

Building Bridges III:

An Examination of Connecticut's Re-entry Policy

Audience: All entities administering and/or affected by Connecticut criminal justice policies and practices including: state legislators and local elected officials; state and municipal agencies; the Judicial Branch; law enforcement; non-profit provider organizations; business leaders; academics and students; and local and statewide community-based organizations

Day: **Thursday, January 17, 2008 * 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.* Welte Hall, CCSU**

Theme: **Re-entry:** A status update and informed discussion on prisoner re-entry policies and practices in Connecticut, with particular emphasis on exploring state-municipal partnerships aimed at facilitating successful community reintegration.

Schedule:

- **8:30 – 9:00 a.m.** **Registration/Coffee** (Welte Hall)
- **9:00 a.m.** **Welcome and Introduction** (CCSU Governor William A. O'Neill Chair – Steven Klinger; Honorable James Amann, Speaker of the House)
- **9:15 – 9:40a.m.** **Presentation: Re-entry Statistics – What Works?** *An Overview of CT Statistical Analysis Center's Recidivism & Prison Population Reports*
 - ❖ Dr. Stephen Cox, Chair, Criminology & Criminal Justice Department, CCSU
- **9:40 -10:40 a.m.** **Keynote Speaker (TBD): Best Practices - Supervision & Prisoner Re-entry**
 - ❖ Dennis Schrantz - Deputy Director of Planning and Community Development Administration in the Michigan Department of Corrections
- **10:45 – 12:00 a.m.** **Panel 1: Re-entry Stories – What Works?** *Successful Formerly Incarcerated Individuals Tell Their Story*
 - ❖ **Panelists:** James Tillman (Hopewell Baptist Church, East Hartford); Kenny Jackson (Beacon Program, Family ReEntry, Bridgeport); Iran Nazario (Compass Youth Collaborative, Hartford); Edward Dingle (Building Bridges Pilot Program, New Haven); Jacqueline Caron (CT Pardon Team, Norwich); Robin Cullen (MADD, North Haven)
 - ❖ **Moderator:** Gerry Smyth, CCSU
- **12:00 – 1:00 p.m.** **Lunch** (Alumni Hall)
 - ❖ **CJ video presentation or UPDATE: Federal Second Chance Legislation**
 - ❖ **Presentation: “Crime Doesn’t Pay” A Study of Child Support Obligors** - Joe Greelish, Support Enforcement Services, Judicial Branch
- **1:10 – 2:20 p.m.** **Panel 2: Re-entry Partnerships – What Works and What Can Work?** *Exploring City/State/Community partnerships*
 - ❖ **Panelists:** Stanley Richards (Fortune Society Chief Operating Officer, NYC); Esther Armmand (Community Services Department, City of New Haven); John Rowland (Southern New England Program Director, Corporation for Supportive Housing); Dan Braccio (Bridgeport Re-Entry Roundtable); Theresa Lantz (Commissioner, DOC); William Carbone (Executive Director, CSSD); Maureen Price-Boreland (Executive Director, CPA)
 - ❖ **Moderator:** Rep. William Dyson (CGA)
- **2:30 – 3:45pm** **Panel 3: CT Re-entry Policy Recommendations – A Discussion of Current and Future State level Policy Initiatives**
 - ❖ **Panelists:** Rep. Michael Lawlor (CGA); Sen. Martin Looney (CGA); Sen. John Kissel (CGA); Mary Anne O'Neill (Governor's office); Brian Austin (OPM); Glenn Martin, (Fortune Society, NYC)
 - ❖ **Moderator** – Andrew Clark, CCSU
- **3:50pm** **Wrap-up**