

# Second Chance Act Orientation FY2018

## Category 2: Community-based Adult Reentry with Small and Rural Organizations

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# Speakers

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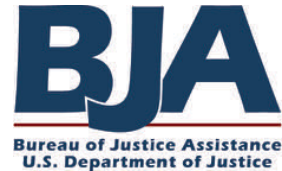
# I. Introduction

# U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

**Mission:** To provide leadership and services in grant administration and criminal justice policy development to support local, state, and tribal justice strategies to achieve safer communities.

## About the Second Chance Act

Supports state, local and tribal governments and nonprofit organizations in their work to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for people returning from incarceration. **The Second Chance Act has supported over \$300 million in reentry investments across the country.**



[www.bja.gov](http://www.bja.gov)

# The Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center

**Mission:** To provide practical, nonpartisan, research-driven strategies and tools to increase public safety and strengthen communities.

- National non-profit, non-partisan membership association of state government officials
- Engages members of all three branches of state government
- Provides practical, non-partisan advice informed by the best available evidence

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# The National Reentry Resource Center (NRRC)

- **Deliver** technical assistance and training for SCA grantees.
- **Advance** the knowledge base of the reentry field.
- **Promote** what works in reentry and successes of grantees.
- **Facilitate** peer networks and information exchange.
- **Provide** information for people returning to communities and their families.



the NATIONAL REENTRY  
RESOURCE CENTER

Funded and administered by the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance, the NRRC is the nation's primary source of information and guidance in reentry.

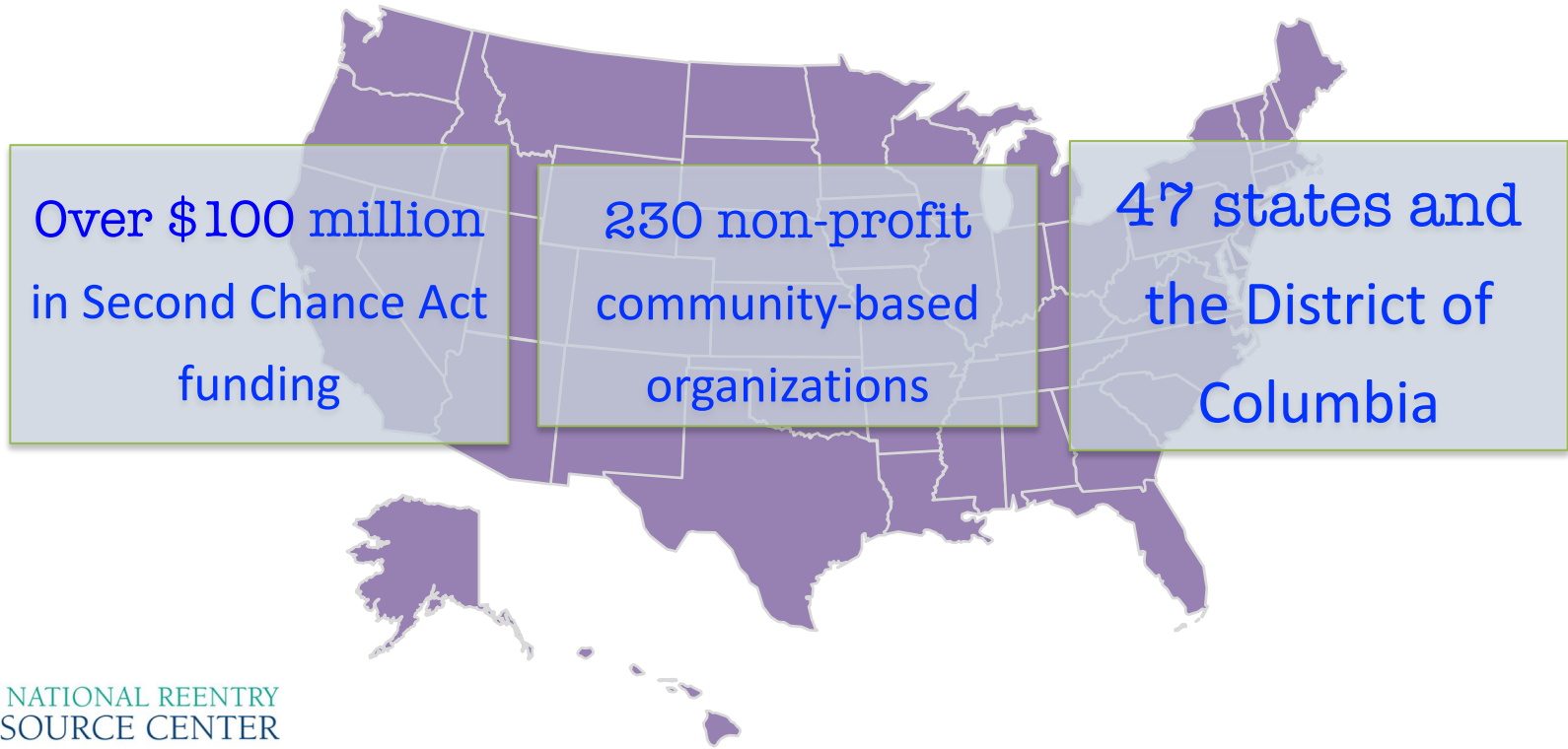
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## II. FY18 Category 2 Grantees



