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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURT PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

The Delaware Justice of the Peace Court (<http://courts.delaware.gov/JPCourt/>) will hold a public informational meeting to discuss its proposed Community Justice Center in northeast Wilmington. The Justice of the Peace Court is planning to house a court in Wilmington that will provide a different approach to certain criminal offenses. Two of the Center's major goals are to resolve cases in non-traditional ways that help to increase the community's confidence in the criminal justice system and to reduce "quality of life" offenses. A community court is a neighborhood-focused, problem solving court that attempts to utilize the power of the justice system to address local problems by creating new relationships, both within the justice system and with outside stakeholders such as residents, merchants, churches and schools. The proposed community court will strive to connect individuals with outside resource groups that can provide assistance to them in an effort to address the root causes of criminal activity.

There will be representatives from the Justice of the Peace Court as well as the National Center for Court Innovation ([www.courtinnovation.org](http://www.courtinnovation.org)) at the meeting to discuss the Community Justice Center concept and answer questions. Please join us at the State of Delaware Service Center located at 1624 Jessup Street in Wilmington on Wednesday, June 19, 2013, at 7 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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