AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into this <u>26th</u> day of January, 2021, by and between the COUNTY OF FRESNO, a political subdivision of the State of California, ("COUNTY") and B.I. Incorporated, dba B.I. Correctional Services, Inc, a Colorado corporation, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of The GEO Group, Inc., a Florida corporation, whose address is 4955 Technology Way, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 ("CONTRACTOR").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, COUNTY's Probation Department is in need of evidence-based re-entry employment readiness services for in-custody and out of custody adult offenders on probation in the Pre-Trial Program or Adult-Re-Entry Planning Program (ARPP);

WHEREAS, COUNTY issued Request for Proposal (RFP) Number 21-010 on October 15, 2020, and Addendum Number One on October 30, 2020 (collectively, the RFP), which solicited proposals from qualified vendors to provide the aforementioned services; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR responded to such RFP and represents it is willing and able to provide such re-entry employment readiness services to COUNTY, as provided herein, and COUNTY selected CONTRACTOR as its provider for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, terms and conditions herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

#### OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONTRACTOR

- A. Perform for COUNTY all evidence-based re-entry employment readiness services to the Probation Department for incarcerated and post release community supervision (PRCS) offenders and offenders ages 18-30 affiliated or previously affiliated with a gang, having a high risk to re-offend, and participating in ARPP, and fulfill all responsibilities in accordance with the Scope of Work, attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference.
- B. Utilize and maintain an electronic database system to create and maintain a comprehensive record, and track, and report participants' plans, services, and outcomes to COUNTY monthly, and upon request.

#### 2. OBLIGATIONS OF THE COUNTY

- A. Provide referrals for participants to receive contracted services, as described in the Scope of Work, Exhibit A.
- B. COUNTY shall compensate CONTRACTOR in accordance with Section 5, "COMPENSATION/INVOICING," of this Agreement.

#### 3. <u>TERM</u>

The term of this Agreement shall be for a period of three (3) years, commencing on February 1, 2021, through and including January 31, 2024. This Agreement may be extended for two (2) additional consecutive twelve (12) month periods upon written approval of both parties no later than thirty (30) days prior to the first day of the next twelve (12) month extension period. The Chief Probation Officer or his or her designee is authorized to execute such written approval on behalf of COUNTY based on CONTRACTOR'S satisfactory performance.

#### 4. TERMINATION

- A. <u>Non-Allocation of Funds</u> The terms of this Agreement, and the services to be provided hereunder, are contingent on the approval of funds by the appropriating government agency. Should sufficient funds not be allocated, the services provided may be modified, or this Agreement terminated, at any time by giving the CONTRACTOR thirty (30) days advance written notice.
- B. <u>Breach of Contract</u> The COUNTY may immediately suspend or terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, where in the determination of the COUNTY there is:
  - 1) An illegal or improper use of funds;
  - 2) A failure to comply with any term of this Agreement;
  - 3) A substantially incorrect or incomplete report submitted to the COUNTY;
  - 4) Improperly performed service.

In no event shall any payment by the COUNTY constitute a waiver by the COUNTY of any breach of this Agreement or any default which may then exist on the part of the CONTRACTOR. Neither shall such payment impair or prejudice any remedy available to the COUNTY with respect to the breach or default. The COUNTY shall have the right to demand of the CONTRACTOR the repayment to the COUNTY of any funds disbursed to the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, which in the judgment of the COUNTY were

not expended in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall promptly refund any such funds upon demand.

- C. <u>Without Cause</u> Under circumstances other than those set forth above, this Agreement may be terminated by COUNTY upon the giving of thirty (30) days advance written notice of an intention to terminate to CONTRACTOR.
- 5. <u>COMPENSATION/INVOICING</u>: COUNTY agrees to pay CONTRACTOR and CONTRACTOR agrees to receive maximum annual compensation in accordance with the Cost Summary, attached as Exhibit B, and incorporated by this reference. CONTRACTOR shall submit monthly invoices in triplicate to the County of Fresno Probation Department, 3333 E. American Avenue, Suite B, Fresno, CA 93725 or <u>ProbationInvoices@fresnocountyca.gov</u>. COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR within forty-five (45) days of receipt of an approved invoice.

In no event shall compensation paid with AB 109 funding for services performed exceed Two Hundred Seventy-One Thousand, Four Hundred and Eleven Dollars (\$271,411) annually, and Eight Hundred Fourteen Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty-Three Dollars (\$814,233) during the initial three-year term. In no event shall compensation paid with ARPP JAG funding exceed Sixty-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$69,237) annually, and Two Hundred Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Eleven Dollars (\$207,711) during the initial three-year term. In the event this Agreement is extended for an additional fourth year, total compensation paid for services performed shall not exceed One Million, Eighty-Five Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty-Four Dollars (\$1,085,644) in AB 109 funding, and Two Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand, Nine Hundred and Forty-Eight Dollars (\$276,948) in ARPP JAG Funding. In the event this Agreement is extended for an additional fifth year, compensation paid for services performed shall not exceed One Million, Three Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand, and Fifty-Five Dollars (\$1,357,055) in AB 109 funding, and Three Hundred Forty-Six Thousand, One Hundred and Eighty-Five Dollars (\$346,185) in ARPP JAG funding during the total possible 5-year term of this Agreement. It is understood that all expenses incidental to CONTRACTOR'S performance of services under this Agreement shall be borne by CONTRACTOR.

6. <u>INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:</u> In performance of the work, duties and obligations assumed by CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, it is mutually understood and agreed that

 CONTRACTOR, including any and all of the CONTRACTOR'S officers, agents, and employees will at all times be acting and performing as an independent contractor, and shall act in an independent capacity and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venturer, partner, or associate of the COUNTY.

Furthermore, COUNTY shall have no right to control or supervise or direct the manner or method by which CONTRACTOR shall perform its work and function. However, COUNTY shall retain the right to administer this Agreement so as to verify that CONTRACTOR is performing its obligations in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof.

CONTRACTOR and COUNTY shall comply with all applicable provisions of law and the rules and regulations, if any, of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over matters the subject thereof.

Because of its status as an independent contractor, CONTRACTOR shall have absolutely no right to employment rights and benefits available to COUNTY employees. CONTRACTOR shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible and save COUNTY harmless from all matters relating to payment of CONTRACTOR'S employees, including compliance with Social Security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may be providing services to others unrelated to the COUNTY or to this Agreement.

- 7. <u>MODIFICATION</u>: Any matters of this Agreement may be modified from time to time by the written consent of all the parties without, in any way, affecting the remainder.
- 8. <u>NON-ASSIGNMENT</u>: Neither party shall assign, transfer or sub-contract this Agreement nor their rights or duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- 9. <u>HOLD HARMLESS</u>: CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, save, hold harmless, and at COUNTY'S request, defend the COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all costs and expenses (including attorney's fees and costs), damages, liabilities, claims, and losses occurring or resulting to COUNTY in connection with the performance, or failure to perform, by CONTRACTOR, its officers, agents, or employees under this Agreement, and from any and all costs and expenses (including attorney's fees and costs), damages, liabilities, claims, and losses occurring or resulting to any person, firm, or corporation who may be injured or damaged by the performance, or failure to perform, of CONTRACTOR, its officers, agents, or employees under this Agreement.

The provisions of this Section 9 shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement.

#### 10. INSURANCE

Without limiting the COUNTY's right to obtain indemnification from CONTRACTOR or any third parties, CONTRACTOR, at its sole expense, shall maintain in full force and effect, the following insurance policies or a program of self-insurance, including but not limited to, an insurance pooling arrangement or Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) throughout the term of the Agreement:

#### A. <u>Commercial General Liability</u>

Commercial General Liability Insurance with limits of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence and an annual aggregate of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00). This policy shall be issued on a per occurrence basis. COUNTY may require specific coverages including completed operations, products liability, contractual liability, Explosion-Collapse-Underground, fire legal liability or any other liability insurance deemed necessary because of the nature of this contract.

