



REO

Reentry Employment Opportunities Programs

FACT SHEET

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REO | Serving Justice-Involved Youth, Young Adults, & Adults through Employment & Training

The Reentry Employment Opportunities (REO) program provides funding authorized as Research and Evaluation under Section 169, of the Workforce Opportunity Investment Act (WIOA) of 2014 for justice-involved youth, young adults, and formerly incarcerated adults. Our mission is to inform the public workforce system on how best to serve this population. These projects test the effectiveness of successful models and practices found in community and faith-based organizations and government systems, for their adaptability in the public workforce system. Our goal is to develop strategies and partnerships that facilitate the implementation of successful programs at the state and local levels to improve the workforce outcomes.



Eligibility/Target Population: Participants in youth/young adult programs range in age from 14 to 24 and have been involved in the juvenile or adult criminal justice system. Adult reentry programs focus on service to individuals 18 years old and older who have been convicted and imprisoned as an adult.

Core Services Provided for Youth and Young Adults: These projects focus on pre- and post-release services, which include: *case management, educational skills training, tutoring, mentoring, high school diploma equivalency preparation, credit retrieval, restorative justice opportunities, occupational skills training, work experience, summer jobs linked to academic and occupational learning, job placement, staff and leadership development activities, expungement of juvenile records, diversion from adjudication, follow-up, and other supportive services.*

Core Services Provided for Adults: Adult projects focus on pre and post-release services, which include: *career exploration through work experience and internships, pre-employment, basic skills training, high school diploma equivalency preparation, mentoring, and case management.* Projects also promote collaboration and coordination between community-based organizations, foundations, state and local justice agencies, and the workforce system.

REO Programs

- Face Forward Intermediary & Community Grants:

https://www.doleta.gov/REO/pdf/FaceForward_Fact_Sheet.pdf

- Job ChalleNGe Grants:

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- Linking to Employment Activities Pre-Release (LEAP):

https://www.doleta.gov/REO/pdf/LEAP_Fact_Sheet.pdf

- Pathways to Justice Careers:

https://www.doleta.gov/REO/pdf/PJC_Fact_Sheet.pdf

- Reentry Projects:

https://www.doleta.gov/REO/pdf/RDP4YA_Fact_Sheet.pdf

- Training 2 Work Grants:

https://www.doleta.gov/REO/pdf/T2W_Fact_Sheet.pdf



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