Open Source Justice Tools: Idea Hub Blueprint

Purpose:

Create a shared repository for justice-aligned open source projects that empower individualsespecially those navigating legal systems, addiction, or systemic vulnerabilitythrough accessible tech.

Mission:

Make it easy for anyone to fork, remix, and deploy life-saving digital tools. These tools should help users understand their situation, access support, and avoid falling through the cracks.

Core Principles:

1. Open access for both developers and non-developers

2. Modular: one tool can work standalone or as part of a larger system

3. Designed with empathy for overloaded users

4. Privacy-first: minimize data collection, encrypt where needed

5. Interoperable with court systems, shelters, and mobile phones

Hub Categories:

1. Navigation & Comprehension

- Court Sherpa: scan a document, understand your case

- Hearing Buddy: calendar + reminders for court dates, with explanations

- Public Defender Connect: tracks assignment, sends message or check-in

2. Real-Time Aid

- Warm Line Router: tap for live support or volunteer advocate

- Shelter & Treatment Finder: updated listings with real-time availability

- Jail Release Toolkit: what to do in the first 24 hours

3. Community Trust Tools

- Memory Log for Recovery: encrypted journal synced with sponsor or case manager

- Sentience-Adjacent Trust Protocol (SATP): ethical LLM memory layer

- Symbolic Navigation: trauma-informed interfaces using colors/symbols

4. DIY & Developer Kits

- GPT Prompts for Advocacy

- Browser extensions for court scraping + explanation

- AI-assisted PDF form filler for public defender applications

5. Outreach & Evangelism

- Zines for the Unwired: printable versions of every tool

- QR-based field kits for jails, rehab centers, and court waiting rooms

Invitation:

This isnt a brand. Its a blueprint. Clone it. Burn it down. Build something better. The only goal is that someone whos lost can find their next stepand maybe, over time, find themselves.

GitHub Template Repo Name Suggestion:

open-justice-hub-template