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Completed by: Linda Wong Date September 30, 2013

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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: San Francisco Reentry Council  
Seat # 4

Name: Bradley Reiss

Home Address: PO Box \_\_\_\_\_, San Francisco, CA 94188

Home Phone: 650- \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: Program Manager In-Custody Drug Program

Work Phone: 260-7673 Employer: San Francisco Sheriff's Department 5Keys Charter

Business Address: 70 Oak Grove St San Francisco, CA Zip: 94103@yahoo.com

Business E-Mail: [bradr@5keyscharter.org](mailto:bradr@5keyscharter.org) Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_@yahoo.com

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes

Resident of San Francisco Yes

Pursuant to Charter section 4.101 (a)1, please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco: I am a San Francisco native and I have spent 5 years in and out of the criminal justice system. I have experienced multiple residential treatment facilities. After several relapses and multiple times in detox, I was introduced to Alcoholics Anonymous where I have established a program of action which works one day at a time for the past 7 years.

Education:

Business and/or professional experience: See attached resume:

Civic Activities: Holiday dinner volunteer at Glide

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? No

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Seat 4.

Contact information

Print Name: Bradley Reiss

Home Address: PO Box

Ph: 650-

Occupation: Program Manager

Work Phone: 650-266-7673

Employer: San Francisco Sheriffs Department 5 Keys Charter School

Business Address: [bradr@5keyscharter.org](mailto:bradr@5keyscharter.org) FAX #: 650-266-1724

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Have you ever been an inmate of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility? Yes

United States Bureau of Prisons facility? no

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Have you served multiple terms of incarceration? Yes

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3. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? It was very hard for me. I used AA and Therapy and I also worked in a homeless shelter.

4. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? By providing safe and effective treatment that is evidence based. By providing support from the community. The community needs to get involved by providing more education and training for jobs.

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5. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? My hope for the council is that we achieve more effective programs and more hands on care for our people.

6. Please list two personal and/or professional references that can speak of your qualifications:

Personal reference #1:

Name: Chris Cunnie

Ph: 415-637-8941

Personal reference #2:

Name: Steve Goode

Ph: 415-734-3311

References

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## **Bradley Reiss**

—1 26<sup>th</sup> Street, San Francisco, CA 94107

650- —

— [bradley.reiss@yahoo.com](mailto:bradley.reiss@yahoo.com)

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### **Qualifications**

- Substance Abuse treatment Counselor
- Experienced in working in an incarcerated setting
- Able to work effectively with prison, ex-offender or gang population
- Manage 4 staff members
- Violence prevention specialist
- Active Mentor in the Recovering Community

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### **Professional Experience**

#### **2009 to present**

#### **Five Keys Charter School San Francisco, CA**

2009 to present

#### **Program Manager**

**Job description:** Manage a pod of 48 incarcerated men who have issues including substance abuse, violence, and other problematic behaviors.

**Duties include:** Group facilitation on topics including substance abuse, anger management, restorative justice and re-entry services. Prepare weekly schedule. Meet with outside agencies to establish relationships with providers. Schedule motivational speakers. Maintain the overall safety and wellbeing of all clients.

#### **2008 - 2009**

#### **Walden House San Francisco, CA**

#### **Case Manager**

**Job description:** Oversee large caseload of HIV positive drug addicted clients with a mental health diagnosis in a 60 bed residential treatment facility.

**Duties include:** Help clients in the detox process from a variety of substances including methamphetamine, heroin, cocaine and marijuana. Referrals to additional services. Assessments and treatment planning. Evaluate client readiness for treatment. Dispense medications to residents

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**2006 - 2008**

**Safe Harbor, South San Francisco, CA**

**Case Manager**

**Job Description:** Managed 4 co-workers and 90 clients in Homeless shelter.

**Duties include:** Assess the needs of families through a comprehensive "Family Evaluation Model". Evaluate the level of family functioning. Referrals to other community services including detox, substance abuse, housing and mental health services.

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council of City/Council of SF

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 1 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: ERIC DUPRE

Home Address: - Main St. S.O., CA Zip: 94974

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Consultant, Community Leader

Work Phone: 415 Employer: Dupre Consults

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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For over three decades, I have served diverse economically challenged communities in the BAY AREA. For much of the last two decades, I have served in SF, beginning during the 90's with the SF Historical and Cultural Society, where I instituted a HOMEWORK, HOMEWORK PROGRAM for the Fillmore area PUBLIC HOUSING youth. As a result (then) Mayor Brown, and (then) State Senate Pres, Kevin Shelly, along with the SF Public Library awarded me an Unsung Hero Award. More recently, I have been doing Cultural Anthropological studies in the Tenderloin area. From such, I have developed several methodologies to assist criminally justice challenged individuals to overcome much of what is ailing them. Also, I have been extremely politically active where my company has made much of my income, and worked at the Elsie Hill Hutch Center

**Business and/or professional experience:**

In '86 I licensed DuPRE Consultants "we get results." My company has worked as a political, business and community relations consultant in various places in the U.S. i.e. Louisiana, Texas, Nevada, California  
In the BAY AREA, I have consulted as a G.O.T.V. (Get Out the Vote) specialist. I have worked with the Public Housing Tenant Association in the 90's, at one time producing a higher voter turnout percentage than any other single category during a previous Mayoral race in the 90's  
As of late, through my company, I have consulted and worked with many community grass rooted groups. I also served as a PEACE CORPS/VISTA

**Civic Activities:**

From age 19 when I served as the (at that time) youngest Executive member as 2nd Vice President of the Daly City chapter of the NAACP, to serving at the Center for African Af. Am. Art and Culture (now the Af. Am. Cultural Center) and also as a committee board member of the Af. Am. Committee for the CA Museum at Oakland, I have been active in civic activities. I have also worked with residents of the Hispanic and Asian community and nearly all political groups. I am also proficient in French.  
It is my goal to always be as civically active as possible, as community study and work is my volition.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

For appointments by the Board of Supervisors, appearance before the RULES COMMITTEE is a requirement before any appointment can be made. (Applications must be received 10 days before the scheduled hearing.) As required, I am submitting this application within the required time. By doing so from San Quentin Prison, I will not be available to meet with the Rules Committee, unless that meeting can take place here at S.Q. (possibly by phone)  
My release date is near summer's end at which time, I will be able to serve.

Date: 8/1/13 Applicant's Signature: (required) Eric Dupre

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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Re-entry Council

Seat # or Category (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: 10

Name: Vanessa Banks-Morris

Home Address: Reuel court # 2A Zip: 94124

Home Phone: (415) Occupation: Student / Recreation Leader II (3279)

Work Phone: (415) 977-6805 Employer: City & County of SF Rec/Parks Dept.

Business Address: PO BOX 882622 SF CA Zip: 94188

Business E-Mail: vbankscoleman@advocates.org Home E-Mail: @gmail.com

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As a service provider working in the field on a daily in contact with people of all interest and walks of life. Being award a seat on the Reentry Council will help me to advocate and pass information to those reentering into communities. Providing services provider/schools with tools to help ex-offenders and families navigate to health family again. I believe giving the opportunity to represent all community city wide, will be enhancing my qualifications tremendously in shaping safer communities for us all.

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

Currently enrolled in CCSF, Community Health, Youth and Post Prison certificate program completion Spring 2014.

Serve within San Francisco Recreations and Park Department, as Recreation Leader II

Strong community engagement experience

Emergency On- Call support staff for Freedom House

**Civic Activities:**

Founder of Friends of Youngblood Coleman Park Initiative

SFUSD/PAC, Parent Advisory Council

Bayview Hunters Point Mobility Solutions Study

Hunters Point Family, Parent Advisory

HomeboyHotline -volunteer/ Coleman Advocates Civic Engagement Asst. SFWAR, Medical Advocate

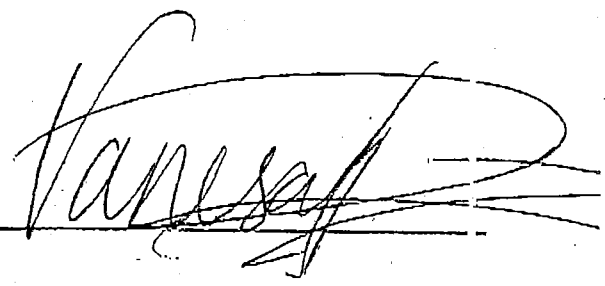
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Yes  No

*"Interest in sub-committees"*

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Date: 9/9/2013 Applicant's Signature: (required)



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September 8<sup>th</sup> 2013

To whom it may concern,

My name is Clarence Lumpsy, I have known Vanessa Banks for over 12 years now and she always helped me with information from food banks, to toys, back pack giveaways to help me with my grandchildren.

I met Vanessa at the worst peak off my life, being an ex- convict, I'm now detached off patrol <sup>it been</sup> ~~been its~~ twenty years, ten of those years, I was homeless on and off drugs.

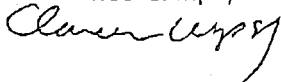
Vanessa informed me on my Redevelopment Displacement Housing Certificate, she also helped me fill out the application, it was a two year wait. I am no longer homeless I was awarded my places this year, 2013 due to a passionate member of my community taking time to help me.

I strongly support Vanessa Banks becoming a member of the San Francisco Re-entry Council and all other councils she will inform those who will listen to positive direction. I'm thankful of her services.

Sincerely,

Bay View Hunters Point Resident

Clarence Lumpsy





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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: San Francisco Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Stanley Goff

Home Address: 49th Ave Apt. 2 San Francisco Zip: 94122

Home Phone: (415) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Attorney at law

Work Phone: (415) 571-9570 Employer: self employed

Business Address: 945 Taraval St. #510 San Francisco Zip: 94116

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: uu@aol.com

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I am an African American male who was formerly incarcerated in state prison who eventually became an attorney.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am a Criminal and Civil litigation  
Attorney.

**Civic Activities:**

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 7/24/2013 Applicant's Signature: (required) Stanley Goff

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(Form effective July 2011)

**Seats 1, 2, 3, and 4: Former inmates of the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prisons facility**

Enter your name, mailing address and daytime telephone number in the spaces provided. Because this form is a document available for public review, you may provide a business or office address, telephone number and e-mail address instead of your home address or other personal contact information.

Print Name: Stanley Goff  
Home Address: 48th Ave Apt. 2, San Francisco Zip: 94122  
Home Phone: (415) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Attorney at law  
Work Phone: (415) 571-9570 Employer: Self employed  
Business Address: 945 Taraval St. #570 San Francisco Zip: 94116  
E-mail Address: uu@aol.com FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Have you ever been an inmate of (check all that apply):

San Francisco County Jail?  yes

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation\* facility?  yes

United States Bureau of Prisons facility?  yes

*\*California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) operates the facilities previously operated by the California Department of Corrections (CDC) and the California Youth Authority (CYA).*

2. The person appointed to Seat 2 must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:

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3. The person appointed to *Seat 3* must have been released from custody within two years of his or her appointment. If you were released from custody within the last two years, on what date were you released? \_\_\_\_\_

4. The person appointed to *Seat 4* must have served multiple terms of incarceration. Multiple terms could include more than one term served in the same facility, or more than one term served in different facilities. Have you served multiple terms of incarceration?  yes  no

5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? My experience transitioning back to San Francisco was very challenging. What helped me was having a lot of family support i.e. (housing, food, clothing). Some of the barriers were lack of post secondary education and an extensive criminal record.

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? You can help other people transition from prison and jails more successfully by providing these people post-secondary education and not just vocational trades. Post-secondary education has been proven to reduce recidivism by up to 75%.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? I hope that the Reentry Council will be able to significantly reduce recidivism among the reentry population in San Francisco.

