

**GRANTEE:** Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency  
(Name of Project: Prisoner Re-entry Initiative in Oakland County)

**ADDRESS:** 196 Caesar E. Chavez  
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**AMOUNT:** \$660,000 (Federal Direct) + \$0 (Non-Federal Match) = \$660,000 (Total)

**DURATION:** 12 months

**POPULATION SERVED/RECRUITMENT:** The project will serve 200 new parolees in the 12-month period. Participant referrals will be made through the Michigan Department of Corrections and Oakland County Parole Officers.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** The project will focus on employment and training, mentoring, and providing supportive services, particularly housing, with the goal of reducing recidivism in Oakland County to support the successful transition from prison to community. The project is built on the model currently used by the Michigan Prisoner Re-entry Initiative. The three phases of the model are: 1) getting ready, 2) going home, and 3) staying home. The project will focus on the last phase of the model – staying home -- by concentrating on working with each individual for four months prior to parole release and developing a transition accountability plan (TAP). The TAP will focus on identifying strengths and needs of the individual for education and training, life skills, relationships, finances, and housing.

**NON-FEDERAL MATCH:** None specified.

**SUB-GRANTEES:** Women's Survival Center (\$22,515) for legal services, child care, and family strengthening workshops; Catholic Social Services (\$30,000) for mentor placement; Welcome Baptist Church (\$48,000) for mentor recruitment and training; High Point Ministry (\$28,250) for mentor training and placement; and Positive Role Model Empowerment (\$30,000) for mentor and mentee recruitment and 24 hour mentoring on-call support services.

**PARTNERS:** Michigan Department of Corrections, Michigan Works! JOBLINK Center (Workforce Investment Board); Women's Survival Center; Positive Role Model Empowerment; Oakland Community College; Oakland Intermediate Schools; the Resource Network; Catholic Social Services of Oakland County; High Place Outreach/New Mt. Moriah, Welcome Baptist Church; and Friend of the Court on the Oakland Parolee Re-entry Initiative.

**OUTCOMES:**

- **Employment Rate:** 50% of participants will obtain a job by the end of three months; 100% will be employed by the end of six months
- **Retention Rate:** 70% of those who obtain a job will remain in the job for six months
- **Earnings Change:** 50% of those placed during the first year of the project will receive an increase in pay
- **Recidivism Rate:** Recidivism will drop from Oakland County's current rate of 48% after two years to 30%

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED:** Oakland County, Michigan with emphasis on Pontiac.

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