#### B. Automobile Liability

Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance with limits of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per accident for bodily injury and for property damages. Coverage should include any auto used in connection with this Agreement.

#### C. Professional Liability

If CONTRACTOR employs licensed professional staff, (e.g., Ph.D., R.N., L.C.S.W., M.F.C.C.) in providing services, Professional Liability Insurance with limits of not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence, Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) annual aggregate. CONTRACTOR agrees that it shall maintain, at its sole expense, in full force and effect for a period of three (3) years following the termination of this Agreement, one or more policies of professional liability insurance with the limits of coverage as specified herein.

#### D. Worker's Compensation

A policy of Worker's Compensation insurance as may be required by the California Labor Code.

#### E. Molestation

Sexual abuse / molestation liability insurance with limits of not less than One Million Dollars

 (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence, Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) annual aggregate. This policy shall be issued on a per occurrence basis.

#### Additional Requirements Relating to Insurance

CONTRACTOR shall obtain endorsements to the Commercial General Liability insurance naming the County of Fresno, its officers, agents, and employees, individually and collectively, as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned. Such coverage for additional insured shall apply as primary insurance and any other insurance, or self-insurance, maintained by COUNTY, its officers, agents and employees shall be excess only and not contributing with insurance provided under CONTRACTOR's policies herein. This insurance shall not be cancelled or changed without a minimum of thirty (30) days advance written notice given to COUNTY.

CONTRACTOR hereby waives its right to recover from COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees any amounts paid by the policy of worker's compensation insurance required by this Agreement. CONTRACTOR is solely responsible to obtain any endorsement to such policy that may be necessary to accomplish such waiver of subrogation, but CONTRACTOR's waiver of subrogation under this paragraph is effective whether or not CONTRACTOR obtains such an endorsement.

Within Thirty (30) days from the date CONTRACTOR signs and executes this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall provide certificates of insurance and endorsement as stated above for all of the foregoing policies, as required herein, to the County of Fresno, Probation Business Office, 3333 E. American Avenue, Suite B, CA 93725, stating that such insurance coverage have been obtained and are in full force; that the County of Fresno, its officers, agents and employees will not be responsible for any premiums on the policies; that for such worker's compensation insurance the CONTRACTOR has waived its right to recover from the COUNTY, its officers, agents, and employees any amounts paid under the insurance policy and that waiver does not invalidate the insurance policy; that such Commercial General Liability insurance names the County of Fresno, its officers, agents and employees, individually and collectively, as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are concerned; that such coverage for additional insured shall apply as primary insurance and any other insurance, or self-insurance, maintained by COUNTY, its officers, agents and employees, shall be excess only and not contributing with insurance provided under CONTRACTOR's policies herein; and that this insurance shall

not be cancelled or changed without a minimum of thirty (30) days advance, written notice given to COUNTY.

In the event CONTRACTOR fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, the COUNTY may, in addition to other remedies it may have, suspend or terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.

All policies shall be issued by admitted insurers licensed to do business in the State of California, and such insurance shall be purchased from companies possessing a current A.M. Best, Inc. rating of A-FSC VII or better.

11. <u>AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS</u>: The CONTRACTOR shall at any time during business hours, and as often as the COUNTY may deem necessary, make available to the COUNTY for examination all of its records and data with respect to the matters covered by this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall, upon request by the COUNTY, permit the COUNTY to audit and inspect all of such records and data necessary to ensure CONTRACTOR'S compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

If this Agreement exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), CONTRACTOR shall be subject to the examination and audit of the California State Auditor for a period of three (3) years after final payment under contract (Government Code Section 8546.7).

12. <u>NOTICES</u>: The persons and their addresses having authority to give and receive notices under this Agreement include the following:

COUNTY
COUNTY OF FRESNO
Chief Probation Officer
3333 E. American Ave. Suite B
Fresno, CA, 93725

#### CONTRACTOR

Bl Inc., bda Bl Correctional Services, Inc. Vice President, Reentry Services 4955 Technology Way Boca Raton, Fl, 33431

All notices between the COUNTY and CONTRACTOR provided for or permitted under this

Agreement must be in writing and delivered either by personal service, by first-class United States mail, by
an overnight commercial courier service, or by telephonic facsimile transmission. A notice delivered by
personal service is effective upon service to the recipient. A notice delivered by first-class United States
mail is effective three COUNTY business days after deposit in the United States mail, postage prepaid,
addressed to the recipient. A notice delivered by an overnight commercial courier service is effective one
COUNTY business day after deposit with the overnight commercial courier service, delivery fees prepaid,

with delivery instructions given for next day delivery, addressed to the recipient. A notice delivered by telephonic facsimile is effective when transmission to the recipient is completed (but, if such transmission is completed outside of COUNTY business hours, then such delivery shall be deemed to be effective at the next beginning of a COUNTY business day), provided that the sender maintains a machine record of the completed transmission. For all claims arising out of or related to this Agreement, nothing in this section establishes, waives, or modifies any claims presentation requirements or procedures provided by law, including but not limited to the Government Claims Act (Division 3.6 of Title 1 of the Government Code, beginning with section 810).

13. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>: Venue for any action arising out of or related to this Agreement shall only be in Fresno County, California.

The rights and obligations of the parties and all interpretation and performance of this Agreement shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of California.

#### 14. <u>DISCLOSURE OF SELF-DEALING TRANSACTIONS</u>

This provision is only applicable if the CONTRACTOR is operating as a corporation (a for-profit or non-profit corporation) or if during the term of the agreement, the CONTRACTOR changes its status to operate as a corporation.

Members of the CONTRACTOR's Board of Directors shall disclose any self-dealing transactions that they are a party to while CONTRACTOR is providing goods or performing services under this agreement. A self-dealing transaction shall mean a transaction to which the CONTRACTOR is a party and in which one or more of its directors has a material financial interest. Members of the Board of Directors shall disclose any self-dealing transactions that they are a party to by completing and signing a Self-Dealing Transaction Disclosure Form, attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by reference, and submitting it to the COUNTY prior to commencing with the self-dealing transaction or immediately thereafter.

15. <u>ENTIRE AGREEMENT</u>: This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the CONTRACTOR and COUNTY with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all previous Agreement negotiations, proposals, commitments, writings, advertisements, publications, and understanding of any nature whatsoever unless expressly included in this Agreement.

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2	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties here	eto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year
3	first hereinabove written.	
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5	Bl., Incorporated, dba Bl Correctional Services, Inc.	COUNTY OF FRESNO
6	Correctional Services, inc.	1/2
7	(Authorized Signature)	Steve Brandau, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno
8	Derrick D. Schofield VP	of Supervisors of the County of Fresho
9	Print Name & Title	
10	4955 Technology Way	
11	Buca Raton, FL 33431 Mailing Address	ATTEST:
12	Mailing Address	Bemice E. Seidel
13		Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Fresno, State of California
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20	Subclass:10000	
21	ORG:34300390	
22	Account:7295	
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#### Exhibit A

#### SCOPE OF WORK

CONTRACTOR understands the County's need to provide reentry employment programs and services to offenders who are being released from custody. In alignment with the County's commitment to provide a continuum of employment services in-custody and post-release, CONTRACTOR will deliver evidence-based services that improve participants' successful reentry into society, promote public safety, and decrease rates of recidivism while increasing participant employment and improving prosocial behaviors.

The requested Reentry Employment Readiness Services will be implemented at CONTRACTOR's stand-alone location within the community. Assistance in addressing employment and the barriers to employment will be provided for each participant according to a customized assessment-based plan. This will increase the employability of offenders while assisting the County in adhering to AB 109 funding requirements and Fresno County CCP guidelines. CONTRACTOR will collaborate with the County to provide these services in the jail. CONTRACTOR will ensure the program will be a seamless and structured continuum of in-custody and community-based services. The program features an individualized approach to employment services and case management. CONTRACTOR will provide program and support services to all participants using CONTRACTOR's three-track system. These tracks are focused on community-based employment and vocational services in-person and using virtual technologies.