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

**STANLEY GOFF, J.D., M.A., B.A., A.A. (Attorney, Motivational Speaker,  
Reentry Consultant, Author)**

Stanley Goff is a former inmate who was in and out of juvenile facilities and county jails, a former fugitive on the run for two years, who ultimately wound up serving a total of eight years in California state prisons for selling cocaine which stemmed from me serving two prison terms (One term from 1993 to 1995) and the (other term from 1996 to 2001). However, while he was incarcerated in 1996, and waiting for his 2001 release date, a change took place in his life. He decided that he no longer wanted to serve "life" on the installment plan and that he wanted to be a positive example for his then three-year old son. He started to take steps to self-educate himself while he was locked up. He read hundreds of social and politically-conscious books in order to increase his vocabulary, reading comprehension and general understanding of political and social issues in the United States and around the world. He also worked on his own criminal appeal and provided legal help to other prisoners, which sparked an interest inside him to study law. It was during this time period that he decided that he wanted to go to law school and become an attorney. However, this objective was going to be a difficult one, because the highest level of education that he had at that time was a G.E.D. with an extensive criminal history.

Upon his release from prison in December of 2001, He decided to enroll in college to increase his chance at successful reentry, be an example to others facing the same challenges and to pursue his goal of becoming an attorney.

He obtained an A.A. degree in Paralegal Studies from City College of San Francisco in 2004, a B.A. degree in Political Science from San Francisco State University in 2005 and an M.A. degree in Political Science from San Francisco State University in 2007. He then went on to obtain a Juris Doctorate degree from John F. Kennedy University in 2009. He passed the Feb 2013 California Bar Exam and he is now a practicing attorney. Stanley Goff is also a Motivational Speaker addressing reentry related issues such as the importance of post secondary education to those who are incarcerated, have been incarcerated or who are at risk of incarceration and he is the author of "Punishment Beyond the Crime" "The Non-Democratic Treatment of Ex-Felons in the United States." Stanley Goff has lectured to at-risk youth in San Francisco about the importance of staying away from crime, as well as given motivational speeches to parolees at Parole Orientation Meetings.



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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Michael Cunha

Home Address: Geary St, SF, CA Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 415 Occupation: NA

Work Phone: 415 065-2509 Employer: NA

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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I am a latino male living in the tenderloin. I am on ~~disa~~ SF for medical issues and I need a motorized wheel chair to get around. I am a senior, heterosexual, and I access health services through the SF Dept of Public Health, and I am a recovered substance user.

Michael Cunha

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have not been able to work for years due to physical disabilities. I have had a range of jobs including working in bars & restaurants, counseling at a methadone clinic and working for seven step foundation with people in recovery.

**Civic Activities:**

In the past - volunteered to speak at schools and juvenile hall regarding my past incarcerations in to try to help kids make better choices

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Date: 8-1-13 Applicant's Signature: (required) Michael Cunha

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Print Name: Michael Cunha

Home Address: Geary St SE, CA Zip: 94109

Home Phone: (415) Occupation: NA

~~Work Phone:~~ (415) 265-2509 Employer: NA

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?

Helped - got a job, met new people that didn't use drugs, stayed away from people that did drugs, stayed busy  
Barriers - my family because they were not supportive and many of them used drugs. When I had a drug problem I couldn't stay out of prison

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?

Help people ~~with~~ stay busy - working or volunteering + finding out what they like to do. Supportive parole or probation officers. Treatment if they use drugs. Help them find pride in what they do or how they look.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? Work with people both before they get out of jail and after getting out. Help them find support either through family or support groups. Offer support to people even if they are not on parole. Assist parole officers in being supportive with housing, transportation, supplies etc

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.



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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): SEAT 1, 4 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Wayne J. Espinoza

Home Address: WILWOOD DR. D.C. Zip: 94014

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Homeowner / Contractor

Work Phone: 415 879-2755 Employer: Self

Business Address: 559 EDINBURGH ST SF. Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Resident of San Francisco  Yes  No If No, place of residence: Daly City

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I WAS BORN IN SAN FRANCISCO AND HAVE LIVED HERE MOST OF MY LIFE NEVER MOVING ANY FURTHER THEN S.S.F. I HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED MANY TIMES AND MY LAST TERM WAS AT SAN QUENTIN. I HAVE DONE A LOT OF WORK ON MYSELF AND FEEL I HAVE INSIGHT I CAN SHARE WITH ROSE WHO CARE. THANKS.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

UNION CONTRACTOR . UNION PAINTER BOTH IN S.F.  
MEMBER OF CHAMBER IN THE PAST.

**Civic Activities:**

VOLUNTEER AT A GROUP FOR SUBSTANCE AND  
CO. DEPENDENCY

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 13 Applicant's Signature: (required) [Signature]

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2. The person appointed to *Seat 2* must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:

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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? IT WAS TOUGH AND FELT ALONE. CONTACTS I MADE WHILE IN A PROGRAM IN JAIL FAMILY. BARRIERS? WERE JUST THE LACK OF INFORMATION AT ONE CENTRAL LOCATION FINDING A JOB OR RESOURCES TO FIND EMPLOYERS WHO HIRE PAROLEES

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? SUPPORT APPOINT THOSE NEWLY PAROLED PEOPLE TO MAN A HOT LINE OF SORTS TO ASSIST IN SHARING INFORMATION. VALIDATE ONE'S STORIES AND REFERRELL TO GROUPS WITH THE NEEDS OF THE PAROLEE

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? TO HEAR THE VOICE OF THE PAROLEE WHEN MAKING CHOICES ABOUT SUPPORT OF FORMERLY INCARCERATED

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.





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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: REENTRY Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): # 4 & # 1 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: FRANK D. SMALING

Home Address: HARRISON ST. Zip: 94110

Home Phone: 415 - Occupation: Student

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My Qualifications ARE AS FOLLOWS I HAVE BEEN IN THREE SYSTEMS.  
 ① JUVENILE 375 WOODSIDE AVE ② COUNTY JAIL 7<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, SAN BRUNO CA  
 ③ FEDERAL, UNITED STATES BUREAU OF PRISONS. LOMPOC CA, T.I., LOMPOC CAMP.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

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**Civic Activities:**

VOLUNTEER FOR THE FOOD BANK AT 916 LAGUNA ST.  
(415)-921-4966 3 YEARS

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 3-1-13 Applicant's Signature: (required) Grant D. Smelling

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (if applicable): 1, 2, 4 District: 9

Name: Christopher Alan Lloyd

Home Address: ~~567~~ Woodward St Zip: 94103

Home Phone: (415) Occupation: Peer Advocate

Work Phone: (415) 522-7511 Employer: SF PRETRIAL DIVERSON

Business Address: 567 Seventh St Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: christopher@sfpretrial.org Home E-Mail: @gmail.com

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Check All That Apply:

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Resident of San Francisco  Yes  No If No, place of residence: N/A

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As an HIV+, formerly incarcerated, queer man with a disabling AIDS diagnosis, I already embody several of the communities listed above. Furthermore, as some one whos worked as a Peer Advocate for the last (3) years, I've gained lots of experience fighting for and advocating for the marginalized. Moreover, I am a member of an order of 21st century queer nuns, who've taken life long lift those who may be

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Have worked As A Peer Navigator with The Navigator Project at SF Pretrial Diversion Project since 2010. I've gained a wealth of experience providing services to HIV+ individuals exiting County Jail and am participating in the Community Health Worker Certificate Program at SF City College.

**Civic Activities:**

~~I~~ Served as a stakeholder on the Subcommittee on Health and Wellness of the San Francisco Reentry Council.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

Have attended subcommittee meetings, but not of the full Council.

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Date: 8/2/13 Applicant's Signature: (required) Christopher Loyd

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Print Name: Christopher Alan Lloyd

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Home Address: Woodward Street Zip: 94103

Home Phone: 415 Occupation: Peer Navigator

Work Phone: 415 522 7511 Employer: SF Pretrial Diversion Proj

Business Address: 567 Seventh Street Zip: 94103

E-mail Address: @gmail FAX #: n/a

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1. Have you ever been an inmate of (check all that apply):

San Francisco County Jail?  yes

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United States Bureau of Prisons facility?  yes

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2. The person appointed to *Seat 2* must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:  
Since early 2010, I have worked as a Peer Advocate (Navigator) for the Navigator Project, which is based out of SF Pretrial Diversion Project, Inc. I have 3 years experience providing direct, supportive services to HIV + clients exiting SF County Jails.

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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?  
I found it difficult to transition back into normal life. There are a lot of restrictions placed on people labeled "ex-offenders", which includes a lot of stigma. Thankfully, I had an awesome support team to fall back on; I'd find it nearly impossible to have to try to do it on my own and/or homeless!

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?  
I feel that having a strong support network for the formerly incarcerated to access is crucial. This network should hopefully consist of family and friends of the client, but also include social workers and advocates, Doctors and Mentors.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve?  
I hope the Reentry Council will achieve success rooting out the causes of failure for those reentering society. Once those roots are identified, I further hope the Council will make recommendations and take action to ensure that they are eliminated, so each person has a fighting chance to succeed!

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: S.F Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (if applicable): N/A District: N/A

Name: Joseph Patrick Calderon

Home Address: Garces Drive Zip: 94132

Home Phone: 415 Occupation: Program Lead/CBO

Work Phone: 415-567-0400 Employer: Magic Zone/Collective Impact

Business Address: 1050 McAllister Street Zip: 94115

Business E-Mail: joe@sfmagiczone.org Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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As a San Francisco native of Latin descent, I believe I can represent the diverse communities in San Francisco. While I was born and raised in Mission/Excelsior, I currently work with youth in the Western Addition and attend City College of San Francisco in the Sunset. I am presently on track to completing the Diversity and Social Justice certificate through City College's Administration of Justice department. Currently, I have completed coursework on racism, classism, ageism and ableism, with plans to complete classes on sexism, heterosexism, and transphobia this Fall. We live in one of the most diverse cities in the world and I look forward to representing all races, genders, disabilities, and sexual orientations.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

For the past three years, I have worked with high-risk youth in the Western Addition as Program Lead for San Francisco Magic Zone (formerly Opportunity Impact). I am also a student at City College of San Francisco where I have completed coursework in social justice and child development. I will complete my Associates degree in Liberal Studies with an emphasis in Social and Behavioral Sciences this upcoming spring. While incarcerated, I facilitated Reentry courses to men who were eighteen months away from being released back into society. I facilitated these courses for over two years around topics like goal setting, communication, cultural influences as well as several others. This process not only helped others transition back to society but also allowed me to address my own issues.

**Civic Activities:**

I'm presently apart of the Youth to teachers program which goal is to train young people from at risk neighborhoods to be teachers that return to the neighborhoods they grew up in understanding the culture and struggles of the youth themselves.  
Volunteering: S.F Juvenile with Omega Boys Club, sharing my experiences and lessons I've learned incorporating the concept of life style addictions (C.G.A), Bloom Justice cleaning and planting at Ella Hill, For the past two years Mo' Magic back pack giveaway, keep our youth prepared for a successful school year, participate yearly in National Night out.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 9/6/13 Applicant's Signature: (required)

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Print Name: Joseph Calderon

Home Address: McAllister Zip: 94115

Home Phone: (415) Occupation: Program Lead Middle School

Work Phone: (415)567-0400 Employer: Magic Zone

Business Address: 1050 McAllister Zip: 94115

E-mail Address: josephcalderon415@gmail.com FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

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For over two years I facilitated a reentry program for Criminals and Gang members Anonymous for inmates 18 months away from exiting the criminal justice system.

