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Stacey Violante Cote, JD, MSW, is Director of Operations and the Director of the Teen Legal Advocacy Project at the [Center for Children's Advocacy](http://cca-ct.org), a nonprofit law firm that provides legal representation and advocacy for the poorest, most at-risk children and youth in Connecticut.

Stacey's work focuses on advocating for youth who are experiencing homelessness or at risk for homelessness. She supervises CCA attorneys, case managers and paralegals who work with youth throughout the state, and oversees two of CCA's innovative outreach methods: the Center's [Mobile Legal Office](#), and CCA's Teen Legal Action Clinics at Bridgeport's Harding High School and at Norwalk High School. Stacey and her team work to remove barriers that prevent youth from completing school, and address civil legal issues that are obstacles to long term independence and success.

Stacey also chairs the Youth and Young Adult Homelessness Workgroup of Connecticut's Reaching Home Campaign, working with statewide partners to end youth homelessness in CT.