

**CISA SUBCOMMITTEE -
FEBRUARY 2026**

**NEEDS ASSESSMENT
INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**

SECTION A1: ESTABLISHING A NETWORK OF PRACTICE AND STRENGTHENING RELATIONSHIPS


What We Are Hoping to Capture

- Network of Practice
- Level of awareness of other Title II grantees in California
- Perceived value of collaboration and peer connection
- Barriers or reservations related to grantee collaboration
- Preferred types of engagement and networking opportunities
- Priority areas where collaboration would be most useful
- (These areas will guide the following interview questions)



SECTION A2: ESTABLISHING A NETWORK OF PRACTICE AND STRENGTHENING RELATIONSHIPS

Interview Questions

- Are you familiar with other Title II grantees in California?
 - As a Subcommittee, we are interested in creating opportunities for engagement among grantees to foster collaboration, build trust, and share lessons learned. Do you think it would be helpful to collaborate with or be connected to other Title II grantees in California?
 - If not, can you share why this would not be helpful for your organization?
 - Are there other types of support or resources that would be more valuable to you?
 - If yes, what types of engagement opportunities would you be most interested in participating in?
 - For example, would you be interested in strengthening referral networks, addressing service gaps, learning and sharing best practices, or discussing common challenges and strategies for overcoming them?
 - Are there particular areas where networking would be most useful, such as program practices, funding, or shared resources?
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SECTION B1: ASSESSMENT OF DATA CAPACITY AND USE

What We Are Hoping to Capture

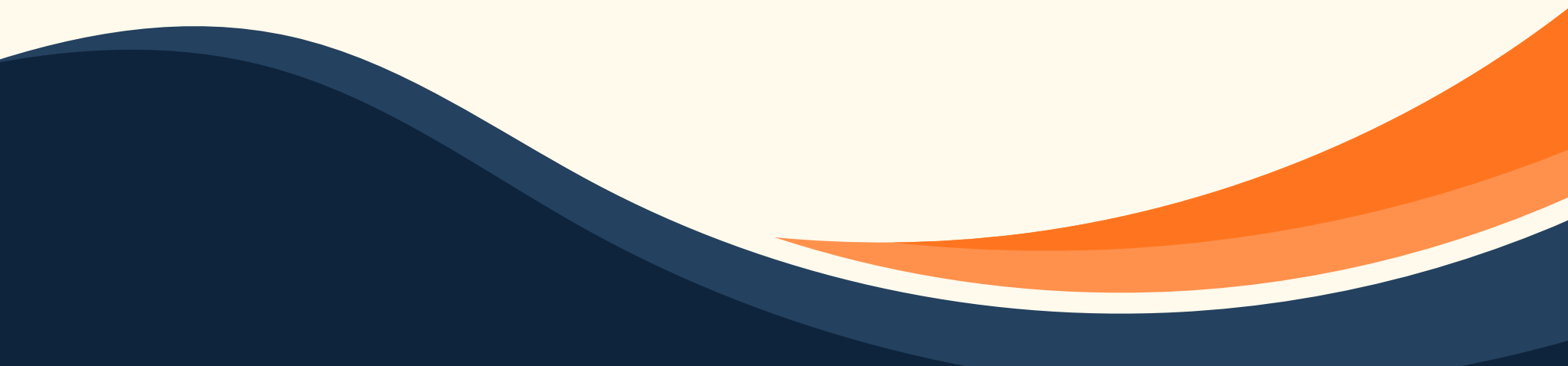
- Types of data currently collected by grantees
- How data is used for operations, reporting, and planning
- Integration of youth and family input into data and evaluation
- Definitions of success and outcome measurement practices
- Challenges and strengths related to data capacity



SECTION B2:

