Stockton to Host Data Session on Crime,

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are in Asbury Park, Camden, Newark, Trenton and Vineland.

Stockton has partnered with the Cornwall Center at Rutgers University-Newark and the state Attorney General's Office to help coordinate the MPB. Stockton is convening community groups, police, courts and corrections officials, and members of religious organizations – anyone who has a stake in improving services for youths and reducing violence.

The cross-communication that results is expected to increase coordination and development of resources, improve practices and programs, and decrease risk for youth.

"It's a holistic way to approach crime, disorder and youth problems in the community," Dr. Levy said. "Having all of the agencies at the table allows us to avoid duplication and figure out what services are available," she said. "It also gives government and community partners another way to connect."

Dr. Levy said the board is seeking new members and urged anyone interested to attend and find out more about what's involved. Information on what an MPB is and its goals will be presented by Alex Marino, Stockton's director of operations for the Carnegie Center and assistant to the provost.

The Data Walk will be held from 9-11 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, in Room 211 of Stockton's Carnegie Center, 35 S. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Atlantic City. Free parking is available at the lot on Kentucky and Pacific avenues.

To register, please contact Brandy Pavia at 609-347-2167.

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