Re-imagining Re-entry in the Antelope Valley

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Overview.

The Timelist Group is a 501(c)(3) cognitive behavior educational curricula that empowers community members who have been impacted by incarceration and are now in reentry. At this phase we equip reentrants with effective tools, resources, leadership training, housing and positive influences to guide them on a path to success. Timelist is designed to engage with communities to end the cycle of violence, crime, poverty and recidivism through best practices in reintegration services and social programs.

Since 2007, our Timelist curricula has served the re-entry and pre-release population in the state of California, many being Los Angeles County residents, numbering 1300+ individuals. Timelist founders are former lifer prisoners who have overcome major barriers and have lived experience that serve to aid many facing those same challenges upon release from custody. Timelist have worked tirelessly to design a supportive, well-structured program to prevent recidivism and help those reentering the community. The goal is to create a positive, rewarding environment for the formerly incarcerated and their families. Together with government partners and non-government agencies this has the potential to become a much larger and permanent fixture in the County of Los Angeles.

Re-imagining Re-entry in the Antelope Valley should include serving and fixing its foster youth issues, youth crime, housing for TAY and adults, career development, job placement and wrap-around services which Timelist is equipped to provide alongside its government partners.

Current Services

- In-Prison Rehabilitation Programs under Timelist Group curriculum
- Reentry Housing Program (adult males)
- Homeless Housing Program (adult males & families)
- Employment Services: Unarmed Security Guards (Ambassadors) defined under our Social Enterprise Workforce
- Youth Development Program: Transitional Age Youth - (TAY ages 15-25)
- Reentry Services (for adult clients)

Program

Timelist Group curriculum is accessible at our re-entry housing site with a capacity of 16 participants. Curriculum include, domestic violence prevention, gang intervention and prevention, anger management, parenting and much more.
Additionally, our Reentry Services include the following:

- Computer Lab (Computer Literacy)
- Family Reunification
- Resume’ Building
- Financial Management
- Leadership and Entrepreneurship Training
- Job Training (Reentry Coaches, Security Guards, Housing Managers and Outreach Workers)
- Job Placement by direct hiring or referral

**Current Funding Sources**

- CDCR-STOP Housing Funding
- DHS-ODR LA County
- Multiple MOU’s for Security Services (SE)
- CDCR-CalCRG (State)
- CDCR-TPA (State)
- CDCR-Innovations Grant (State)
- Hilton Foundation
- Weingart Foundation
- California Community Foundation (CCF)
- California Endowment
- REDF California
- Private Donors
- Fundraising

The **Timelist Group, Inc.** is a stand alone agency with 80% of the operations running out of South Los Angeles, North Hollywood, Venice, Santa Monica, Sylmar, Reseda and Canoga Park. We are committed to replicating our work in the Lancaster area exclusively for Lancaster residents, but need local support in order to achieve that.

**Headquarters:** 311 East Ave K4, Lancaster CA 93535

**[Proposed Vision]**

It is our hope that the City of Lancaster and nonprofit agencies will contract with us as we use our model for reentry to reduce crime, eliminate homelessness and decrease recidivism in the
Antelope Valley by providing an ideal space/building/resources to advance the following program:

**Youth Violence Prevention & Intervention Council** (YVPIC); under the City Council of Lancaster City Council, we can work in coordination with local law enforcement to collect data and reports on youth homelessness, crime and arrests to better identify the needs and move swiftly to interface with parents and schools to intercept with the following a-z service offering:

- Access to Mental Health Specialists
- Onsite Case Managers
- Onsite Reentry Coaches
- Certification trainings for 1) Ambassadors i.e., Security Guards 2) Facilities Maintenance Technicians and 3) Community Engagement Workers
- Trainers (on the job development)
- Computer Literacy
- Resources Fairs
- Other trainings facilitated by government, educational agencies

Timelist Group, Inc. has experience developing this exact model with the City of Union City, Alameda CA under the city council and Mayor's office of Carol Dutra-Vernaci who also provided office space at government owned property in the City of Union City from 2013-2016. Packages all of this with the lived experience of the leadership and staffing of the Timelist Group and you have a solution to solve multiple issues within the city of Lancaster CA.

**Conclusion**

In California since 2011, several legislations have gone into effect that address prison overcrowding, mental and high recidivism. Defeating crime rates and recidivism means creating spaces that promote education and teach ex-offenders soft skills, marketable skills and other specialized skills, which results in positive outcomes and careers. We are looking for opportunities at the city, county and state level that align with our organization. Re-imagining Re-entry in the Antelope Valley will allow us to scale up current social enterprise by growing our leadership/entrepreneurship component that trains participants how to start their own business and much more.

Increased funding opportunities through contracts and revenue from social enterprise will create net income which will be used to hire participants from our reentry programs, grow staffing capacity which would enable us to scale operations.

Hence, the Timelist Group is asking for a solid partnership with the city of Lancaster.
Executive Management

The Timelist Group human resources and administrative duties are managed by:

- Yusef-Andre Wiley, Founder & CEO (Lancaster Resident)
- Cortez Chandler, VP & Assistant Director (Lancaster Resident)
- Sa’Nae Wiley, Chief Administrative Officer (Lancaster Resident)
- Stephen Billiard, Lead Program Manager
- Clint Richardson, Chief Operating Officer and Trainer
- Micheal Prather, Director of Inmate Services

Community Partners

- Paving the Way Foundation (Lancaster based)
- Project Joy (Lancaster based)
- Valley Oasis (Lancaster/Palmdale based)
- Youth with a Purpose (Lancaster based)
- LA Family Housing
- St. Joseph Center
- The Center, Hollywood
- The Food Coalition, Hollywood
- Safe Parking LA

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