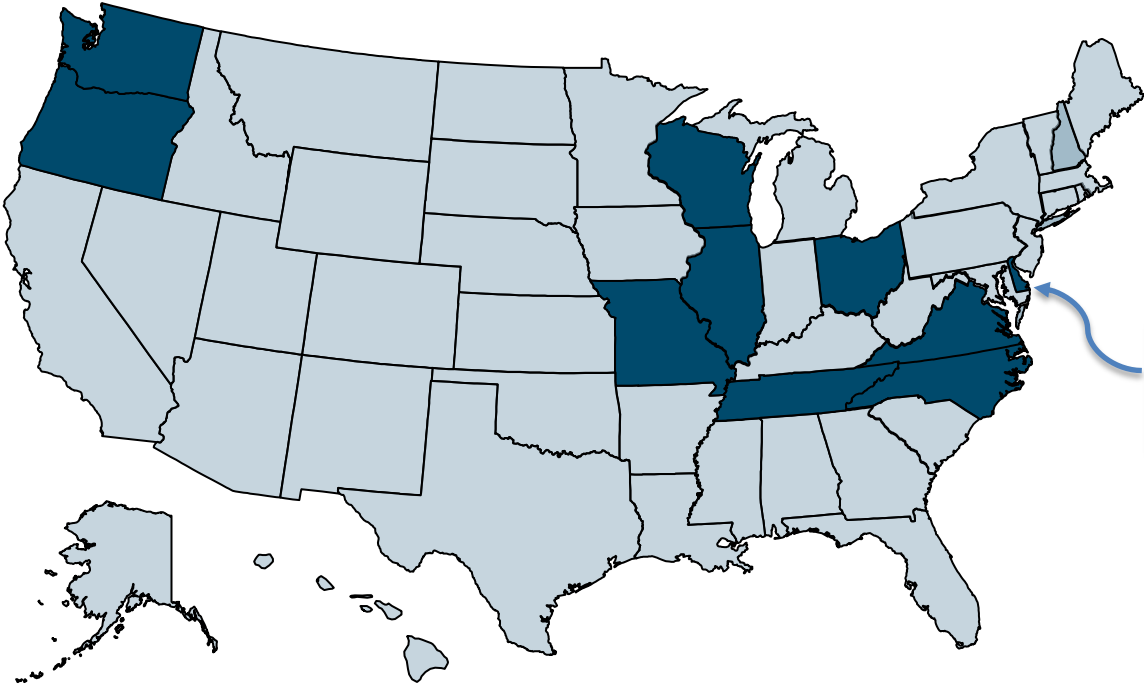
# FY18 SCA Community Reentry Grantees



# FY2018 Category 2 Grantees

\$5,780,930  
in Second Chance  
Act funding

11 Category 2  
Grantees



Welcome,  
Delaware!

# FY2018 Category 2 Grantees

- Establishing, Managing, & Generating Effective Services, Inc. (IL)
- ForeverDads (OH)
- Freedom Life Ministries (NC)
- Kankakee County Renewed Opportunity (IL)
- LOC Family Services (VA)
- Medicine Wheel Recovery Services (OR)
- Middle Tennessee Rural Reentry (TN)
- Rock Valley Community Programs, Inc. (WI)
- The SoulFisher Project (MO)
- The STAR Project (WA)
- The Way Home, Inc. (DE)

# III. Grant Program Overview

# GOAL:

To support community- and faith-based organizations in developing and implementing comprehensive and collaborative programs that reduce recidivism of people who are reentering communities after incarceration and are at medium to high risk of reoffending.

# Expectations

- Target population
  - Minimum of 75 served
  - Medium to high risk of recidivating
  - Age 18 or older and convicted as an adult
  - Incarcerated at time of enrollment

# Expectations

- Partnerships with corrections and law enforcement
  - MOU/MOA with a) the facility and the department that oversees it **and** b) the local law enforcement agency.
- Integration of risk and needs assessment
- Comprehensive case management
- Baseline recidivism rate

# Expectations

- Work with an evaluator to:
  - Plan to measure outcomes
  - Conduct a program evaluation





# Expectations

## Planning Phase

- Grantees will have approximately **180 days** after the budget is cleared to complete the planning phase
- Grantees will work with their **NRRC TA provider** to complete a **Planning and Implementation Guide** (P&I Guide)
- Category 2 grantees will have access to **\$100,000**
- *The P&I Guide will be submitted and reviewed by BJA prior to moving to the implementation phase*

# Expectations

## Planning Phase

- Build capacity for implementing the grant program
- Establish baseline information
- Identify strengths and areas of improvement
- Flesh out ideas and refine concepts initially introduced in proposal
- Target TA and identify themes across grantees

# P&I Guide Overview

Work through the exercises with your TA coach.