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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?

At this point my transition has been very positive. Two programs that I'd like to mention by name are Youth to Teacher Pathways and Project Rebound. Both were extremely helpful. Barriers I'd say how the average parolee is seen and defined in the news and in general. This closes doors on many.

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?

I believe we can help by empowering and educating our parolee's as well as the public. Working on programs that not only help a parolee find a job but address the issues that put him or her in prison in the first place. In turn understanding the problem a solution can be reached.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve?

I'd hope that the Reentry Council would achieve a system that promotes a safe and positive return to society as well as be willing to address any standing issues that may hinder that on a path to developing a system that can be duplicated around the country.

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

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**SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC DEFENDER**

 JEFF ADACHI – PUBLIC DEFENDER  
 MATT GONZALEZ – CHIEF ATTORNEY


September 5, 2013

**RE: Letter of Recommendation for Joseph Calderon**

Dear Reentry Council Members,

I write to enthusiastically support Joseph Calderon's application for the San Francisco Reentry Council.

I have had the opportunity to see firsthand Mr. Calderon's enthusiasm for serving San Francisco students, as well as his ability to successfully manage a large and multifaceted summer project involving middle school students. He has a passion for working with diverse cultures and disenfranchised youth. He is very familiar with the complexities surrounding the reentry population, including substance abuse, socio-economic challenges and mental health issues. I am convinced Mr. Calderon would positively contribute to the work done by the Reentry Council of San Francisco.

As the elected Public Defender of San Francisco, I run an office of nearly 100 attorneys and 60 support staff members. My office represents more than 23,000 people each year who are charged with misdemeanors and felony offenses. Our programs include Drug Court, Behavioral Health Court, Clean Slate expungement services and a full service juvenile division. Our nonprofit MAGIC programs, BMAGIC and Mo' MAGIC, were founded to serve youth in Bayview-Hunters Point and the Western Addition, creating leadership, educational and career opportunities to help to reduce juvenile crime. Each year, we organize health fairs and backpack giveaways for the community that provide more than 4,000 backpacks filled with school supplies.

Over the last two years, Mr. Calderon has demonstrated a strong ability to efficiently work with youth and community members in the Western Addition. In my interactions with Mr. Calderon, he has consistently demonstrated integrity in his work performance. He facilitates academic support programs and various enrichment activities, including creative writing and a young men's group.

Mr. Calderon helped facilitate our mentor series, giving his middle school students the opportunity to meet with successful individuals in a variety of careers. Mr. Calderon and his Mo'MAGIC team organized the highly successful National Summer Learning Day. The event, which drew 700 students, featured educational activities spread throughout San Francisco's Civic Center park area. He has broad knowledge of San Francisco's resources for youth, as well as resources in neighboring counties.

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**JEFF ADACHI - PUBLIC DEFENDER  
MATT GONZALEZ - CHIEF ATTORNEY**



Given his extensive professional and personal experience, I strongly recommend Joseph Calderon to serve on the Reentry Council of San Francisco. If I can provide additional information in support of Joseph Calderon's application, please contact me at 415-553-9520 or [jeff.adachi@sfgov.org](mailto:jeff.adachi@sfgov.org).

Very truly yours,

Jeff Adachi  
San Francisco Public Defender

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Re: Letter of Reference for Joseph Calderon

Dear Jessica,

It is my pleasure to write this letter of reference on behalf of Joseph Calderon who is applying to serve on the SF Reentry Council. I have great respect for you and the dedication you have applied to your work in the SF community! I appreciate the opportunity to stay connected in this way.

I have known Joe for nearly three years now. A close friend of mine, who was an important and positive friend and mentor to Joe while he was incarcerated, asked that I connect with him when he was released and lend whatever support I could. Joe and my friend had been working together in a recovery group called Criminals and Gangmembers Anonymous.

Since our first meeting up to the present, I have experienced Joe's determination to live a productive life of personal growth and service to the community as unwavering. He has always exemplified the most important qualities it takes to manage life after incarceration; gratitude, humility, perseverance, courage and discipline.

Joe was willing to put himself on a public stage, within the first year of his release, for a CCWP fundraising event that focused on juveniles tried as adults. I was so impressed that he was able to face the understandable anxiety of telling his own story of being a very young person sentenced to a long prison stretch -- on stage to a crowd of folks -- because he truly understood the vital impact his experience carries in educating the public and prevent other young people from experiencing the same trauma.

Joe and I have remained in contact over the last three years. Although the road has not been without its bumps and frustrations, Joe has never lost his optimism and will to move forward doing what he loves; building a strong family, working with youth and

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# FAX

To: Jessica Flintoft From: Joe Calderon  
 Fax: (415)553-9646 Pages: 2  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 9/12/13  
 Re: Support Letter supporting S.F. REENTRY COUNCIL CC:  
 Urgent  For Review  Please Comment  Please Reply

JESSICA,

I sent my application in last week, but recieved this support letter late and I'm attempting to have it added to my application. If it can not be added I understand.

Thank you,

J. Calderon

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September 11, 13

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with the utmost pleasure and enthusiasm that I am writing this letter in support of Mr. **Joseph Calderon**. I have known Mr. Calderon for over twenty years, as we grew up together in the Mission District. We shared similar paths as youth that included multiple run-ins with authority typical of what you would call "at-risk youth." Our paths diverged when, like so many young men of our generation, Mr. Calderon caught a felony case. Despite this, I can say that even back then he was always an intelligent, thoughtful person, with innate leadership qualities, that looked out for those of us that were younger than him. I found my way to higher education through sport and Mr. Calderon never reproached me for it, but instead encouraged that successful change.

Since his release we have reconnected and I have been impressed with all that he has managed to accomplish after his incarceration. However, his accomplishments began even before his release. He didn't waste his time in prison, but rather used it to reflect on the path he wanted for himself and his family. Most importantly, he did everything right to start down the path toward redemption. Everything that I have seen and heard from him since then has been in that direction. It's as if he is on a quest to make up for lost time with good deeds not just for his family and friends, but for society in general. We've talked at length about how while still incarcerated he began studying, as well as how he earned certificates for working on engines and electronics. He then went on to facilitate reentry groups that helped men get ready to adjust to life outside of prison. Those experiences have served him well, as he has been a model citizen since his release.

Since coming home, he's stayed out of trouble not because of luck or fate, but because of wise decisions made by an intelligent and mature man. He's grounded in a loving and supportive family, wife and children, he has a steady job and good friends. Additionally, he's poised to earn his Associates degree in liberal arts with an emphasis on social and behavioral science from City College of San Francisco. We've talked about his desire to transfer to a four-year university once he's done and I have no doubt that he will accomplish that goal. More impressively, I have been inspired by his work both volunteer and professional with incarcerated and "at risk" young men at the Omega Boys Club and Mo Magic respectively. I believe that he is truly making a difference in some of these young people's lives and they are lucky to have such a mentor. In fact, I've been so impressed that I have invited him to come speak to my students at the University of California, Santa Cruz because I think it will inspire them as well. Lastly, as a sign of his commitment to civic engagement, Mr. Calderon has begun seeking a position with the San Francisco Reentry Council - something that I not only applaud, but wholeheartedly support!



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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council  
 Seat # or Category (If applicable): 1, 2, 4 District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: Marilyn Barnes AKA Marilyn Jones  
 Home Address: — Mac Donald Ave # 207 Zip: 94801  
 Home Phone: SD — Occupation: Richmond, CA consultant  
 Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: Self-employed  
 Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Business E-Mail: — @yahoo.com Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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I am a Black female, which represents the largest group of women in the SF County Jail. I was born, raised & lived most of my adult life in SF.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

Worked as a consultant for the National Council on Crime & Delinquency.  
1st author of Santa Clara County Strategic Reentry plan.  
Taught non-credit course to court mandated students for the City College of San Francisco.

**Civic Activities:**

Member of the Alameda County Children of Incarcerated Parents Partnership.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 7/31/13 Applicant's Signature: (required) Marilyn Barnes

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Print Name: Marilyn Denise Barnes AKA Marilyn Denise Jones

Home Address: MacDonald Avenue #207, Richmond, CA Zip: 94801

Home Phone: 510- Occupation: Self-employed: Author/Consultant

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: @yahoo.com FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. The person appointed to *Seat 2* must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:

I have 5+ years experience working in HIV/AIDS research with participants exiting the SF County Jail system. I have also conducted research with formerly incarcerated women exiting the SF County Jail system to help identify barriers to successful reentry. I am the first author of Santa Clara County's 2012 Strategic Reentry Plan for which I conducted extensive literature

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reviews on evidence-based practices to prevent recidivism in high risk offenders. In addition, I taught a non-credit course for the City College of San Francisco; all of my students were court mandated to attend due to Proposition 36, The Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act.

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3. The person appointed to *Seat 3* must have been released from custody within two years of his or her appointment. If you were released from custody within the last two years, on what date were you released? N/A

4. The person appointed to *Seat 4* must have served multiple terms of incarceration. Multiple terms could include more than one term served in the same facility, or more than one term served in different facilities. Have you served multiple terms of incarceration?  yes  no

5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? I aged out of the system. I was truly tired of going back forth to jail. JVS worked with me to find a job paying a living wage, so I could adequately support my family. After I was on the job, my co-workers, whom happened to be medical professionals, encouraged me to go to college. College gave me hope, and I excelled. I was able to obtain a Masters Degree in Education with an emphasis in Adult Education. There were many barriers. The first barrier was it took me two years to find a decent job. The second barrier was I lived in public housing, which was drug infested and had a high level of criminal activity. The third barrier was there no place I could afford to live in San Francisco that was not drug infested. I felt hopeless because I could never own anything in the city I was born and raised.

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? Provide them with encouragement opportunities to excel beyond what is expected, such as opportunities for living wages, home ownership, business entrepreneurship, degree completion, etc. Also, create more opportunities for the family to stay intact during drug treatment.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? I hope that they will address and improve the disproportionate rate of incarceration among Black people in San Francisco.

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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: David Cowan

Home Address: Thornton Avenue, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94124

Home Phone: (415) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Administrative Assist., Prison University Project

Work Phone: (415) 455-8088, ext 67 Employer: Prison University Project

Business Address: 2165 Francisco Blvd. E., San Rafael, CA Zip: 94901

Business E-Mail: dcowan@prisonuniversityproject.org Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @gmail.com

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*Not only am I formerly incarcerated and live in San Francisco, but I am also the Director of Reintegration of a 501(c)(3), "The Alliance for Change", which runs leadership and mentoring programming in San Quentin State Prison and assists affiliated men with their reintegration into the community upon release. Part of our vision statement is that we "...work to eliminate prejudice and discrimination based on stigmas as varied as race, gender, nationality, sexual orientation, age, disability and faith..."*

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Not only do I personally assist and support men with their reintegration, but also organize other community members to assist also. I have knowledge about transitional housing both in San Francisco and the East Bay. I guide both parolees Alliance affiliated men and Prison University Project alumni through their first months of needs and provide continued support afterwards, including teaching how to use cell phones, and computers.

