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Dear Friend,

This year has been truly transformative for CJCJ; below are just a few of the highlights. We have a new logo, new website, two new direct service programs, a new Director of Women's Services, and award winning staff. We co-sponsored juvenile justice legislation in the state capitol, and produced 12 data-driven policy publications. Our technical assistance teams have assisted over 10 California counties develop best practice approaches to justice administration.

We have also experienced sorrow; a beloved team member, Melvin Neutall, passed away in March, and we closed our longstanding Supportive Living Program in October.

Our challenges and achievements have resulted in a stronger agency. We are committed to providing quality services to our most vulnerable populations and fighting for safe and balanced justice reform.

On behalf of everyone at CJCJ, thank you. This year would not have been possible without your dedicated support and interest in our work. We rely on you to help us meet the needs of our families in the community and to keep the most up-to-date information at the fingertips of our state policymakers.

[You can help us make 2014 memorable by contributing a tax-deductible end of year donation this holiday season!](#) Your contribution will support our unique combination of direct services, technical assistance, and policy analysis to reduce society's reliance on incarceration as a solution to social problems.

Have a safe and happy holiday season!

Daniel Macallair
Executive Director

Expanding our services to youth in detention

We welcomed the Youth Justice Mentoring Program into the CJCJ family this year!

This year CJCJ inherited the [Youth Justice Mentoring Program](#) from the former-Youth Justice Institute (YJI). Our mentoring program stabilizes youth in crisis by providing positive adult relationships and promoting personal growth and development. We work with detained youth in San Francisco's Youth Guidance Center and support them as they transition into the community.



There are many ways to support our mentoring program! [Volunteer](#) as a youth mentor, [donate](#) to the mentoring program, or buy a [holiday gift](#) for a youth this winter!

CJCJ women awarded for their commitment to sisterhood, self-determination, social justice, and spirituality

Board member Patti Lee and Senior Mentoring Coordinator Karen Moore received the Cheyenne Bell Award on its 20th anniversary

CJCJ was thrilled this year, when the Center for Young Women's Development (CYWD) honored Patti and Karen for their outstanding contributions to the field. The Cheyenne Bell Award recognizes women who demonstrate leadership in the community.

Karen Moore (pictured above, left) is the senior coordinator for our mentoring program. She came to us from YJI and we could not be more thankful!

Patti Lee (pictured right, right) is an outspoken public defender who has dedicated three decades of service to advocating for youth in the juvenile justice system. Her leadership on CJCJ's Board of Directors contributes to our ongoing success.



Congratulations to Karen and Patti! If you would like to show your appreciation for

our staff and contribute to their future success, [please consider donating](#) today.

Danielle Evans revitalizes Cameo House as our first Director of Women's Services

Cameo families receive gender-responsive therapeutic services and strengthen our community



Meet Danielle Evans, a licensed clinical social worker, veteran expert in [providing wraparound services to crossover youth](#), a formidable advocate of gender equality, and our new Director of Women's Services!

Danielle brought her therapeutic lens to Cameo House this year, developing a program model that responds to women's challenges and strengths in a manner that reflects dignity, safety, and respect, as [featured in the Bay Guardian](#)!

Keep up with Danielle's extraordinary work at Cameo House by tuning in to [Soul Priorities](#) on January 7, 2014 at 10:30 am.

As for this year, Danielle and our Cameo families are preparing for the holiday season by decorating the house and participating in the [Family Giving Tree](#), a nonprofit that provides practical gifts to children in need. Follow our #BeMyElf activities on [Twitter](#)!

You can make a difference in the lives of our Cameo House families. Whether it is providing a safe environment for them to live in, helping our mothers get back on their feet, or nurturing the Cameo children, we need your support. [Please donate to CJCJ today.](#)

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