Executive Order 2012-04

Continuance of the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission
(Amends and Supersedes Executive Order 2010-08)

WHEREAS, the children of the State of Arizona are our most valuable resource and our most important responsibility; and

WHEREAS, efforts to keep Arizona children out of crime are important; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 2007-26 and amended by Executive Order 2010-08, the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission was created to help address juvenile crime and child welfare issues within the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State hereby order as follows:

1. The Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission ("Commission") shall continue to serve in an advisory capacity over the duties for which it was established as set forth in the Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended ("JJDPA").
2. The Commission shall:
   a. Assist in the development of the State's Three-Year Plan for the implementation of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention ("JJDP") Formula Grant program.
   b. Serve as the State Advisory Board and assist in the development of the State's Three-Year Plan and associated updates for the implementation of the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant ("JABG") program, per the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act, as amended.
   c. Serve as the State Task Force and assist in the development of the State's Three-Year Plan and associated updates and establish funding priorities for the implementation of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act/Children's Justice Act ("CJA").
   d. Serve as the State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision as required by A.R.S. § 8-368, Art. IX, the Interstate Compact for Juveniles ("Compact"), signed by Arizona in 2003 and effective in 2008. The Commission will direct Arizona's participation in Compact activities, develop state policy concerning operations and procedures of the Compact within Arizona, and perform other duties as assigned under the Compact.
3. The Governor's Office for Children, Youth and Families shall serve as the lead entity for administration of the Commission.
4. The Governor shall appoint the Chair for the Commission.
5. The Commission shall consist of no fewer than 15 members and no more than 33 members, who shall be appointed by and serve without compensation at the pleasure of the Governor. No more than half of members may be full time government employees. To the extent practicable and allowed by law, at least 20 percent of the Commission's members shall be under the age of 24 at the time of appointment. Commission Membership shall include:
   a. One or more locally elected official representing local government, including at least one member of the Arizona Legislature.
   b. Representatives of one or more law enforcement and juvenile justice agencies, such as:
      - Criminal court judges
      - Juvenile and family court judges
      - Probation workers
      - Prosecutors
      - State or local police departments
   c. Representatives of one or more of the following public programs concerned with delinquency prevention, treatment or child welfare:
      - Child advocates
      - Child Protective Services
      - Counsel for children and youth
      - Court appointed special advocates

- Education
- Mental health
- Recreation
- Social services
- Special education
- Welfare
- Youth services

d. Representatives of one or more private nonprofit organizations, concerned with:
   - Delinquency prevention and treatment
   - Education
   - Family preservation
   - Neglected or dependent children
   - Parent groups and parent self-help groups
   - Quality of juvenile justice services
   - Social services for children
   - Victim advocacy
   - Youth development

e. One or more volunteers who work with juvenile justice systems.

f. One or more youth workers involved with programs that are alternatives to confinement, including organized recreation activities.

g. One or more persons with experience and competence in addressing problems related to school violence and vandalism and alternatives to suspension and expulsion.

h. One or more persons with experience and competence in addressing problems related to learning disabilities, emotional difficulties, child abuse and neglect, and youth violence.

i. One or more adult former victims of child abuse and or neglect.

j. One or more persons experienced in working with homeless children and youths.

k. One or more victims' group representatives.

l. The Interstate Compact for Juveniles Administrator.

This Executive Order amends and supersedes Executive Order 2010-08.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Janice K. Brewer
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, Arizona this 2nd day of July in the Year Two Thousand Twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-Sixth.

ATTEST: Ken Bennett
SECRETARY OF STATE