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COMMUNITY APPRECIATION DINNER
TOGETHER CREATING SAFE AND RESTORED NEW COMMUNITIES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018
6:30 P.M.

**IN SUPPORT OF FAMILIES WITH INCARCERATED LOVED ONES
AND FORMERLY INCARCERATED AND THEIR LOVED ONES**

ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL EVENT CENTER
PATRON'S HALL
1111 GEARY STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94109

THIS FREE EVENT WILL INCLUDE:
DINNER, FACE PAINTING, FAMILY PHOTOS AND DOOR PRICES

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!
PLEASE RSVP ONLINE AT
[HTTP://WWW.REENTRYACTION.ORG/COMMUNITY_DINNER](http://www.reentryaction.org/community_dinner)
SPACE IS LIMITED — NO WALK-INS.

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Background:

“In 2016, a grassroots effort, led by previously incarcerated community members, and in partnership with the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the San Francisco Reentry Council, the Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families, and the San Francisco Sheriff Department resulted in a Community Appreciation Dinner, an event that gathered nearly one hundred and twenty previously incarcerated people and/or their family members. It was a beautiful event filled with narratives of the impacts of incarceration, especially on children and families, inspiring success stories, fun raffles, a delicious dinner and an opportunity to strengthen the professional network with and for people with criminal histories.

The strength of the previously incarcerated community is growing. While we certainly still face the challenges of poverty and related, drug addiction, mental health challenges, and crime, we bear witness to the volumes of men, women and transgender people who against their own personal odds, are living in sobriety, mitigating mental health challenges, achieving high school diplomas

and college degrees, and working in jobs, and towards careers.

This network wants to give back to the community, to inspire, and to strengthen the support services network accessed by people in or exiting the criminal justice system. The Community Appreciation Dinner is one such way of giving back. This event brings joy, builds community and is an anchor of opportunity to so many.” By Lauren A. Bell, MPA - Director, Reentry Division - Adult Probation Department (APD).

Your collaboration is needed to make this community-building and fellowship event an even bigger success this year. Please volunteer, help outreach to individuals and families that need to be at this event.

Donations are welcomed and appreciated!

Thank you,

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