

# EMPOWERED REENTRY PROGRAM

## Transforming Lives ~ Making Communities Safer

### OUR MISSION

To empower, heal and transform individuals in and outside of prison, supporting successful reentry and safer communities.

### OUR IMPACT

- CRI has served 242 people in San Quentin State Prison, pre-release
- 133 of those served by CRI have been released and served in the community
- None of the 152 released participants have recidivated (100% leading productive lives vs. 66% general rate of reincarceration without CRI services\*)
- CRI's just graduated Cohort 5 on September 20<sup>th</sup> and will be starting Cohort 6 with 70 participants on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. CRI currently has a waitlist of over 200 at San Quentin and we just started Cohort 2 serving 30 at California Medical Facility



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### Transformation happens on the inside

CRI Empowered Reentry Program's curriculum is based in cognitive behavioral therapy and restorative justice practices and [seeks the transformative growth necessary for healing and successful reentry](#). Two years pre-release, trained facilitators provide a safe, trauma-informed space for our participants to reflect on the causative factors of their past actions, to understand their emotions, and to find their authentic selves and inherent value. In large and small processing groups, we discuss trauma and its effects, criminal and addictive thinking, and specific types of crime. Through firsthand opportunities to hear from and engage with surrogate victims and survivors, participants learn about the pain that their past actions caused and develop empathy for those they hurt. They begin to care for themselves, other people, and others' property, supporting the safety of the communities they are returning to as well as their own.

#### Pre-Release Preparation

- [Intensive Group Curriculum](#): 350-hour curriculum begins a minimum of 24 months pre-release and includes classes and small processing groups
- [Individualized Support](#): personalized case management and parole planning are provided throughout the duration of the program
- [Celebration & Acknowledgement](#): program achievements are celebrated throughout and completion is commemorated with a graduation ceremony



### Empowerment lasts a lifetime

#### Post-Release Aftercare

- [Resources for Success](#): day-of-release necessities (e.g. transportation, prepaid cell phone, clothing, bedding, wallet, groceries) and support obtaining any necessary documentation
- [Housing Stability](#): safe, transitional housing for up to one year
- [Support & Self-Sufficiency](#): an individualized service plan and comprehensive supportive services for obtaining education and/or employment and satisfying any medical or parole needs
- [Living Amends Project](#): sharing experiences with youth in the community

\* The general 2-year re-arrest rate is 66% (Public Policy Institute of California June 2019)