



WHAT WE DO: *BreakOUT!* builds the power of LGBTQ youth most impacted by the criminal and juvenile justice system to fight for justice and affect concrete policy change regarding the criminalization of LGBTQ youth in New Orleans, LA.

WHAT WE'VE DONE:

- Published a report, ***Locked Up and Out: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Youth in Louisiana's Juvenile Justice System.***
- Conducted "Know Your Rights with the NOPD" trainings with LGBTQ youth and the Independent Police Monitor.
- Provided recommendations to the Department of Justice and the New Orleans Police Department on improving relations with LGBTQ youth.
- Trained hundreds of juvenile justice stakeholders in Louisiana (lawyers, probation officers, judges, police officers, and detention centers) on LGBTQ youth in the juvenile justice system.
- Implemented HIV testing and STD screening with the Department of Health in juvenile detention centers in Louisiana.
- Provided legal representation for transgender youth and youth living with HIV who experienced horrific abuses in juvenile prisons in Louisiana.
- Amplified the voices of formerly-incarcerated LGBTQ youth through PBS special *Juvenile Injustice* and articles in *The Nation*, *Mother Jones*, *GritTV*, and online publications.

WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON NOW:

- Conducting **leadership development, political education workshops,** and **organizing trainings** for LGBTQ youth to engage in local debates regarding the NOPD, Orleans Parish Prison, and other criminal justice reform efforts in New Orleans.
- Strengthening the rights of LGBTQ youth in juvenile courts and juvenile detention centers across Louisiana through the implementation of state standards.
- ***And more!***



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