



GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

DELIVERING ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM



Governor Whitmer has worked across the aisle to enact historic criminal justice reform. She will work with anyone to reduce recidivism, expand opportunity, and put more Michiganders on paths to a brighter future.

Reforming criminal justice

- Signed [Clean Slate bills](#) making hundreds of thousands of Michiganders eligible for automatic set aside of criminal records, expanding their opportunities for jobs and housing. Invested millions of dollars to assist returning citizens with expungement.
- Signed [Clean Slate For Kids](#) creating a process to automatically expunge juvenile records for those who don't commit future offenses.
- Signed [Raise the Age](#) ensuring anyone under 18 is treated as a minor in juvenile court and receives rehabilitation services in the juvenile justice system to reduce recidivism.
- Launched the [Task Force on Juvenile Justice Reform](#) to improve the juvenile justice system and invested over \$53 million to implement the task force's recommendations.
- Signed [Juvenile Justice Reform](#) bills investing in diversion and re-entry services to better position Michigan youth for successful adulthoods.
- Signed [bills](#) to expand indigent defense services to youth and improving research sharing practices in juvenile justice cases.
- Signed the [Good Moral Character](#) package expanding opportunities for Michiganders post-conviction or post-judgment.
- Signed a [civil asset forfeiture](#) package increasing property protections for individuals who have not been convicted of a crime.
- [Created Family Treatment Court](#) expanding access to drug treatment options, mental health resources, and support programs to help keep families together.
- Appropriated over [\\$1.4 billion](#) to help local trial courts support effective and fair assistance of counsel for indigent criminal defendants across the state.
- Invested \$57.4 million in [community jail diversion programs](#) to divert individuals with mental illness, substance abuse disorders, and disabilities from the justice system.
- Established a policy that will guarantee critical medical resources and support to Department of Corrections' [pregnant and post-partum prisoners and their newborns](#).
- Launched the [Task Force on Jail and Pretrial Incarceration](#) to expand alternatives to jail and improve the effectiveness of the front end of Michigan's justice system.
- Invested [nearly \\$19 million](#) to reduce the cost of prisoner telephone charges, promoting their successful rehabilitation and reentry in society.

Building relationships between the public and law enforcement

- Over 8 budgets, secured \$69.4 million to fund [community violence intervention programs](#), using evidence-based solutions to tackle the root causes of community violence.
- Made Michigan a leader in police [transparency and accountability](#) with public access to force and traffic stop data and department policies and training requirements.
- Signed a [package of bills](#) to provide behavioral health crisis response grants to local governments and expand community-based mobile crisis intervention services.
- Invested [millions](#) to expand the use of body cameras, provide de-escalation trainings and other professional development and training efforts for law enforcement.