



## SUBMISSION FORM

All submission forms must include the following information. Separate submission forms must be turned in for each eligible program. **Deadline: July 1, 2024.** Please include this submission form with the electronic entry. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your entry within 3 days of submission, please contact [Gage Harter](#).

### PROGRAM INFORMATION

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Category: \_\_\_\_\_

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### SIGNATURE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR DEPUTY/ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## **VACO Award Application**

### **Chesterfield Re-Entry Council**

#### **Problem**

The Chesterfield County Reentry Council addresses the challenge of facilitating successful transitions for individuals from incarceration to community reintegration. By fostering collaboration among various community stakeholders including private, public, non-profit, and faith-based organizations, the Council aims to enhance awareness of available resources and services. This collaborative effort not only seeks to broaden opportunities for returning citizens but also works to reshape societal perceptions, thereby promoting community safety and encouraging positive transformation.

#### **Executive Summary**

The Chesterfield County Reentry Council is dedicated to facilitating successful transitions for individuals returning from incarceration to community life through strategic community partnerships. Established as a collaborative initiative involving private, public, non-profit, and faith-based organizations, the Council addresses the multifaceted challenges faced by returning citizens.

Key objectives of the program include:

- **Comprehensive Support Network:** By leveraging partnerships with diverse stakeholders, including local businesses, government agencies, community organizations, and faith-based groups, the Council ensures a robust support network for individuals reentering society.

- **Holistic Reintegration Services:** The Council offers a wide array of services tailored to meet the diverse needs of returning citizens, including employment assistance, housing support, mental health services, substance abuse treatment, and educational opportunities. This holistic approach aims to empower individuals and reduce recidivism rates.
- **Community Engagement and Education:** Through outreach programs and educational initiatives, the Council works diligently to foster understanding and acceptance within the community, promoting a supportive environment for successful reintegration.
- **Impact and Achievements:** Since its inception, the Council has significantly contributed to enhancing public safety, reducing barriers to successful reentry, and improving outcomes for individuals transitioning from incarceration. By redefining negative perceptions and advocating for systemic change, the program serves as a model for other communities seeking innovative approaches to reentry challenges.

The Chesterfield County Reentry Council exemplifies effective collaboration and innovation in facilitating the successful reintegration of formerly incarcerated individuals, ultimately striving to build safer, more resilient communities.

First meeting-





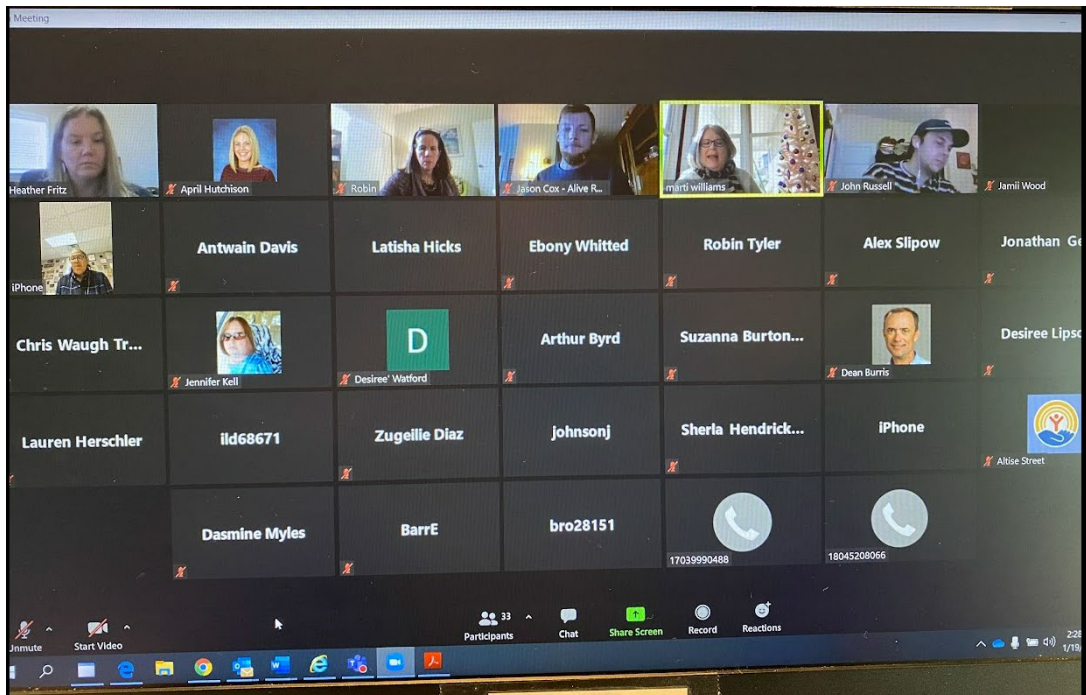
Chesterfield County Reentry Resource Fair



Resource fair part 2.



During Covid we managed to keep a steady meeting with over 30 community partners via zoom



Trauma Tapping with Kerri Rhodes- Over 50 Community Partners



Partnered with a local church to pack “Get Clean Baskets” for returning citizens.



