MAKE AN IMPACT

RELATED NON-PROFITS AND INITIATIVES

National HIRE Network

National HIRE Network helps formerly incarcerated individuals by providing information on each state's government agencies and communal services to assist those reentering society through providing a full list of resources to a formerly incarcerated individual. It serves as a clearinghouse of resources, offering information on laws, policies, and procedures that affect reentry.

Louisiana Parole Project

The Louisiana Parole Project supports qualified incarcerated individuals by offering comprehensive services and programs to facilitate their successful reintegration into society. The organization provides legal representation for those seeking parole, transitional housing during reentry, educational opportunities, job placement assistance, and actively advocates for policy reforms with local legislators. The Douglass Project partners with the Louisiana Parole Project to lead visits inside two Louisiana facilities.

Families & Friends of Louisiana's Incarcerated Children

FFLIC is focused on helping families of youth caught in the juvenile justice system. Through providing programming for families & youth, while helping campaign for federal and state changes to the juvenile justice system, this non-profit furthers youth's development after incarceration while severing the destructive school-to-prison pipeline present in today's society.

The Promise of Justice Initiative

The Promise of Justice Initiative is committed to driving comprehensive criminal justice reform by providing legal representation in civil rights cases, challenging Jim Crow Juries, and tackling significant criminal litigation issues. Moreover, the organization helps mobilize communities near and around the New Orleans area to organize and publicly advocate for prison reform policies and initiatives.

Innocence Project New Orleans

The Innocence Project of New Orleans is dedicated to helping those who have been wrongfully convicted within the criminal

GENERAL INFORMATION

Annual budget: \$734,795,732 **Director**: James M. Le Blanc

Total DOC staff: 4,779

Justice-Impacted population:

31,609 prison 32,730 jails 28,283 parole

33,741 probation

justice system. The organization works directly with incarcerated individuals to overturn unjust sentences, secure the release of innocent people, and advocate for essential prison reforms throughout Louisiana.

The First 72+

The First 72 assists those reentering society from incarceration through providing secure housing, technology training, case management, and pre-release support for both incarcerated and post-incarceration individuals within New Orleans.

Unlock the Box

Unlock the Box is a national organization dedicated to ending solitary confinement in our incarceration system. By mobilizing communities around this critical issue, the non-profit aims to expose the harmful effects of this practice and advocate for its complete abolition.

Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence: LCADV

The Louisiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence is a statewide network committed to supporting those impacted by domestic violence. It offers educational opportunities to state-agencies, helping them recognize and address the signs of abuse, while providing individual programming for local interested communities. Additionally, the coalition provides shelters for survivors and actively advocates for their rights and safety.

Voice Of The Experienced [VOTE]

This organization organizes individuals and pushes the issues of employment rights, housing rights, medical rights and voting rights for formerly incarcerated citizens during their re-entry. Through actively canvassing communities and getting people to be politically active, this organization helps shift needed policy changes in Louisiana communities.

Louisiana Center for Children's Rights

The Louisiana Center for Children's Rights is a nonprofit dedicated to supporting young individuals caught in the juvenile justice system. They provide legal representation to youth, advocating for parole and fair sentencing practices. Furthermore, LCCR publicly advocates for reform to sentencing practices, especially those targeted at individuals of a poor economic background, as to assist in shifting the justice system.

ACLU of Louisiana

The ACLU of Louisiana pushes reforms in the state's criminal justice system. The organization monitors and reports on legal cases and lawsuits related to prison reform, spearheads campaigns advocating for changes in prison policies, and offers legal representation to individuals affected by the system.

GET MORE INVOLVED:

CONNECT WITH YOUR POLICYMAKERS!

Governor Jeff Landry

U.S. Senators

U.S. Representatives

Louisiana Senators

Louisiana Representatives

Louisiana Judiciary Committee

MORE ABOUT THE DOUGLASS PROJECT

The Douglass Project offers a multi-state Prison Visitation Program that enables community members around the country to visit local correctional facilities and engage in open, face-to-face conversations with incarcerated people. We believe that these unique encounters will spur understanding and empathy—for both visitors and prisoners—that will, in turn, drive meaningful personal and systemic change.

Cohorts of approximately 10-20 outsiders per visit will visit correctional facilities and engage in face-to-face conversations with a same sized group of incarcerated adults. The conversations are facilitated by Douglass Project staff using proven tools and techniques that encourage respectful sharing and honest and dignified discussion. Cohorts of outside participants can join individually or as an affiliated group.