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State Fiscal Year 2025 Emerging Adult Reentry Initiative Technical Assistance Provider Availability of Grant Funds Posted September 16, 2024

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SFY24 Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative Availability of Grant Funds (AGF) Technical Assistance Provider

Applications Due: Friday, October 11, 2024

Overview: Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative

With the goal of reducing recidivism and increasing public safety, the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security's Office of Grants and Research (OGR) is responsible for administering state funds for reentry programming for pre- and post-release offenders currently within and/or outside the prison walls. This initiative is being supported by state funds authorized by Chapter 126 of the Massachusetts Acts of 2024, An Act Making Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2025.

The Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative provides funds to nonprofit organizations with proven experience providing reentry services shown to reduce recidivism amongst the 18-25 years of age population and demonstrated history of working collaboratively with the MA Department of Correction (DOC) and/or Sheriff's Office serving that population. Funds will be awarded to up to six (6) community reentry program sites to provide pre- and post-release services to the target individuals and to work closely with a correctional partner to identify, serve, and monitor program participants. A Technical Assistance Provider will be selected through this competitive process to assist funded community reentry sites by providing strategic, analytic, technical and research support. This support includes providing training to grantees, including program design and evaluation, and providing assistance to other organizations or institutions working on emerging adult reentry initiatives.

SECTION 1 - IMPORTANT HIGHLIGHTS

1.1 Key Dates

ACTIVITY	DATES
AGF Posted	September 16, 2024
Deadline for Questions	September 27, 2024
Application Due	October 11, 2024
Award Notification	December 2024
Tentative Performance Period	January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

1.2 Funding Overview

OGR expects to award up to **\$525,000** in **Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative** Grant Funds to one (1) Technical Assistance Provider. The TA provider will work with the six (6) recipients funded as a result of the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative Grant. This is a competitive award process; OGR may award full funding, partial funding, or no funding.

1.3 Applicant Eligibility

Only one (1) application per organization is permitted for submission. The <u>applicant must be a</u> <u>nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization</u> to be eligible to apply for funding. A non-profit who applies for the Emerging Adult Reentry AGF is eligible to also submit an application under this solicitation for consideration to be the Technical Assistance Provider.

The applicant must have subject matter expertise in community-based reentry services to be eligible. Preference will be given to applicants who can also demonstrate experience providing technical assistance and evaluation services that includes data collection and analysis; implementing reentry programs with a research-based or evidence-based program design; and be able to provide such services for all types of reentry programs. Preference may be given to previous awardees who demonstrate specific evidence of programmatic success and Performance and Outcome Measures met from previous funding

Applicants must submit a proof of experience for individuals or outside consultants charged with conducting research in preparation of the Legislative Report including but not limited to resumes, previous reports, or other evidence in conducting research and evidence-based reporting.

SECTION 2 - GRANT COMPLIANCE DETAILS

2.1 Fund Disbursement

Funds will be disbursed to the selected Technical Assistance (TA) provider upon contract completion. The TA will be required to submit quarterly financial and programmatic reports throughout the duration of this award. Details about this process will be addressed in greater detail after award notifications are made.

2.2 Project Duration

Applicants must apply for up to 12 months of funding. The anticipated funding cycle for projects will begin on or about **January 1**, 2025 and end on December 31, 2025.

2.3 Grant Recipient Requirements

Recipients must abide by the grant requirements below and the OGR Sub-recipient Grant Conditions which will be provided at the time of contracting.

2.3.1 Grants Management

If awarded:

• The TA provider will be required to travel to all sites throughout the Commonwealth to gauge grant recipients' progress and provide recommendations for improvement and assistance, as needed. Applicants must provide a plan for how they will begin on-site and technical assistance visits to the locations where the 6 recipients of the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative will be providing services.

- The TA provider will ensure the recipients' submission of satisfactory and timely quarterly progress reports. The TA provider will assist with the review and validation of the data, and communicate with OGR, SFY25 EARI sites and their correctional partners.
- The TA provider will be responsible for collecting, managing, and reporting data from sites as outlined in **Appendix A: Reentry Performance and Outcome Measures**. A minimum of 20% of funds must be dedicated towards assisting the funded sites with data collection, tracking and evaluation.