#### **Organizational Readiness**

CONTRACTOR's local California management team will provide ongoing oversight and support to ensure program success. In addition, CONTRACTOR's in-house Continuum of Care Training Institute will provide all staff with comprehensive training for the implementation and delivery of services. Combined with CONTRACTOR's robust Quality Assurance Measures, an internally developed case management system, and an in-house contract compliance team, these factors will ensure CONTRACTOR's program will provide the highest quality services—delivered with integrity and fidelity. With experience in both in-custody and post-release services, CONTRACTOR is well-versed in the challenges of implementing and maintaining reentry services throughout the State of California. CONTRACTOR's experience overcoming operational challenges has allowed us to refine processes, establish standard operating procedures, and implement quality assurance measures that ensure CONTRACTOR can apply CONTRACTOR's successful reentry model in Fresno County to participants. Below is a summary of CONTRACTOR's service model:

Table 1 Program Model			
Service Programming Tool		Key Factors	
Orientation	Program Overview	<ul> <li>Make a determination as to whether the Participant is able to work constructively in the program</li> <li>Opportunity for questions and answers</li> <li>Creating connections between participants and staff</li> </ul>	

Assessment	<ul> <li>Offender Needs Guide (ONG)</li> <li>ACT Tessera Workforce Assessment</li> <li>O*Net (optional)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identifying criminogenic risk and need</li> <li>Pinpointing employment deficits and identifying barriers</li> <li>Identifying participant interests, strengths, and talents</li> </ul>
Case Planning	<ul> <li>Individual Employment Plan (IEP)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>One-on-one with staff</li> <li>SMART goals</li> <li>Job coaching</li> <li>Develop a plan of action to address deficits and barriers</li> </ul>
Employment Readiness	<ul> <li>The Change Companies Employment Readiness Group</li> </ul>	Employment Readiness groups
Track	<ul> <li>Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Employment (CBI- EMP)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Modified closed group</li><li>Flexibility across various service settings</li><li>Focus on skill building activities</li></ul>
Vocational Track	Computer     Programming	<ul> <li>Hi-SET Academy Online interactive tutoring program</li> <li>Spartan Culinary, Hospitality, Serv Safe and OSHA certifications</li> </ul>
Placement Track	Reentry Resource Website	<ul> <li>Links to local resource providers</li> <li>Employment Search Assistance</li> <li>Placement for participants who displayed readiness and motivation to work</li> </ul>

All participants will undergo intake and assessment to include orientation, assessment, and an individualized employment plan (IEP) based on assessment results.

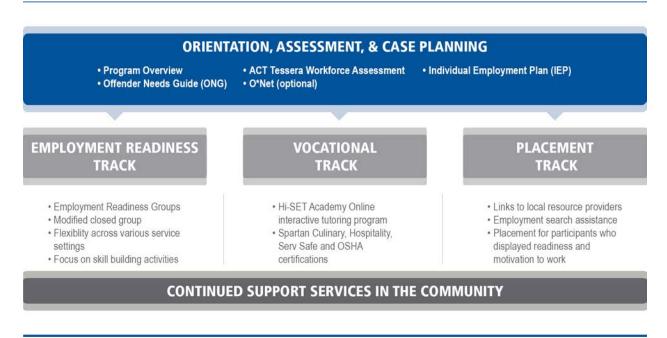
When referred to CONTRACTOR's program, each participant will have the option to complete the following three tracks:

- □ *Employment Readiness Track*—Designed to equip participants with the skills necessary to obtain and retain employment.
- □ **Vocational Track**—Designed to connect participants with vocational training to achieve industry-specific certification.
- □ **Placement Track**—Designed to place participants into a job to begin earning wages and establishing a sense of accountability and pride in their work, motivating them to continue engaging in programming services to refine their skills and, potentially, advance their careers.

Participants who are ready for work may bypass these tracks and go directly into seeking employment. All participants may choose to partake in one track, or they have the option to complete all the tracks CONTRACTOR provides. In addition, if more than one track is sought, the

participant is able to attend all tracks simultaneously. This allows them to develop "soft skills" and access additional vocational training if needed.

Below is the program flowchart from Orientation to program completion through the individual tracks.



#### Orientation, Assessment, and Case Planning

#### Orientation.

During this orientation, participants will be introduced to the program and the idea of becoming qualified for long-term employment opportunities. Working with staff, participants will begin to identify their individual needs and interests; build the motivation needed for employment; and work through computer-based modules, described in further detail in the following sections.

#### Assessment.

To match participants with the best resources and programming based on needs, staff will administer assessments to determine the programming dosage for each participant. CONTRACTOR's staff will match specialized services and activities to the protective factors, risk level, and needs identified by the assessments—thereby reducing participant risk in each identified area.

Program assessments include:

- Offender Needs Guide (ONG)—An evidence-based risk and needs assessment and supervision/case planning system for adult offenders. Consisting of 70 questions, the ONG identifies the unique risk factors of offenders classified as high risk.
- □ ACT Tessera Workforce—Using multiple evidence-based methods, this assessment measures a participant's social and emotional skills that are considered essential in determining educational and job readiness. The ACT Tessera Workforce Playbook, an additional component of the assessment, provides activities for skill development.
- □ O\*NET—For program participants needing additional help identifying a career pathway, the

O\*NET tool will be used to assist the participant in identifying career options and work-related interests to better match employment options with the skills they possess.

#### Case Planning.

CONTRACTOR will use a case planning process that will help the participant explore and recognize specific needs for employment and keep them engaged in the program. This will be documented in each participant's Individualized Employment Plan (IEP).

The IEP is a step-by-step plan for obtaining employment and developing a lasting career. Created after completion of an assessment, IEPs will document participant progress on identified goals and help address gender specific issues/needs, childcare responsibilities, current home situation, history/current experience with abuse, etc.. to address barriers as they relate to employability. CONTRACTOR will meet regularly with participants on an individual basis to review the progress made on attaining stated goals and the IEP is updated accordingly. In accordance with the academic or vocational support needed to pursue career goals, participants will be connected to local, community-based providers.

For a list of local education services providers, CONTRACTOR works with in Fresno see Table 2 *Education Resources in the Community*:

Table 2 Education Resources in the Community		
Need	Community Resources	Benefits to Participants
Education Services	California Department of Rehabilitation Central California Educational Opportunity Center, CSU Fresno (TRIO) Fresno Education Opportunities Commission (EOC) / Local Conservation Group (LCC) Fresno County Office of Education (COE) Clovis Adult School California Health Collaborative / Lock it up Central Learning Adult School Site (C.L.A.S.S.) Fresno County Public Library Fresno City College / EOPS Fresno Adult School	Education services—such as GED assistance, higher education, or vocational training programs—provide program participants with the ability to develop their skills and employability, resulting in an increased likelihood of securing sustainable employment.

Once the participant gains employment, CONTRACTOR staff will update the IEP to include goals and action items that support employment retention and advancement. IEPs will be reviewed on a regular basis to ensure appropriate goals are clearly outlined, are updated to reflect completion of goals, and the development of new milestones documented. Program participation metrics will be measured to gauge participant engagement in the program and CONTRACTOR's Program Supervisor will review these metrics with the Area Manager on a monthly basis to determine job readiness. Participants who are ready for employment can immediately start the process of obtaining a job. Those who need additional assistance will proceed to enrollment in the program tracks.

#### 1. Employment Readiness Track

To address the essential needs identified within the participants assessment and to establish skills that promote long-term employment, CONTRACTOR will provide the following programming services within this track:

- □ Employment Readiness Groups
  - Employment Skills curriculum from The Change Companies®
  - Cognitive Behavioral Interventions-Employment (CBI-EMP) curriculum

#### Employment Readiness Group.

The Employment Readiness group will focus on the employment education process. Using behavioral change practices, the group will first target participant attitudes and values about work and will teach skills for workplace success. The group incorporates research proven practices such as structured/expressive writing, cognitive behavioral interventions, and Motivational Interviewing (MI) to help participants build motivation for work, obtain needed skills and learn financial responsibility.

