**GRANTEE:** New Jersey Department of Corrections

(Name of Project: PRI – CORP/Camden Offender Reentry Program)

**ADDRESS:** Whittlessey Road

P.O.Box 863

Trenton, NJ 08625-0863

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

**DURATION:** 24 Months

**POPULATION SERVED/RECRUITMENT:** 87 unduplicated offenders will be referred to the project. Recruitment will focus on those identified and referred through the formal prisoner discharge planning process. Participants will be evaluated for their appropriateness in the program utilizing the Level of Services Inventory – Revised risk assessment and a battery of other assessment tools. Participants will be referred within 180 days of release. Participants will be served over a two year period of performance concluding March 31, 2010. The application did not state how participants would be referred.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** Prior to release during the reentry preparation phase participants can participate in the Successful Transitions and Reentry Series (a 3 month curriculum addressing financial literacy, housing, employment, and conflict resolution). The case manager from Pilgrimage Outreach will work in tandem with the local One Stop employment counselor, pre-release, to develop and implement an employability plan. The case manager from will focus on coaching, soft skills and supportive services (housing, substance abuse, and medical services). The case manager will work with community volunteers who serve as "life coaches" or mentors in order to provide support and guidance and to ensure parole compliance.

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

**PARTNERS:** NJ OFBI, Rutgers University, Law and Public Safety, Parole Board, local One Stop, and several faith-based and community-based organizations

**SUB-GRANTEE:** Pilgrimage Outreach Inc

## **OUTCOMES:**

• Employment Rate: 60%

• Retention Rate: 70% for a minimum of 90 days

• *Earnings Change:* 100% (an average hourly wage of \$9.00 or more)

• Recidivism Rate: 22% after one year

GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED: Camden and Camden County

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