Community-led justice reinvestment



Service sector works towards community goals

Services test and try initiatives and processes to deliver better outcomes. Community-led strategy is embedded in service delivery contracts.

Shift in investment

Services shift resources to better deliver outcomes in health. education, housing etc.



Community as experts

A community-led strategy identifies goals, outcomes, targets and ways of working.

Shift in investment

Funding of community teams and leadership.



Government supports community-led strategy

Government facilitates collaboration, removes blockages and drives systems change to support community-led strategy.

Shift in investment

Government, staff and resources directed to support the collaboration.



Increased accountability for outcomes

A cross-sector government group holds accountability for delivery of outcomes. Community team engages community and ensures ownership.

Shift in investment

Funding of monitoring, evaluation and learning including government accountability framework. Resources shift where necessary.



Shift in resources and decision-making

Better outcomes create savings. More communities are supported to work this way and government implements state-level reforms. Resources are shifted out of prisons and into early intervention and crime prevention in communities.

Local communities are provided with flexible long-term funding and make decisions about how funding is allocated.



Mechanisms for reinvestment: some early thinking

Core operational funding for community team (eg backbone team)
& leadership structure

Outcomes-based funding:
outcomes determined by Community in partnership w/
Government including population level outcomes and process outcomes e.g Closing the Gap priority reforms - pooled funding

Statewide legislative and policy reform and resulting outcomes and savings

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