The TA provider must:

- Create a platform for sites to submit data
- Develop and train the 6 EARI funded sites on data collection specific to **Appendix A**.
- Train the sites on how to submit data
- Clean, manage, and evaluate the data
- Coordinate data from sites to create an annual legislative report to OGR
- The TA provider must:
 - 1. include participating DOC/Sheriffs/Probation and Parole staff in trainings and
 - 2. work with correctional or supervision agencies in the development of emerging adult practices.
- The TA provider will be the single point of contact for the management and technical assistance of the grant for all 6 of the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative grant recipients.
- The TA provider will hold monthly in-person and/or virtual meetings, provide evaluation tools, and engage in trainings with the 6 Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative grant recipients.
- OGR requires full cooperation from grant recipients during monitoring endeavors including site visits, desk reviews, and attendance at technical assistance meetings.
- All costs paid with grant funds must be direct and specific to the implementation of the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative-funded project (see *Table 1, p.* 7 for detailed cost descriptions).

2.3.2 Procurement

- Procurement of services, equipment and supplies must follow M.G.L. Ch. 30B for local units of government and non-profit entities, and the Operational Services Division (OSD) Purchasing Guide for state agencies. Local units of government must ensure that subcontracts with private organizations have provisions ensuring any goods and services provided by the subcontractor are consistent with M.G.L. Ch. 30B procedures.
- It is the responsibility of the recipient to report alleged waste, fraud or abuse including any alleged violations, serious irregularities, sensitive issues or overt or covert acts involving the use of public funds in a manner not consistent with related laws and regulations or appropriate guidelines for purposes of the grant. Reports should be made to the Offices of the Massachusetts Inspector General or State Auditor.

Office of the Inspector General John W. McCormack State Office Building One Ashburton Place, Room 1311 Boston, MA 02108 800-322-1323 IGO-FightFraud@state.ma.us

Office of the State Auditor Massachusetts State House, Room 230 Boston, MA 02133 617-727-2075 <u>Auditor@SAO.state.ma.us</u> https://www.mass.gov/how-to/report-waste-and-abuse

2.3.3 Other Requirements

- The TA provider will assist the community reentry program directors and funded community reentry programs by providing strategic thinking, critical analysis, and continuous feedback to improve or maintain program operations and ensure that the goals of the funded Emerging Adults Reentry programs are within scope, on schedule and within budget.
- The TA provider will inform the site program director and other program stakeholders as to emerging and relevant evidence-based and best practices research specific to comprehensive, multi-disciplinary approaches as defined by the criteria in the **Definitions for Evidence-based or Promising Programs and Practices** section below.
- The TA provider will work with the community reentry program directors and correctional partners to recommend risk/needs assessment tools to identify eligible participants, inform reentry/transition planning, and guide service delivery.
- The TA Provider will work with the DOC/Sheriffs/Probation agencies to develop best practices regarding the sharing of participant data. Non-Profit applicants must agree to collaborate with MA DOC and/or Sheriff's Office(s) to deliver services in their respective facilities. The TA Provider will work with both the non-profit and DOC/Sheriffs/Probation to track the participant identifiers, program data, and participation dates so that follow-up recidivism rates may be measured, in accordance with legislative intent.
- The TA Provider is required to present recommendations and propose suggestions for their funded community reentry program colleagues (via technical assistance meetings, webinars, and email communications) based on:
 - Outcomes and performance of the funded community reentry programs; and
 - Knowledge gained from research and evaluation literature;
 - Minimal recommendations should:
 - Suggest improvements to services;
 - Advise changes to program strategy;
 - Improve communication and collaboration within the community;
 - Identify gaps in community programming;

- Determine emerging trends in the community; and
- Advance means of data collection.
- The TA provider will provide and/or facilitate technical assistance for the community reentry program directors and program partners on relevant topics such as, but not limited to, use and implementation of risk/needs assessment tools for reentry planning, program strategies, measuring and monitoring program fidelity, quarterly reporting, etc., on an as needed basis.
- The TA provider must identify what community organizations, etc and submit a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for each identified partner. The MOU(s) must be signed and dated by an authorized official, no more than 30 days prior to date of application submission In addition, a brief description of the scope of work, reentry-based emerging justice initiatives and ...
- The TA provider must attend all scheduled technical assistance meetings or other trainings deemed mandatory by OGR.

Definition for Research- or Evidence-based Programs and Practices

A program or practice with levels of effectiveness determined as a result of rigorous evaluation such as randomized controlled trials, statistically controlled evaluations that incorporate strong control or comparison group designs, or a single large multi-site randomized study. Typically, these programs have specified procedures that allow for successful replication.

Programs may include practices such as screening, assessment, case management, monitoring service delivery, referring, and linking clients to services, and other activities targeted to recidivism reduction. For programs, applicants are expected to focus on treatment needs that are driving an individual's criminal behavior, such as criminal thinking and poor impulse control. Programs should target their resources solely on the specific factors of an offender's behavior and cognition that are related to risk for recidivism.

