

# PHILADELPHIA REENTRY COALITION

## Home for Good: 1 Year In

October 2016

### VISION

Every person released from jail or prison to Philadelphia succeeds and is a productive member of the community.

### GOAL

Reduce recidivism in Philadelphia by **25%** in the next 5 years.

### MISSION

The Philadelphia Reentry Coalition collaborates, coordinates, commits, and communicates to create opportunities for successful reentry using evidence-based practices to reduce--and eventually eliminate-- recidivism.

## 5 TACTICS

1. Strengthen our foundation.
2. Adopt a shared methodology: Risk-Needs-Responsivity (RNR).
3. Engage our community.
4. Engage leaders.
5. Align our efforts.

Communication  
Capacity-Building  
Collaboration

## Laying the Groundwork



### RE-ORGANIZATION

**8** subcommittees

strong subcommittee leadership representing **12** agencies

Steering Committee representing city/county, state, and federal government, service providers, and returning citizens



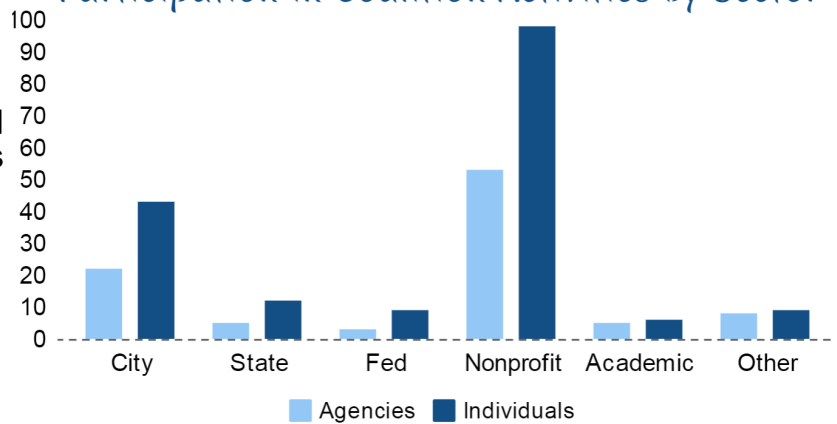
### EXPANDED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

**85+** agencies and organizations

**26%** increase in email subscription  
**334** readers  
**20** newsletters

MEETINGS:  
**4** Quarterly Stakeholder  
**10+** Leadership  
**25+** Subcommittee

### Participation in Coalition Activities by Sector



### GROWTH OF COALITION CAPACITY

JULY 2016

OCTOBER 2016

full-time coordinator in the City's Managing Director's Office of Criminal Justice

formalized membership agreements

new website

### BASICS OF RNR MARCH 2016 **29** trained

**91%** had never received RNR training  
**75%** had 5+ years of experience in criminal justice system

*"was most beneficial to understand the science and statistics behind risk assessments"*

**100 %** would recommend to others

### Risk-Needs-Responsivity

(An evidence-based approach to reducing recidivism)

### RNR TOOLS IN ACTION

MAY 2016 **26** trained

*"helpful to understand what happens within [criminal justice] agencies"*

### Employment Topics

(employment law, Philadelphia's Fair Chance Hiring Law, expungement and sealing, employer incentives)

### REENTRY AND EMPLOYMENT 101

SEPTEMBER 2016 **70** trained

*"the wealth of information was priceless"*

### TRAININGS



## TIMELY PARTNERSHIPS

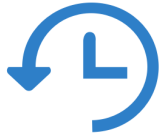
Coalition's commitment to supporting the leadership of formerly incarcerated Philadelphians



## PHILADELPHIA'S FIRST REENTRY THINK TANK

## Juvenile Life Without Parole Working Group

launched in March to build a collective + strategic response to meeting the reentry needs of those who will be released as a result of the January 2016 Montgomery v. Louisiana US Supreme Court decision.



## Next Up

● 12-Month Calendar of RNR Trainings

● Completion of Recidivism Baseline Calculation

● Formal Letter of Support Policy and Process

● Connecting Reentry Programs to the Adult Education System

● Policy and Funding Resource Pages on Coalition Website

● "Get to Know Us" Rotating Open House Series

● Identifying Ways to Support Organizations in Philadelphia led by People with Lived Experience

● Launch of Health and Housing Subcommittees

● Short-term Action Plans for each Subcommittee

● Leveraging the Coalition to support reentry efforts by the Philadelphia Criminal Justice Advisory Board (CJAB)

● Leveraging the Coalition to support the Kenney Administration's reentry efforts, with the Managing Director's Office of Criminal Justice, the Mayor's Office of Re-integration Services (RISE), and the Workforce Steering Committee



## Lessons Learned



LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR HOME FOR GOOD-- CREATING INTERNAL SYSTEMS AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT THE COALITION-- TOOK LONGER THAN WE EXPECTED, PUSHING BACK MANY OF THE TIMELINES

SOME ORIGINAL SUBCOMMITTEES WERE TRANSITIONED TO PRIMARILY STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES (COMMUNICATIONS, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT)

LARGE-SCALE UNDERTAKINGS, SUCH AS FACILITATING THE USE OF A SINGLE RNR ASSESSMENT TOOL AND CONDUCTING A COMPREHENSIVE GAP ANALYSIS OF REENTRY NEEDS AND SERVICES CITYWIDE, NEED TO BE REVISITED

# Thank You

Thank you to our leadership + our members for contributing so much time and energy in the past year into the collective project of strengthening Philadelphia's reentry system to reduce recidivism together.

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