



Greater Hartford Reentry Council

Established 2009

MISSION:

A collaboration of state and local organizations have come together monthly to identify needs and address gaps in services for individuals returning to the community from incarceration. This grassroots effort is working together to affect change in policy by fostering successful reentry with the elimination of barriers in the Greater Hartford community.

To date, successful projects and initiatives include:

- Reentry Welcome Center in the City of Hartford
- Community partners providing ongoing resources/supports to Hartford CC
- Collaborated on six employment and resource fairs strictly for individuals who were justice-involved
- Worked with DMV and DOC to increase number of inmates released with official forms of identification
- Created Reentry Services Directory for individuals returning to Greater Hartford community with United Way and Second Chances Team of the Third Age Initiative Program under Leadership Greater Hartford
- Increased communication with Department of Correction and local community service providers
- Developed a partnership with Second Chances Team of the Third Age Initiative Program under Leadership Greater Hartford

Current efforts underway include the following:

- Raise our voice through education/advocacy/awareness
- Draw attention to the gaps in services and address barriers for individuals coming home
- Addressing housing barriers and homelessness for individuals returning home from incarceration
- Foster training and employment opportunities for individuals coming out of incarceration
- Facilitating and hosting community conversations around safer communities
- On-going campaign to increase the involvement of community stakeholders in the Council
- Collaboratively working with the City of Hartford as an active partner with GHREC

VISION:

Be a part of our efforts to reduce barriers to support our fellow neighbors returning home to their families in the Greater Hartford area; ultimately, reducing recidivism and the collateral costs of incarceration saving the State of CT thousands of dollars while increasing public safety.

Meetings are held the first Thursday of every month

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the CT Nonprofits Center

75 Charter Oak Avenue, Building One, Hartford

All are welcome!

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