

CAL-PRI

Calcasieu PRISONER REENTRY INITIATIVE

Second chances create strong communities.



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HIRE FOR HOPE. PARTNER WITH CAL-PRI.

Give second chances. Build a stronger workforce.

The Calcasieu Prisoner Reentry Initiative (Cal-PRI) is a collaboration of local, state, and national partners working together to reduce recidivism and create safer, stronger communities. Our partners are diverse – ranging from businesses, nonprofits, government agencies, and community groups to faith-based organizations – **all united in giving second chances.**

THE CHALLENGE:

5X MORE LIKELY TO BE UNEMPLOYED

Formerly incarcerated individuals face significant barriers to finding work.

STABLE EMPLOYMENT REDUCES THE CHANCE OF RE-OFFENDING BY UP TO 50%.

Each successful reentry strengthens families and reduces community costs.

Louisiana has one of the highest incarceration rates in the nation.

2 out of 3 individuals return to prison within 3 years without support.

HOW EMPLOYERS CAN HELP:



Offer **job opportunities** for returning citizens.

Provide **vocational training, apprenticeships, or internships.**

Support **job-readiness programs** through mentoring or workplace partnerships.

WHY PARTNER WITH CAL-PRI?

- Access to motivated, job-ready candidates.
- Ongoing support and case management for employees.
- Recognition as a community leader investing in second chances.

Join Cal-PRI's network of employer partners and build a safer, stronger Southwest Louisiana.

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