Resources for Evidence-Based Program or Practice

To assist in determining project activities for this initiative, applicants are encouraged to visit:

- a) the National Institute of Corrections' *What Works in Reentry Clearinghouse* website at: https://whatworks.csgjusticecenter.org/;
- b) the Office of Justice Programs' National Institute of Justice's *Crimesolutions.gov* website at <u>www.crimesolutions.gov</u>; or
- c) the Results First Clearinghouse Database at <u>https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/data-visualizations/2015/results-first-clearinghouse-database</u>

Related TA Provider Requirements

1. Program Fidelity

Ensure funded community reentry programs demonstrate efforts to safeguard program fidelity. Program fidelity is defined as staying true to the original program design, and not changing or adapting evidence-based programs or practices during implementation.

2. Implementation Oversight and Fidelity Monitoring

Ensure proper implementation by helping funded community reentry programs establish strong monitoring systems for all funded programs, including those administered by vendors. This monitoring should ensure that evidence-based programs or practices:

- Are carried out with fidelity to their design;
- Incorporate the elements that are critical to their effectiveness; and
- Use information gathered through monitoring to make any necessary adjustments.

SECTION 3 - APPLICATION PROCESS

3.1 Application Questions and Instructions

Application Questions

OGR will accept written questions regarding this AGF until **September 27, 2024**. Submit questions via email to: <u>victoria.j.gouveia@mass.gov</u>. Responses to all questions will be posted no later than October 4, 2024 at: <u>https://www.mass.gov/info-details/emerging-adult-reentry-</u> <u>initiativehttps://www.mass.gov/info-details/emerging-adult-reentry-initiative</u> **Responses will not be** provided for questions after September 27, 2024.

Application Instructions

The <u>online application</u> must be completed as outlined here. Submission of all attachments will be completed through the online application.

To provide OGR the best opportunity to fairly evaluate requests for funding, applicants are encouraged to be clear and concise in their application.

Section I. Applicant Information

A. Applicant, agency official, grant and fiscal contact information

Section II. Program Narrative

- Applicant Qualifications and Experience
 - Demonstrate the applicant's knowledge and experience working on a project with a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary approach based on **Evidence-based Programs and Practices**. Include:
 - A description of your agency's qualifications in implementing successful projects. Include knowledge and experience relating to evidence-based practices and best practices research relevant to this model. ¹

¹ For more information regarding the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Best Practices (Second Edition) at <u>https://www.ojjdp.gov/mpg</u>

- Based on the anticipated strategy for each Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative grant recipient, detail the applicant's capacity to provide support, assist, guide and potentially re-assess the feasibility and appropriateness of the selected strategy with the community reentry program director.
- Provide information about personnel, resources and capacity that qualify the applicant to conduct the proposed activities.
- Provide resumes of all individuals who will be filling any key role or having key responsibilities on this project. Resumes can be included with the application as **Additional Material** (*Attachment C*).

• Program Strategy

Action Research

Explain the methods the applicant will use to provide strategic, analytic, technical and research support when assisting the funded community reentry programs and correctional partners in improving or maintaining the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative strategy and outcomes.

- How will the applicant assess the effectiveness of the implemented *Emerging Adults Reentry* strategy?
- What type of data will be collected?
- How will the data be collected and analyzed, and how will the information about the data collection and analysis process be communicated to OGR, the EARI sites and correctional partners?
- How will the applicant inform the funded community reentry programs and correctional partners as to emerging and relevant evidence-based and best practices research specific to comprehensive, multi-disciplinary approaches?
- What methodology/steps will be used for collecting, organizing and archiving this information for ease of accessibility to all stakeholders?
- Define the methods for establishing an effective working relationship and sharing data with the funded community programs and their correctional partners
- How will the applicant present recommendations and proposed suggestions (as outlined in **2.3.3** *Other Requirements*) to the funded community reentry programs and correctional partners?
- How will the applicant work with the DOC/Sheriffs/Probation agencies to develop best practices regarding the sharing of participant data?
- Does the applicant plan to provide technical assistance to other organizations or institutions besides the six funded EARI sites on emerging adult reentry initiatives? For applicants who plan to provide assistance to organizations or institutions working on emerging adult reentry initiatives, describe each organization/institution, the specific emerging adult reentry initiative and the project activities. (optional)

Section III. Reporting and Technical Assistance

Explain how the applicant will track and assist the funded EARI program sites to ensure timely and accurate programmatic reporting. Explanations should include:

• How the applicant will provide technical assistance related to data collection, reporting and evaluation.