**Civic Activities:**

Not only am I co-founder of the Alliance for Change, which was founded within San Quentin, I was <sup>also</sup> instrumental in making it a non profit organization in the outside community. I was also instrumental in starting Alliance clubs both in the University of San Francisco, (The USF Alliance for Change), and at San Francisco State University (The Alliance for Change at SFSU). These clubs provide community awareness in social justice issues and a source of volunteers.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 9/9/2013 Applicant's Signature: (required) [Signature]

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Print Name: David Cowan

Home Address: Thornton Avenue Zip: 94124

Home Phone: (415)                      Occupation: Administrative Assistant

Work Phone: (415) 455-8088 ext. 6# Employer: Prison University Project

Business Address: 2165 Francisco Blvd. E. Ste. A Zip: 94901

E-mail Address: dcowan@prisonuniversityproject.org FAX #: (415) 455-8288

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2. The person appointed to Seat 2 must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:  
I have been assisting men paroling from San Quentin State Prison with their reentry and reintegration into the outside community. Assistance ranges from pick up to acquiring phones and computers, identification cards, bikes, and technical assistance and emotional support.

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3. The person appointed to *Seat 3* must have been released from custody within two years of his or her appointment. If you were released from custody within the last two years, on what date were you released? December 27, 2011

4. The person appointed to *Seat 4* must have served multiple terms of incarceration. Multiple terms could include more than one term served in the same facility, or more than one term served in different facilities. Have you served multiple terms of incarceration?  yes  no

5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? Establishing a support system before paroling helped me tremendously. They were able to assist with clothing and technological needs; they also spent time with me as I learned my way around the city by using bike paths and public transportation. Barriers were having no road map to inform me of what services are available in San Francisco. As I've found them, I have been able to document them for others, but I'm finding it difficult for some people to make a detailed life plan without knowing exactly what is available to them.

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? More accurate assessments. Current assessment practices seem too generalized so that more specific personal needs get overlooked. We can also encourage transitional programs to adopt more flexible policies so as to best serve populations that they have not traditionally served; such as those who do not have substance abuse or gang issues, but who's greatest need is to reconnect with the community and have better access to their support systems.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? I hope that the Reentry Council will surpass ensuring reentry services and will ultimately assist in not only the economic, but emotional and psychological reintegration of formerly incarcerated people into the fabric of the community.

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

My name is David Cowan, and I am interested in serving on the San Francisco Reentry Council as a formerly incarcerated member. I have attached my application and one support letter.

I have experience starting, running and facilitating a variety of programs inside of prison, as well as similar experience in the community. I work for the Prison University Project, which runs the college program in San Quentin and I am a co-founder and the Director of Reintegration for the Alliance for Change, a nonprofit that runs programming inside of San Quentin and assists men with their reintegration into the community upon release.

I hope to be of valuable service to the Council as well as learn much from it.

Thank you,

David Cowan



Rebecca Carter, PhD  
1740 Walnut Street Apt. 11  
Berkeley, CA 94709  
[Becca.Carter.CA@gmail.com](mailto:Becca.Carter.CA@gmail.com)

Sara Felicia Moore-Jordan  
Reentry Policy Coordinator  
Adult Probation Department  
City and County of San Francisco  
880 Bryant Street, Room 200

09 September 2013

Dear Ms. Moore-Jordan:

I am writing to strongly recommend David Cowan for appointment to the Reentry Council of San Francisco. He has deep personal and professional experience in this field and a strong creative and organizational skill set that will enormously benefit the Reentry Council.

I have enjoyed working with David in a variety of professional circles, most notably:

- 1) Providing much needed professional support for the educational and rehabilitative programs at San Quentin State Prison.
- 2) Developing reintegration services for the Alliance for Change - a non-profit he co-founded in 2009.

While I was a fulltime volunteer with the Office of Community Partnerships at San Quentin, David was the primary support available for scheduling and logistics needs for the rehabilitative and educational programs at the prison. In addition to his regular job supporting the college program at San Quentin, David maintained and regularly improved the databases that coordinated over 100 secular programs, and freely offered assistance to maintain and update the religious program databases, as well. More importantly, he was known universally as a skilled, efficient and friendly resource who would bend over backward to make sure the programs continued to run and attendees had access to their classes every day. Upon his departure, his formal and informal duties were divided up among 2 full-time and 3 part-time clerks - a testament to the amount of work David was able to manage so well.

Little did I know at the time how deeply his involvement in rehabilitative programs at the prison ran. As I'm sure David can tell you himself, he thought strategically and critically about how to best serve the population inside San Quentin, particularly in preparation for and beyond each man's release. Dissatisfied with the effectiveness of existing classes and interventions, David and a few close friends, in collaboration a group of volunteers from local universities, designed their own curriculum and formed a cross-walled community of positive-minded men and women dedicated to

being a force of growth and renewal in the communities in which they live and to which they would return. This community became the non-profit organization, Alliance for C.H.A.N.G.E. (Creating Hope and New Goals Ethically).

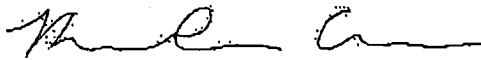
David embodies the type of community member his organization envisions. He is generous with his time and personal resources – he teaches men how to use a cell phone and the internet, he offers both informational and emotional support to newcomers through 1:1 and small group “adventures” on public transit and throughout the city, and he looks for opportunities to connect recently released people with employment opportunities. He also freely volunteers his time to community improvement projects such as refurbishing the transitional home he began his own journey in 2011.

David and I have worked together to translate this personal generosity into formal services offered by the Alliance for CHANGE’s reintegration services. For example, we have instituted the Alliance’s “Day 1” services including:

- 1) picking men up from the gate upon release from San Quentin and going out for a first breakfast
- 2) providing a phone (paid up for 1 month) on each person’s first day out to ensure their safety and enable them to reconnect with distant family and celebrate this hugely emotional transition
- 3) transporting each man to his parole office and transitional house to make sure the important early check-ins happen on time
- 4) most importantly, providing emotional and logistical support during what can be a stressful and confusing day.

David has been and will continue to be a great resource for men transitioning from incarceration into the San Francisco Bay Area; his participation on the Reentry Council of San Francisco will broaden his ability to be a force for good in his community, and greatly expand the Council’s ability to make effective, rational and responsive services available to the men and women who so greatly need them.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Carter, PhD



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Seat # or Category (If applicable): # 2 AND # 3 AND # 1 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Keith Bass

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Home Phone: 415 Occupation: HEALTH CAR

Work Phone: 415-355-6700 Employer: IHSS

Business Address: 77 OTIS ST S.F. CA. 94102 Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Yaloo.com

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

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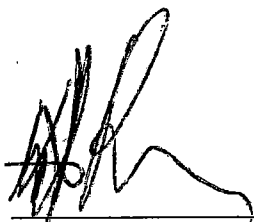
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Date: Aug 22, 2013 Applicant's Signature: (required) 

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I am submitting this application to apply for seats 2 & 3

I am qualified to represent the community of interest, neighborhoods because i have been trained and certified as a community health worker as well as a post prison health worker, i bring over 15 years of medical experience most recently with Transitions Clinic the first program in the nation to exclusively work with former inmates and there family's. I am culturally competent, to work with all re entry residents of san francisco.

#### Business & Professional Experience

I am a san francisco business owner with over 22 years of experience in the Music Business. I am a member of the american society of composers authors, publishers, i'm also a member of the california lawyers for the arts, and bavac. I've also volunteered with agency's like legal services for prisoners with children(lspc)

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On the professional side i worked for kaiser hospital for over a decade where i worked in many different positions from a janitor to medical assistant.

Civic Activities - I am in the planning stages of planning fund raisers for several different causes breast cancer, hiv, re entry. i also plan to do more volunteering with the re-entry population at the Casa 546 6th st with lauren bell & jessica flintoff



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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 1, 2, 3, District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Richard Cockrell

Home Address: — Jules Ave. #2, SF, CA Zip: 94112

Home Phone: (650) — (cell) Occupation: Project READ - Rec Leader

Work Phone: (650) 780-7077 Employer: City of Redwood City

Business Address: 1044 Middlefield Rd. Redwood City Zip: 94063

Business E-Mail: — Home E-Mail: — @gmail.com

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I am a parolee who had been incarcerated 20 years. While incarcerated, I served on the Men's Advisory Council - a liaison council for staff and prisoners. Also while incarcerated, I facilitated workshops in alternatives to violence. In addition, I am currently a full-time student at SFU majoring in Sociology with a minor in Criminal Justice Studies with focuses on Race, crime, class, and gender.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

In addition to the aforementioned, I am currently on the board of the Tayba Foundation - a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit that provides distance learning education for incarcerated people

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Home Address: Jules Ave. SF, CA Zip: 94112  
Home Phone: (650) Occupation: Project READ - Rec. Leader  
Work Phone: (650) 780-7077 Employer: City of Redwood City  
Business Address: 1044 Middlefield Rd. Redwood City, CA Zip: 94063  
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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?

My transition was facilitated by the fact that I knew the director of a sober living environment, which would provide housing a day after I was released. My transition was also greatly facilitated by having my fiancé there to assist me with moral, material, and logistical support (after 20 years of incarceration). Barriers that I've encountered are: lack of housing immediately following release (having to register as homeless because I am outside county of commitment and no family); not being provided resources to navigate around the city but yet expected to report to various locations at various times; not being able to visit my family despite my laudable programming on parole (full-time student at SFSU and part-time employed); no credit and background checks prevent housing opportunities; having a gap in my employment history (I was incarcerated at the age of 17 and released at 37).

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?

Eliminating the "conviction" question on employment applications; forbidding parole agents to contact employers unless circumstances warrant such contact; provide material resources (transportation tokens, tools, food vouchers, etc.) while parolee establishes employment; implement "re-integration" programs as opposed to just "re-entry" programs.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve?

A reduction in the recidivism rate, a reduction in substance abuse, a reduction in the crime rate in San Francisco, and the implementation of "re-integration" programs that will mend the relationship between offender and community and result in the aforementioned.

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

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Print Name: Samantha Rogers  
Home Address: 1 Bacon Street Zip: 94134  
Home Phone: (415) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Program Assistance  
Work Phone: (415) 255-7036 Ex:4 Employer: Network On women Prison  
Business Address: 1540 e. Market St. Ste 490 Zip: 94102-3150  
E-mail Address: samantha@womenprison.org FAX #: (415) 552-3150

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1. Have you ever been an inmate of (check all that apply):

San Francisco County Jail?  yes

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation\* facility?  yes

United States Bureau of Prisons facility?  yes

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2. The person appointed to *Seat 2* must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:  
My experience are both personal and professional. Currently I work and advocate for inmates in custody and post release. My goal and passion is to support previously incarcerated people.

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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?

Needing support in all areas of my life. Finishing a drug treatment program  
and changing my behaviors. Lack of stable housing hindered my ability to  
continue to move forward with my goals in my life.

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?

Safe housing ,vocational training,higher educational opportunities and  
mentors to provide a positive support system.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve?

the ability to brainstorm new ideas that will support positive reinforcement  
rather than negative sanctions and community programs to address  
barriers to succeed.

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.



