REENTRY

Community Level Change through Collective Impact
Total Community Action, Incorporated
New Orleans, LA
THE PROBLEM: HIGHEST INCARCERATION RATES IN THE NATION

- LA had the highest per capita incarceration rates in the nation. Out of every 100,000 residents, 816 people are incarcerated, which double the national average.

- LA also has a high recidivism rate, with one in three people released from prisons returning within three years.

- In June 2017, the LA Legislature passed a package of 10 bills creating the Justice Reinvestment Legislation (JRI).

- Five parishes of the state account for 40% of the state’s incarcerated population: Orleans, Jefferson, East Baton Rouge, Caddo, and St. Tammany

- 15.9% of the state’s convicted felons are from Orleans Parish (New Orleans)
2013, Reentry Working Group began to coordinate and collaborate as a component of the city’s comprehensive crime reduction strategy. The working group created a reentry resource guide, a uniform referral, case management and intake tool and a strategic plan for reentry in Orleans Parish. The Working Group was made up of over 60 individuals representing 45 organizations.

2017, the Working Group transitioned to become the New Orleans Reentry Task Force composed of a robust group of cross-sector stakeholders, to improve outcomes for formerly incarcerated persons. The Task Force is committed to promoting collaboration, coordination and capacity building among reentry advocates, service providers and formerly-incarcerated people locally, regionally and statewide.

With the passage of JRI legislation Louisiana is projected to reduce the prison population by 10% and save $262 million over the next decade. 70% of these savings – an estimated $184 million – will be reinvested back into the criminal justice system.
NORTF- COLLECTIVE IMPACT MODEL

- **Shared Goals:**
  - Build community capacity of reentry stakeholders around the use of best practices, evidence-based practices and decision making.
  - Provide research, planning, training, service delivery coordination, oversight and guidance concerning grants to internal and external partners working in reentry in order to see a true reduction in recidivism and improved quality of life for justice involved individuals in Orleans Parish.
  - Inform and assist in the development of Justice Reinvestment policies and practices in Louisiana, with specific attention to New Orleans.

- **Measure and Monitor:**
  - Reducing Recidivism Rate for Orleans Parish Returning Citizens.
  - Reunification and stabilization of families.
  - In 2018 The NORTF Triage Team served 450 justice involved individuals; 2019 YTD - 300

- **Backbone:**
  - NORTF Steering Committee: Goodwill Industries, Total Community Action, LPHI, CADA, Justice and Accountability Center, City of New Orleans, Office of the Mayor, LA Parole and Probation
TCA: ADVOCATE, CONVENER, IMPLEMENTER

- TCA has been actively involved in advocacy for the revision and reform of LA adult and youth criminal justice policies for the past ten years.
- TCA CEO serves as member of the NORTF Steering Committee, LA Prison-Entry Initiative Advisory Board, LA-PRI- Implementation Steering Team LA-PRIST, Reentry Alliance of Louisiana (REAL).
- TCA Chairs the NORTF Professional Development and Employment working groups.
- TCA staff are members of the following NOTF working groups: Triage, Case management, Housing, Employment & Family Reunification
TCA Opportunity Center
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- TCA provides comprehensive whole family case management services, housing assistance, foundational skills trainings, job placements cognitive behavior and other supports to reentering and court involved individuals and families.

- TCA OC staff provide outreach and case management services at the TCA OC and on location at New Orleans Probation & Parole, Plaquemines Parish Richwood Correctional Center (CRI –in reach case management) and Day Reporting Center (DRC)

- Program YTD TCA has provided services to 65 re-entering citizens

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<td>30 received Foundational Skills Training &amp; Job Counseling/Placement</td>
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<td>6 Homeless Prevention</td>
<td>5- Rapid Rehousing</td>
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TCA is honored and proud to acknowledge that the Opportunity Center Team includes three formerly incarcerated citizens, each bringing a unique set of skills, commitment and determination to their work and the clients they serve.