The group allows CONTRACTOR to guide participants through exercises that include – but are not limited to – job hunting, résumé creation, job application completion, mock interviews, business etiquette, networking, and problem-solving. Using the *Employment Skills* curriculum from The Change Companies, participants will learn about the career planning process, examine their willingness to learn, identify areas of interest, and evaluate their skill sets; which helps participants in their preparations for the job application and interviewing process. CONTRACTOR will conduct mock interviews to help refine and apply skills which participants have learned in groups.

#### Cognitive Behavioral Interventions for Employment (CBI-EMP).

The CBI-EMP curriculum is a computer-based Cognitive Behavioral Therapy session designed to provide employment-focused behavioral programming to help participants recognize and modify patterns of thinking and actions that hamper positive outcomes. Consisting of 31-sessions, CBI-EMP is flexible across various settings and can be used for various lengths of intervention. It teaches participants about coping methods to high-risk situations and advises them on "soft" workplace skills, such as clear communication, work habits, business ethics, customer service, and on-the-job etiquette which helps to renew and expand skills users may already have, learn new skills, and express these skills in typical job situations. By changing participant attitudes and habits in relation to work, the participant is more likely to retain steady employment.

#### 2. Vocational Track

To reinforce skills learned during the *Employment Readiness Track* or skills already acquired prior to program entry, participants use this track to obtain certifications and additional vocational training.

#### Onsite or Remote Computer-Based Programming.

Participants will participate in supervised onsite computer lab groups or remote, self-directed computer-based programming. The curriculum provides web-based vocational training including: GED preparation through the HiSET Academy and vocational skills such as Spartan Culinary, Hospitality, Serv Safe and OSHA certifications.

#### 3. Placement Track

After identifying a participant's individual strengths, interests, and capabilities, CONTRACTOR's Job Developers work with the participant to secure appropriate employment. This track includes:

Job coaching
Employment search assistance
Links to local resource providers
Placement for participants who display readiness and motivation to work

#### Job Coaching.

By following the participant's *IEP* CONTRACTOR will track job searches, assign action items, and maintain a job log that is updated weekly. CONTRACTOR will take each participant through problem-solving exercises on employment-related issues. Role play will be used to assist participants to understand job expectations and include assistance with specific issues such as employer expectations, dress codes, personal hygiene, calling in sick, and conflict resolution. If the participant has lost their job, CONTRACTOR will help analyze the chain of events that led to the job loss, behaviors that affected employment, and potential ways to mitigate job loss in the future.

#### Employment Search Assistance.

As part of this effort, CONTRACTOR Job Developers cultivate and maintain relationships with prospective employers (employers more likely to hire an ex- offender in the future). Once identified, high-ranking prospective employers are regularly contacted. CONTRACTOR will use these opportunities to introduce employers to the program services (including CONTRACTOR's ability to pre-screen participants as potential job candidates); obtain information on job openings; and refer participants for interviews.

CONTRACTOR's Job Developers will create a list of each employer's location(s) and share this information with participants. Job Developers shall ensure participants register with applicable job opportunity websites. Based on their assessment results and individual set of job skills, each participant decides where to apply. CONTRACTOR shall work with each participant to ensure any needed resources (e.g., transportation, childcare, interview clothes) are in place prior to job interviews.

#### Job Assistance and Placement Referrals.

When connecting participants to employment opportunities and resources, CONTRACTOR will, as needed, sit with participants to assess what may be needed to apply for a potential job, assist in filling out the application, help gather documentation that may be requested, and work with the participant to develop a corresponding transportation plan.

See Table 3 for a list of employment resources leveraged by CONTRACTOR.

Table 3 Employment Resources in the Community			
Need Community Resources Benefits to Participants			

Employment	<ul> <li>Aerotek</li> <li>Fresno Plumbing &amp; Heating, Inc.</li> <li>In Home Supportive Services</li> <li>Workforce Connection, Manchester Mall</li> <li>Employment Development Department</li> <li>Army</li> <li>Hope Now 4 Youth</li> <li>Manpower Temporary Services</li> <li>Select Staffing</li> <li>211 United Way</li> </ul>	CONTRACTOR's goal for the program is to ensure participants have the tools they need to secure and maintain employment. Stable employment provides the ability to satisfy essential needs and ensure participants can maintain the prosocial lifestyles they design for themselves while in CONTRACTOR's program.
Ongoing Employment Opportunities	<ul><li>Foster Farms</li><li>Cargill</li><li>NetaFim</li><li>OK Produce</li><li>Salvation Army</li><li>Amazon</li></ul>	Ongoing employment opportunities provide participants with additional motivation to continue their prosocial lives by allowing them to envision a future path that they can work on while in the program and after program completion.
Temporary Employment Services	<ul> <li>People Ready</li> <li>Spherion</li> <li>Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO)</li> </ul>	Temporary employment services are critical for program participants who must meet essential needs for themselves and their families before engaging in programming and working towards educational, vocational, and long-term career goals

#### Rewards Program.

CONTRACTOR's approach includes a robust rewards program for participants and underlying support. CONTRACTOR's staff will plan for and reward desired behaviors on a daily and intermediate basis through the use of positive reinforcements, earned privileges, and prizes with monetary or tangible value. Items of value include bus passes, hygiene kits, gift cards, business attire or other essential items. Completing programming goals, accomplishing a vocational certificate, gaining employment or even arriving on time and dressed appropriately are all causes for celebration.

#### **Community Connections.**

In addition to connecting participants to resources in the community through referrals, participants will be offered the opportunity to attend Community Connection events at the Fresno DRC. During these events, local employers and educational or vocational training providers visit the DRC and

provide presentations and information to participants to help make them aware of options in the community that may assist them in locating employment or encourage them to seek additional education or training to advance their careers.

#### Reentry Resource Website.

CONTRACTOR strives to deliver innovative and future-driven solutions to change behavior and change lives. In addition to the connections and referrals made by local staff, CONTRACTOR's website is accessible at <a href="https://www.georeentryconnect.com">www.georeentryconnect.com</a> as a resource for individuals transitioning to the community. The site offers a comprehensive suite of valuable tools to assist probationers and reentrants post-release. Available 24/7, the key features include a reentry resource database, employment toolbox, education and vocational information, and general tips and guidance to connect individuals with valuable information. CONTRACTOR's local staff will update and maintain the resources in the Fresno County area. The site is interactive, compatible with desktop, tablet, and mobile devices, and features downloadable content. This resource is available to all Fresno County probationers.

Through the use of program components such as ACT Tessera Workforce, CONTRACTOR's model is able to identify the participants interests, risks, and job readiness as it relates to work. The knowledge gained from such tools will then assist CONTRACTOR in providing tailored programming that consists of activities, exercises and training designed to help participants develop job skills needed for long-term success..

To provide participants with the services they most need, the program will focus on the following key elements:

Stabilizing the participant to increase motivation and engagement	Matching participants to a plan that suits their individualized needs
Assisting participants in obtaining employment to meet immediate needs or to advance toward future goals	Providing ongoing support throughout the program and after program completion
Extensive data collection, analysis, and reporting through CONTRACTOR's proprietary case management system	

#### 1. Stabilizing Participants

CONTRACTOR will first address essential needs to stabilize the participant. Accordingly, the approach will include administering an assessment that identifies any housing, food, childcare, or transportation barriers that may prevent a participant from successfully securing and maintaining employment. CONTRACTOR will work with participants to identify their essential needs that must be satisfied and develop action items to ensure participants satisfy these needs. The Individual Employment Plan (IEP) will outline steps the participant must take to successfully address the identified factors.

