

# REINTEGRATION OF EX-OFFENDERS – ADULT Generation 4

**GRANTEE:** Span, Inc.

**LOCATION OF GRANT ACTIVITIES:** Central Boston, Back Bay/Fenway, Roxbury, and Dorchester neighborhoods of Boston, MA

**TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (PY 2010 Appropriation):** \$1,170,000

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:** N/A

**KEY PARTNERSHIPS:** Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC), Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development, City of Boston's Department of Neighborhood Development, Massachusetts Department of Public Health's Bureau of Substance Abuse Services, Boston Neighborhood Health Center, The Work Place (TWP) One-Stop Center, Massachusetts Department of Corrections (MADOC), Suffolk County House of Correction, and Massachusetts Parole Board.

**KEY FEATURES:** Span will use funds to increase employment opportunities for ex-offenders by: 1) recruiting clients and providing intake/assessment and support services in prison and the community; 2) providing wrap-around case management and job development to enhance successful community re-entry; 3) focusing on strategies that include substance abuse and mental health counseling, and other rehabilitative programs designed for ex-offenders; 4) connecting participants through TWP to a job developer, employment readiness training, and comprehensive resources for job search; 5) connecting clients to a network of 300+ employers; 6) accessing green training and employment opportunities through partnership with JFY NetWorks, TWP, and the MADOC's Clean/Green Energy Training Program; 7) accessing educational opportunities including GED and ESL classes through TWP's parent organization, Jewish Vocational Services (JVS), and higher educational opportunities through local community colleges and universities through partnership with MADOC; 7) developing new job opportunities within in-demand industries including green jobs; 8) utilizing the partnership with TWP to build partnerships with employer advisor counsels, chambers of commerce, the Boston Private Industry Counsel (PIC) and local employers and; 9) connecting participants to individual and group mentoring relationships.

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