- How the applicant will assist with data entry and processing and reviewing and validating the data.
- How will the applicant ensure timely completion of proposed deliverables (quarterly and bi-annual reports, comprehensive final report, as outlined in Other Requirements)?
- Explain how the topics within Grant Compliance "Other Requirements" (in Section 2.3.3 of the AGF) will be addressed and implemented.

Section IV. Budget Narrative and Excel Workbook (Attachment A)

This section outlines the budget necessary to implement the applicant's proposed strategy. This narrative should give an overall description and justification of all cost categories requested on the Budget Excel Worksheet (refer to **Attachment A**). Applicants should use this section to further describe why there is a need for each category included in the budget. The Budget Narrative should further indicate how each budget line item proposed in the *Excel Budget Workbook* links to the applicant's proposed strategy. Applicants must submit a **12-month budget** and utilize **Attachment A** to document the proposed costs for each allowable cost category.

Administrative costs are those expenses incurred by grant recipients or sub- recipients in support of the day-to-day operations of their organization. These overhead costs are the expenses that are not directly tied to a specific program purpose. These costs include facility and building maintenance/expenses, telephone and utility expenses, depreciation and interest expenses, general supplies not specific to the project at task, rental and lease costs for property, and/or administrative salaries and associated benefits for administrative employees whose work benefits the entire organization such as but not limited to CEOs, CFOs, CIOs, Treasurers, Secretaries, or Directors. These costs should not be included as the base to be applied against an indirect rate in the cost category above. <u>NOTE:</u> Per Chapter 126 of the Acts of 2024 – administrative costs cannot exceed 7.5% of the total allocation.

Indirect Cost Rate Agreement

Indirect costs are only allowed for non-profit organizations. Applicants may charge indirect costs through the use of an indirect cost rate that has been federally- approved. Please include a copy of a current, signed federally approved indirect cost rate agreement. Applicants that have never received a federally approved indirect cost rate may elect to charge the current de minimis rate of modified total direct costs.

Effective October 1, 2024...15% de minimis rate: The new version of the OMB Uniform Guidance raises the guaranteed de minimis rate for indirect costs from 10% to 15% of modified total direct costs.

Unallowable Costs

No grant funds may be spent for the following:

- Food or beverages for programming, trainings, conferences or staff meetings;
- Prizes/rewards/entertainment/trinkets (or any type of monetary incentive);
- Gift cards;
- Equipment;

- Clothing;
- Construction, office furniture, or other like purchases;
- No purchasing or leasing of vehicles;
- Insurance;
- Luxury items;
- Real estate.

Table 1 Definitions	of Each Annroved	l Budget Cost Category
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Allowable Budget		
Cost Categories	Demitions and Documentation requirements	
Personnel	• Full- or part-time regular salaried employees working on the grant.	
Fringe	 Employer Fringe benefits requested to be paid by this grant can be based on either: 1) organization's actual known paid costs for each benefit category, or 2) an established formula applied to the base salary numbers shown above, broken out by the benefit category. Fringe benefits are for the personnel listed in the Personnel budget category and only for the percentage of time devoted to the project. Employer paid payroll taxes may also be included as a separate cost. Eligible costs include the <u>employer share</u> of the following: ✓ Life insurance ✓ Social security costs ✓ Pension costs ✓ Unemployment insurance costs ✓ Workers compensation insurance 	
Contracts/ Consultants	 The maximum rate for consultants is \$650 for an eight-hour day or \$81.25 per hour (excluding travel and subsistence costs). Any request for compensation over \$650 per day requires prior written approval by OGR. Contracts - a competitive process based on the municipality's procurement policy should be followed when procuring contracted services. Budget should reflect the hourly rate and estimated number of hours per contractor/consultant Contract salary, fringe benefit, travel, and other costs should be placed within this category and follow instructions within personnel, fringe, travel and other cost categories. 	
Travel	 Only in-state mileage reimbursement is permitted for travel directly related to the purpose of the grant. Travel costs associated with the grant shall include mileage rates not to exceed \$0.62 per mile, as well as the actual costs of tolls and parking. 	
Supplies	• General supplies required for project or office (pens, pencils, postage, training material, copy paper, and other expendable items such as books, ink, etc.).	
Administrative	• Administrative Costs are not to exceed 7.5% of the total award and cannot be included in the base to determine indirect costs.	
Indirect Costs	Federally negotiated and approved rate for costs that are not readily assignable to a particular project, but are necessary to the operation, maintenance of the organization and performance of the project. Please refer to your federally approved indirect rate for more guidance on which expenses can be included in your indirect cost categories.	

