

WE CAN BUILD A MORE EFFECTIVE JUVENILE LEGAL SYSTEM

Eliminating failed juvenile legal financial obligations (LFOs) will:

reduce costly collections, **remove** discriminatory policy, and **improve** rehabilitative support for young people and victims.



WASHINGTON IS PAVING THE WAY FOR DEBT FREE YOUTH JUSTICE

2015: The YEAR Act eliminated most non-restitution fees and interest in juvenile court.

2022: SB 2050 automatically waived detention debt ("parent pay")

\$43M
OUTSTANDING JUVENILE DEBT



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FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE CHARGED IN JUVENILE COURT, 2023 LEGISLATION BEING PROPOSED BY THE DFYJWA COALITION WILL:

- End individual charges of restitution for juveniles and create a community victim compensation fund
- Eliminate DNA Fee, Victim Penalty Assessment (VPA), and remaining discretionary fees
- Discharge all outstanding debt (*includes at least \$43M in existing debt, not including restitution*)

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