



INTERRUPTING THE PIPELINE TO PRISON

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Mentor

A mentor is an older adult, male or female, who has a background that is easily relatable for the participants or those who have gone through the criminal justice system themselves and have been out in society participating in criminal justice reform and being involved in community.

Mentored youth are less likely to recidivate than their counterparts after their first arrest.



- After the first arrest, partner youth with reliable mentors at age 10; for children 9 if they are living in single mother households.



Submit in the chat “Why are ages 9 and 10 so critical?”



- Youth assigned a mentor to work with one-on-one
- Attend meetings once a week for 2-3 months depending on the severity of the arrest
- To be effective, 1 year of partnering should happen, if possible.

Mentee Learning Experience



- The level of engagement with a mature positive mentor
- Role model support system created
- Road Map on building life skills