Reentry and Supervision Support Services:

Improving Reentry Education and Employment Outcomes

This program provides funding to improve correctional educational and employment programs that serve individuals during incarceration and throughout their period of reentry into the community. It promotes an evidence-based and data-informed approach that will provide meaningful opportunities, interrupt the cycle of unemployment and promote reentry success for formerly incarcerated adults. There are two categories of funding available:

Category 1: Improving Correctional Education: These awards will improve the educational and vocational education programs available to individuals incarcerated in prisons and jails and upon return to the community.

Category 2: Improving Employment Services and Connections: These awards will provide career training, including subsidized employment when part of a training program, to adults incarcerated in prisons and jails and upon return to the community.

ELIGIBLE ENTITIES:

City or township governments, County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, State governments.

WHAT CAN BE FUNDED?

Category 1: Improving Correctional Education

 Establish/improve/expand educational and vocational programming and services for incarcerated adults, including competencybased learning over a range of services from literacy, high school diploma/equivalency, higher education, to labor market needs-informed vocational education.

Category 2: Improving Employment Services and Connections

- Establish/improve/expand career training programs that are informed by the labor market needs in the geographic areas to which incarcerated individuals will return.
- Continually assess local demand for employees in the geographic areas to which incarcerated individuals are likely to return and adjust educational and employment goals accordingly.
- Develop partnerships with local employers. Increase the quality and quantity of training, skills-

Total Available Funding: \$21.6 million

Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$900,000

Length of Project: Up to 3 years

Cost Sharing/Match Required? No

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building, and pre-apprenticeship programs available to incarcerated persons (e.g., programs that respond to new and local labor market demands, jobs with advancement opportunities and good benefits, etc.).

- Conduct individualized reentry career planning programs at the start of incarceration or postrelease employment planning programs for program participants.
- Subsidize wages or other employment costs as part of a career training program.
- Provide transitional services to assist in the reintegration of incarcerated individuals into the community.
- Train corrections and service provider leadership and staff in career training programming.
- Track and monitor employment outcomes.