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**CHARLESTON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL  
SEEKING COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES**

NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C., Oct, 25, 2016 – The Charleston County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), a body of justice system leaders that works to coordinate systemic responses to improve the local criminal justice system, is seeking a group of diverse community representatives to join its team. The CJCC’s mission is to assist in making sustainable, data-driven improvements to Charleston County’s criminal justice system and thereby improve public safety and community well-being.

The CJCC is asking for community members to submit an application. The deadline to apply is **Dec. 2, 2016**. Per its bylaws, the CJCC is looking for representation from:

- local civil rights community
- local faith community
- local Hispanic community
- local nonprofit community
- local healthcare community
- local business community
- local defense bar
- local graduate program community in related fields of study
- local community at-large
- One designated liaison from any other entity deemed appropriate by the Executive Committee.

Applicants from various geographic areas within the Charleston County and diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Community representatives will represent the diverse needs and concerns of Charleston County residents, gather and share community input, and provide voice and feedback from the community into the CJCC decision making process.

For more information and to apply, visit our website at [cjcc.charlestoncounty.org](http://cjcc.charlestoncounty.org) and click on the banner on the home page.

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**About the CJCC**



*The CJCC, a collaboration of elected and senior officials within the local justice system and various community leaders, has developed a transformation plan in order to safely drive down the jail population, address racial and ethnic disproportionality and/or disparity, and continually improve the local justice system. Charleston County is one of 11 jurisdictions in the country chosen to receive significant funding from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation to implement these reforms. The Safety and Justice Challenge grant provided the CJCC \$2.25 million and expert technical assistance.*

*More information about the CJCC can be found at [cjcc.charlestoncounty.org](http://cjcc.charlestoncounty.org).*