

the Governor or chief executive officer of a State as the single State administrative authority responsible for the planning, development, implementation, monitoring, regulation, and evaluation of substance abuse services.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

(1) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

(2) Equitable distribution of grant amounts

Of the amount made available to carry out this section in any fiscal year, the Attorney General shall ensure that grants awarded under this section are equitably distributed among geographical regions and between urban and rural populations, including Indian Tribes, and consistent with the objective of reducing recidivism among criminal offenders.

(Pub. L. 110-199, title II, §201, Apr. 9, 2008, 122 Stat. 678; Pub. L. 115-391, title V, §502(e), Dec. 21, 2018, 132 Stat. 5230.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 17521 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 115-391 amended par. (1) generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: “There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 and 2010.”

PART B—MENTORING

§ 60531. Community-based mentoring and transitional service grants to nonprofit organizations

(a) Authority to make grants

From amounts made available to carry out this section, the Attorney General shall make grants to nonprofit organizations and Indian Tribes for the purpose of providing transitional services essential to reintegrating offenders into the community.

(b) Use of funds

A grant awarded under subsection (a) may be used for—

(1) mentoring adult and juvenile offenders during incarceration, through transition back to the community, and post-release;

(2) transitional services to assist in the reintegration of offenders into the community, including—

(A) educational, literacy, and vocational, services and the Transitional Jobs strategy;

(B) substance abuse treatment and services;

(C) coordinated supervision and services for offenders, including physical health care and comprehensive housing and mental health care;

(D) family services; and

(E) validated assessment tools to assess the risk factors of returning inmates; and

(3) training regarding offender and victims issues.

(c) Application; priority consideration

(1) In general

To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, a nonprofit organization or Indian Tribe shall submit an application to the Attorney General at such time, in such manner, and accompanied by such information as the Attorney General may require.

(2) Priority consideration

Priority consideration shall be given to any application under this section that—

(A) includes a plan to implement activities that have been demonstrated effective in facilitating the successful reentry of offenders; and

(B) provides for an independent evaluation that includes, to the maximum extent feasible, random assignment of offenders to program delivery and control groups.

(d) Strategic performance outcomes

The Attorney General shall require each applicant under this section to identify specific performance outcomes related to the long-term goal of stabilizing communities by reducing recidivism (using a measure that is consistent with the research undertaken by the Bureau of Justice Statistics under section 60551(b)(6) of this title), and reintegrating offenders into the community.

(e) Reports

An entity that receives a grant under subsection (a) during a fiscal year shall, not later than the last day of the following fiscal year, submit to the Attorney General a report that describes and assesses the uses of that grant during that fiscal year and that identifies the progress of the grantee toward achieving its strategic performance outcomes.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Attorney General to carry out this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

(Pub. L. 110-199, title II, §211, Apr. 9, 2008, 122 Stat. 679; Pub. L. 114-255, div. B, title XIV, §14009(b), Dec. 13, 2016, 130 Stat. 1297; Pub. L. 115-391, title V, §502(f)(1), Dec. 21, 2018, 132 Stat. 5230.)

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AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-391, §502(f)(1)(A), substituted “Community-based mentoring and transitional service grants to nonprofit organizations” for “Mentoring grants to nonprofit organizations” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-391, §502(f)(1)(B), struck out “mentoring and other” before “transitional services”.

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 115-391, §502(f)(1)(C), added par. (2) and struck out former par. (2) which read as follows: “transitional services to assist in the reintegration of

offenders into the community, including mental health care; and”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 115-391, § 502(f)(1)(D), substituted “this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.” for “this section \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 and 2010.”

2016—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 114-255 inserted “, including mental health care” after “community”.

§ 60532. Repealed. Pub. L. 115-391, title V, § 504(a), Dec. 21, 2018, 132 Stat. 5233

Section, Pub. L. 110-199, title II, § 212, Apr. 9, 2008, 122 Stat. 680; Pub. L. 113-128, title V, § 512(bb)(1), July 22, 2014, 128 Stat. 1717, related to responsible reintegration of offenders.

Section was formerly classified to section 17532 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

§ 60533. Bureau of Prisons policy on mentoring contacts

(a) In general

Not later than 90 days after April 9, 2008, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall, in order to promote stability and continued assistance to offenders after release from prison, adopt and implement a policy to ensure that any person who provides mentoring services to an incarcerated offender is permitted to continue such services after that offender is released from prison. That policy shall permit the continuation of mentoring services unless the Director demonstrates that such services would be a significant security risk to the released offender, incarcerated offenders, persons who provide such services, or any other person.

(b) Report

Not later than September 30, 2009, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall submit to Congress a report on the extent to which the policy described in subsection (a) has been implemented and followed.

(Pub. L. 110-199, title II, § 213, Apr. 9, 2008, 122 Stat. 683.)

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§ 60534. Bureau of Prisons policy on chapel library materials

(a) In general

Not later than 30 days after April 9, 2008, the Director of the Bureau of Prisons shall discontinue the Standardized Chapel Library project, or any other project by whatever designation that seeks to compile, list, or otherwise restrict prisoners’ access to reading materials, audiotapes, videotapes, or any other materials made available in a chapel library, except that the Bureau of Prisons may restrict access to—

(1) any materials in a chapel library that seek to incite, promote, or otherwise suggest the commission of violence or criminal activity; and

(2) any other materials prohibited by any other law or regulation.

(b) Rule of construction

Nothing in this section shall be construed to impact policies of the Bureau of Prisons related to access by specific prisoners to materials for security, safety, sanitation, or disciplinary reasons.

(Pub. L. 110-199, title II, § 214, Apr. 9, 2008, 122 Stat. 683.)

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PART C—ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE REFORMS

SUBPART 1—IMPROVING FEDERAL OFFENDER REENTRY

§ 60541. Federal prisoner reentry initiative

(a) In general

The Attorney General, in coordination with the Director of the Bureau of Prisons, shall, subject to the availability of appropriations, conduct the following activities to establish a Federal prisoner reentry initiative:

(1) The establishment of a Federal prisoner reentry strategy to help prepare prisoners for release and successful reintegration into the community, including, at a minimum, that the Bureau of Prisons—

(A) assess each prisoner’s skill level (including academic, vocational, health, cognitive, interpersonal, daily living, and related reentry skills) at the beginning of the term of imprisonment of that prisoner to identify any areas in need of improvement prior to reentry;

(B) generate a skills development plan for each prisoner to monitor skills enhancement and reentry readiness throughout incarceration;

(C) determine program assignments for prisoners based on the areas of need identified through the assessment described in subparagraph (A);

(D) ensure that priority is given to the reentry needs of high-risk populations, such as sex offenders, career criminals, and prisoners with mental health problems;

(E) coordinate and collaborate with other Federal agencies and with State, Tribal, and local criminal justice agencies, community-based organizations, and faith-based organizations to help effectuate a seamless reintegration of prisoners into communities;

(F) collect information about a prisoner’s family relationships, parental responsibilities, and contacts with children to help prisoners maintain important familial relationships and support systems during incarceration and after release from custody; and

(G) provide incentives for prisoner participation in skills development programs.

(2) Incentives for a prisoner who participates in reentry and skills development programs which may, at the discretion of the Director, include—