



Re-Entry Community Linkages (RE-LINK) – MP-CPI-16-003

Project TITLE	Re-Entry Community Linkages (RE-LINK) Program		
SOLICITATION #	MP-CPI-16-003	FUNDING AGENCY	Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (Office of Minority Health)
PROPOSAL DUE DATE	April 21, 2016 – 5PM	ANTICIPATED PROJECT START DATE	July 1, 2016
FUNDING TYPE	Grant		
BUDGET AWARD	5 years		
GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION	Hidalgo & Cameron County		

PURPOSE/SCOPE OF WORK

Re-Link Project:

- Improve coordination and linkages among criminal justice, public health, social service and private entities to address health care and health care access to the reentry population
- Reduce health disparities experiences by the reentry and justice-involved population
- Increased access to needed public health, behavioral health, health coverage and/or social services (housing, education, employment)
- Reduced recidivism

Serve at least 50 individuals each project year through social support & public health services.

BCFS HHS Goal – 30 individuals in Hidalgo County & 30 individuals in Cameron County

RE-LINK Eligibility

Serve individuals between the age of 18-26 years old who are a minority and/or economically or environmentally disadvantaged AND are a reentrant discharged from jail to the community serving a minimum of 3months and less than One year of time.

Assist RE-LINK participants w/ the following services:

- Health care coverage: education about assistance, enrolling in health care coverage through the marketplace/Medicaid, education about health care coverage including behavioral health services.
- Housing
- Education and training
- Employment
- Mentoring
- Other Social Services/Support Services

BCFS HHS Past Experience

Youth Adverted from Delinquency (YAD) program (Under 18 years old)

- Case Management
- In-Home weekly contact
- Youth & Family Assistance
- Access to local services
- Transportation Assistance

Face Forward program (16-24 years old)

- Case Management
- In-Home weekly contact
- Education
- Employment
- Circle of Support
- Group Mentoring
- Advocacy
- Access to community resources
- Community Service/Restorative Justice

Face Forward Program Data	Total to Date
Total enrolled/served	175
Case Management	100%
Educational Assistance	80%
Employment Assistance	70%
Mentoring	71%
Community Service/Restorative Justice	80%
Support Service	85%
Other Services	98%