**Alternatives to Detention Planning Committee**

**March 2022 Update**

The alternatives to detention working group met in person for a full-day meeting to work through the development of key policies around identifying and utilizing alternatives to detention. As part of these conversations, the working group began finalizing proposed changes to the detention screening tool, created a new process to complete the tool in partnership with the courts (to ensure accurate history information in the completion of the tool), talked through the development of a new kinship care guideline, and developed a decision flow chart that will support alternatives to detention decision-making and ensure that youth are appropriately placed. In addition to the development of the policies themselves, the working group is shifting to building the guiding guidelines and protocols that will support the implementation of new policies.