

GRANTEE: SE Works, Inc.
(Name of Project: Community Partners Re-Entry Initiative)

ADDRESS: 6927 SE Foster Rd.
Portland, OR 97206

AMOUNT: \$660,000 (Federal Direct) + \$1,557,651 (Non-Federal Match) = \$2,217,651 (Total)

DURATION: 12 months

POPULATION SERVED/RECRUITMENT: This project will serve 200 participants in year one. Recruitment will be done through a formal referral and intake process established with OR Department of Corrections, Multnomah County Department of Community Justice, and OR Halfway House serving Sheridan, a Federal Correctional Institution.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: SE Works, Inc. is a community-based development organization (as designated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development) and a One-Stop Center, and will serve as the fiscal/administrative lead, provide case management, coordinate One-Stop workforce development resources, and secure job development/placement through the regional Business Services Team of the One-Stop system. Volunteers of America (a key partner) will provide project coordination, linkages to criminal justice, and assessment and planning for eligible participants referred by corrections. Services include: referral and assessment; work readiness and job search assistance; education and training through WIA Eligible Training Provider List and use of ITAs; support services; post-placement services for up to 12 months; transitional and permanent housing; mentoring; and a wide range of health and social services. This project expands on an existing offender re-entry program led by Volunteers of America.

NON-FEDERAL MATCH: \$1,557,651 of non-federal match includes leveraged resources from city and county government, private foundations, earned income, and individual donations for residential alcohol and drug treatment, housing, mentoring, education/job training, and support services.

SUB-GRANTEES: \$358,978 in subcontracts from federal funds: Volunteers of America (\$58,506); YWCA of Greater Portland (\$32,756); Women in Community Service (\$25,536); Better People (\$40,180); and Central City Concern, also a One-Stop center (\$202,000). Subcontracts to support project coordination, pre-employment training, mentoring, job placement assistance, support services, basic education and job training, transitional housing, and follow-up/retention services. All subs to provide a mix of transitional services and leveraged resources.

PARTNERS: Sub-grantees listed above; and OR Department of Corrections, Multnomah County Department of Community Justice; and Portland Bureau of Housing and Community Development.

OUTCOMES:

- **Employment Rate:** 78% based on 100 total exits in year one
- **Retention Rate:** 78%, employed the 2nd and 3rd quarter after exit in year one
- **Earnings Change:** \$3,000
- **Recidivism Rate:** annual rate of 20%
- **Other:** 160 of the 200 new enrollments in year one will be retained (i.e., 20% will abscond or recidivate in first year of service), with 60 of the 160 participants carried over to and performance measured in year two. Cost per participant—with federal funds: \$3,300; with all funds including leveraged resources: \$13,154.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED: Multnomah County, especially southeast, northeast, and downtown Portland, OR neighborhoods.

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