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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: SF Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seats 1, 2, 3 and 4 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: George R. Turner

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Executive Director, Case Manager

Work Phone: (415) 635-8324 Employer: Phatt Chance Community Services, LCA &

Senior Ex-Offender Program

Business Address: 2443 Fillmore Street #216, San Francisco Zip: 94123

Business E-Mail: phattchancecommunity@gmail.com Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: Alameda

Resident of San Francisco  Yes  No If No, place of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pursuant to Charter section 4.101 (a)1, please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:**

Please see attachment and resume

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

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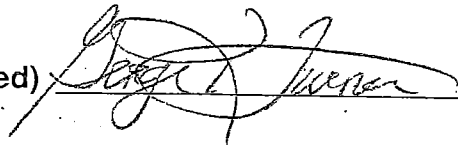
**Civic Activities:**

Please see attachment and resume

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 7-30-13 Applicant's Signature: (required)



**Please Note:** Your application will be retained for one year. Once Completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

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Appointed to Seat #: \_\_\_\_\_ Term Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Seat was Vacated: \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Pursuant to Charter section 4.101 (a)1, please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:**

As a formerly incarcerated African American male who served time in jail, as well as the federal and state prison system, I know and understand the challenges and rewards of successful societal reintegration after long-term incarceration first hand. Since my release, I have committed myself - on a personal and professional level - to be of service to other incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals in Bay Area communities, particularly in the Fillmore and Bayview District. My personal experience in combination with my academic background and my extensive experience in the field of reentry have prepared me well to support currently and formerly incarcerated individuals in their successful reintegration, to educate them about the process, and to collaboratively work with other professionals in the field towards a common goal. My qualifications relevant to Charter section 4.101 (a) 1 include but are not limited to:

- Outstanding multi-cultural competence, sensitivity, and experience working with clients of all genders, ages, and backgrounds, including veterans, convicted sex-offender and senior ex-offenders
- Comprehensive training and experience working with diverse individuals suffering from substance abuse and mental health issues
- Strong and effective interpersonal and communication skills to maintain strong working relationships with diverse clients, staff, counselors, community service agencies and law enforcement agencies

**2. Business and/or professional experience:**

As the Director and Founder of Phatt Chance Community Services, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides clean and sober transitional housing for formerly incarcerated, veterans, homeless and individuals with mental health diagnoses in the Bayview District and in Oakland, and an experienced case manager and substance abuse counselor, I believe I possess the experience and the qualities you are looking for in a strong Reentry Council member. Among others, some of my relevant business/professional experiences are:

- Managerial, financial and administrative experience in the field of reentry and transitional housing
- Fluency in evidence-based best practices in the field of reintegration
- Detailed knowledge about the San Francisco Adult Probation Department (SFAPD)
- Extensive facilitation skills, particularly in cognitive behavioral approaches, anger management and trauma
- Highly competent in providing training in life skills, parenting and relationship skills, as well as financial literacy
- Sophisticated problem-solving and multi-tasking skills

Please see attached resume for further details.

### 3. Civic Activities:

- Board of Director Memberships:
  - Counseling Skills and Substance Abuse Program (COSER), Merritt Community College, Oakland, CA since 01/2013
  - Arsola's House, INC. (AHI) – Community Service and Adult Residential Facility
    - President of the Board since 2006
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Please see attached resume for more detailed volunteer experiences and civic activities

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**Print Name:** George R. Turner

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Occupation:** Executive Director of two transitional housing facilities for formerly incarcerated men, Case Manager for two collaborative reentry service organizations (see attached resume)

**Work Phone:** 415.635.8324 **Employer:** LCA & Senior Ex-Offender Program (Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services, Inc.)

**Business Address:** 2443 Fillmore Street, # 216 **Zip:** 94123

**E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ @gmail.com **FAX #:** \_\_\_\_\_ N/A

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*In addition to founding and successfully managing two Bay Area transitional housing facilities for formerly incarcerated men for over seven years, I also have an extensive background in case management, drug and alcohol counseling and mental health assessment of formerly incarcerated individuals, veterans and individuals with mental health diagnoses. Over the last 13 years I have networked and collaborated extensively with a majority of existing reentry service organizations in the greater Bay Area (i.e. Waldenhouse/HealthRight 360, CJCJ, NOVA, SEOP etc.), as well as with the SF Adult Parole and Probation Department and Sherriff's Department.*

*Please see my resume for a more detailed breakdown of my professional background relevant for this appointment.*

3. The person appointed to *Seat 3* must have been released from custody within two years of his or her appointment. If you were released from custody within the last two years, on what date were you released?           N/A          

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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?

*One of the most effective strategies in regard to my successful reintegration was to build professional relationships with miscellaneous community based organizations while I was still incarcerated. One organization that was particular helpful to me was the Northern California Service League, which provided me with necessary life skills and job-readiness training upon my release, which prepared me well for an immediate entry-level job. However, without the fair hiring policies that the City of San Francisco implemented for formerly incarcerated individuals like me, I would not have been able to find immediate employment, provide for my family, and begin to rebuild my professional resume. Last but not least, with the support of Project Rebound – a special admission and retention program for formerly incarcerated students at SF State University – I was able to earn a Bachelor's and a Master's Degree. Higher education provided me with the professional skills and theoretical background I needed to significantly increase my professional opportunities in today's competitive job market and to make meaningful contributions to my field of expertise.*

*Some of the barriers I have experienced include but are not limited to the ongoing impact of the stigma of incarceration, my lack of relevant technology and computer skills, and my initial lack of access to professional mentors. The social barriers I experienced were just as difficult to overcome as my professional barriers. I had to slowly learn how to build meaningful social connection with others and to develop cultural competence in a new and unfamiliar social environment, without helpful guidance from other individuals who may have lived through similar experiences.*

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6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?

*It is important to actively create and facilitate more opportunities for currently incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals who are exiting the criminal justice system to have meaningful contact with formerly incarcerated individuals who have successfully mastered their own social and professional integration. These individuals are now in a unique position to function as role models, mentors and motivators who can provide still incarcerated or formerly incarcerated individuals with much needed social, emotional and professional support. Moreover, successfully reintegrated individuals have a clear understanding of the importance of positive working relationships between individuals currently on parole/probation and his/her law enforcement, probation or parole officers and in many cases also mental health care providers. Successful formerly incarcerated professionals are able to facilitate positive working relationships between all parties and to support open, respectful and constructive communication between all relevant entities with the goal of maximum fulfillment of parole/probation conditions necessary for successful reintegration. Positive working relationships have the potential to improve the overall attitude of parolees or individuals on probation toward law enforcement, probation and parole officers and they can significantly lessen possible distrust between those groups.*

*In my assessment, is critically important to recognize that the needs of formerly incarcerated individuals in regard to successful reintegration are multi-faceted and may differ greatly depending on individuals' contexts, for instance length of overall incarceration and how constructively they used their time while incarcerated. Different starting points will require different reintegration approaches.*

*In addition to providing formerly incarcerated individuals with stable housing, jobs, and access to higher education, it is important to allow incarcerated individuals the opportunity to discover their individual potential for change, to find their voices, and to heal themselves and their communities by giving back and by being of service to others. I believe that meaningful contribution allows incarcerated individuals to become stakeholders in their communities – perhaps for the first time in their lives – and to move past their prison identity.*

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve?

*I hope that the Reentry Council will work as a team, representative of the communities we serve, to collaboratively analyze and address the reasons for the current revolving door recidivism with the common goals to increase public safety, to create a flexible and successful reentry model and to constructively influence relevant public policy. It is also my hope that the council will focus resources and support towards the majority of individuals who are willing and ready to change and become stakeholders in their communities and to develop more successful strategies to motivate the minority of individuals who are not.*

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

Enclosures (2): Resume, Phatt Chance Community Services Inc., Program Overview

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San Francisco, CA 94123  
Phone: 415.

Email: [turner@turner.org](mailto:turner@turner.org)

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**Objective:** Appointment by the Board of Supervisors,  
Reentry Council of the City/County of San Francisco

## EDUCATION

SF State University, San Francisco, CA M.A. Gerontological Counseling (Elder Addiction Studies)	05/2011
SF State University, San Francisco, CA B.A. Sociology	05/2009
Breining Institute, Orangevale, CA Registered Addiction Specialist (T0501011450)	01/2005
Merritt College, Oakland, CA Certificate, Community Social Services/Substance Abuse	05/2002
GORSKI-CENAPS® Drug and Alcohol Model San Francisco, CA Relapse Prevention Certification	04/2002

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Leaders in Community Alternatives (LCA) Case Manager San Francisco, CA	2013 - present
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- Provide wrap-around case management services for reentry pod residents as well as recently released individuals currently on probation
  - Facilitate cognitive behavioral, anger management, substance abuse and PTSD groups in SF jails
  - Provide case management and facilitation training for new LCA staff at recently opened Community Assessment and Services Center (CASC)
  - Maintain close working relationship with San Francisco Adult Probation Department and San Francisco Sheriff's Department
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Phatt Chance Community Services Inc.,  
Founder/Executive Director  
San Francisco, CA

2009 - present

- Responsible for general operations and financial budget of two transitional housing facilities in the Bay Area
- Facilitate all agency treatment and housing contracts, including facility lease negotiations
- Coordinate outside vendors and necessary facilities maintenance services
- Select, hire, train, supervise, and evaluate staff members
- Develop policies and procedures, including intake and assessment procedures for eligible clients according to evidence-based best practices in the field of reentry and reintegration
- Assess client needs and initiate necessary referrals, including mental health and substance abuse treatment
- Network closely with community services such as the Southeast Health Center, Bayview-Hunter's Point Foundation – Mental Health Services, HealthRight 360 etc.
- Strong communication skills, including sophisticated conflict management and conflict resolution skills
- Expert understanding of and respect for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated men and women

Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services, Inc.  
Case Manager, part-time  
San Francisco, CA

01/2012-present

- Facilitate intake for emergency housing of US veterans
- Coordinate therapeutic, rehabilitative and recovery service needs of clients
- Assist and guide group activities, education in living skills development, VA coordination, management of medication, discharge planning, and billing
- Responsible for accurate record keeping and data collection

Center on Juvenile Criminal Justice (CJCJ)  
Counselor, independent contractor, part-time  
San Francisco, CA

2011 - 2013

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- Provide group and one-on-one substance abuse counseling for clients on parole
  - Document treatment and client activities
  - File detailed reports to CJCJ Program Director and House Manger regarding clients' progress

Bayview-Hunter's Point Foundation  
Counselor, full-time  
San Francisco, CA

2001 - 2009

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- Assessed clients to identify eligibility for substance abuse treatment with a special focus on methadone and opiate dependency
- Generated detailed and individualized progress reports for each client in compliance with federal regulations
- Developed individual treatment plans, including behavior modification and relapse prevention strategies
- Facilitated group sessions and one-on one counseling support sessions based on evidence-based counseling techniques
- Assisted with realistic goals setting and problem resolution

Haight Ashbury Free Clinic Inc.  
 Supervisor of Substance Abuse Services,  
 San Francisco CA

2000 - 2008

- Provided operational and budget oversight of agency contracts with San Francisco County Department of Alcohol and Drug Services
- Selected, hired, trained , and evaluated contractor staff
- Developed treatment plans and assessment for individual and group counseling for formerly incarcerated adult female and male clients of San Francisco County Department of Alcohol and Drug Services and the Bay Area Parole Services Network, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Mission Rock Homeless Shelter,  
 Supervisor  
 San Francisco, CA

1999 - 2000

- Responsible for operational and budget oversight of all agency contracts with San Francisco City and County and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.
- Provided supervision for evaluation, selection, hiring, and training of staff.

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## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Project Rebound, San Francisco State University  
 Special admission and retention program for formerly  
 incarcerated students pursuing college degrees  
 Consultant, volunteer

2009 - present

- Community services liaison for Rebound students
  - Mentor, guide and support formerly incarcerated students at SF State University
  - Provide substance abuse education to staff and students
  - Facilitate regular life skills workshops with enrolled students
  - Provide housing opportunities for program participants
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Bridge Project, San Francisco State University  
Special grant program for the development of semester-long  
curriculum to address reintegration challenges  
Consultant, volunteer

06/2012 - present

- Collaborate with faculty and staff from SF State's Psychology and Sociology Departments as well as Student Outreach Services
- Attend weekly planning meetings
- Assist in development of reintegration curriculum for formerly incarcerated students

Alliance for C.H.A.N.G.E.  
Program for the Development of Incarcerated Men,  
San Quentin State Prison, CA, from  
Consultant, volunteer

2010 – 2012

- Aided and assisted incarcerated members in the development of a curriculum within the framework of social justice theory and restorative justice principles
- Assisted the incarcerated men in the development of a structured peer mentor program for qualified participants
- Assisted inside leadership team in organizational planning and development
- Attended workshops and leadership meetings at San Quentin State Prison
- Assisted leadership team in developing strategies for evaluating the effectiveness of the program by utilizing research methods such as surveys and in-depth interviews

## CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Board of Director Memberships:
  - Counseling Skills and Substance Abuse Program (COSER), Merritt Community College, Oakland, CA since 01/2013
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Professional references can be provided upon request.