CONTRACTOR's staff are trained in connecting participants with local providers in the community to obtain basic resources such as housing, food, clothing, childcare, medical care, etc. Please see Table 6 Essential Needs Resources found on the end of the document, for a list of community partners that can provide program participants with resources to satisfy their essential needs and provide stabilization within the community to ensure participants can focus on finding, securing, and maintaining a job..

#### 2. Matching Participants to a Plan or Job that Fits Their Goals.

The most effective way to address employment-specific needs is by first identifying where the participant is in their educational, vocational, or career development. At program intake some participants may need additional education or vocational training before they can secure a job in their chosen field. Participants have the choice to complete additional training to address identified weaknesses; if this is a step that they are willing to take, CONTRACTOR will assist them in addressing this goal. Selecting to take additional training does not preclude immediate placement into a potential job. It does however affect the nature of the IEP in that additional steps may be included within the plan, which the participant must complete prior to employment placement.

Placement into a job is not just about matching participants to any open opportunity; its relevance to individual goals must be considered to keep up motivation. If a participant is not interested in their job, they will be less likely to maintain any pro-social investment in employment. Placement into jobs that can assist the participant in obtaining certification or allows them to acquire a trade they are interested in opens possible long- term goals such as starting his/her own plumbing business. Appropriate employment plans allow participants to see the benefits of continued participation in the work or programming.

# 3. Assisting Participants to Obtain a Job to Meet Immediate Needs and Advancement Toward Future Goals.

To meet the goals identified in the IEP, participants and staff will collaborate to use assessment results and the participant's established skillsets to decide which employers to approach for possible employment opportunities. Opportunity options available to participants within the program include:

- *Immediate Entry-Level Job Opportunities*—CONTRACTOR has connections with a wide range of employers immediately able to employ job-seeking participants in various industries including agriculture, meat processing, retail, and service industries.
- Transitional Work Opportunities—CONTRACTOR collaborates with multiple transitional work programs including AmeriCorps/Local Conversation Corps, What's Cooking Fresno, WorkForce Connection Young Adult Services, and CEO.
- Apprenticeships—CONTRACTOR is partnered with a successful California-based career training and job placement organization, Career Expansion Inc. Participants will be enrolled in the Multi-Core Craft Curriculum (MC3) program, a five-week apprenticeship training that provides instruction to individuals interested in joining a union. The curriculum used is not specific to one union and teaches a broad knowledge of all unions to determine which area of employment the participant will be best suited for. The training teaches hands-on experience and knowledge of safety precautions for the participant to be successful in this field. Once training is complete, CONTRACTOR's Job Developer in coordination with the Career Expansion Job Placement Coordinator will work with the established network of employers to place participants in sustainable jobs. The training is online and is approved by the State of California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) as well as funded by DOR and federal grants.
- Career-Oriented Job Placements—CONTRACTOR's network of potential employers includes opportunities for participants to obtain placements with trade- industry jobs. Additionally, CONTRACTOR partners with CareerSafe to provide Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 10-Hour Programs, which are entry level training courses

- designed for all workers to have a foundation of safety in fields such as: construction, agriculture, healthcare, manufacturing, automotive, culinary, and cosmetology industries.
- Career Development Opportunities—CONTRACTOR's Job Developers will, through
  individual career counseling, work with participants to create an Education and Career Plan
  with a goal towards sustainable employment at a higher wage. This plan may leverage
  educational and vocational training resources in the community to help the participant
  advance in their career path as referenced in Table 2, Education Resources in the
  Community.
- Entrepreneurship—Program participants can leverage services and programs provided at CONTRACTOR's Fresno County DRC to make connections with other entrepreneurs in the community to provide mentorship and arrange introductions to other entrepreneurs and employers.

#### 4. Ongoing Support.

CONTRACTOR will provide ongoing job coaching after initial placement for up to one (1) year, at a minimum of ninety (90) day intervals, to assist in job retention and any career change or additional certifications needed for more stable employment. In addition, CONTRACTOR has an open-door policy for participants to come back for additional assistance.

Ongoing support services include:

Continued case management through individual meetings and counseling	Refinement of skills learned in the program including life skills, job searching, job interviewing, follow up, and resume writing
Support and referrals for continued education	Referral to CONTRACTOR's network of partners providing employment related or other support services
Access to the Fresno DRC's Community Connections Program	Free 24/7 access to CONTRACTOR's Reentry Resource Website
Mentorship and support for entrepreneurial pursuits	Assistance in finding and enrolling in programs to develop new skills

#### 5. Data Collection and Reporting.

CONTRACTOR has the internal resources to engage in extensive data collection and provide corresponding reports for County personnel. CONTRACTOR will utilize in-house technical expertise and financial resources to develop process improvements. CONTRACTOR has designed the GEOtrack digital data collection and management system; a proprietary, secure, web-based system designed to capture and accurately document participant accountability

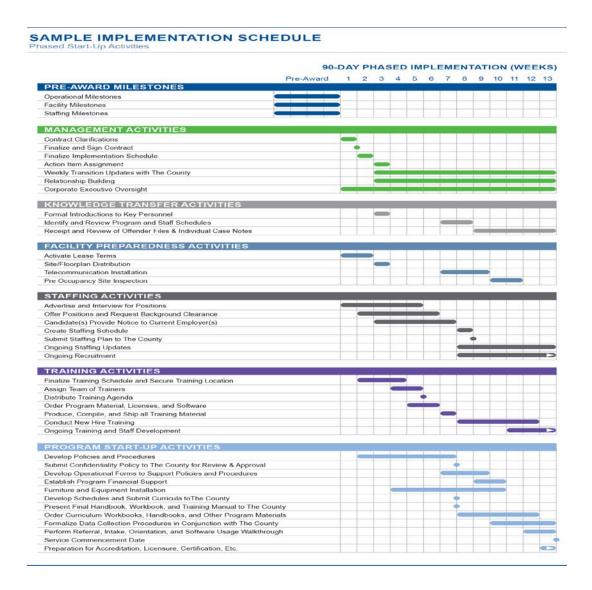
information track metrics, and give authorized users access to participant status and progress.

As an integral part of documenting program effectiveness, CONTRACTOR will maintain participant accountability through thorough and accurate reporting mechanisms. Program staff will electronically enter all assessment, personal, and program data for each participant in GEOtrack®. Staff will update this information to reflect individual participant progress through the program including assessment results; appearance for scheduled activities (groups, individual meetings, etc.); including significant events and staff observations; participation in meeting programming requirements; education status and employment status. CONTRACTOR will provide the County a variety of reports about the participant population and program outcomes regarding public safety, assistance with positive re-entry and reduced recidivism. If additional tracking is requested, CONTRACTOR will provide the County the corresponding reports.

#### **Implementation Plan**

CONTRACTOR will utilize corporate and individual resources including dedicated programming, research, construction, design, real estate, human resources, employee training, accounting, IT, contract compliance, and management departments, needed to provide services for there-entry employment readiness contract to be operational within 90 days of contract award notification. CONTRACTOR will execute projects in a seamless, timely, and efficient manner to successfully implement the contract while maintaining contract fidelity throughout the life of the contract.

The *Implementation Plan* assumes a notification of contract award of December 10, 2020. CONTRACTOR clearly defines functions, deliverables, and milestones for staff who will maintain responsibility for each activity, please see *Sample Implementation Schedule* Emphasis will be placed on continuous coordination and communication between all team members and Fresno County personnel to report progress and challenges. The actual implementation schedule for Fresno County will be adjusted to meet the County's timeline and schedule upon award.



CONTRACTOR will employ the staff outlined below. This is a general staffing matrix that can be scaled up or down, dependent on the total number of inmates enrolled in the program, and in accordance with CONTRACTOR best practices.