 Applicants must include a copy of the federally approved rate with the proposal.
If applicants do not have a federally approved rate, they can use the de minimis rate.
For more information on the de minimis rate, please refer to the <u>Office of Management</u> and Budget (OMB)'s Uniform Guidance.

3.2.3 Sub Recipient Risk Assessment Form (Attachment B)

Complete this form by following the instructions within the attachment.

3.2.4 Additional Material (Attachment C)

Provide resumes of all individuals who will be filling any key role or having key responsibilities on this project.

Applicants may attach any additional material that will be helpful to reviewers, including but not limited to cooperative agreements or letters of support to demonstrate collaboration or evidence of strategic, analytic, technical and research support related to community reentry.

Applicants should be aware that award determinations will be based primarily on the required information provided in the application. Please note that additional material will not necessarily be factored into the scoring of the application.

3.3 Submission Process and Deadline

Please review the following instructions carefully as there are two separate steps involved in submitting the Application, Budget, and other documents.

Please Note: The application and attachments are to be submitted electronically via the online application form. Emailed submissions will NOT be accepted.

*This AGF and all other required documents can also be found on our website: <u>https://www.mass.gov/info-details/emerging-adults-reentry-initiative</u>

Online Submission

Submit online application including all required Attachments by 4:00 p.m. on Friday October 11, 2024 via the link below:

SFY2025 EARI TA Grant Program Application (cognitoforms.com)

Emailed submissions will not be accepted. Please let OGR know if you have any questions regarding the online application. All questions can be directed to <u>Victoria.J.Gouveia@mass.gov</u>.

3.4 Proposal Review Process

Applications will be subject to a competitive review process and may be reviewed in tandem with the respective Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative applications. Each application will be evaluated based on the following:

• Relevancy of applicant qualifications and experience

The applicant's demonstrated knowledge of, and past professional experience providing strategic, analytic, technical and research support of evidence-based and best practices relevant to providing reentry services shown to reduce recidivism amongst the 18-25 years of age population, will help to determine the applicant's capacity to provide support to the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative program sites.

• Quality of action research

The applicant's demonstrated ability to present qualitative and quantitative data will be used to determine the applicant's ability to inform the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative stakeholders of the emerging trends and program effectiveness.

• Justification of the partnership and collaboration

Evidence of existing or proposed partnerships between the applicant and community reentry programs will be used to determine if the proposed partnership will result in productive and effective efforts that help reduce the recidivism amongst the 18-25 years of age population. Additionally, the applicant's ability to adequately allocate resources for reporting assistance will be taken into consideration.

• Consistency between the proposed budget and strategy

The proposed Budget will be evaluated to ensure that the approved cost categories are comprised of items which ensure proper implementation and maximum effectiveness of the proposed strategy.

SECTION 4 - AWARD DETERMINATION AND NOTIFICATION

All final funding decisions are at the discretion of the Secretary of Public Safety and Security and Executive Director of OGR. It is anticipated that grant awards will be announced in December 2025.

Applications will be reviewed and assessed for completeness, clarity, and reasonableness of all required components.

Grant applications will be subject to a **competitive review process** and all proposals will be numerically assessed based on the following factors:

- Applicant and Program Information: completion of all information in the applicant information section. (5 points)
- Applicant Qualifications and Experience: The applicant's demonstrated knowledge of, and past professional experience working with evidence-based and best practices relevant to the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative. (15 points)
- **Program Strategy and Action Research:** The applicant's demonstrated ability to present data, to identify and describe emerging trends and best practices, and to effectively describe the methods the applicant will use to provide strategic, analytic, technical and research support to assist with improving or maintaining the Emerging Adults Reentry Initiative strategy and outcomes will be used to determine the applicant's action research capabilities. **(40 points)**
- **Reporting and Technical Assistance:** The applicant's ability to adequately allocate resources for reporting and technical assistance. **(20 points)**

• **Budget**: The proposed Budget Excel Workbook and Budget Narrative will be evaluated to ensure that the approved cost categories are comprised of items which ensure proper implementation and maximum effectiveness of the proposed strategy **(25 points)**

Appendix A: Reentry Performance and Outcome Measures

Program participants are defined as young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 who are returning to the community from state prisons and county correctional facilities.

