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PRISONERS

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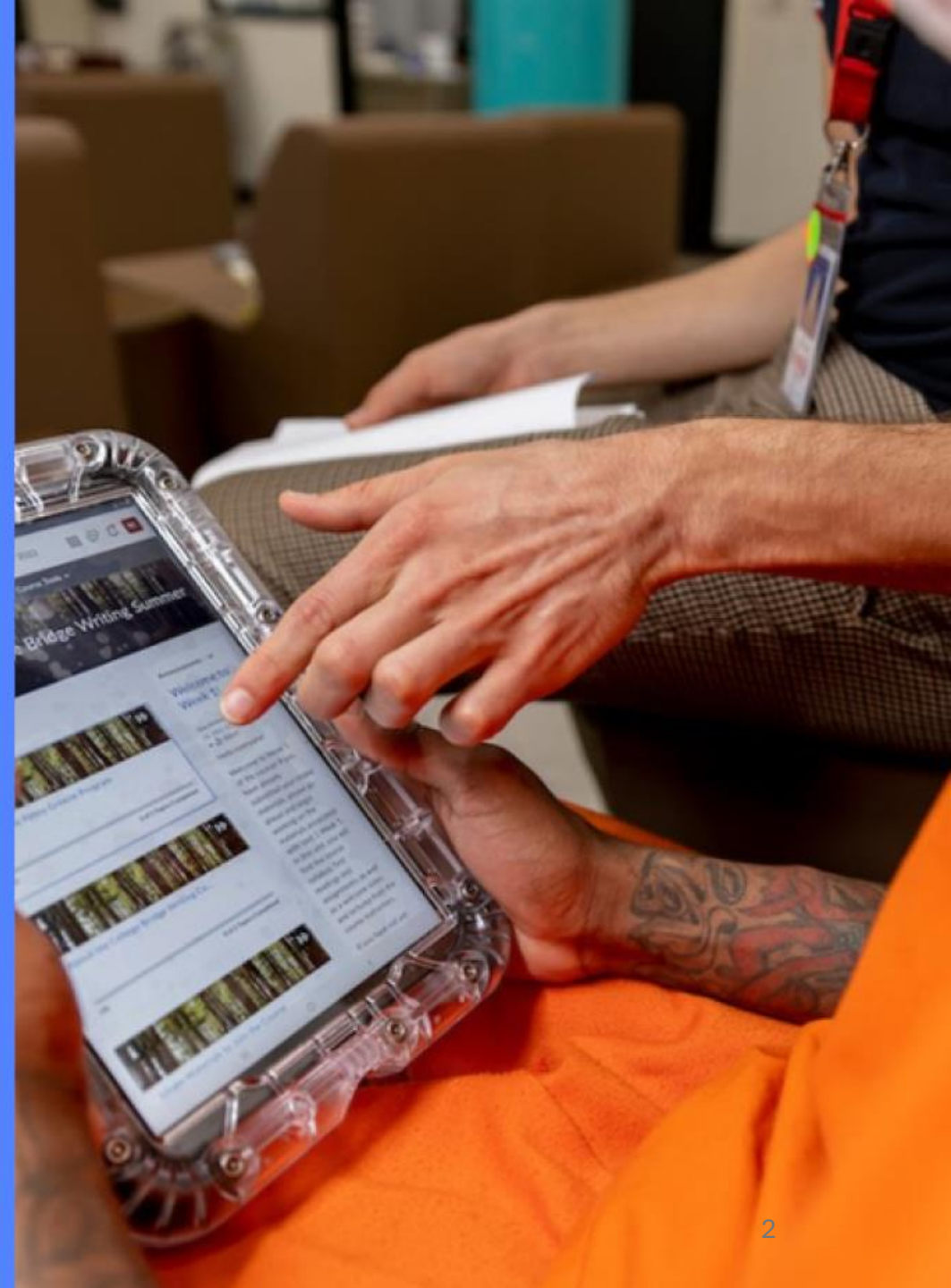


COMMON-SENSE APPROACH TO CORRECTIONAL REFORM

Improving Public Safety Through Prisoner Reentry Programs

by BOB McDONNEL

Preparing prisoners for successful re-entry into communities is not soft on crime; it is sound public safety policy. It creates an opportunity to reduce recidivism, and reflects the idea that America is a nation which believes in second chances.





48% LESS LIKELY TO BE
REINCARCERATED

PATH TO EMPLOYMENT

Formerly incarcerated people are unemployed at a rate of over 27% — higher than the total U.S. unemployment rate during any historical period, including the Great Depression



BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION

Among the 57% of people in state prisons who had never participated in educational programming; 18% cite never being offered the opportunity.



EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATIONS OF PRISONERS

70% Want to participate
in education

29% Of the 70%, 29% want
earn a certificate from
a college or trade
school

18% Of the 70%, 18% want to
earn a certificate from a
high school diploma/GED
or an Associate's degree

RETURN ON INVESTMENT IN CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION

For every dollar spent on correctional education, \$5 is saved in three-year re-incarceration costs – a 400% ROI.



THANK YOU!



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