Table 4 Summary of Staffing Level		
Job Title	Number of FT Employees	
Program Supervisor	1	
Job Developer	2	
Total	3	

CONTRACTOR invests heavily in the strengths and abilities of CONTRACTOR's staff to achieve strong outcomes and have an impact on recidivism reduction. CONTRACTOR understands the inherent challenges in working with inmate populations and therefore employs a dedicated training department for CONTRACTOR's employees. Staff are required to complete a minimum of 40 hours

of training on an annual basis. All CONTRACTOR staff will start their employment with robust training on core correctional skills, EBP and program specific procedures. CONTRACTOR's Continuum of Care Training Institute provides CONTRACTOR's Program Supervisor an array of advanced learning opportunities to improve basic skills and develop in-depth expertise of staff.

CONTRACTOR's Research Department will provide staff training curriculum to include Cognitive Behavioral Interventions (CBI), Employment Lab, and other program specific components at the time of hire with ongoing training throughout the life of the contract. CONTRACTOR ensures that staff providing direct services meet all applicable licensing standards and minimum certification requirements for the State of California.

Attracting highly professional and accountable staff is critical to the success of the program and CONTRACTOR will strive to hire employees who reflect the culturally diverse demographics of the participant population to be served. CONTRACTOR will follow an established *Staffing Strategy* (see *below*) to fill staffing requirements. This process will be implemented to build and maintain appropriate staffing levels throughout the life of the contract.

To manage all aspects of reentry employment support, safeguards are taken at every step as depicted on the following page.

# STAFFING STRATEGY 1 DEFINE OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE STAFFING NEEDS STAFFING NEEDS STAFF STAF

- 1. Define Operational Structure—CONTRACTOR has aligned its organizational structure to ensure every level of the reentry program has responsive support. CONTRACTOR possesses a defined leadership, regional, and program-based structure to support the County at all levels of the organization.
- 2. Determine Organizational Staffing Needs—Established processes ensure appropriate staffing to provide continuous program operations. CONTRACTOR's staffing plan recruits and selects employees based on education, job qualifications, credentials, and experience. CONTRACTOR is an equal opportunity employer and will recruit and select employees without regard to race, creed, color, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, disability and veteran status.
- 3. Recruit and Hire Staff—Detailed pre-employment practices ensure staff meet County requirements. CONTRACTOR will recruit employees through all major online forums, reward employees through referral programs, and participate in military and diversity hiring initiatives. CONTRACTOR will evaluate candidates to ensure they are U.S. citizens, provide detailed job requirements and information, apply behavioral interviewing techniques and use an independent employment-screening agency to conduct background investigations; administer pre-employment drug screens; and check state, county criminal records, motor vehicle records, and central

registries.

- 4. Train Staff—Program staff attend thorough training sessions to ensure an understanding of the critical nature of providing services to justice-involved participants. CONTRACTOR's personnel receive security and confidentiality training during new hire and ongoing training. CONTRACT will employ a dedicated training department for employees and will have a training specialist/quality assurance professional dedicated to reentry employment readiness program operation. All training activities will be supported by CONTRACTOR's Continuum of Care Training Institute. This corporate division of CONTRACTOR will provide its employees the following training sessions:
  - Basic Training
     —Four weeks of training sessions—with each week consisting of 40 hours of training. This will include sessions on topics such as: Personnel policies and procedures, Core Correctional Practices, Motivational Interviewing, Assessment Interpretation, Criminogenic Needs, Case management, Individual Employment Plans (IEPs), and Documentation. Basic Training may incorporate in-person classroom sessions, role playing, and on-the-job training to enhance the staff's learning experience and elicit evidence of learned skills.
  - Refresher Training
    —Staff are required to complete at least 40 hours of Refresher Training
    each year. Examples of refresher courses include curriculum specific refreshers, cultural
    and ethnic sensitivity, and connecting participants with employment or education
    opportunities that fit their current and future needs.
  - Skill Set Certifications—Evidence-based programming and practices used within the
    program require specific training. CONTRACTOR will require that staff be trained before
    providing these services and be certified on an annual basis. The primary Skill Set
    Certifications offered to personnel will focus on Motivational Interviewing, Trauma-Informed
    Care, Gender-Responsiveness, and Group Facilitation techniques and practices.
- 5. Retain Staff—Experienced, tenured staff enhance CONTRACTOR's ability to provide responsive services. A major factor in CONTRACTOR's successful operation of in-custody and community-based programs is CONTRACTOR's established staffing plan that includes industry-best hiring and retention practices. These practices will be supported by CONTRACTOR's regional Human Resource Manager that will specialize in hiring program staff. CONTRACTOR's programs and facilities typically have low turnover—which promotes increased program stability—and CONTRACTOR's recruitment, selection, training, and retention programs ensure this program will meet or exceed all requirements. CONTRACTOR's reputation, salaries, benefits, training and career opportunities allow us to recruit and retain individuals with the skills, education and drive to keep CONTRACTOR at the forefront of modern reentry program operations and keep us in full compliance with all governmental regulatory requirements relating to employment and personnel practices.

#### Outcomes

To ensure a high rate of return on investment, CONTRACTOR will continue to develop, implement and regulate evidence-based programs that incorporate cultural sensitivity and individualization, with the support of industry experts, in-house training and research teams to increase employability and job retention.

CONTRACTOR will hold itself accountable, and measure the impact of the investment and contribution to community public safety with:

Intermediate Outcomes—CONTRACTOR will measure impact on employment rates. by measuring the volume of services offered and the results of individual participants. The chart below defines CONTRACTOR's program benchmarks which will be used to gauge performance not only by the quantity of program interventions made, but also by the impact on the life of participants. Accordingly, CONTRACTOR will track and present the County with various data items regarding changes in criminal thinking, attendance rates and employment gains, included in Table 5, Process and Outcome Indicators. Pre and Post-test measure around workplace attitudes will also be conducted, and CONTRACTOR will track any additional data requested by the County.

#### Reports

CONTRACTOR will provide the County with monthly reports, and with the COUNTY reserving the right to negotiate the type and frequency of reports. CONTRACTOR will work with the COUNTY to design and produce monthly reports in addition to providing any ad-hoc requests.

Table 5 Process and Outcome Indicators		
Process Indicators	Outcome Benchmarks (annually)	
Number of Intakes	240 Intakes	
Number of Risk/Need     Assessments Completed	200 assessments	
Number of IEPs developed	• 200 IEP's	
Number of Participants employed	<ul> <li>120 participants after 30 days in the program</li> <li>60% of those still employed after both 60- &amp; 90-day intervals</li> </ul>	
Number of Participants     enrolled in educational or     vocational training	<ul> <li>80 participants</li> <li>80 completing a vocational certification course, Employment Readiness and/or CBI-Employment</li> </ul>	
Number of referrals to community-based programs	200 referred to community resources based on assessed need	
Number of employment assessments completed	200 assessments completed	
Pre and Post Program measures	120 displaying improvements in employment attitudes such as Work Ethic, Resilience, Creativity, Leadership, Integrity & Collaboration	

CONTRACTOR staff will electronically enter all assessment, personal, and case management data for each participant in CONTRACTOR's GEOtrack case management database. GEOtrack case management system provides enhanced evidence- based practices tracking mechanisms. CONTRACTOR will track programming dosage and prompting CONTRACTOR staff to identify each participant's criminogenic driver during the case planning process and weekly case notes. CONTRACTOR will update this information to reflect daily participant progress including assessment results; appearance for scheduled activities (groups, individual meetings, etc.); case notes, including

significant events and staff observations; participation and progress; employment and education status; and the number of community referrals made. Data collected includes participant information and demographics, criminogenic risk and employability results. CONTRACTOR will ensure data collection and reporting is in accordance with the COUNTY's requirements and CONTRACTOR policies and procedures.

CONTRACTOR will use GEOtrack to electronically schedule and track onsite programming, as well as approved off-site activities, such as employment, educational courses, or vocational training. Each day, GEOtrack automatically generates a listing of scheduled services and also generates alerts for unauthorized absences. This allows CONTRACTOR to quickly begin investigating the absence, take any required corrective actions, and report the incident to the COUNTY in accordance with predetermined procedures. Participants will sign a roster for specific appointments and group sessions when held in person. CONTRACTOR will upload these rosters into GEOtrack to further help track and verify attendance. CONTRACTOR will share this program data with the COUNTY on a regular basis.