ASSESSMENT OF DATA CAPACITY AND USE

Interview Questions

- Can you tell us a bit about the kinds of data or information your organization currently collects as part of your work?
 - What does that look like in practice? How do you typically use this data?
 - For example, does it inform program design, day-to-day decision making, reporting requirements, or longer-term planning?
 - In what ways, if any, do you incorporate input or feedback from youth and families into your data collection or evaluation processes?
 - What has worked well, and what has been challenging?
 - When you think about outcomes, what does your organization track or define as success?
 - Are there specific outcomes you look at for youth, families, or systems, and how do you assess whether you're making progress?
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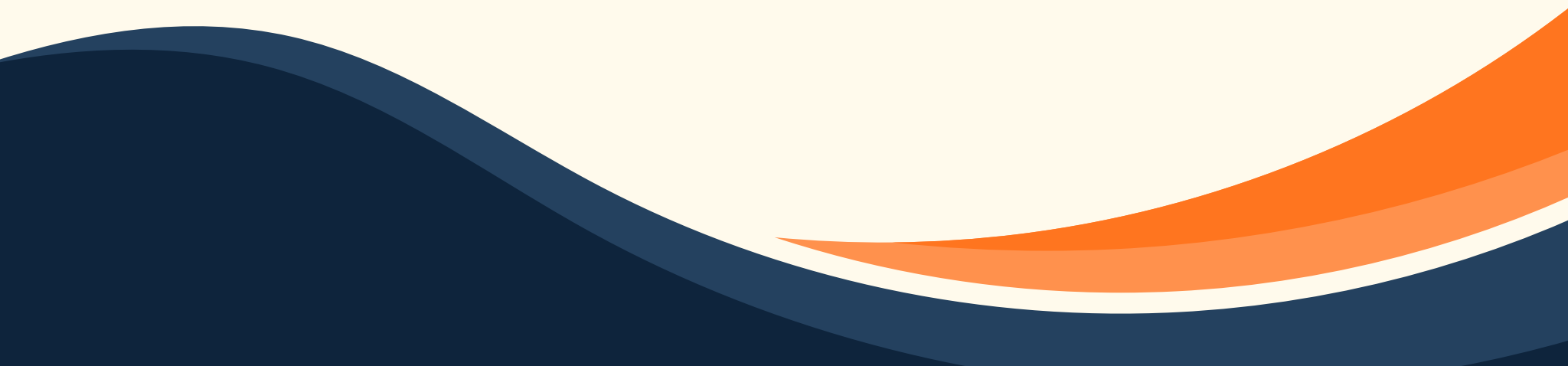
SECTION C1: FAMILIARITY WITH STATE COMMITTEES AND LOCAL COMMISSIONS

What We Are Hoping to Capture

- Awareness of local Juvenile Justice Commissions and their role
- Experience engaging with local commissions
- Awareness of state level committees and subcommittees
- Experience or interaction with state level bodies
- Desired technical assistance from local and state entities

SECTION C2: FAMILIARITY WITH STATE COMMITTEES AND LOCAL COMMISSIONS

Interview Questions

- How familiar are you with the local Juvenile Justice Commission?
 - Have you had any experience with them? Know what their role is? Or know anyone serving on the Commission?
 - How familiar are you with state level committees, such as the SACJJDP and its subcommittees?
 - Have you had any interaction with them, or are you aware of their role?
 - Thinking about technical assistance or support, what kinds of help would be most useful to you from local juvenile justice commissions?
 - Similarly, what types of technical assistance, resources, or engagement would you like to see from state level committees like the SACJJDP and its subcommittees?
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SECTION D1: GENERAL FEEDBACK AND FUNDING NEEDS

What We Are Hoping to Capture

- Primary organizational needs
- Barriers impacting effectiveness
- Opportunities for improved state support
- High-impact changes that would most benefit grantees
- Interest in funding diversification and sustainability

SECTION D2: GENERAL FEEDBACK AND FUNDING NEEDS

Interview Questions

- Overall, what would you say is your organization's greatest current need?
 - What barriers are you facing that make your work more difficult?
 - Finally, from your perspective, how could the State best support your work with youth and families impacted by or served by the juvenile justice system?
 - What would make the biggest difference right now?
 - Would it be helpful to learn more about a wider range of funding mechanisms or strategies for diversifying funding?
 - If so, what kinds of funding information or support would be most useful to you?
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