

Localizing national stories with data and tips

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from The Center for Investigative Reporting

A bit about Reveal:

- From The Center for Investigative Reporting
- Weekly public radio show and podcast
 - On roughly 500 radio stations each week through PRX
- Produce a variety of multi-platform work
 - Text investigations
 - Audio
 - Video

But first ... some gripes

- 1 Investigative reporting is exclusionary
- 2 We're too protective of our work

Thus: Reporting Networks!

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Rehab Reporting Network



Welcome to Reveal's Rehab Reporting Network

Local impacts:

ALL WORK. NO PAY.

Drug rehab faces investigations into labor practices and Medicaid fraud

A Reveal exposé found that the drug rehab has sent thousands of patients to work without pay at hundreds of for-profit companies over the years.

May 16, 2019



ALL WORK. NO PAY.

Drug rehab patients demand back wages after being sent to work for free

Recovery Connections Community in North Carolina is one of many drug rehabs nationwide that put their clients to work in private businesses, and keep their wages.

Sep 28, 2018



ALL WORK. NO PAY.

Arkansas' Senate leader cancels his company's contract with work camp

The move comes following a Reveal investigation into unpaid labor from drug rehab program participants.

Oct 31, 2017



ALL WORK. NO PAY.

Top Arkansas politician uses labor from rehab work camp

Jim Hendren's use of a work camp program shows how beneficiaries of unpaid labor stretch from top companies to high levels of state political power.

Oct 31, 2017



But the problem was ...

A flood of tips

- Each time a new story came out, Amy Julia and Shoshana would get tips about *other* work-based rehabs, in other states.
- We're a national newsroom, so we couldn't chase down every single tip that came in.
- So we built tools for sharing the tips out:
 - The tips themselves
 - A reporting guide with interviewing/sourcing advice
 - A Slack channel to help you along the way

Local journalists stepped in

Working for sobriety: Recovery program took some clients' disability pay

By BRIANNA BAILEY, JOE WERTZ | DECEMBER 13, 2018



Oklahoma City government uses an unlicensed work recovery program as a source of cheap labor. Some former clients say the program was more focused on keeping their wages instead of helping them with sobriety.

At These Rehabs, Patients Work To Pay For Care

By ALEX OLGIN • JUN 3, 2019

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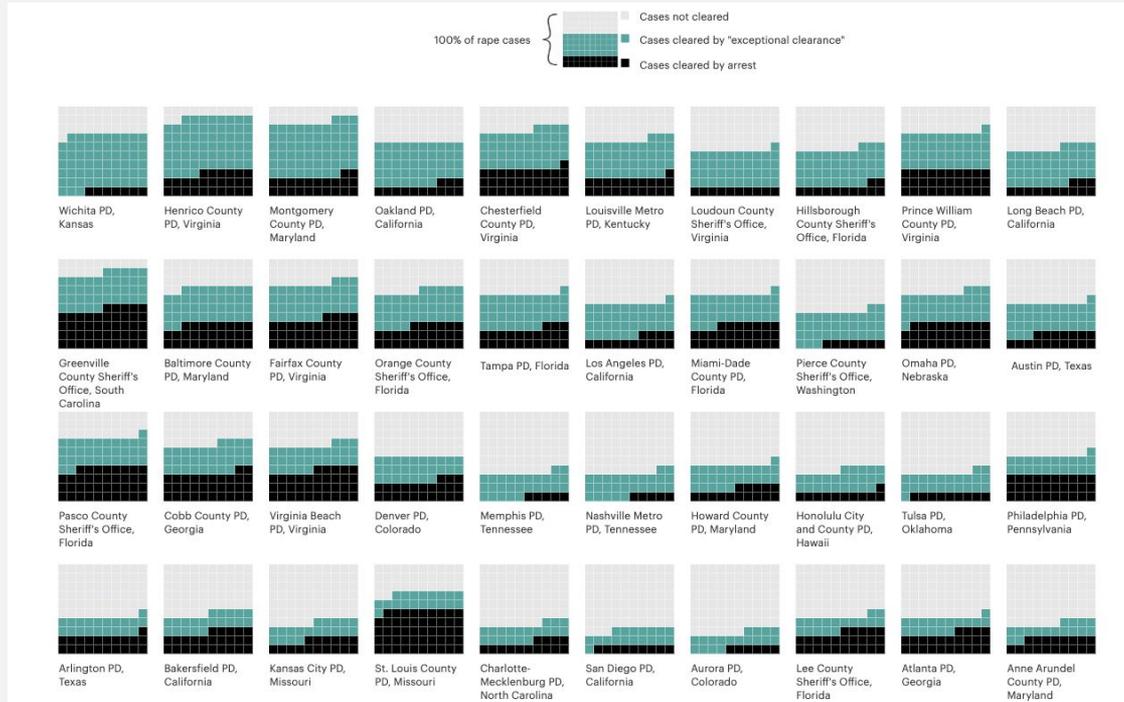


'Case Cleared' Reporting Network



Welcome to Reveal's Case Cleared
Reporting Network

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Local stories from the network:

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Case cleared? In rape cases in Baltimore County and elsewhere it often doesn't mean an arrest

By **Catherine Rentz** • Contact Reporter
The Baltimore Sun



Opinion

Why are arrest rates for rape in Washington state so underwhelming?

Originally published February 8, 2019 at 12:50 pm



The Seattle Times

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Louisville Police Close More Than Half Of Rape Cases Without Arresting Anyone

By ELEANOR KLIBANOFF and JACOB RYAN
December 10, 2018

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Impact in Austin:

A lot changed in response to our investigation:

- **In December:** The state announced it would investigate the Austin PD's handling of rape cases.
- **In January:** An audit found the department improperly cleared rapes.
- **Later in January:** The police department ordered a deeper audit – on *itself* – into how rape cases were being handled.
- **In May:** The Texas House of Reps voted 146-0 to allot money to reform how rapes are tracked and investigated in the state.

Finally: School concussions



Welcome to Reveal's School
Concussions Reporting Network

Coming soon ...

We'll be adding two new reporting networks in the coming weeks.

1. Exploitation and wage theft of in-home caregivers
2. Police and their use of Facebook

How do I get started?

Simple!

1. Head over to revealnews.org/network.
2. Sign up using the pop-up form or the embedded form.
3. You'll get a series of automated emails from me.
4. You'll also have the opportunity to join our Slack channel.

Final housekeeping

Partnership requirements (more on these after signup)

1. You're responsible for the work you produce.
2. Follow SPJ's code of ethics.
3. Tell tipsters you heard from us.
4. Help us keep the tip cycle going.
5. Please credit Reveal.
6. Stay in touch! We want to help get the word out – and potentially partner.

Any questions?

