

GRANTEE: Metro United Methodist Urban Ministry
(Name of Project: YCHANGE)

ADDRESS: 3295 Meade Ave.
San Diego, CA 92116

AMOUNT: \$665,935 (Federal Direct) + \$195,000 (Non-Federal Match) = \$860,935 (Total)

DURATION: 12 months

POPULATION SERVED/RECRUITMENT: This project will serve 200 adult ex-offenders in year one. Participants will be recruited from the San Diego Probation and Parole agencies, as well as the Police and Corrections Team (PACT), which will identify and refer clients to the project.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Project is a public/private partnership between lead grantee (Metro United Methodist Urban Ministry) and employers, service providers, and parole/probation entities to serve 200 former prisoners in the Central Region of San Diego. The project will provide an array of services with a goal of placing former prisoners on a career ladder in high-growth/high-demand industries.

NON-FEDERAL MATCH: Non-federal resources totaling \$195,000 include: ADA-Hired (\$35,000) for a computer instructor and equipment to conduct computer skills training; Center for Employment & Training (\$35,000) for classroom space, instructors, equipment, and technology support for job readiness and occupation-specific training; Victory Outreach (\$25,000) for housing and substance abuse counseling/treatment, and transitional housing for up to 15 recently released prisoners; Black Contractors Association (\$20,000) for construction skills training; Vista Hill Foundation (\$65,000) for mental health and substance abuse treatment; and Metro United (\$15,000) for supportive services.

SUB-GRANTEES: Center for Employment & Training (\$60,000) for job readiness, basic skills, and occupation-specific training conducted at the local One-Stop; Black Contractors Association (\$60,000) for training and apprenticeship in construction trades; Amer-I-Can (\$45,000) for life skills training; and Able-Disabled Advocacy (\$40,000) for occupation-specific training for disabled clients.

PARTNERS: Victory Outreach; Urban Corps of San Diego; Multi-Cultural Contracting Group; Local One-Stop; National Steel & Shipbuilding Company; California Employment Development Department; San Diego Community College District; Vista Hill Foundation; San Diego City Schools; Center for Employment Training; County of San Diego Probation Department; and San Diego Parole office.

OUTCOMES:

- **Employment Rate**
 - 170 clients will be placed in employment
 - 90% of clients will increase work readiness skills
 - 100 clients will be enrolled in advanced training for high-growth/high-demand industries
 - 100 clients will attain a degree or occupational certificate
- **Retention Rate:** 80% (136) of the 170 clients placed in employment will be employed at the six-month follow-up and 65% (88) at the nine-month follow-up
- **Earnings Change:** 50% (68) of those retained at six months will demonstrate an average wage increase of 10%
- **Recidivism Rate**
 - 70% of clients who complete their program will have no conviction during the program; 65% of these will have no new conviction at the six-month follow-up
 - 95% of those completing the program will comply with parole/probation conditions
- **Other**
 - 100% of those with housing needs will be placed in stable housing
 - 50% of those who complete the program and had prior substance abuse issues will test clean

GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED: Central Region of San Diego, with a focus on the Southeastern, Mid City, and downtown communities.

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