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### New Analysis Shows Reentry Programs Can Decrease Recidivism

WASHINGTON – The United States Department of Justice’s National Institute of Justice (NIJ) has released new results from data collected from a multi-site evaluation of the Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative (SVORI). SVORI is a federal initiative that funds a number of locally-designed juvenile and adult reentry programs throughout the United States. Reentry programming and services are designed to facilitate offenders’ transition from prison, with the goal of increasing access to reentry services.

The re-analysis of previously collected data examined existing SVORI programs and found that participation in SVORI resulted in fewer arrests. Participation was also associated with a \$3,567 per inmate reduction in arrest-related costs for adult males.

**TITLE:** Prisoner Reentry Services: what Worked for SVORI Evaluation Participants?

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