IDEAS42 TRAINING TEAM BIOS



The ideas42 team conducting the training includes:

Alissa Fishbane, Managing Director: Alissa leads ideas42's Safety and Justice portfolio, bringing her extensive experience developing and scaling innovative, evidence-based practices. In this role, she is a strategist, coach, partnership builder, designer, fundraiser, and teammate. She has taught public and nonprofit leaders around the world about applying behavioral science through dozens of trainings, masterclasses, and presentations. Currently, Alissa works with stakeholders to reach better pretrial outcomes related to decision-making and behavior, such as improving court appearance rates, ability to pay systems, diversion programs, and pretrial release decisions. Her work has been featured in outlets including NPR, Fast Company, Forbes, and Bloomberg, and she served on the World Economic Forum's Council for the Future of Behavioral Science. Previously, Alissa was Managing Director of Deworm the World, which she helped grow to reach 35 million children, and Latin America Director for Innovations for Poverty Action. Alissa graduated with honors in Political Economy from the University of California, Berkeley, and holds an MPP from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

Shannon McAuliffe, Associate Managing Director, Safety and Justice: Shannon brings more than 25 years of experience working within the criminal legal system, as a lawyer and nonprofit leader, to her role in ideas42's Safety and Justice portfolio. At ideas42, she has led projects using behavioral science to reduce court nonappearances in TX (Houston and Dallas), decrease probation revocations in WA, improve diversion programs in NY, and increase access to and use of fee reduction programs in CA. Before joining ideas42, Shannon served as the Director of Roca Boston, a data-driven nonprofit specializing in breaking the cycle of incarceration, violence, and poverty amongst emerging adults at high risk of recidivism and returning to prison. Shannon partnered with a complex ecosystem of criminal legal system stakeholders (prosecutors, police, probation, judges, sheriffs, re-entry services, etc.) to work in concert to increase safety, reduce recidivism and increase court obligation compliance. Prior to that, Shannon worked as a public defender for 15 years, practicing in federal and state courts in California and Massachusetts. Shannon holds a BA from the University of San Diego, a JD from Suffolk Law School, an MPA from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, and Bar memberships in California and Massachusetts.

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