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# PHATT CHANCE COMMUNITY SERVICES. INC.

A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation



George Turner, MA  
Executive Director



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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

Phatt Chance Community Services, Inc., (PCCS) is a nonprofit organization that provides transitional short and long-term housing and other basic support services to individuals reintegrating to society after incarceration, homelessness, individuals with health or mental health concerns and veterans. PCCS provides a safe, clean and sober living environment, basic medical and psychological services, as well as aftercare for clients in various stages of drug and/or alcohol abuse recovery.

PCCS utilize a reintegration model that provides minimum structure paired with maximum accountability, which allows program participants to pursue employment, continued education, counseling services and other off-site responsibilities when appropriate and congruent with parole conditions. PCCS staff has tremendous experience with reintegration challenges and applies evidence-based best practices with each client. The duration of clients' stay at Phatt Chance Community Services depends entirely on the individual needs of our clients.

## SERVICES:

- Long-term and short term housing for men of any race, sexual orientation, ethnicity and faith
- Clean, sober and safe living environment
- Mental health assessment
- Medication management and administration
- Substance abuse education
- Relapse prevention and intervention
- Treatment referrals
- In house peer support groups
- Self-esteem and community building
- Life skills training
- Basic transportation services

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**LOCATIONS:**

- East Bay
- San Francisco
- Both locations are easily accessible by public transportation

**ELIGIBILITY:**

- Male only
- Must be 18-years of age or older

**SERVICE FEES:**

- \$ 800 per month: includes housing services and full meal plan
- \$ 500 per month: housing services only, no meals included

Please note: *PCCS is not a state or federally funded organization.*

**ACCEPTED FORMS OF SERVICE FEE PAYMENTS ARE:**

- Cash, check and money orders
- General assistance/SSI
- In case of limited GA/SSI funding, sliding scales may be applied in individually approved cases
- Based on current availability and needs, work exchange may be available for long-term clients

**INTAKE:**

Please email us at [phattchancecommunity@gmail.com](mailto:phattchancecommunity@gmail.com) or contact either one of our locations for an intake appointment.





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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: DeAngelo A Cortido

Home Address: Prague St. Zip: 94112

Home Phone: (415) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Student

Work Phone: Same Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: dcortido@gmail.com Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @gmail.com

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I am a formally incarcerated young adult and I am open minded. I do not discriminate on race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disabilities. I believe that every person has the right to make their own decisions.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I was raised in the Foster care and Juvenile Justice system.  
I advocate for youth and work with several organizations in regards to reentry.

**Civic Activities:**

Community speaking, Volunteering and fund raising.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 8/9/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Georgela Corrales

**Please Note:** Your application will be retained for one year. Once Completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

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Appointed to Seat #:

Term Expires:

Date Seat was Vacated:

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Print Name: DeAngelo Cortido  
Home Address: - Prague st. Zip: 94112  
Home Phone: (415) - - - Occupation: Student  
Work Phone: Same Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: drcortido@mail.ccsf.edu FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

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 no

5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?

See Attachment  
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6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? \_\_\_\_\_

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Attachment**

**DeAngelo A Cortijo**

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Date: 8/4/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Georgela Carrasco

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Print Name: DeAngelo Cortijo  
Home Address: — Prague st. Zip: 94112  
Home Phone: (415) — Occupation: Student  
Work Phone: Same Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: dcortijo@mail.ccsf.edu FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: REENTRY COMMISSION

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: RICHARD LINDSEY

Home Address: 55<sup>th</sup> ST. OAKLAND, CA. Zip: 94609

Home Phone: 510 Occupation: RESTORATIVE JUSTICE FACILITATOR

Work Phone: 415.459.9800 Employer: CONTRACTOR WITH INSIGHT PRISON PROJECT

Business Address: PO BOX 151642 SAN RAFAEL, CA. Zip: 94915

Business E-Mail: INSIGHTPRISONPROJECT.ORG Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @GMAIL.COM

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Resident of San Francisco  Yes  No If No, place of residence: OAKLAND, CA.

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

20 YEARS AS INMATE IN TH CALIF. DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION.  
7 YEARS WORKING IN THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COMMUNITY (SPECIFICALLY) IN SAN QUENTIN ) WITH OFFENDER POPULATIONS AS A FACILITATOR AND PEER MENTOR.

**Civic Activities:**

FACILITATING A VICTIM OFFENDER EDUCATION GROUP IN CASC STARTING 9.10.13  
VOLUNTEER WITH COALITION OF CONCERNED LEGAL PROFESSIONALS RESEARCHER FOR SAN QUENTIN NEWS PUBLICATION

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**Print Name:** Richard Lindsey  
**Home Address:** 55 th St. Oakland, CA **Zip:** 94609  
**Home Phone:** 510 **Occupation:** Restorative Justice Facilitator  
**Work Phone:** 415.459.9800 **Employer:** Contractor with Insight Prison Project  
**Business Address:** PO 151642 San Rafael, CA **Zip:** 94915  
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I am hopeful that the Reentry Council will explore new and innovative ways of addressing the needs of both victims and offenders. I would like to see the Council offer greater understanding of the circumstances an ex-offender experiences while honoring and respecting the position of victims. This can be accomplished by employing restorative justice principles that provide a useful vehicle for healing our communities by acknowledging our relationship to one another. Offender accountability and victim participation are worthy long term goals that should reasonably be sought after by the Council



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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: \_\_\_\_\_

Seat # or Category (If applicable): GENERAL SEATS. District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: DESHAWN BLAKE (CURRENTLY INCARCERATED)

Home Address: 18<sup>TH</sup> STREET #102 SFCA Zip: 94114

Home Phone: 415. — Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
LEAVE MESSAGE.

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Board of Supervisors

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Re-Entry Council District: 5 (Western Addition)

Name: Ernest Kirkwood

Home Address: Golden Gate Ave APT# 802 Zip: 94102

Home Phone: 214- \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Dishwasher

Work Phone: 415-359-1800 Employer: The Corner Store

Business Address: 5 Masonic Ave Zip: 94118

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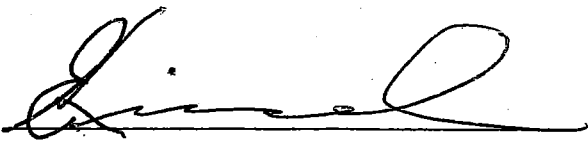
Black Heterosexual Male.  
71 years of age.  
Previously incarcerated.  
Served two prison terms.  
Current on Parole, less than 2 years.  
Resident of District 5 (Western Addition).

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Dear Honorable Supervisors:

I humbly submit this application for consideration for an appointment to the San Francisco Reentry Council.

I have great interest in the area of reentry, as I have navigated this transition personally; I know first hand the obstacles faced. I feel that if selected to serve as a member of this council, I would bring personal insight, proactive ideas, and a desire to participate fully in fulfilling the mission of this Council.

Having served multiple terms of incarceration over a 39 year period, I have successfully maintained my current parole status for the past 18 months. I have moved from a residential treatment facility to independent housing and I have sustained gainful employment for over one year. I actively engage in opportunities that allow me to interact with offenders and the victims of crime, participating in workshops and trainings as available.

Within this packet, I have provided the following:


Section 1: The Completed Application

Section 2: A Current Resume

Section 3: Letters of Support

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I appreciate your time and consideration.

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E.M. Kirkwood



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Home Phone: (214) - Occupation: Dishwasher  
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5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? Please see attached sheet

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? Please see attached sheet

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? Please see attached sheet

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

**5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers?**

*After a surprising and disappointing experience at my first P.A.C.T meeting my transition back to San Francisco continues to be smooth and meaningful. What has help me to make my transition back into the community is personal determination, and several ancillary factors. I left prison with a plan for my transition that included Walden House, and I did not attach any form of time line to my plan. I was able to voice my reentry concerns to the P.A.C.T. organizer which led to making a personal presentation before the reentry council, and gaining even greater focus and determination to see my plan through to fruition. I also had the guidance of a lifer that had made a successful transition back to San Francisco, and he not only talked the talk but walked the walk. Other than a couple of minor bureaucratic glitches I have not ran into any barriers in my transition back to San Francisco.*

**6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system?**

*We need to become pro-active and reach out to the prospective client before he/she exits prison/jail. We need to start providing support and resource information before their release so when they are released they have a viable plan in place that is conducive to making a successful transition back into their community. This could equate to exiting the criminal justice system, and a lower recidivist rate. We go to prison/jail because of our inability to make the right choices an/or decisions in our lives, and even with longevity, education, and insight, vestiges of this inability will exit prison/jail with an unacceptable number of us. We exit prison/jail with issues that have us unwilling to deal with "the system" or anyone in a suit. But will more often than not listen to our peers, especially if it is felt that the individual has "been there-done that", has integrity, and has him/herself made a a successful reentry back into the community. We need to involve some of these successful individuals in the reentry process to support and guild those individuals exiting prison/jail. They should be given a probationary stipend, and when they complete their probation successful they should become a salaried part of the reentry process. Reentry should not be looked at as an event. It is not an event, it is a PROCESS, and can be a lengthy one for most.*

**7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve?**

*It would take dedication, planning, hard work, and funding. But I would like to see The Reentry Council Of San Francisco be the first to implement a pro-active and innovative pilot program. It would be designed to effectively address the resource needs of persons exiting prison/jail to reside in San Francisco. A successful transition to San Francisco can be an exit out of the criminal justice system and can lower the recidivism rate.*

## Ernest Kirkwood

Golden Gate Ave., Apt. #802, San Francisco, CA 94102, (214) 455-8294,

[st@yahoo.com](mailto:st@yahoo.com)

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### OBJECTIVE

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To contribute my personal and professional experiences with long-term incarceration, re-entering society, behavior modification, and cognitive thinking to address the transitional needs of long-term prisoners being released from incarceration via a mentoring or peer counseling position, and to play an active role in support of Restorative Justice.

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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#### 2012-Present *Volunteer and Manager and Chairman - HealthRIGHT 360 - San Francisco, CA*

- Currently an on-call volunteer driver.
- As Sober Living Environment House Manager on Treasure Island: performed regular morning and evening house checks; maintained daily log and made verbal reports of all activities and movement within the units; facilitated orientation check-in groups; counseled clients as warranted; and worked with supervisors to satisfy agency needs and requirements. Moved to own residence in March 2013.
- As elected CORE Group Chairman at Walden House: mediated between CORE and staff; responsible for soliciting and coordinating input of CORE members into decision-making process and weekend house schedules; selected agendas and presided over CORE meetings; directed the flow of business; facilitated orientation check-in groups and delegated responsibilities to team. Transitioned to Treasure Island location in July 2012.

#### 2010-2012 *Program Coordinator - Sensitive Needs Yard - CTF Soledad (North)*

- Created sub-committees, classes and programs to address the needs of the inmate population.

