

# TURN90

A NEW DIRECTION AFTER PRISON

## Expanding Prison Reentry Services Statewide

Turn90 is a South Carolina community-based charity operating in Charleston and Columbia, SC that equips men to succeed after prison. The program combines behavioral therapy, supportive services, transitional employment and job placement to offer a proven model of prison reentry with a 78% success rate. The program serves men who are at a high risk to re-offend, most who have violent criminal histories and are ineligible for other community services.

- Turn90's evidence-based program combines:
- Daily group cognitive behavioral classes and case management
  - Four months of in-house training and transitional employment in Turn90's business
  - Placement into jobs with livable wages, benefits and opportunities for advancement



"We in the criminal justice system have to recognize that no one entity can fix all the problems. We face so many challenges. But we can focus on the things that are working, and one of the things that is working is the Turn90 program. Amy and her team have cracked the code of disrupting the prison pipeline and giving men hope."

--Luther Reynolds, City of Charleston Police Chief

## A Significant Return on Investment

- Each Turn90 center provides intensive services to 50-70 men returning home from prison and costs approximately \$675K.
- For every \$667K invested in Turn90, the state saves between \$1.1M and \$4.3M in avoided prison costs.
- For each Turn90 center in operation, the state receives approximately \$22K per year in state payroll taxes.

These savings do not include the value of job training, development and placement of participants into careers that pay livable wages.

Men who return to crime also incur substantial costs against victims and society at large in terms of pain and suffering, reducing quality of life, property loss, medical costs, and loss of life.

## Turn90 Community Partners

- City of Charleston Police Department
- City of North Charleston Police Department
- City of Columbia Police Department
- Richland County Sheriff's Office
- Fifth Judicial Circuit Solicitor's Office
- United States Attorney's Office
- United States District Judges
- South Carolina Department of PPP
- South Carolina Department of Corrections
- City of Charleston's Mayor's Office
- Charleston City Council and County Council
- Charleston County Public Defender's Office
- United States Probation
- City of Columbia's Mayor's Office
- Richland County Public Defender's Office

## Turn90 Expansion Campaign \$6 Million Three Year Goal

State Funds \$2,000,000\*

Private Contributions \$1,214,000

Program Revenue \$1,436,000

Foundation Grants \$835,000

Local Government \$595,000

**Total \$6,080,000**

*\*The state invested the 1st and 2nd installments of the request in 2021 and 2022 (\$667K each). We are requesting the remaining \$667K in 2023.*

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"I've been going to prison my whole life and I didn't know who to ask for help. I'd almost lost hope and went back to my old ways. Now I'm learning things that I wish someone would have taught me when I was younger - like how to think in the right way and brainstorm all my options. Turn90 is the best thing that's happened to me in a long time."

— Terrance, 41 years old, juvenile prison at 13, adult prison at 19

## A Proven Path to Success

- Turn90 has served hundreds of men since launching in 2015.
- Only 22% of graduates have ever been re-arrested (vs. 62% without Turn90).
- 67% of graduates have retained employment for six months or more.
- The program's screen-printing business will employ 120 men out of prison in 2022 and experience \$500K in revenue.



## Three Year Expansion Campaign

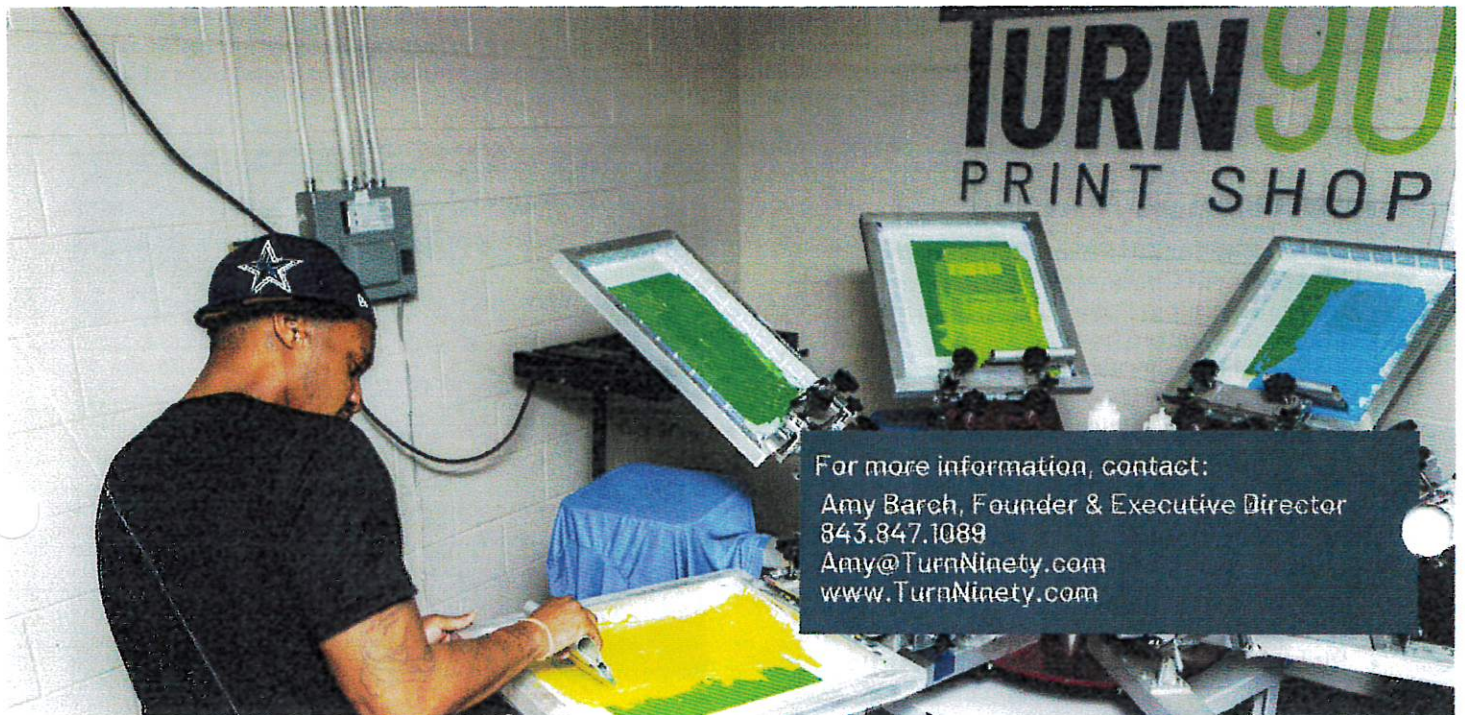
### The Need to Expand Reentry Services

- More than 5,000 people are released from South Carolina state prisons every year.
- 62% of people released from prisons nationally are re-arrested within three years.
- South Carolina spends \$30,000 to keep one person in prison for one year.
- Successful reentry programs give former offenders opportunities to support themselves through legitimate and productive work, reducing recidivism and improving public safety.

Turn90's successful Charleston pilot site was replicated in Columbia in 2021 and a third site will open in upstate SC in 2024.

This expansion will impact the lives of 350 men, cut recidivism rates by two-thirds, create an expanded model for statewide prison reentry, and pioneer criminal justice reform in America.

Expanding Turn90 requires an investment of \$6 million over three years. \$1.4 million is projected from local government and foundation funds and \$1.4 million is anticipated in program revenue. An additional \$1.2 million in philanthropic support and \$2 million in state funds is needed.



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