to expand their knowledge, relationships, and practices to better protect Chicago's children from exposure to violence and trauma.

Check out the [calendar of events](#) to learn more and get involved.



## Keeping Children Safe

*Preventing, Recognizing, Responding To and  
Reporting Sexual Abuse*

As [Chicago Children's Advocacy Center's](#) signature training, "Keeping Children Safe" (formerly "Responding to Abuse") educates professionals, caregivers and community members on child sexual abuse. Through lecture and group discussion, the presentation covers:

- how to define child abuse and child sexual abuse
- signs and symptoms of abuse, including the grooming process
- recognizing and intervening during concerning situations
- reacting to disclosures of sexual abuse
- trauma and its impact
- the mandated reporting process
- Chicago Children's Advocacy Center's role
- how to support children, families and yourself

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Tuesday, April 19, 2016

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Chicago Children's Advocacy Center

1240 S. Damen Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)

Seguridad de Familia | Family Safety  
*conducted in Spanish*

Tuesday, April 26, 2016

9:30am - 11:00am

Chicago Children's Advocacy Center

1240 S. Damen Ave., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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Conference: Improving  
Community Health Together  
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**April 29**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Chicago School Policy Forum  
Breakfast Series: Our Kids--The  
American Dream in Crisis

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**April 30**

**SAVE THE DATE**

The Effects of Incarceration:  
Unpacking Trauma

[LEARN MORE](#)

**May 4**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Youth & Resilience Professional  
Development Training Series

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**May 4**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Trauma Dialogues 3.0:  
Understanding Dissociation:  
Mind, body & Trauma

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**May 4**

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall

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**May 5**

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall

[READ MORE](#)

**May 5**

**SAVE THE DATE**

\$2 A Day: Living on Almost  
Nothing in America  
REGISTRATION TO OPEN  
SOON at [illinoispartners.org](http://illinoispartners.org)

**May 5**

SCY Quarterly Meeting:  
Leveraging Health Systems  
Reform with Innovative  
Collaborations (tentative topic)

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**May 9-10**

**SAVE THE DATE**

2016 Los Angeles Gang  
Violence Prevention &



## The Power of Empathy

18th Annual Francine C. Rosenberg  
Lecture

[Nightviews](#) presents the 18th Annual  
Francine C. Rosenberg  
Lecture with Dr. Bruce Perry, Senior Fellow of  
The Child TraumaAcademy. Dr. Perry will  
discuss cutting-edge scientific studies and  
historical examples to explain how empathy  
develops, why it is essential for our  
development into healthy adults and how it is  
threatened in the modern world.



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Tuesday, April 19

7:30pm - 9:30pm

Francis W. Parker School, Heller Auditorium  
2233 North Clark St., Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Search Engine Optimization

*Workshop to Make the Most of Technology*

Knowing and understanding search engine optimization will set  
your organization up for success. Learn how to bring traffic to  
your website, make your site a top link in a Google search and  
much more in this workshop.

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Wednesday, April 20, 2016

9:00am - 12:00pm

Columbia College Chicago  
33 E. Congress Pkwy Room 422, Chicago

More information and registration [here](#)  
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Intervention Conference  
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## May 11

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall  
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## May 11-12

**SAVE THE DATE**

No Such Thing As a Bad Kid:  
Two-Day Training  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## May 11-14

**SAVE THE DATE**

Journey to Justice: Creating  
Change Through Partnerships --  
14th International Conference  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## May 13-14

Peace Hub's 2016 Impact Youth  
Conference  
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## May 16

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall  
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## May 18

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall  
[READ MORE](#)

## May 19

**SAVE THE DATE**

Chicago School Policy Forum  
Breakfast Series: Energy for  
Change--Young People's Quest  
for Meaning, Identify, and  
Relevance  
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## May 20

**SAVE THE DATE**

2nd Annual ABCD Conference  
(Autism, Behavior, and Complex  
Medical Needs - Downstate)  
[LEARN MORE](#)

## May 25

Healthy Chicago 2.0 Town Hall  
[READ MORE](#)

