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# Katal Connecticut Update

Katal Center for Equity, Health, and Justice



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## Join us for the next CT Statewide Criminal Justice Reform Call



Our statewide calls are back next month! Join us for the next [CT Statewide Criminal Justice Reform Call](https://katalcenter.org/connecticut) is on **Thursday, September 2** from **11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**.

The goals of the CT Statewide Criminal Justice Reform Call are to:

- **Highlight** issues, campaigns, and projects that groups are working on to advance statewide reform;
- **Identify** ways to align, coordinate, and support each other in the work to end mass incarceration in Connecticut;
- **Strengthen** community organizing and advocacy organizations to build movement in Connecticut.

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In September, we'll get an update about the latest developments in state government and discuss what we can expect this fall in advance of the upcoming short session. We will also hear updates from organizers and advocates working to advance criminal justice reform in Connecticut. [RSVP here!](#)

If you have any questions about the statewide call or would like to present on an upcoming call, please contact Kenya at [kenyatta@katalcenter.org](mailto:kenyatta@katalcenter.org).

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## **We're hiring! CT Apprentice Community Organizer**



We're hiring for an apprentice community organizer in Connecticut through our flagship training program *BLOC: Building Leadership and Organizing Capacity*. [Click here to apply for the Connecticut Apprentice Community Organizer Position!](#)

Through our BLOC programs individuals learn:

- community organizing and harm reduction tools and strategies, and how to use them for systemic change;
- how to build relationships that will increase participation in groups, coalitions, and campaigns; and

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- how to orient organizing and advocacy work toward undoing systemic racism and building movement.

We at Katal want to see more community organizing and more people using community organizing tools. Katal's BLOC Apprenticeship creates entry-level opportunities for people looking to choose or change to a career as a community organizer. The Apprentice Community Organizer program is designed for people who want to learn the science and art of community organizing, and often have little to no community organizing experience.

The Apprenticeship is designed particularly for developing new organizers who are people of color—especially Black women—as well as young people and those impacted by systemic racism, the war on drugs, mass incarceration, and the consequences of a broken public safety net. [Click here to learn more about the Apprentice Organizing Program.](#)

Please share this posting in your networks or with anyone you think may be interested. [Details about the position, including salary range and how to apply, are here!](#)

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## Sign up for the Katal New York Update

We announced in March that, after nearly 5 years, we're ending the Katal Weekly Update, and moving to two separate email updates -- one for Connecticut, another for New York. If you'd also like to keep up what we're doing in New York, [click here to sign up for the Katal New York Update!](#)

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*Be safe as possible out there, and get vaccinated as soon as you can. If you want to get involved, learn more about our work, or just connect, please don't hesitate to reach out.*

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