**Employment Tracking**—When a participant obtains an employment placement, CONTRACTOR will contact the employer to offer support services and follow up with the employer after 30, 60, and 90 days. This will help CONTRACTOR verify participant accountability; assess participant job performance; build good will for the Re-Entry Employment Readiness Services Program; and further develop employment opportunities for other participants. CONTRACTOR will document all employer contact in the participant's case plan and share this data with COUNTY as needed and required.

Increase in Employment Rate—CONTRACTOR will document each participant's employment status upon intake and program completion with the expectation of an increase in employment rates. The CONTRACTOR's administration of The Re-Entry Employment Readiness Program will improve participants' ability to find and maintain full-time and part-time jobs and encourage them to continue prosocial behaviors that reduce the risk of recidivism.

**Number of Successful Program Completions**—CONTRACTOR will record and evaluate the rate of participants successfully discharging from the program in GEOtrack.

**Criminal Justice Involvement**—CONTRACTOR projects an overall decrease in criminal justice involvement for program participants. It is the experience; employment readiness programs have resulted in lower recidivism rates for participants in comparison to offenders not enrolled in a CONTRACTOR program.

#### Accountability

**Fidelity Audits**—CONTRACTOR will conduct formalized field visits to assess the programs' adherence to EBP. These in-person fidelity reviews will measure and improve the program's application of EBP in 11 key areas: actuarial risk/needs, intrinsic motivation, targeted interventions, skills training, contingency management, community support, measurement practices, providing feedback, leadership, treatment team, and participant satisfaction. CONTRACTOR Quality Assurance personnel will observe service delivery and conduct interviews with staff and participants to obtain a well-rounded view of program operations and create a report that includes actionable recommendations for CONTRACTOR to make enhancements to the program.

#### Location

CONTRACTOR will conduct the program services from an office located at 3636 North 1<sup>St</sup> Street, Suite 121 in Fresno. Located near public transportation, the Fresno airport, retail, and service industry employment opportunities, this is an ideal site from which CONTRACTOR will provide the services. The HVAC units were recently replaced, and the complex was re-roofed between 2016 and 2018, which will minimize costs for the life of the contract. CONTRACTOR offices will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The office space provides CONTRACTOR

sufficient room to accommodate program participants meeting with Job Developers There is abundant parking as well as additional street parking available along Redlands Avenue, and the Fresno County DRC, located at 2212 North Winery Avenue, Suite 122, in Fresno, is three (3) miles from the program site, enabling program participants to leverage DRC staff knowledge, expertise, and additional support services. The Fresno DRC shares a suite with Probation and has excellent relationships with County and Probation personnel and CONTRACTOR's organization looks forward to continuing to expand upon these positive partnerships.

#### A. Alternative Solutions

As an essential service provider for a vulnerable population, CONTRACTOR will keep vocational programs and supportive services available while maintaining responsible practices.

Providing participant services that enhance public safety in Fresno County is CONTRACTOR's top priority. CONTRACTOR will leverage virtual technologies at the stand-alone site which can also be adapted for participant use at home, if needed. In response to the uncertainty of the national COVID-19 pandemic, staff at CONTRACTOR's Fresno DRC have developed and implemented creative program modifications to enable continuous and uninterrupted services. These practices and modifications as detailed below, will be an option for the program if in-person services are not feasible.

- Socially Distant Intake and Assessment Practices—CONTRACTOR will complete
  intake and assessment through teleconference. This practice establishes a baseline for
  creating a plan designed to address participant risk and needs while limiting in-person
  COVID-19 transmission.
- Remote Programming

  In instances where on-site treatment activities are suspended,
  CONTRACTOR will schedule phone calls and video conferences with participants to lead
  groups remotely and make referrals to needed community resources.

#### **In-Custody Expansion Services**

If the County wishes to resume the solicitation of reentry employment programming and services to offenders within the Fresno County Jail, CONTRACTOR will work with the County to modify program services. To reach participants while they are in-custody, CONTRACTOR will provide services through an additional option:

 Mobile Computer Lab—CONTRACTOR will make available laptop computers to incustody participants to provide access to digital content including programming for employment readiness, vocational courses, job searching, and resume building.

# **List of Community Partners**

Table 6. Essential Needs Resources		
Need	<b>Community Partners</b>	<b>Benefits to Participants</b>

Family/Housing	<ul> <li>Aspiranet</li> <li>Decision Home of Fresno</li> <li>Fresno Rescue Mission</li> <li>Poverello Home</li> <li>Samaritan Women</li> <li>Child Protective Services</li> <li>Fresno County Social Services</li> <li>Fresno Housing Authority</li> <li>Naomi's House</li> <li>Fresno County (EOC), Sanctuary Transitional Shelter</li> </ul>	CONTRACTOR's Fresno DRC staff have partnered with various support services organizations in the Fresno community.  Employment Readiness Program participants will benefit from an existing list of available resources in the area to ensure participants have housing and help them stabilize their home lives.  Appropriate housing and support for family-related needs helps ensure participants can focus on programming and meeting IEP milestones, improving their chances of successfully obtaining and maintaining employment.
Food Assistance	<ul><li>Catholic Charities</li><li>Cornerstone Church</li><li>Community Food Bank</li><li>Salvation Army</li></ul>	Ensuring program participants have access to basic needs such as food helps them focus on building employment and life skills. For example, participants seeking vocational training for certification can work towards their goals without worrying about having the money to feed themselves or their families.
Medical Services	<ul> <li>Clinica Sierra Vista</li> <li>Fresno Community Regional Medical Center / MISP</li> <li>Planned Parenthood</li> <li>Tzu Chi Medical Outreach</li> <li>Wal-Mart: Vision Center</li> </ul>	CONTRACTOR has identified local medical services providers that can offer participants free or low-cost medical, vision, dental, and other necessary medical services.  Program participants with health-related barriers to employment can seek treatment prior to increase their chances for program success prior to beginning programming or being placed in track.

<b>Mental Health</b>	<ul> <li>Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health / Exodus Wellness Center / Crisis Stabilization Center / Indigent Mental Health Services</li> <li>Turning Point Mental Health Services, First Street Center</li> <li>Fresno County Behavioral Health</li> <li>Psychological Services Center— Alliant International University</li> </ul>	Many participants present with mental health risk/needs that must be addressed to ensure program success. Participants benefit from CONTRACTOR's referrals to mental health services providers in the Fresno County community to ensure they receive the appropriate treatment and increase their chances of program success.
Sobriety Support	<ul> <li>Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)</li> <li>Narcotics Anonymous (NA)</li> <li>Celebrate Recovery</li> <li>Fresno New Connections</li> </ul>	Preserving sobriety is crucial to an individual's ability to secure and maintain employment. Sobriety support services in the area that are easily accessible to participants from their homes, CONTRACTOR's offices, or their places of employment helps increase the likelihood that they will attend support groups and receive the necessary education, treatment, and support they need to maintain sobriety.
Transportation	Fresno Area Express (FAX)	CONTRACTOR's staff are trained to familiarize themselves with local public transportation systems and routes. Program participants benefit from staff support in developing transportation plans to ensure any transportation-related barriers to employment are removed, increasing their chances for program success and ability to maintain employment.

