BARRIERS IN RE-ENTRY FACED BY FORMERLY INCARCERATED WOMEN

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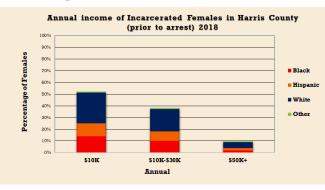
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<u>Research Question:</u> How can we utilize points of intervention to alleviate barriers faced by women in reentry and shift their generational trajectories?

Quantitative Results:

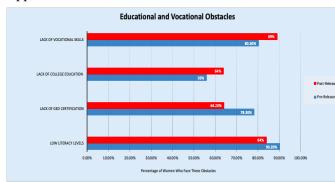
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Relationship between income and incarceration

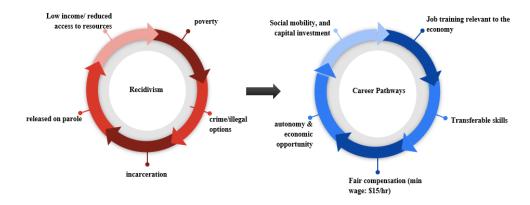


Established need

All barriers stem from lack of educational & vocational opportunities



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<u>Conclusion</u>: Investing in neighborhoods of low SES by creating career pathways breaks the cycle of recidivism, resulting in positive generational trajectories and reduced arresting and incarceration rates.

Action-based Research: SERjobs Collaboration

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| <u>NEIGHBORHOODS</u> | DEMOGRAPHICS | <u>PARTNERS</u> | <u>PARTNERS</u> |
| ★ Sunnyside ★ Third Ward ★ Kashmere-Gardens ★ Gulfton ★ Acres Homes ★ Alief-Westwood ★ Fort Bend Houston ★ Second ward ★ Near Northside | → Low and moderate income → Black and Latina women → Opportunity Youth (16-24) | Deep South Center for Environmental Justice HCC Greentown Labs SER Jobs City of Houston | ♦ Workforce Solutions ♦ Legacy Community Health ♦ NAMI ♦ Financial Empowerment Center (FEC) |