## May 26

**SAVE THE DATE**

# Schweitzer 20th Anniversary Conference

*Improving Community Health Together*

Featuring presentations from Schweitzer alumni, community providers, and academics, this can't-miss-event is open to all and topics will include:

- Why Uninsured Chicagoans Refuse Obamacare and What You Can Do About It
- Community Engagement and Outreach with Military Veterans and Their Families
- Working with Justice-Involved Populations
- Streetside Manner: Meeting Homeless People Where They Are
- [View the full agenda](#)

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April 29 - May 1, 2016  
Loyola University School of Law  
25 E Pearson St, Chicago

Tickets start at \$50, scholarships available  
More information and registration [here](#)  
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## Healthy Chicago 2.0

*Town Hall Meetings*

[Healthy Chicago 2.0](#) is Chicago's new four-year plan to improve health and well-being throughout Chicago communities. Healthy Chicago 2.0 details a broad spectrum of strategies for ten priority areas, identified through a community health assessment process, and will guide the Chicago Department of Public Health and its partners in addressing health inequities facing some neighborhoods and communities.

Attend an upcoming town hall meeting and learn more.

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Wednesday, May 4, 2016 | 5:00pm  
Center on Halsted  
3656 N. Halsted Street

Thursday, May 5, 2016 | 5:30pm  
Metropolitan Family Services  
235 E. 103rd Street

Wednesday, May 11, 2016 | 5:00pm  
Little Village Lawndale High School  
312- S. Kostner Ave

Monday, May 16, 2016 | 6:00pm  
By the Hand Club  
415 N. Laramie Ave

Wednesday, May 18, 2016 | 5:30pm  
Asian Health Coalition and Chinese American Service League  
2141 S. Tan Court

Wednesday, May 25, 2016 | 6:00pm

Illinois Mentoring Partnership  
Research Symposium 2016  
REGISTRATION LIVE WEEK  
OF APRIL 11 at [ilmentoring.org](http://ilmentoring.org)

## June 30

### SAVE THE DATE

Anti-Defamation League's 2016  
First Amendment Art & Essay  
Contest Deadline

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## July 12-15

### SAVE THE DATE

Integrating Primary and  
Behavioral Health through the  
Lens of Prevention Conference  
(New Orleans)

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## July 25-29

### SAVE THE DATE

Parent-Child Interaction Therapy  
(PCIT) Therapist Training

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## August 11

SCY Quarterly Meeting:  
Community Development as  
Violence Prevention (tentative  
topic)

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## November 16

SCY Quarterly Meeting: SCY's  
Policy Agenda Progress and  
Update for 2017-2018

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SCY's bi-monthly update, email Kelli Day  
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Hamilton Park  
513 W. 72nd Street

## HEALTHY CHICAGO 2.0

PARTNERING TO IMPROVE HEALTH EQUITY

## Youth Justice Leadership Institute

### Join The Movement

The Institute is a robust, year-long fellowship program run by the [National Juvenile Justice Network](#) (NJJN) that focuses on elevating and supporting advocates and organizers who reflect the communities most affected by youth justice system practices and policies. People of color are strongly encouraged to apply.

Learn more and apply [here](#).

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NETWORK

## Follow SCY's Blog!

*And join the discussion on youth violence prevention in Chicago*

SCY's [blog](#) is another avenue to share information, connect stakeholders, and encourage conversations. This platform allows us to take a deeper look at timely topics and relevant resources, highlight partners and evidence-based programs, promote and raise awareness, and reflect on issues of social justice and violence prevention.

We encourage you to use this blog as a space for open dialogue, debate, and brainstorming to realize community-based solutions to youth violence and the various factors playing into it.



## Lead a SCY Training

Share your expertise, experience, knowledge, and lessons learned

Strengthening Chicago's Youth hosts capacity-building trainings on violence prevention in Chicago. Past topics have included mental health, youth programming, data-driven advocacy, media, restorative justice, and trauma-informed care, among others. Trainings frequently involve information sharing, networking, and interactive action planning. If you or your organization are interested in partnering with SCY for a future training, learn more [here](#).

## Funding Opportunities

For assistance developing research projects or connecting with research partners, please contact Rebecca Levin at [rlevin@luriechildrens.org](mailto:rlevin@luriechildrens.org).

