Approximately 95% of those incarcerated will one day be released.....

....might be your neighbor, your classmate, your teacher, your whomever.....

# Simply providing them with a job will not keep them out of prison.

There are three entities that release the formerly incarcerated into our community. They all are released with varying levels of preparedness.

Federal



We are *expecting* those just released to juggle their life as well as find all the reentry services they need to succeed......

when it becomes too difficult, they often go back to the lifestyle they know, and we shake our heads in wonder. What would it look like if we combined reentry service providers, employers, supervision agents, and community resources all in one building?

> ....and communicated with one another? Spoke the same language?

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Employers

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# Central Picture Pepartment Of Organized Reentry



### SOCIAL WORKER/MENTAL HEALTH EXPERT

> An initial assessment needs to be conducted to best identify reentry needs. **IDENTIFICATION** 

A returning citizen will need their Birth certificate, Social Security card, State ID, and driver's license if eligible. This office will be able to provide forms and direction to obtain these items.

### **FINANCES**

A returning citizen will need to create a bank account for direct deposit. We will partner with financial institutions that do not require a fee to set this account up and we will provide them with a debit card prior to leaving.

### HOUSING

A returning citizen will need to have access to emergency housing options if they are homeless, and landlords that rent to the formerly incarcerated.

### HEALTHCARE

A returning citizen will need access to affordable healthcare. We will sign them up for the appropriate services.

# **REENTRY SERVICES**

All returning citizens will have different needs upon reentry. They will be directed to organizations that can best help them with their needs.

# EMPLOYMENT

All returning citizens will need to create an initial resume and be directed to employment agencies. If needed, digital resumes will be uploaded before they leave this office.

# LEGAL

- Many returning citizens have open legal processifies; support, fees, et cetera. We will organize and set cite
- nes; whether active cases, child interact next steps.

# **EDUCATION**

 All returning citizens will be given the information on how to proceed with their next level of education.

# **SUPERVISION AGENT**

Most returning citizens will have a supervision agent. The DOC can station multiple 'reentry agents' here to facilitate the explanation and signing of their rules. ...what if we gave those returning from custody a <u>real</u> second chance?

....the real possibility to make a new life?

....if we wish for those who are released to act as human beings,

....we must ensure we treat them as human beings ...



We must de-silo the reentry ecosystem.

Collaboration is the only way to truly make our community safer.