1. Aggregate Program Data to Report:

#	Output Measure	Definition	Data Grantee Reports
The	ese measures need to	be tracked on an ongoing basis and reported quarterly	
1	Number of individuals referred to the program	A. Report the unduplicated count of program participants who were referred to the program during the reporting period.B. Of those referred, report the number	A. Number of individuals referred to the program during the reporting periodB. Number of individuals who
		individuals that were eligible for enrollment in the program during the reporting period.	were eligible for enrollment during the reporting period
2	Number of participants served by program	Report the unduplicated count of program participants who received grant-funded services This count includes: A. participants who received grant-funded services in the current reporting period who were carried	A. Number of participants who received grant-funded services in the current reporting period who were carried over from the previous reporting period
		over from the previous reporting period.B. participants who began receiving grant-funded services during the current reporting period (i.e., new admissions).<i>Program records are the preferred data source.</i>	B. Number of participants who began receiving grant-funded services during the current reporting period (i.e., new admissions)
3	Types of services provided to participants	For each service category, report the number of program participants that received grant-funded services during the reporting period. An individual	A. Number of participants receiving case planning and management services
		should only be counted once in each service category that applies; the same individual can be counted in multiple service categories (e.g., an individual who receives family support services and educational services is included in each of those	B. Number of participants receiving family support services (e.g., counseling, mediation)
		service categories). Program records are the preferred data source.	C. Number of participants enrolled in job readiness services
			D. Number of participants receiving mental health services

	E.	Number of participants receiving substance use/abuse services
	F.	Number of participants receiving job readiness services
	G.	Number of participants receiving educational services
	H.	Number of participants receiving employment training services
	I.	Number of participants receiving housing support services
	J.	Number of participants receiving other services

2. Aggregate Demographic Data to Report:

#	Outcome Measure	Definition	Data Grantee Reports	
	These measures are tracked on an ongoing basis and reported quarterly. Report demographic information on NEW participants who received grant-funded services during the reporting period.			
1	Number of program participants served by Ethnicity	Report the number of new program participants served, by ethnicity, during the reporting period.	A. Number of "Hispanic or Latino"B. Number of "Non-Hispanic or Latino"	
			C. Number of "Unknown"	

#	Outcome Measure	Definition	Data Grantee Reports
2	Number of Program Participants Served by Race	Report the number of new program participants served, by race, during the reporting period.	A. Number of "Native American or Alaska Native"
		reporting period.	B. Number of "Asian"
			C. Number of "Black or African American"
			D. Number of "Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander"
			E. Number of "White"
			F. Number of "More than one race"
			G. Number of "Other"
			H. Number of "Unknown"
3	Number of Program	Report the number of new program	A. Number "Male"
	Participants Served by Gender	participants served, by gender, during the reporting period	B. Number "Female"
			C. Number "Nonbinary"
			D. Number of "Transgender"
			E. Number "Other"
			F. Number "Uknown"
4	Number of Program Participants Served by Age	Report the number of new program participants served, by age at program	A. Number "18 years old"
	at Program Entry	entry, during the reporting period.	B. Number "19 years old"
			C. Number "20 years old"
			D. Number "21 years old"
			E. Number "22 years old"
			F. Number "23 years old"
			G. Number "24 years old"
			H. Number "25 years old"
			I. Number of "Unknown"

3. Aggregate Outcome Data to Report:

#	Outcome Measure	Definition	Data Grantee Reports
	receive grant-funded services Please do not count an indivi	on an ongoing basis and reported to the TA pros s during the reporting period and exited the pr dual more than once. Information reported he during the annual reporting period.	rogram during the reporting period.
1	Number of participants exiting the program	 A. Report the number of participants who have exited the program either successfully or unsuccessfully during the reporting period. B. Report the number of participants who have successfully fulfilled all program obligations and requirements. This does not include participants who are still in ongoing programs. Program obligations will vary by program but should be a predefined list of requirements or obligations that clients must meet before program completion. 	 A. Number of program participants who exited the program either successfully or unsuccessfully during the reporting period. B. Number of program participants who exited the program successfully, having completed all program requirements, during the reporting period.
2	Employment Status at Program Exit	 Program records are the preferred data source. A. The number of participants who secured employment at program exit. Full-time employment is defined is defined by employer, typically 35 to 40 hours per week. B. Regular part-time employment is defined as working at least half-time, but less than full-time. C. Temporary employment is often given to cover for absent employees, temporary vacancies, or to fill gaps in a company's workforce. Employment can be through a temporary staffing agency or directly through the company. Temporary employment may be full or part-time. D. Self-report or staff ratings are the most 	 A. Number of program participants employed full-time at program exit B. Number of program participants employed part-time at program exit C. Number of program participants who had temporary employment at program exit D. Number of program participants who were unemployed at program exit
		D. Self-report or staff ratings are the most likely data sources for unemployed.	