#### 2009-2012 *Chairman - Higher Education Library Project (H.E.L.P.) - CTF Soledad (North)*

- Provided leadership and direction to executive body in scheduling, fundraising and promotion of program
- Promoted and facilitated rehabilitation through higher learning by supporting inmates who were seeking to earn their associate, bachelor, and post-graduate degrees from accredited institutions of higher learning

#### 2007-2012 *Chairman/Founder - Balanced Re-Entry Activity Group (B.R.A.G) - CTF Soledad (North)*

- Responsible for the creation and sponsorship of self-help groups and classes
- Monitored the productivity and effectiveness of seven self-help classes and programs
- Delegated areas of responsibility to executive members

#### 1997-2002 *Chairman and Active Member - Inmate Advisory Council - CSP Corcoran*

- As Chairman from 1999-2002, coordinated the efforts and responsibilities of council members

#### 1989-1994 *Chairperson and Executive Member - Project Last Chance, Chairman - CMF Vacaville, CA*

- Co-facilitated groups for substance abuse, parental abuse, self-esteem, peer pressure and planning for the future
- Counseled participants in private sessions to discuss issues that were too personal for group settings
- Worked closely with probation supervisors to coordinate a program that brought troubled youth into prison for three-consecutive Saturdays
- Oriented youth to program and prison environment
- Counseled youth who were currently on probation or had previous police contact
- Built rapport with youth to be able to effectively provide services and council participants
- Facilitated discussions between participants and their parents

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### EDUCATION & CERTIFICATES of COMPLETION

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#### 2010 *Associate in Arts: Social & Behavioral Sciences - Coastline Community College*

- Basic & Advanced Anger Management
- Life Skills
- Breaking Barriers
- Insight Prison Project, Victim Offender Education Group Facilitator Training
- Criminon
- Alcohol & Drug Awareness
- Christian Basics
- Turning Point Modules 1-6
- Alternative to Violence Project
- Basic, Advanced, & Facilitator in Non-Violent Conflict Resolution
- Non-Violent Communication



The Best of Walden House and  
Haight Ashbury Free Clinics

July 25, 2013

Board of Supervisors  
City of County of San Francisco  
1 Drive Carlton B. Goodlet Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA.

Re: Earnest Kirkwood

This letter is to verify that Earnest Kirkwood completed residential treatment program at healthRIGHT360. His admit date was 1/12/12 and he successfully completed treatment on 10/4/12.

**Earnest came into treatment on 1/12/12 and completed treatment on 10/4/12. Earnest completed many classes that include DBT, Anger Management, Criminal Addictive Behaviors, Relapse Prevention, Seeking Safety and work several job functions that included, Ramrod of the Kitchen, Chairman of CORE, and eventually became a housing manager at our Treasure Island Facility on Chinook Court. Earnest also was a house driver and continues to come back to the facility to assist new clients and support the community on his free time. Earnest has become a role model in the community and assist staff in working with orientation clients. Earnest has come full circle from being incarcerated to being in treatment and working with staff as a house manager and now coming back to the community to give back and show others that change can happen and that if they work hard enough that they can make a difference in society.**

HealthRIGHT360 is a non-profit organization devoted to helping chemical dependent persons come to terms with and overcome their substance abuse problems. For over 40 years, healthRIGHT360 has helped chemically dependent individuals with the tools that are necessary to become responsible members of the community. In its approach to treating the disease, healthRIGHT360 uses various therapeutic techniques that address anti-social behaviors and criminally addictive thinking. We provide our residents with individual and group therapy, family counseling, vocational and educational training, peer and ethnic support groups, anger management classes, relapse prevention, cognitive behavior therapy and HIV education. HealthRIGHT360 is a family oriented, peer supported therapeutic community that promotes honesty, accountability, and compassion to heal and change lives.

Thank you for your time in this matter. If you need any further information, please feel free to contact me at 415-701-5174.

Respectfully,



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Fermin Loza  
Program Director

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Tuesday, July 16, 2013

To whom it may concern:

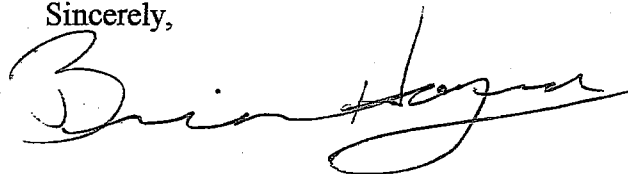
This letter is in reference to Ernest Kirkwood. I have known Mr. Kirkwood for several years inside and outside prison. He has been someone to whom I am able to look for moral support.

Having been released after more than three decades, I have found Mr. Kirkwood to be an inspiration for me and others who have been in prison for decades at a time, and then released.

Those of us who have served life sentences and are then released need someone to whom we can turn after everything has changed so much. We do appreciate those who try to help us, but when we have someone to whom we can turn who has been in our shoes, it makes our transition much easier.

Mr. Kirkwood will be an asset to any board, panel, or internship for which he is being considered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Hogue". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "B".

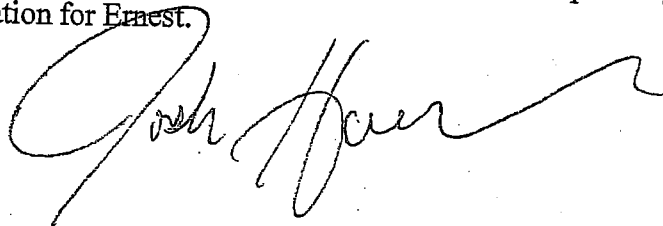
Brian Hogue  
(B-84782)

July 27, 2013

To whom it may concern:

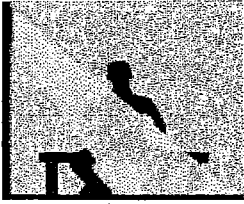
I have known Ernest Kirkwood for a number of years. We first met at Soledad State Prison and quickly became good friends due to our individual commitments to achieve a new way of living, a new way of thinking, and a new way of relating in order to ensure that upon our releases we would be an asset to the communities in which we live. As time went, and we shared our goals and our dreams with one another, I saw too, Ernest conducting himself as a leader, and a beacon of change to other inmates in all his actions and words, no matter the race, creed, or color of the individual. Ernest went across these lines to share his message of change to all who were interested. Upon him being found suitable and released to Walden House San Francisco, he began writing me and expressing to me the level of recovery and hope that he had found, and too, wished for me to experience this upon my release. His encouragement lead to my decision and eventual action to follow in his footsteps. In that I see him as a mentor, a big brother, and the type of man to which would be an excellent representation to what is possible to all formerly incarcerated inmates. Today, with the help of Ernest's guidance, I am graduating Walden House shortly, am enrolled in college, and I see a path moving forward in this world for an ex-con like me who once was full of hatred and despair, and now, love and hope. In closing, the words don't exist to possibly describe my fondness and admiration for Ernest.

Sincerely,



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# INSIGHT PRISON PROJECT

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July 27, 2013

Dear Committee Members,

I write this recommendation in support of Earnest Kirkwood's application to serve on the board of the San Francisco Reentry Council. I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Kirkwood in May 2013. Mr. Kirkwood participated in a 40 hour restorative justice oriented program in which I served as the Lead Facilitator.

I believe that Mr. Kirkwood would be a strong, experienced, and thoughtful voice for reentry facilitation and concerns. In the short time I have known Mr. Kirkwood, it is obvious that he cares deeply for the well-being and successful reentry of formerly incarcerated men and women. His greatest asset is that he leads by example and through his own story of successful reintegration after decades of incarceration.

When Mr. Kirkwood was released from prison, he found the reentry services helpful, but overly-bureaucratic and difficult to negotiate. Fortunately, he was accepted into Walden House upon his release and has rebuilt his life after incarceration. However, his concern is that many people getting out of prison don't know about the resources available to them. Mr. Kirkwood is interested in offering educational services to incarcerated men and women before they are released. He presented on this topic to the Reentry Council in Spring 2012 and there was a favorable response wherein they did a presentation in Soledad regarding resources available to the reentry community. He'd like to establish this educational format in local Bay Area facilities.

Mr. Kirkwood doesn't just think about ideas, he collaborates and is a good listener and figures out the most effective way to bring those ideas to fruition. While in jail, he founded and co-created several programs for others to find insight and awareness for better healing, such as AA and anger management classes. Mr. Kirkwood wants to continue to assist in the provision of programs for newly released people's growth and development.

Mr. Kirkwood feels a seat on the reentry council is the next step for him. His past, his growth and his focus for a better way of life in and out of prison has expanded into the greater reentry population. He has the experience, passion, enthusiasm and skills to serve as a member of the San Francisco Reentry Council.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best,

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Sara Felicia Moore-Jordan  
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City and County of San Francisco  
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25 July 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to recommend Ernest Kirkwood for appointment to San Francisco's Reentry Council. I have known Ernest for about a year, and can attest to his willingness to use his skills to help others. My case is different from reentry - Ernest helped me with a plumbing project. But through this interaction I had an opportunity to witness his willingness to take time out of his schedule to assist me (we did not know each other well at the time), his ability to teach me new skills rather than just do the work for me, and his openness to answering follow-up questions.

Through this rather unusual introduction, I got to know his convivial personality and had a chance to hear about his extensive work with reentry and reintegration while he was in prison. He has also educated me about the work of Walden House and I am impressed with the seriousness with which he approached his work with Walden house clients. Ernest and I share this interest in reentry; I volunteer with the Alliance for Change, a San Francisco non-profit which is building its re-entry support offerings for men released to San Francisco and Alameda Counties, so I appreciated his candor and depth of knowledge in this area.

I do hope you will appoint Ernest Kirkwood to join the Re-entry Council of San Francisco. I know both the Council and Ernest will benefit and grow from such a partnership.

Yours truly,



Rebecca Carter, PhD

July 17, 2013

San Francisco Reentry Council

To Whom It May Concern:

I write to strongly recommend Ernest Kirkwood for the Reentry Council. He has the passion, commitment, experience and knowledge to be an excellent member of the Council. While incarcerated, Ernest committed himself to the rehabilitation of men and boys behind bars by serving numerous functions, including founder, co-chair, executive member and as an active member of supportive organizations and committees. Since Ernest has been out of prison, he has continued to work day and night to assist those in the process of reentry through programs at Walden House, among others. He has voluntarily attended Council meetings and spoken during public comments. He is a contributing citizen of our community and I have a great deal of respect for him.

As a lawyer, criminal justice advocate and restorative justice facilitator for our neighborhood courts in San Francisco, I have worked for years on reentry issues in light of realignment. As you know, this is a complex issue that requires many levels of understanding and idea-generation. I can think of no better candidate than Ernest to fill one of the open slots for ex-offenders on the Council. I met Ernest at the Insight Prison Project Victim Offender Education Group Facilitator Training in May 2013. His honesty, curiosity and accountability moved many of the trainees, including myself, to new levels of awareness and ideas.

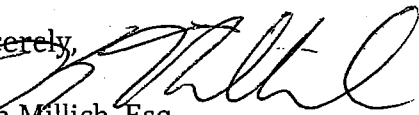
I am proud to call Ernest a friend and one thing that we have talked often about is how to stop the tide of recidivism in our State. Ernest is deeply passionate about the provision of services to people coming out of jail to start a fresh and crime-free life. He is bright, articulate and firmly committed to bringing awareness and education of reentry services to those being released from jail. He is also a good listener who understands what people are going through both in and out of the criminal justice system.

I highly recommend Ernest for the Reentry Council. Please contact me with any questions at 415 297 3046.

Sincerely,

/s/

Kyra Millich, Esq.





July 29, 2013

Dorsey Nunn, Executive Director  
Legal Services For Prisoners With Children (LSPC)  
1540 Market St. Ste. 490  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: I am pleased to recommend Mr. Ernest Kirkwood, a person of great integrity, compassion and insight for Reentry Council of San Francisco.

