YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Somerset County Office of Youth Services and Somerset County Sheriff's Office

# Juvenile Gang

### **WORKSHOP**

Increasing juvenile gang activity is an issue both nation and state-wide. Social, economic, and cultural forces push adolescents, ages 8 to 18, in the direction of gangs. Adolescents feeling marginalized or seeking social relationships that give them a sense of identity are more likely to engage in possible gang-related activity. This workshop will provide an overview of current trends and behaviors helping youth-serving organizations mitigate potential involvement with gangs.

#### **INFO ABOUT PRESENTER**

A panel of highly experienced law enforcement professionals from across New Jersey, sponsored by **Sheriff Darrin J. Russo** and the Somerset County Sheriff's Office, will present during the workshop.

#### WORKSHOP OBJECTIVES

- Understand reasons for increased juvenile gang activity state-wide
- The influence of social media, street art versus gang messaging, threats made in schools
- Learn how to observe and report potential gang activity in juveniles

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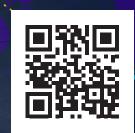
### **THURSDAY**

JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

**10AM—12PM** (2 HOURS)

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