#	Outcome Measure	Definition	Data Grantee Reports
3	Housing Status at Program Exit	 The number of participants who secured housing at program exit. A. The number of participants who were in temporary housing at program exit. Temporary housing includes communal setting such as foster or group home, transitional housing program or shelter. B. The number of program participants who were in stable housing at program exit. Stable housing includes owning/renting apartment, room or house; living in the home or apartment of a parent, relative, friend or guardian. 	 A. Number of program participants who were in temporary housing at program exit B. Number of program participants who were in stable housing at program exit
4	Educational Attainment at Program Exit	The number of participants who earned their high school diploma, GED or HiSET, or advanced degree at program exit. If participant earned more than one, report the highest level of education. Self-report or staff ratings are the most likely data sources.	 A. Number of program participants who obtained high school diploma at program exit B. Number of program participants who obtained a GED and/or HiSET at program exit C. Number of program participants who obtained an advanced degree at program exit

4. Recidivism Data to Report:

#	Outcome Measure	Definition	Data Grantee Reports
1	Recidivism	Report the number of program participants who received grant-funded services during the reporting period that recidivated during the reporting period.	A. Number of program participants served during the reporting period that recidivated within 3 months of start date
		Recidivism should be defined by at least one of the following measures determine by training and technical assistance provider based on the data available: arrest (or arraignment), conviction, incarceration and/or parole or probation violation that	B. Number of program participants served during the reporting period that recidivated within 6 months of start date
		resulted in reincarceration.	C. Number of program participants served during the reporting

	period that recidivated within 1 year of start date
	D. Number of program participants served during the reporting period that recidivated within 2 years of start date

In order to report recidivism outcomes, grantees must track the following:

#	Variable	Definition	Format/Response Options
1	Correctional_ID_Number	Unique identifier used by correctional authority to identify inmate, also known as commitment number or booking number. Assigned to inmate at time of commitment.	
2	Admission_Date	Most recent date of admission into correctional authority as a sentenced offender. If individual served time in jail prior to admission, use jail admission date. If individual was admitted on a parole or probation violation, use effective date of return.	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 04/05/2022)
3	First_Name	First name of program participant as referenced on court Mittimus.	
4	Last_Name	Last name of program participant as referenced on court Mittimus.	
5	DOB	Date of birth of program participant referenced on court Mittimus.	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 05/19/1973)
6	Sex	Sex of program participant as defined by the participant.	Male, Female, Transgender, Nonbinary, Other
7	Gender	Gender of program participant as reported by the participant.	Male, Female, Transgender, Nonbinary, Other (e.g. refers to self as "they")

Individual-level Data:

#	Variable	Definition	Format/Response Options
8	Race	 White: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa. Black: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. Asian: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent. Native American or Alaskan Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment. Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands. Other: A person who does not fall into one of the categories listed above. More than one race: A person who identifies with more than one race. Refuse to Answer: A person who refuses to provide a racial background. Unknown: A person who is unsure of their racial background 	Options: W - White B - Black (African American) A - Asian I - Native American or Alaskan Native (American Indian or Native Alaskan) HP - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander O - Other M - More than one race RA - Refused to Answer U - Unknown (unsure of racial background)
9	Hispanic_Ethnicity	A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term, "Spanish origin", can be used in addition to "Hispanic or Latino".	Yes, No, Unknown
10	PCF_Number	The number assigned to an individual by the Massachusetts Probation Department; listed on the Board of Probation (BOP) report.	
11	SID	Fingerprint based identification number, sometimes called FBI# or SID#	
12	Program_Start_Date	Date when participant started the program	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 04/05/2022)
13	Program_Facility	Name of state or county correctional facility where participant is housed on program start date. Includes day reporting, halfway house, or other types of community correctional programs.	
14	RRA_Tool	Name of assessment tool used to measure participant's risk to recidivate	

#	Variable	Definition	Format/Response Options
15	RRA_Score	The participant's risk to recidivate assessment score	
16	Prison_Exit_Date	Date released from correctional authority by discharge from sentence, sentence expiration, court release, or parole release. Offender can be released to probation supervision.	Mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 05/30/2022)
17	Release_Security_Level	Security level of offender at time of prison exit. Participant can be housed in minimum security facility but offender security level is pre-release; offender can be housed in medium security facility but security level of offender is maximum (held in segregation).	Specify security level used by correctional authority to designate person's particular housing situation.
18	Release Facility	Name of correctional facility at time of release from prison or county corrections. Includes day reporting, halfway house, or other types of community correctional programs.	
19	Release_Type	Type of release from correctional authority	Specify release type: Released to parole supervision; Released to probation supervision; Released to parole and probation supervision; Released without parole or probation supervision;
20	Program_Exit_Date	Date when participant exited program whether or not exit was terminated early.	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 11/25/2022)
21	Program_Exit_Reason	Reason for exit from program whether or not exit was considered a successful or an unsuccessful outcome.	