- Review exercises prior to the call
- TA provider will provide feedback and discuss exercises on calls
- Update the exercises as changes occur
- Provide and develop documentation (e.g. policy and procedure manuals)

# P&I Guide Overview

Identify your key stakeholders and partners.

- How does your program fit into the overall landscape in your community and justice system?
- Specify what is ready to be implemented, what is in the works, and what is being planned.
- Don't go it alone. Bring in the program coordinator, case manager, evaluator, and other service providers to support the process.

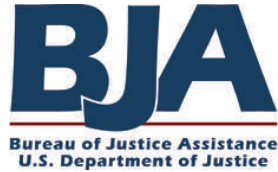
# P&I Guide Overview

Reaffirm your target population

- Identify their needs (substance addiction, housing, transportation, etc.)
- Understand how your services fit into the larger context of existing supports and resources.
- How are you tracking successes, for your population and your program?

# IV. Grantee Support

# Grantee Support Orgs



- State policy advisor
- Grant management (budget and scope adjustments)



- Training and technical assistance
- Programmatic support (monthly calls, site visits, etc.)

# BJA and NRRC Contacts

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Your designated NRRC TA lead will provide and coordinate support in several areas including:

- ✓ Completion of the P&I Guide;
- ✓ Identifying measures and strategies to track progress;
- ✓ Content and facilitation support;
- ✓ Supporting the development of implementation & sustainability plans; and
- ✓ Sharing successes with stakeholders, the field, other grantees, and the press

# NRRC TA Activities



# Next Steps for TA

- Review SCA FY2018 Orientation Webinars
- Introductory call with TA provider
  - Your TA provider will reach out to schedule these
- Work collaboratively to complete P&I Guide
- Lookout for grantee peer training events

# Tips and Strategies

- Project team on calls
- Early engagement with evaluator
- Collaborative effort on P&I Guide
- Up-to-date grant information

# NRRC Resources

THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT  
What Corrections and Reentry Agencies Need to Know

What is the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act?

Each state receives WIOA funding based on a formula that considers the size of the state's labor force, its unemployment rate, and the size of its economically disadvantaged youth and adult populations.

How WIOA Funding Works

MENTORING AS A COMPONENT OF REENTRY

PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS FROM THE FIELD

Planning for Sustainability: Supporting Community Based Reentry Programs

NOVEMBER 30, 2016

This webinar discusses strategies and recommendations for sustaining reentry programs initiated by community-based organizations. With a particular focus on programs that incorporate mentors, presenters discuss how to consider sustainability throughout the program-development process beginning in the planning phase. Topics include leveraging multiple funding streams from public and private sources, asset mapping, and how to build an agency's profile in the field and community.

REENTRY PARTNERSHIPS: A GUIDE FOR STATES

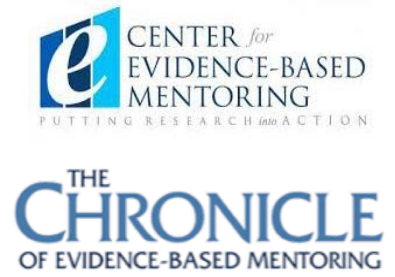
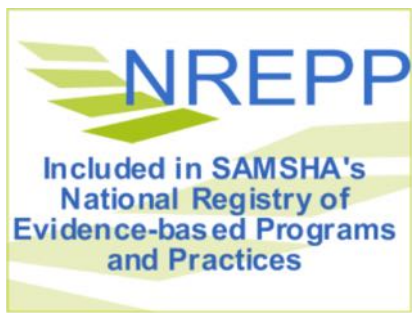
FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

THE INTEGRATED REENTRY AND EMPLOYMENT STRATEGIES PILOT PROJECT: Four Questions Communities Should Consider When Implementing a Collaborative Approach

Introduction

To help corrections, reentry and workforce development administrators and policymakers integrate the complex issues related to coordinated planning and service delivery, the Council of State Government Justice Center, in collaboration with expert practitioners and researchers, developed a white paper on integrating reentry and employment strategies using a collaborative and service-oriented model. The white paper includes an overview of the findings and impact of a public-private partnership involving the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Prisons, Corrections and the Home C. Casey Foundation, with guidance from the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration.

# Additional Resources



# V. Q&A

# Questions & Answers

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