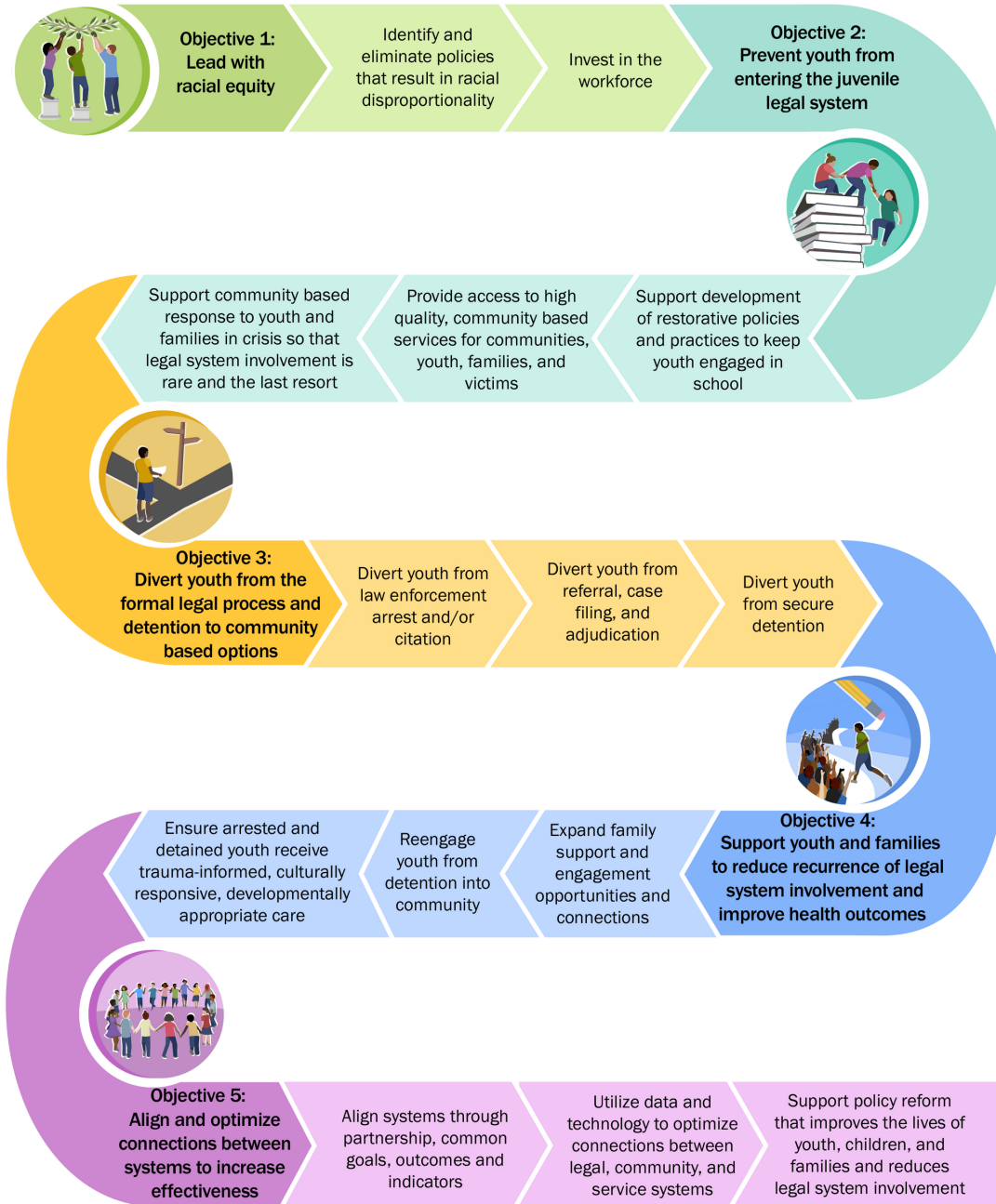


A call to action to take immediate steps to lead with racial justice to not only further reduce the use of secure detention for youth in King County, but to launch this county on the journey to eliminate it.

The road map



THE FACTS

King County has reduced the number of youth in detention by 36% since 2013.

Despite reductions in youth detention, racial disparities have increased. Youth of color and youth who are Native are 5 times more likely to be detained than white youth in King County.

There is little relationship between youth incarceration and overall youth crime in the community.

Restorative justice has been shown to reduce recidivism and produce greater satisfaction for most victims of crime.

By a margin of 7 to 1, victims prefer increased investments in crime prevention and programs for at-risk youth over more investments in prisons.

All youth have a better chance at a positive adulthood when they don't interact with the juvenile legal system.

Learn more

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