

GRANTEE: Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services
(Name of Project: Virginia Prisoner Reentry Initiative)

ADDRESS: 202 North 9th Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219

AMOUNT: First Year: \$130,434 (No Further Funding)

DURATION: 24 Months

POPULATION SERVED/RECRUITMENT: A risk/needs assessment is administered to all inmates at the Norfolk and Richmond city jails at the time of admissions. Those who are deemed suitable for this program will be interviewed and if it determined they are eligible, they will begin receiving pre-release services. Participation in the program will be voluntary and will depend on the eligible inmate signing a release of information authorization. The program will target 75-100 volunteer participants.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Once an inmate is determined eligible the Reentry Services Team (RST) will meet with the participant to develop a service plan. Post release services include (but are not limited to) job skills training, subsidized on-the-job training, paid internships, and resume writing workshops. Participants who secure employment for at least 30 hours per week will be enrolled in a local job retention incentive program which provides financial rewards for maintaining employment. The RST case managers will work with the ex-offenders to help them; obtain identification documents, make contact with family members; rectify financial obligations, and assignments of tutors.

NON-FEDERAL MATCH: The Statement of Work does not indicate a non-federal match leveraged to support this project.

PARTNERS: Norfolk Human Services, the Office of Eliminating Homelessness, Commonwealth of Catholic Charities, LOTS, non-profit shelters for the homeless, and others.

SUB-GRANTEE: Offender Aid and Restoration of Richmond

OUTCOMES: The application did not contain proposed outcome goals. Nonetheless it did reveal that outcome data will be collected and reported quarterly.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED: Cities of Norfolk and Richmond

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