Recidivism Data:

#	Variable	Definition	Source	Format/Response Options
1	New_Arraignment_Date	Date of the first arraignment following the participant's prison exit date regardless of the outcome of the arraignment, or if the individual appeared in court or did not show.	Board of Probation CARI data	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 04/05/2022); leave blank if no new arraignment
2	New_Arraignment_Offense	The first offense listed for the arraignment should be categorized into an Offense Category as referenced below: Offense Drug - Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 94C Offenses; Offense Other - Miscellaneous offenses that are not	Board of Probation CARI data	Leave blank if no new arraignment

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		clearly categorized into one of the other offense categories of Person, Property, Sex or Drug; Offense Person - Crimes Against the Person primarily MGL Chapter 265 offenses including assault and battery, kidnapping, manslaughter and murder; Offense Property - Crimes Against Property primarily MGL Chapter 266 offenses including arson, burglary and fraud; Offense Sex - Sex Offenses Against the Person consist of MGL Chapter 265 (Crimes Against the Person) and Chapter 272 offenses (Crimes Against Chastity, Morality, Decency and Good Order). Includes rape, unnatural acts, and indecent assault and battery on a child under 14.		
3	New_Conviction_Date	Date of the first conviction following participant's prison exit date regardless if the individual appeared in court or did not show.	Board of Probation CARI data	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 05/20/2022); leave blank if no new conviction
4	New_Conviction_Offense	The first offense with a conviction finding (sentenced, time served, commitment, fine, probation/suspended sentence, guilty/guilty filed) following the participant's prison exit date. The first offense listed for the conviction should be categorized into an Offense Category as referenced below: Offense Drug - Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 94C Offenses; Offense Other - Miscellaneous offenses that are not clearly categorized into one of the other offense categories of Person, Property, Sex or Drug; Offense Person - Crimes Against the Person primarily MGL Chapter 265 offenses including assault and battery, kidnapping, manslaughter, and murder; Offense Property - Crimes Against Property primarily MGL Chapter 266 offenses including arson, burglary, and fraud; Offense Sex - Sex Offenses Against the Person consist of MGL Chapter 265 (Crimes Against the Person) and Chapter 272 offenses (Crimes Against Chastity, Morality,	Board of Probation CARI data	Leave blank if no new conviction

#	Variable	Definition	Source	Format/Response Options
		Decency and Good Order). Includes rape, unnatural acts, and indecent assault and battery on a child under 14.		
5	New_Incarceration_Date	Date of the first incarceration following participant's prison exit date. Incarceration can be to a state, county or federal correctional facility for a new offense or a violation of parole or probation.	Board of Probation CARI data	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 05/20/2022); leave blank if no new incarceration
6	New_Incarceration_Offense	The first offense listed on the booking document for which incarcerated following the participant's prison exit date. The first offense listed for the incarceration should be categorized into an Offense Category as referenced below: Offense Drug - Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 94C Offenses; Offense Other - Miscellaneous offenses that are not clearly categorized into one of the other offense categories of Person, Property, Sex or Drug; Offense Person - Crimes Against the Person primarily MGL Chapter 265 offenses including assault and battery, kidnapping, manslaughter, and murder; Offense Property - Crimes Against Property primarily MGL Chapter 266 offenses including arson, burglary and fraud; Offense Sex - Sex Offenses Against the Person consist of MGL Chapter 265 (Crimes Against the Person) and Chapter 272 offenses (Crimes Against Chastity, Morality, Decency and Good Order). Includes rape, unnatural acts, and indecent assault and battery on a child under 14.	Board of Probation CARI data	Leave blank if no new incarceration
7	Parole_Violation_Date	Date of the first parole violation following participant's prison exit date. Use the earlier of the parole violation or parole detainer date.	Parole Board or correctional authority	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 05/20/2022); leave blank if no parole violation
8	Parole_Violation_Type	Indicate whether the parole violation/detainer was issued for a technical reason (no new arrest) or a technical reason with a new arrest.	Parole Board or correctional authority	Leave blank if no parole violation

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9	Probation_Violation_Date	Date of the first probation violation following participant's prison exit date. Use the earlier of the probation violation or probation detainer date.	Board of Probation CARI data	mm/dd/yyyy (e.g. 05/20/2022); leave blank if no probation violation
10	Probation_Violation	Indicate whether the probation violation was for a technical issue or for a technical issue with a new arrest.	Board of Probation CARI data	Leave blank if no probation violation