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Dorsey Nunn, I am the Executive Director of Legal Services of Prisoners With Children (LSPC) and founding member of All Of Us Or None. I'm familiar with Ernest from a number of residual contacts and acquaintances.

A very dear friend spoke to me of Ernest's pending release and his seeking of resource contacts. Jerry Elster, a fellow member and organizer for All Of Us Or None, opened a dialogue about him. He was described as a man of integrity with great leadership skills. We met with Ernest and I was quite impressed with him. He didn't just talk about change but showed a genuine interest in being the change. The goal of "All Of Us Or None" is to strengthen the voices of people most affected by mass incarceration and the growth of the prison-industrial complex. I am convinced that Ernest will not waiver in his responsibility to the formerly incarcerated population and it pleases me to write this letter of reference.

I have only the greatest respect for Ernest and know he will serve us well in the capacity of the San Francisco Re-Entry Council. He always interacts with people with the greatest of compassion and empathy. He is respectful, trustworthy, and always willing to share his knowledge and experiences.

We at LSPC encourage you to allow Ernest to show the city of San Francisco what re-entry is really about. If you have questions or wish to discuss this recommendation, you may reach me at 415-225-7052, or by email at [dorsey@prisonerswithchildren.org](mailto:dorsey@prisonerswithchildren.org)

Sincerely ,  
/S/  
Dorsey Nunn  
Executive Director  
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July 23, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

Please receive this letter of reference and high praise for Mr. Earnest Kirkwood. He is a model of what positive, successful re-entry can be. After decades in prison, Mr. Kirkwood returned to the community and by the grace of God, has done it right.

I met Mr. Kirkwood years ago, while serving as a Pastor and he was in Soledad. Over the years I found this man to be a gentleman, well received and respected by his peers. Through the lessons learned over a long prison sentence and by pulling himself up by the bootstraps, he has become a mentor and source of courage and inspiration for younger men. With the added education gained by an AA in Social and Behavioral Sciences, coupled with numerous Certificates of Completion, Mr. Kirkwood has acquired the skills to manage programs and train others to share the workload of producing justice.

Mr. Kirkwood is committed to Restorative Justice and to assisting persons paroled after long prison sentences successfully return to "the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness." He is extremely qualified to serve as a mentor and peer to others whose minds are fixed on uplift. I ask you to do all in your power to make him a part of the Re-entry Council.

Sincerely,

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Dr. James McCray, Jr. Executive Director

JM:bb

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July 23, 2013

Re: Ernest Kirkwood

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to recommend Ernest Kirkwood, a person of great integrity, compassion and insight for Reentry Council of San Francisco.

My name is Jerry Elster, I am an organizer for All Of Us Or None, a project of Legal Services of Prisoners With Children (LSPC). I am on the Board of Director for Insight Prison Project (IPP), as well a Facilitator's Trainer. IPP's mission & goal is to transform the lives of those impacted by incarceration through programs designed to develop behavior inspired by insight, accountability and compassion and grounded in a restorative justice philosophy. It was in my capacity as a Facilitator's Trainer that I actually became acquainted with Ernest.

Ernest was an excellent student and picked up on the facilitators training curriculum quickly. It was evident that he'd done a lot of personal deep work prior to this training. He reflected insight, integrity, leadership and skills; all which are needed to facilitate the transforming life work that IPP does. It was truly a pleasure to work with Ernest.

Ernest proudly welcomes the opportunity to help out while many formerly incarcerated men and women balk from the responsibility of giving back to the community. His knowledge about the criminal justice system and its impact on the community, especially the African-American community, not to mention the limitless wisdom he's acquired over the years, will surely make him an asset for the San Francisco Re-entry counsel.

I have only the greatest respect for Ernest. He always interacts with people with the greatest compassion and empathy. He is respectful, trustworthy, and always willing to share his knowledge and experiences.

If you have questions or wish to discuss this reference, you may reach me at 415-225-7042, or by email at [jerry@prisonerswithchildren.org](mailto:jerry@prisonerswithchildren.org)

Sincerely,

Jerry D. Elster  
Organizer  
All Of Us Or None

PROJECT REBOUND

July 22, 2013



ASSOCIATED  
STUDENTS  
INC, SFSU

From: C. Jason Bell, MS

Director, (ASI) Project Rebound

San Francisco State University

To: Whom it may concern

RE: Ernest Kirkwood

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As the director of Project Rebound at San Francisco State University I have had the privilege of working with Mr. Kirkwood for more than a year. I have known Mr. Kirkwood to conduct himself in an exemplary manner including the ability to act in a mentor capacity to other students as they navigate the challenges of pursuing a college degree. Mr. Kirkwood continues to adhere to a rigorous academic curriculum, geared toward his completed matriculation into San Francisco State University (SFSU).

I find Mr. Kirkwood to be a hard-working self-starter who is always seeking to further develop his knowledge on subjects that initially seem challenging. He is also resourceful, creative and solution-minded. I found that he has great skill at seeking and finding alternatives for uncontrollable variables that tend to present difficult situations. He is very well organized, and always on time.

In closing, based on my experience in working with him, I can honestly say that Mr. Kirkwood would be a sound candidate for placement on the San Francisco Reentry Counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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(415) 405-0954 FAX (415) 338-0522



7/24/2013

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of Ernest Kirkwood as a candidate for the Reentry Council of San Francisco. I have had the pleasure of working closely with Earnest during an intensive Victim Offender Education Group training with Insight Prison Project.

Upon first meeting Ernest, I was struck with his natural insight, integrity, self-reflection and his ability to respond thoughtfully and critically. He is a rare combination of natural intelligence, deep empathy and broad perspective. Although Ernest has wonderful access to his emotions, he doesn't let his emotions be the only thing that influences his perspective. He is a deeply thoughtful and well informed individual.

Ernest has shared with me that his concern and focus towards reentry did not start when he became aware of the vacant seats on the reentry council. Nor did it start On January 12, 2012 when he exited prison to implement his own reentry plan after being locked up for over twenty-nine years. His concern and focus towards reentry started many years prior to his release from prison. It stated when he realized there were not any programs available that could help prepare an individual for his ultimate release and successful reentry back into the free world.

He believes, as do I, that the vacant seats on the Reentry Council designated for and filled by previously incarcerated persons will be highly effective and necessary in coming up with ways best utilize the city's resources to service people exiting prison/jail to reside in San Francisco.

If this council and actions are effective, he hopes play a part at reducing the recidivist rate....and exiting the criminal justice system.

I believe Ernest Kirkwood would be a valuable and worthy council member. In Ernest's words (and I think his experience and work record show), "I not only talk the talk.....I walk the walk and do the work".

I would welcome the opportunity to work with him in this capacity. Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Katherine Culberg, RN

Katherine(Kat)  
Culberg

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Re-Entry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): any District: Ingleside

Name: Omar Breedlove

Home Address: Capitol Ave. Zip: 94112

Home Phone: 415- Occupation: unemployed

Work Phone: (415) Employer: cell

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Pursuant to Charter Section 4.101 (a)2, Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of electors (registered voters) of the City and County of San Francisco. For certain other bodies, the Board of Supervisors can waive the residency requirement.**

Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: N/A

Resident of San Francisco  Yes  No If No, place of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pursuant to Charter section 4.101 (a)1, please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:**

see Attachment A

**Business and/or professional experience:**

see Attachment B

**Civic Activities:**

see Attachment C

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

For appointments by the Board of Supervisors, appearance before the RULES COMMITTEE is a requirement before any appointment can be made. (*Applications must be received 10 days before the scheduled hearing.*)

Date: 8-2-13 Applicant's Signature: (required) Omar Breedlove

**Please Note:** Your application will be retained for one year. Once Completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Appointed to Seat #: \_\_\_\_\_ Term Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Seat was Vacated: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. The person appointed to *Seat 4* must have served multiple terms of incarceration. Multiple terms could include more than one term served in the same facility, or more than one term served in different facilities. Have you served multiple terms of incarceration?  yes  no

5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? see attachment 1-A

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? see attachment 1-B

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? see attachment 1-C

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

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**Attachment A**

*I am 44 yr. old African-American male and a recovering drug addict. I have given over 20 years of my life to drug addiction and the cycle of incarceration. At one time, I was a plague to the community and I have now chosen to stop the vicious cycle that I was in so that I can now become a part of the solution instead of a part of the problem. It is time for me to give back to the community that I have taken from for so long.*

**Attachment B**

*In the past, I have held positions as a cashier, bus person, a volunteer for veterans and an electrical apprentice. I am presently affiliated with creation and start-up of From Scratch Bakery.*

**Attachment C**

*I give support and encouragement to other addicts and people who wish to achieve a better life.*

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Attachment I-A

*My transition back to San Francisco after being incarcerated has been very enlightening as far as the resources that are available to help me. What helped me the most was the support of my probation officer in helping me make the right decisions and putting forth the effort to assist me in any way that was within her power so that I could have the things I needed to turn my life toward a positive direction.*

*Although there are several barriers, one that stands out for me is housing that is conducive to my recovery. As a recovering addict, I need to stay away from people and places that revolve around the use of drugs. Yet, it seems that a majority of the housing available is right in the middle of the things that I want and need to stay away from to be successful.*

*I understand that it is my choice to participate in those activities but it must be understood that it is very stressful to have to face those things every time I walk out the door. That puts a lot pressure on me especially when I have just been released. Another barrier that I would like to address is employment. My conviction record makes gaining employment a serious challenge. Combined with a sporadic work history, finding meaningful employment that will allow me to support myself becomes a major obstacle.*

Attachment I-B

*San Francisco has taken great steps in addressing the issue of transition for individuals exiting the jails and prisons. One of the first steps in transitioning back to society should begin while a person is still incarcerated. The reentry pod in the county jail is a very good beginning. One of the things that should be required is that a person, along with their case manager, develop a transition plan which details exactly what that person will be doing for the 3 to 6 months after release from custody.*

*Furthermore, I believe that a person should be entered into the reentry pod at least 90 to 120 days before they are released which is an adequate time for the individual to apply for and be accepted to needed services such as drug and housing. In doing so, a person has an immediate agenda when they are released.*

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*I can also see that we need safe housing for those that have no place to go. It seems counterproductive to place a person right in the heart of everything that that person wants to stay away from when they are released. So I suggest that housing be found in an area that is more conducive to recovery and does not put unnecessary pressure on a person that is changing their life.*

*Income also is a major barrier when an individual is initially released which causes many to fall back into illegal means to get money. Such behavior leads back into full blown criminality and drug use with re-incarceration being the end result. We need to get businesses in the community involved to hire individuals with criminal backgrounds that can fill entry level positions.*

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*Finally, one of the things that can be done to help people permanently exit the criminal justice system is to have extended case management and support after a person is discharged from parole or probation for 6 months to 1 year.*

*The reason for this is because once a person has discharged supervision, that person is not allowed to receive any more services through the reentry program which can be detrimental if a person has not reached a point of stability. It is surely an individual's responsibility to take advantage of the services provided and it should be the program's responsibility to offer extended services to those that need it. I look forward to engaging with the Reentry Council as a whole and I hope that we can come together to put a plan in place that will be successful.*

**Attachment 1-C**

*I hope that the Reentry Council will achieve a significant reduction in the recidivism rate and a lowering of the number of people that are addicted to drugs and crime in this city. It is also my hope that with a collaborative effort between formerly incarcerated individuals, elected officials and the community, we will be able to bring serenity to those who have chosen to no longer live a life of chaos and despair.*

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