

**State Based Social Media Toolkit**

**Raise the Age: Shifting to a safer and more effective justice system**

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**Wisconsin**

WI considers justice involved 17 yr olds as adults. Without spiking costs, #RaiseTheAgeWI can keep communities safe <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Wisconsin has been taking steps to ready to #RaiseTheAge! Learn how #RaiseTheAgeWI will increase public safety <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Youth confinement continues to drop in Wisconsin, creating the perfect time to #RaiseTheAgeWI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Juvenile Arrests in WI have decreased by 60% and pretrial detention declined. It's time for #RaiseTheAgeWI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Community-based mental health services in WI are 75% cheaper than incarceration, and more effective #RaiseTheAgeWI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

56% decline in daily youth prison populations means WI has the resources for community-based approach #RaiseTheAgeWI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It can cost WI taxpayers up to $120,000 a year to incarcerate one kid. That money can be invested to #RaiseTheAgeWI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

WI has already shown it can serve more youth in the community and keep costs in check. It's time to #RaiseTheAgeWI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

**Texas**

TX considers justice involved 17 yr olds as adults. Without spiking costs, #RaiseTheAgeTX can keep communities safe <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

TX already diverts youth from the justice system into community-based services, paving the way for #RaiseTheAgeTX <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Texas saved $150 million by closing 9 facilities from 2007-2012, freeing up resources for #RaiseTheAgeTX policies <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

TX redeployed over $100 million from facilities to community-based approaches, a great step towards #RaiseTheAgeTX <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

In one county, taxpayers spent $80,000 a week to keep youth separate from adults in prison. #RaiseTheAgeTX <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It costs TX taxpayers up to $159,545 a year to incarcerate one kid: That money can be used to #RaiseTheAgeTX <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

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**North Carolina**

NC is one of only two states that consider justice involved 16 and 17 year olds adults. It must #RaiseTheAgeNC <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

NC JJ experts say diversion is $56K cheaper than detention center beds. #RaiseTheAgeNC to divert youth & cut costs <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

In 2015 the # of youth admitted to NC's detention centers fell by almost half, paving the way for #RaiseTheAgeNC <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

From 2010-2015, the # of youth committed to NC state-run facilities dropped 33%, building capacity to #RaiseTheAgeNC <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

NC's Division of Juvenile Justice saved over $44 million, freeing resources to #RaiseTheAgeNC <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It costs NC taxpayers up to $125,000 a year to incarcerate one kid. Use those dollars for diversion #RaiseTheAgeNC <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

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**New York**

NY is one of only two states that consider justice involved 16 and 17 year olds adults. It must #RaiseTheAgeNY <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

NYC cut probation violations, showing that #RaiseTheAgeNY can happen without overwhelming the JJ system <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

NYS is reducing pretrial detention of youth, freeing resources to #RaiseTheAgeNY <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Without #RaiseTheAgeNY policies, 16 and 17 yr olds in NY State can’t benefit from the strengths of the family court <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

NY has closed or downsized 31 facilities, freeing resources to help #RaiseTheAgeNY <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It can cost NY taxpayers $300,000 a year to incarcerate one kid. Spend that money in the community #RaiseTheAgeNY <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

**Georgia**

GA considers justice involved 17 yr olds as adults. Without spiking costs, #RaiseTheAgeGA can keep communities safe <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

GA has already reduced pretrial detention and made probation approaches better, creating capacity to #RaiseTheAgeGA <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

GA is freeing up $85 million by reducing facilities & investing in community-based approaches to help #RaiseTheAgeGA <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It costs GA taxpayers up to $91,126 a year to incarcerate one kid. Use that money in the community #RaiseTheAgeGA <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

GA has already shown it can serve more youth in the community and keep costs in check. It's time to #RaiseTheAgeGA <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

Georgia has already taken steps to improve juvenile justice. Learn why #RaiseTheAgeGA should be the next step <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

**Michigan**

MI considers justice involved 17 yr olds as adults. Without spiking costs, #RaiseTheAgeMI can keep communities safe <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

With preexisting models to connect youth to community-based services MI counties have the capacity to #RaiseTheAgeMI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

MI counties are addressing young people's mental health needs in the community. #RaiseTheAge should be next <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

MI reduced its reliance on facilities, freeing up resources for community-based ways to #RaiseTheAgeMI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It costs MI taxpayers up to $190K a year to incarcerate one kid. Use that money for better approaches #RaiseTheAgeMI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

MI has already shown it can serve more youth in the community and keep costs in check. It's time to #RaiseTheAgeMI <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

**Missouri**

MO considers justice involved 17 yr olds as adults. Without spiking costs, #RaiseTheAgeMO can keep communities safe <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

MO already began using more effective probation and community-based services, creating capacity to #RaiseTheAgeMO <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

34 counties across MO committed to reducing pretrial detention, freeing up resources for #RaiseTheAgeMO policies <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

By closing 6 facilities & redeploying $ into community-based approaches, MO can #RaiseTheAgeMO without spiking costs <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

It costs MO taxpayers up to $$83,902 a year to incarcerate one kid. Spend that money in the community #RaiseTheAgeMO <http://bit.ly/2n8yZKX>

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