





# 2023 Press Kit

## **DECEMBER 2022**

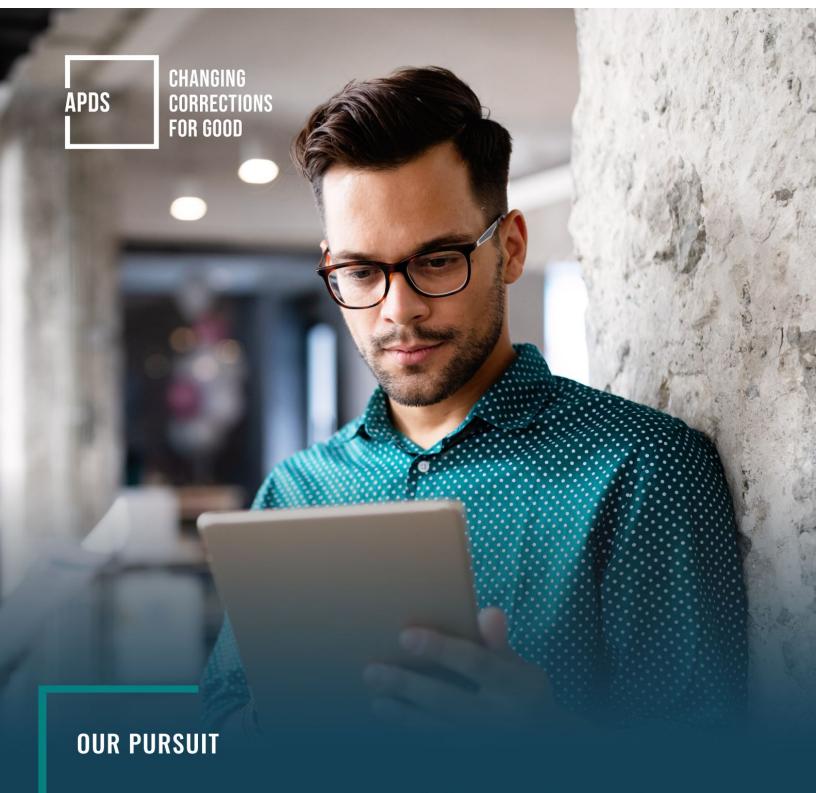
A Public Benefit Corporation & Certified B Corporation



**OUR VISION** 

APDS' vision is to break the cycle of incarceration.

To fulfill this vision, APDS is on a mission to prepare every justice-impacted individual for a living wage career.

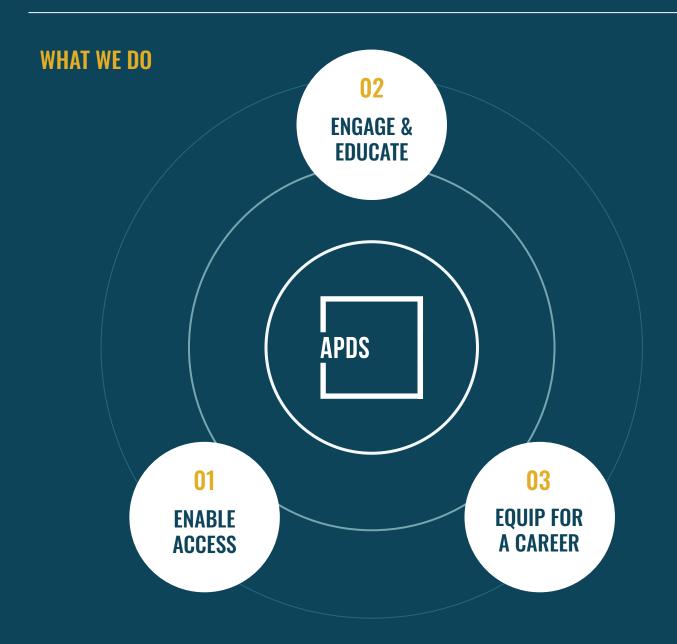


Day one access to evidence-based education technology programming in every jurisdiction and state across the country to prepare for living wage careers.



## **WHO WE ARE**

APDS is the career-readiness platform for all justice-impacted individuals to attain a living wage career.





## The APDS Difference

We see **more than a single story** in Justice-Impacted individuals, we believe everyone has the potential to be successful regardless of background or circumstance.



### **Pioneers in Corrections Reform**

Founded in 2014



## **Our Mission**

The APDS' unique **mission** is to prepare every justice-impacted individual earn a living wage job, prepared with enduring skills & hard skills.



## We lead with the Justice-Impacted

We work to anchor lives with a living wage job /career. Their results are critical to success.



#### **No Cost**

Incarcerated individuals or their friends and families for use of technology or services.

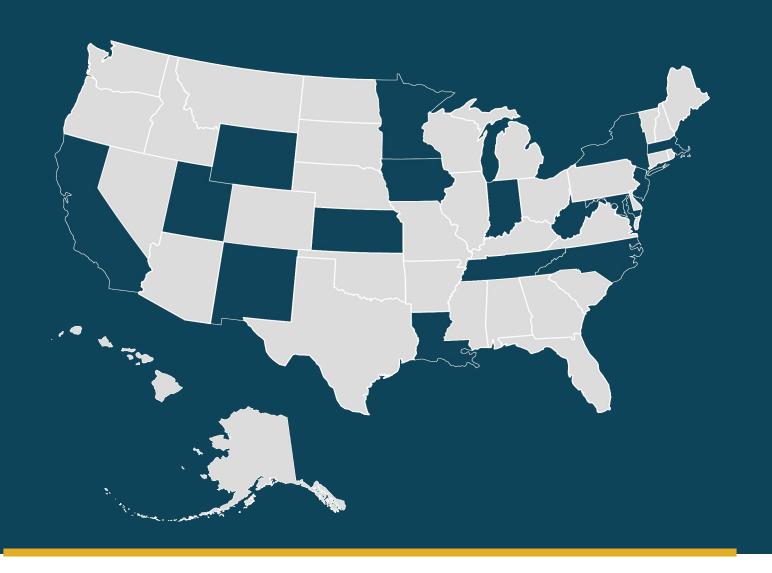


## **PolyCultural Purpose**

We counter the pipeline to prison with ed tech solutions. We understand that over 40% of those incarcerated are of marginalized cultures. APDS has education technology solutions to prepare the justice-impacted for the **dynamic** polycultural world and a living wage career upon re-entry to society.

