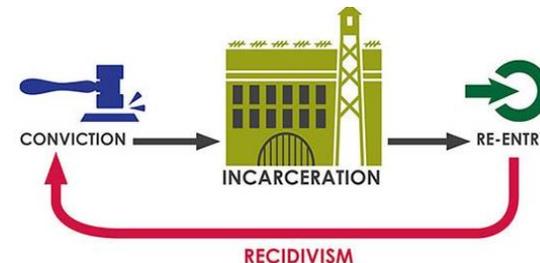


*CREATING  
SOLUTIONS IN  
RECIDIVISM*

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# RECIDIVISM: AT A GLANCE

- 2.3 Million Americans are currently incarcerated
- 4.3 million are under correctional control
- The Formerly incarcerated have an unemployment rate of 27%
- Statistics suggest 68% of released inmates will face arrests within their first 3 years of release
- 83% will face arrests in the first 9 years following their release
- 62% of the time rehabilitation is failing to reach its most at-risk segment
- Lack of structure for inmates upon entry leads to their lack of structure upon exit
- Solutions should be aimed at answering the problem at a local, state, and national level
- New Programs and policy have been taking form for criminal justice reform



## *TRADITIONAL APPROACH: Kentucky HB463*

- “The Public Safety and Offender Accountability Act”
- A cost effective program targeting low-risk inmates within the state.
- Increase inmates access to treatment for substance-abuse
- The program was not given strict criteria to determine its success
- Saved the state of Kentucky an estimated \$81 million in projected cost over the course of 2 years following the start of the program
- The policy hasn’t been successful in reducing recidivism rates in Kentucky
- It shows promise in the hope of criminal justice reform
- Had big potential for positive externalities



# SOCIAL INNOVATION APPROACH: Just-in-Reach

- The Just-In-Reach program used a SIB financing model in creating a Pay-For-Success program
- The program was aimed at creating success for the most at-risk demographic of the incarcerated near their release date
- The program is considered to be a four step process
- Enrollment in the program links the incarcerated with *Brilliant Corners* to bridge the gap
- The program intersects funding available to combat both recidivism and homelessness by targeting a demographic that falls in both
- All participants in the program will receive case management services and access to health resources



# KEY DIFFERENCES

- The social innovation approach has concrete criteria in deeming whether or not the program was successful
- Using a Pay-For-Success model, the social innovation approach does not have to use government funds initially
- The social innovation approach is aimed at the highest-risk group, while the traditional approach was aimed at the lowest risk demographic
- Structure finance is a problem for both approaches
- Although the social innovation approach has not been completed and measure, it will likely be much more effective against recidivism.



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