PEOPLE AGE 55+ WITH A CORI* ARE...

+ High risk for housing instability and homelessness
+ Extremely low income
+ Low risk for committing a crime

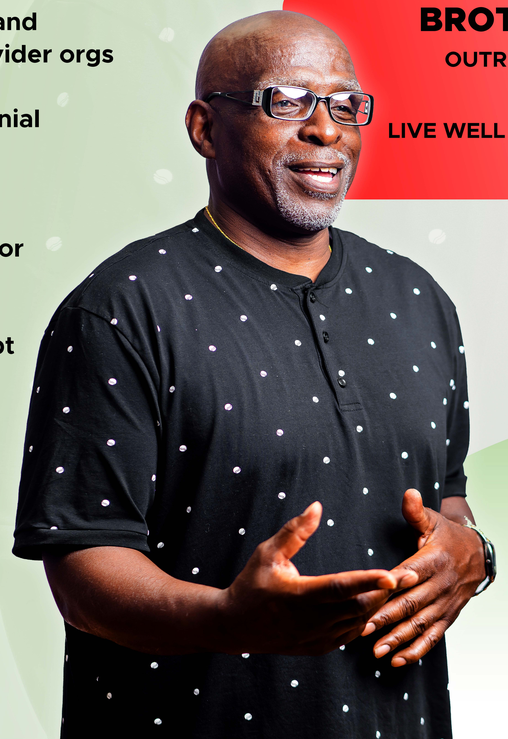
POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HOUSING AUTHORITIES:

- Limit the use of CORIs in housing application decisions to only mandatory HUD guidelines once eligibility is determined
- Establish formal partnerships between housing providers and reentry, behavioral health, and homelessness reduction provider orgs
- Allow mitigating circumstances to be submitted before denial
- Create explicit criteria for denial that is available publicly
- Make aggregated documentation of denials with reasons for denial publicly available
- Permit family members to house people with a CORI except mandatory HUD guidelines

SCAN FOR THE FULL REPORT

* CORI = CRIMINAL OFFENDER RECORD INFORMATION (IN MASSACHUSETTS)

"I came to this work to be a **voice in the wilderness** for those who are lost, those who are sick, and those who want to **make a change**."



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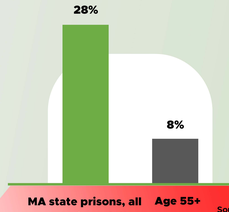
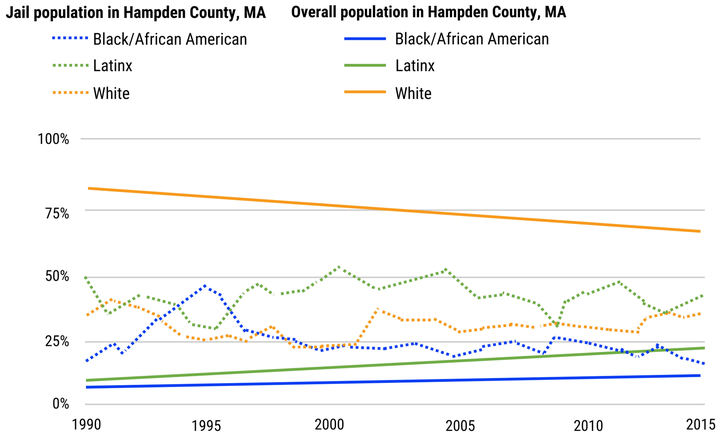


3-YEAR RECIDIVISM RATE IN MA STATE PRISONS

Source: MA Department of Corrections, 2020,MA DOC Three-Year Recidivism rates; 2015 Release Cohort

Source: Vera Institute of Justice. Incarceration Trends. Jail Incarceration, Hampden County, MA.

Mass incarceration has led to disproportionate representation of **Black and Latinx** populations in **jails and prisons** and ultimately **unstably housed**



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