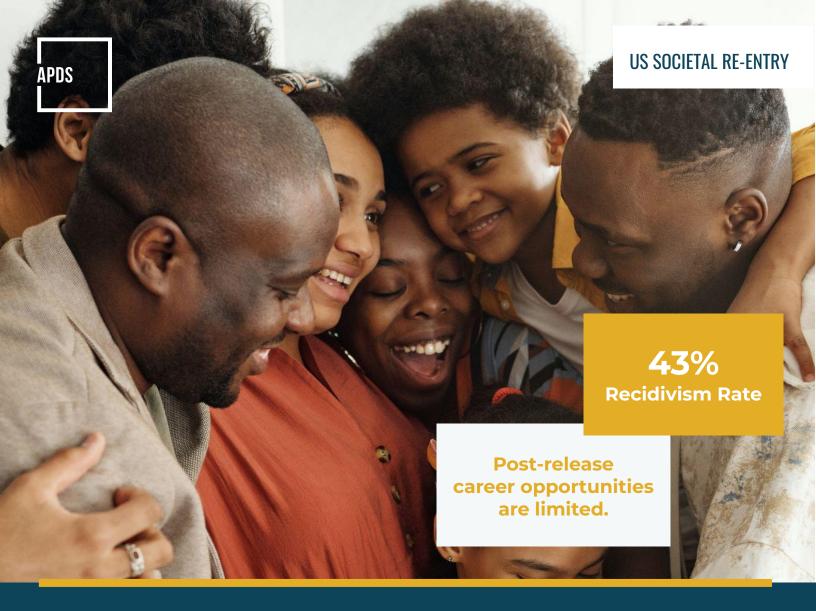


# Located in 18 States, including the District of Columbia



- 1. California
- 2. Indiana
- Iowa
- 4. Kansas
- 5. Louisiana
- 6. Maryland
- 7. Massachusetts
- 8. Minnesota
- 9. New Jersey

- 10. New York
- 11. New Mexico
- 12. North Carolina
- 13. South Carolina
- 14. Tennessee
- **15.** Utah
- 16. Washington, DC
- 17. West Virginia
- 18. Wyoming



# The Challenge

## **WORLDVIEW OF INCARCERATION**

## **US holds 25% of the World's Prisoners**

- 2.2 Million behind bars in the US
- 83% percent of the justice impacted do not have access to education
- US is < 5% of the World's Population
- Cost \$80B per year



#### WHY?

## **EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT CHANGES LIVES**

#### **The Numbers**

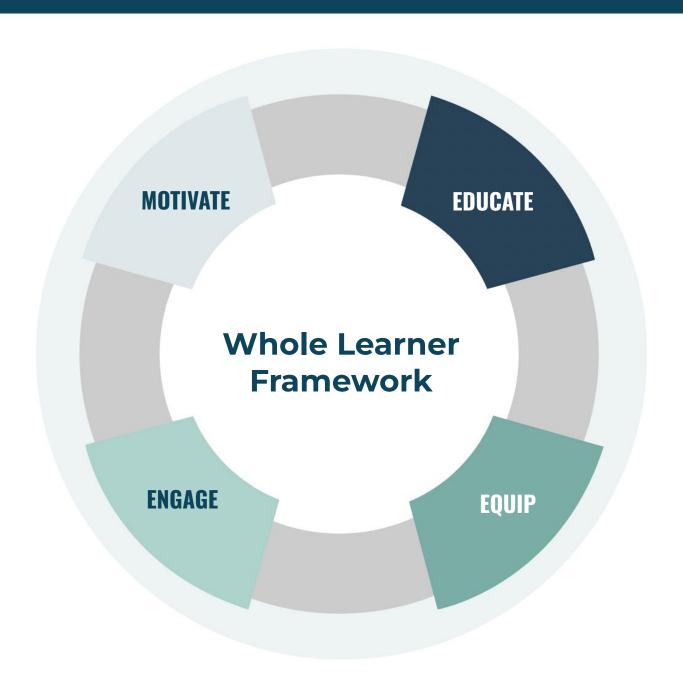
- There are **19M** people in this country with a felony conviction
- **113M** people have an immediate family member who has been incarcerated in either prison and jail.
- The formerly incarcerated face jobless rates of 60%+.
- Individuals who enroll in postsecondary education programs are 48% less likely to be reincarcerated compared to their peers who do not.
- With a living wage career, the recidivism rate drops from 43%+ to an average of 5.5%.



## **OUR APPROACH**

## **APDS Works**

To dramatically increase engagement rates of **educational**, **personal**, **and career resources for justice-impacted** individuals.











## **Accolades**

Since 2016, APDS has been awarded Best for the World across several categories, including governance (five consecutive years), customers (six consecutive years), and changemaker (2019).

- APDS is the first and ONLY Certified B Corp in
   EdTech Corrections Reform in the USA
- Awarded the Inaugural McKinsey InNYC
   Inclusive Innovation Partnership

## **MEDIA & SPEAKING HIGHLIGHTS**



Washington Post











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