# **Exhibit B- Summary for AB 109 Funding**

Organizaiton/Agency	В	Incorporated
Program/Service Description	Employee	e Readiness (AB 109)
Total Requested Budget For Years 1 through 5	\$	1,357,055.00
	Title/Classifica	tion & number of positions
Number and type of positions funded (e.g., Correctional Officer (2)	Progra	m Supervisor (0.8)
	Employment E	ducation Coordinator (1.6)

Organization/Agency:	BI Incorporated					
Program/Service:	Employee Readiness Year 1 Funding		Year 3 Funding	Year 4 Funding	Year 5 Funding	
SALARIES & BENEFITS	Request	Request	Request	Request	Request	Notes/Comments/Description
Regular Salaries	\$ 109,824	\$ 114,417	\$ 116,713	\$ 119,062	\$ 121,432	
Overtime	2,371	2,419	2,467	2,517	2,567	
Holiday OT	2,918	2,977	3,037	3,098	3,160	
Jnemployment Insurance	1,176	1,176	1,176	1,176	1,176	Federal and State Unemployment
Retirement Contribution	988	1,030	1,050	1,071	1,093	Employer matching contribution
ASDI Contribution	8,974	9,340	9,527	9,718	9,912	Payroll taxes
Vorkers Comp Contribution	2,097	2,183	2,227	2,272	2,317	
Health Insurance Contribution	10,656	10,656	10,656	10,656	10,656	
ife & Disability Insurance	525	525	525	525	525	
Benefits Administration						
Other (describe)						
Object Total	\$ 139,529	\$ 144,723	\$ 147,378	\$ 150,095	\$ 152,838	
SERVICES and SUPPLIES	Year 1 Funding Request	Year 2 Funding Request	Year 3 Funding Request	Year 4 Funding Request	Year 5 Funding Request	Notes/Comments/Description
Mobile Communication	1,440	1,440	1,440	1,440	1,440	Cell phone for supervisor
Telephone Charges	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	Phone system for facility
iability Insurance	3,519	3,662	3,736	3,811	3,886	General liability, calculated as a % of payroll costs
nsurance - Other						
Office Expense	29,440	29,440	29,440	29,440	29,440	Rent, Janitorial Service, Printer/Copier Lease, Office Supplies
Books and Publications	4,831	4,831	4,831	4,831	4,831	Participant Curriculum
Prof & Specialized Services	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	7,200	Participant Transportation
Publications & Legal Notices						
Education & Training	5,216	5,240	5,265	5,291	5,316	Hours for employee training and the cost of any associated tra
Jtilities	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	6,400	
Other (describe)	2,880	2,880	2,880	2,880	2,880	Participant Incentives/Snacks, Recruitment Costs
Object Total	\$ 63,326	\$ 63,493	\$ 63,592	\$ 63,693	\$ 63,793	
TIXED ASSETS add description - e.g., vehicle) Object Total NDIRECT COST - Max. of 15%		\$ 12,800 \$ 12,800	\$ 12,800 \$ <b>12,800</b>	\$ 12,800 <b>\$ 12,800</b>	\$ 12,800 <b>\$ 12,800</b>	Staff Laptops, Participant Computer Lab, FF&E, Facility Renov
Object Total		\$ 50,395	\$ 47,641	\$ 44,823	\$ 41,980	
TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 271,411	\$ 271,411	\$ 271,411	\$ 271,411	\$ 271,411	

# **Exhibit B - Summary for JAG Funding**

Organizaiton/Agency	BI	Incorporated
Program/Service Description	Employe	e Readiness (JAG)
Total Requested Budget For Years 1 through 5	\$	346,185.00
Number and type of positions funded (e.g., Correctional Officer (2)		ion & number of positions m Supervisor (0.2)
Number and type of positions funded (e.g., Correctional Officer (2)		ducation Coordinator (0.4)

Organization/Agency:	BI Incorporated					
Program/Service:	Employee Readines					
SALARIES & BENEFITS	Year 1 Funding Request	y Year 2 Funding Request	Year 3 Funding Request	Year 4 Funding Request	Year 5 Funding Request	Notes/Comments/Description
Regular Salaries	\$ 27,456	\$ 28,604	\$ 29,178	\$ 29,766	\$ 30,358	
Overtime	593	604	617	630	642	
Holiday OT	730	744	759	775	789	
Jnemployment Insurance	294	294	294	294	294	Federal and State Unemployment
Retirement Contribution	247	258	263	268	273	Employer matching contribution
DASDI Contribution	2,244	2,335	2,382	2,430	2,478	Payroll taxes
Vorkers Comp Contribution	525	546	502	457	412	
lealth Insurance Contribution	2,664	2,664	2,664	2,664	2,664	
ife & Disability Insurance	131	131	131	131	131	
Benefits Administration						
Other (describe)						
Object Total	\$ 34,884	\$ 36,180	\$ 36,790	\$ 37,415	\$ 38,041	
SERVICES and SUPPLIES	Year 1 Funding Request	y Year 2 Funding Request	Year 3 Funding Request	Year 4 Funding Request	Year 5 Funding Request	Notes/Comments/Description
Mobile Communication	360	360	360	360	360	Cell phone for supervisor
Felephone Charges	600	600	600	600	600	Phone system for facility
iability Insurance	880	916	934	953	972	General liability, calculated as a % of payroll costs
nsurance - Other						
Office Expense	7,360	7,360	7,360	7,360	7,360	Rent, Janitorial Service, Printer/Copier Lease, Office Supplies
Books and Publications	9,663	9,663	9,663	9,663	9,663	Participant Curriculum
Prof & Specialized Services	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	Participant Transportation
Publications & Legal Notices						
Education & Training	1,304	1,310	1,317	1,323	1,330	Hours for employee training and the cost of any associated trav
Jtilities	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	
Other (describe)	720	720	720	720	720	Participant Incentives/Snacks, Recruitment Costs
Object Total	\$ 24,287	\$ 24,329	\$ 24,354	\$ 24,379	\$ 24,405	
TIXED ASSETS add description - e.g., vehicle) Object Total NDIRECT COST - Max. of 15%		efits for non-profit org	\$ 3,200 \$ 3,200 ganization	\$ 3,200 <b>\$ 3,200</b>	\$ 3,200 <b>\$ 3,200</b>	Staff Laptops, Participant Computer Lab, FF&E, Facility Renova
Object Total			\$ 4,893	\$ 4,243	\$ 3,591	
TOTAL BUDGET	\$ 69,237	\$ 69.237	\$ 69.237	\$ 69,237	\$ 69,237	

# **Exhibit B - Salary and Benefit Detail By Position**

Position	FTE	Salary	Unemp. Insurance	OASDI	Workers Comp	Health Insurance	Life & Disability	Retire- ment	Benefits Admin	Other	Total	Description of Other
Program Supervisor	1	63086	490	4870	1145.77	4440	220	568		0	\$ 74,820	
Employment Coordinat	1	41142.4	490	3499.5	814.161	4440	218.5	370		3403.224	\$ 54,378	Overtime / Holiday Pay
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#### SELF-DEALING TRANSACTION DISCLOSURE FORM

In order to conduct business with the County of Fresno (hereinafter referred to as "County"), members of a contractor's board of directors (hereinafter referred to as "County Contractor"), must disclose any self-dealing transactions that they are a party to while providing goods, performing services, or both for the County. A self-dealing transaction is defined below:

"A self-dealing transaction means a transaction to which the corporation is a party and in which one or more of its directors has a material financial interest"

The definition above will be utilized for purposes of completing this disclosure form.

#### <u>INSTRUCTIONS</u>

- (1) Enter board member's name, job title (if applicable), and date this disclosure is being made.
- (2) Enter the board member's company/agency name and address.
- (3) Describe in detail the nature of the self-dealing transaction that is being disclosed to the County. At a minimum, include a description of the following:
  - a. The name of the agency/company with which the corporation has the transaction; and
  - b. The nature of the material financial interest in the Corporation's transaction that the board member has.
- (4) Describe in detail why the self-dealing transaction is appropriate based on applicable provisions of the Corporations Code.
- (5) Form must be signed by the board member that is involved in the self-dealing transaction described in Sections (3) and (4).

(1) Company Board Member Information:					
Name:		Date:			
Job Title:					
(2) Compan	y/Agency Name and Address:				
(3) Disclosu	re (Please describe the nature of the self-dea	ling trans	sacti	on you are a party to):	
(4) Explain	why this self-dealing transaction is consistent	with the	rea	uirements of Corporations Code 5233 (a):	
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(5) Authoriz	red Signature				
Signature:		Date:			