



STATE OF THE COALITION

AWARENESS + ACTION = IMPACT

IMPACT

POLICY WIN!

The Coalition supported Utah’s Reentry & Reintegration Amendments ([House Bill 167](#)), which improve **justice-system supports** and **second chance policies** and practices for more than 800,000 justice-impacted Utahns. Gov. Cox signed the bill into law on March 24.

AWARENESS

COMMUNITY SAFETY

Chicago Community Safety Huddle

On June 4, the Chicago Sports Alliance (Bulls, Bears, White Sox, Cubs, and Blackhawks), with the support of the Coalition, hosted a “**Community Safety Huddle**” on innovative solutions to safety and for the 8th year awarding grants to local organizations working to address gun violence in Chicago. This year’s grantees, [Chicago CRED](#), [Metropolitan Family Services’ Peace Initiative](#) (MPI), and the University of Chicago Medical Center’s [Violence Recovery Program](#), received a total of **\$1.5 million** to support their community violence intervention efforts.



The Bulls’ **Adrienne Scherenzel**, President of Vice President, Community Engagement/Executive Director, Chicago Bulls Charities, tipped off the program with remarks, followed by a discussion between FOX32 anchor **Brian Jackson** and Metropolitan Peace Academy Training Manager **Micheal Davis**, and a panel featuring MPI Executive Director **Vaughn Bryant**, UChicago’s Lead Violence Response Specialist **Dwayne Johnson**, and Chicago CRED Founder **Arne Duncan**. Read more from the [Bulls](#).



Community Safety Impact Plays

During Gun Violence Awareness Month, the Coalition developed customized **Community Safety Impact Plays** for each team to support awareness. Each Impact Play included market-specific facts on the impact of gun violence, social media message guidance, and opportunities for engagement throughout the month of June and beyond.

"GIVE & GO" POLICY LEARNING SERIES

Second Chances

On March 31, the Coalition launched its "Give & Go" Policy Learning Series, a signature education initiative to build greater awareness within the NBA community about the Coalition's policy issues. Hosted at NBA HQ, the event focused on Second Chances and attracted 120 attendees (in-person + livestream), and featured experts **Alencia Johnson** (1063 West Broad), **Nan Gibson** (JPMorgan Chase Policy Center), **Ken Oliver** (The Just Trust), and **Priya Sarathy Jones** (Fines & Fees Justice Center). Watch the recap [HERE](#).



Policing Reform

On May 6, we held the second "Give & Go" at NBPA HQ focused on policing reform, drawing 160 attendees (in-person + livestream). Speakers included SJC Board Member and NBPA Executive Director **Andre Iguodala**, **Ronald Davis** (21CP Solutions), **Max Markham** (NYU Policing Project), and Moderator **Alencia Johnson** (1063 West Broad). Check out the recap video [HERE](#).



Pelicans' Second Chance Summit



On June 9, the Coalition and the New Orleans Pelicans (NOP) hosted the **Beyond the Record: Second Chances Summit** to promote opportunity, economic mobility, and restorative justice in Louisiana. The event included remarks from NOP Governor **Mrs. Gayle Benson**, NOP Executive Vice President of Basketball Operations **Joe Dumars**, and U.S. Representative **Troy Carter**, followed by panels featuring NOP Guard and NBPA President **CJ McCollum**, Louisiana State Senator **Royce Duplessis**, justice-impacted individuals, and community leaders on the importance of second chances. Attendees accessed community resources and an expungement clinic, with **over 480 participants** joining the summit. Read more at [NBA.com](https://www.nba.com)



BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

2024-2025 NBA Social Justice Champion

Coalition Board Member **Jrue Holiday** (Celtics/Trailblazers) was named the **2024-2025 NBA Social Justice Champion** and received the **Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Trophy** for his efforts to drive economic empowerment through philanthropy and creative capital development. In recognition of the award, the Jrue and Lauren Social Impact Fund received a \$100,000 donation. Holiday was also awarded the **2024-25 NBA Sportsmanship Award**, becoming only the fifth player in the league to win more than once. Read more in [NBA.com](https://www.nba.com), [ESPN](https://www.espn.com), and [Sports Illustrated](https://www.sportsillustrated.com).



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CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Economic Case for Clean Slate Policy

[R Street](#)

COMMUNITY SAFETY

How States Can Lead on Community Safety: Five Recommendations for Prevention and Reducing Violence

[Brookings Institution](#)

POLICING REFORM

Beyond Jails: Community-Based Strategies for Public Safety

[Vera Institute](#)

VOTING RIGHTS

The Lasting Effects of Voter Suppression

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