

GRANTEE: Goodwill Industries of Greater New York & Northern, New Jersey, Inc.
(Name of Project: Re-entry Program)

ADDRESS: 4-21 27th St.
Astoria, NY 11102

AMOUNT: \$660,000 (Federal Direct) + \$0 (Non-Federal Match) = \$660,000 (Total)

DURATION: 12 months

POPULATION SERVED/RECRUITMENT: This project will serve 204 non-violent offenders in year one. Goodwill is a member of New Jersey State Parole task forces: the Family Restoration Task Force, and the Faith-Based Task Force. These task forces include members such as the State Public Defenders Office, Legal Services Department of the State of New Jersey, New Jersey Parole Board, and others. Recruitment of project participants will be coordinated through these existing linkages.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The project will focus on increasing employment opportunities for released prisoners. Employment-centered services will include: vocational assessment; work adjustment training; job development; job placement; and post-placement services. Wrap-around services will focus on addressing barriers that prevent or hinder employment. These services will include: housing and transportation assistance; substance abuse treatment; anger management counseling; stress management; family counseling; independent living skills training; vocational support services; and educational assistance such as GED and ESL classes.

NON-FEDERAL MATCH: None specified.

SUB-GRANTEES: Center for Urban Education (\$250,000) mentoring services for 204 participants.

PARTNERS: Center for Urban Education; New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development; Social Security Administration; One-Stop Career Centers; New Jersey Transit Systems; psychiatric and medical practitioners; rehabilitation residential programs; and local and state law enforcement agencies.

OUTCOMES:

- **Employment Rate:** Minimum of 132 participants will be placed in competitive employment
- **Retention Rate:** 85%
- **Earnings Change:** Average earnings of \$10.00 per hr.
- **Recidivism Rate:** 35% or less

GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED: Essex County and its urban area of Newark, NJ.

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