Title	Sponsor	Important Dates
College Sexual Assault Policy and Prevention Initiative <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Women's Health	Deadline: April 8, 2016
2016 Community-Police Partnership Awards <a href="#">↗</a>	Metlife Foundation	Deadline: April 17, 2016
Communities Addressing Childhood Trauma (ACT) <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health	Deadline: April 18, 2016
Reentry Demonstration Projects For Young Adults <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Labor, Employment and Training Administration	Deadline: April 19, 2016
Culture of Health Leaders <a href="#">↗</a>	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Deadline: April 19, 2016
Re-Entry Community Linkages (RE-LINK) Program <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health	Deadline: April 21, 2016
Research Dissemination & Implementation Pilot Grants <a href="#">↗</a>	The Center for Community Health (CCH) and the Northwestern University Clinical & Translational Sciences (NUCATS) Institute	Deadline: April 22, 2016



GO Innovate Challenge: Supporting College Matriculation and Graduation or Reengaging Youth in Work and School <a href="#">↗</a>	Chicago Beyond	LOI Deadline: April 29, 2016
Investigator-Initiated Research and Evaluation on Firearms Violence <a href="#">↗</a>	Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs	Deadline: May 13, 2016
Comprehensive Antigung Strategies and Prevention <a href="#">↗</a> <i>Contact <a href="#">Rebecca Levin</a>, if interested in SCY serving as research partner (as recommended in funding announcement)</i>	Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs	Deadline: May 23, 2016

## Job Postings

If you have a position you would like posted here, please send the position title, organization, contact person, brief description and full job description to Kelli Day at [kday@luriechildrens.org](mailto:kday@luriechildrens.org).

Position/Organization	Description
<p>Position: Family Support Specialist</p> <p>Organization: Chicago Survivors</p> <p>Contact: Susan Johnson <a href="mailto:susan@chicagosurvivors.org">susan@chicagosurvivors.org</a></p>	<p>Chicago Survivors is the not-for-profit contracted through the Chicago Department of Public Health to provide crisis intervention services, supportive counseling, case management and social service referrals and court accompaniment for surviving family members after all homicides in Chicago.</p> <p>We are currently seeking applicants for two Family Support Specialist positions. Family Support Specialists provide six months of case management services and supportive counseling to surviving families, generally in their homes. Candidates should possess excellent verbal and written communications skills, a high level of integrity and personal maturity, demonstrated passion for work with survivors, and a background in social work or criminal justice. Preference will be given to bilingual (Spanish/English) candidates, and to those with experience in trauma-informed victims' services.</p> <p><a href="#">Full job description</a></p>
<p>Position: Executive II</p> <p>Agency: State of Illinois, Human Services, Bureau of Youth Intervention Services, Redeploy Illinois Unit</p> <p>Contact: Kelly Kindred 217-557-0347</p>	<p>Under the general direction of the Youth Intervention Services Specialist and the Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board, serves as the Redeploy Illinois statewide program coordinator. Organizes, plans, executes and evaluates the operation of the Redeploy Illinois programs, implements DHS and Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board policy and provides administration support and guidance tot he Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board.</p> <p>Requires knowledge, skill and mental development equivalent to completion of four years college, preferably with course work in criminal/juvenile justice, social services, or public administration. Requires two years of progressively responsible administrative</p>

experience in the field of Criminal/Juvenile systems. Requires working knowledge of juvenile law and the Open Meetings Act. Requires the ability to develop, implement and evaluate performance standards, performance measures and outcomes. Requires the ability to exercise good judgments and discretion in developing, implementing and interpreting departmental policies and procedures.

[Full job description](#)

Position: Kids Count and Digital Communications Specialist

Organization: Voices for Illinois Children

Contact: Emily Miller  
emiller@voices4kids.org.

The Kids Count and Digital Communications Specialist reports to the Director of Policy and Advocacy. The specialist develops digital content and executes digital communications plans related to policy and advocacy, development, and internal communications.

A successful Digital Communications Specialist will work to increase Voices for Illinois Children's communications capacity by increasing our digital footprint.

[Full job description](#)



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