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## The Minnesota Justice Research Center receives grant from Arnold Ventures to help advance the transformation of community supervision

Probation and supervised release were originally conceived as alternatives to prison time, but too often they exacerbate mass incarceration and undermine community stability.

In Minnesota, approximately one-in-four people in prison on any given day are there for a supervision violation.

Why is this a problem? Because when people end up being "warehoused" in prison for short periods of time, it undermines rehabilitation, negatively impacts families and neighborhoods, and increases recidivism.

With the support of Arnold Ventures, the Minnesota Justice Research Center (MNJRC) will begin laying the groundwork for a collaborative effort that aims to shift community corrections in Minnesota — moving from a reliance on punitive measures to an approach that supports individuals in reentry and prioritizes safety and wellbeing.

"Minnesotans deserve a justice system that is fair, equitable, holds people accountable and produces restorative outcomes," Minnesota Justice Research Center Executive Director Justin Terrell states. "Through our partnership with Arnold Ventures, the MNJRC will work to ensure that community supervision is a pathway to success."

"Arnold Ventures is committed to advancing a transformative shift in supervision policies, from catching or enabling failure to facilitating and promoting success," says Dylan Hayre, Director of Criminal Justice at Arnold Ventures. "MNJRC is well-positioned to work with partners across Minnesota and help bring that vision into the state's supervision system"

The revolving door of incarceration for supervision violations is costly and counterproductive. If you are interested in joining our effort to achieve a new vision of elevated community safety and wellbeing, please contact Will Cooley, Project Lead at the Minnesota Justice Research Center, at will@mnjrc.org

## More on the Minnesota Justice Research Center:

The Minnesota Justice Research Center (MNJRC) is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to driving meaningful change to Minnesota's criminal legal system through rigorous and community-centered research, education, and policy development.

The MNJRC centers our work around exploring values - like humane and fair treatment for all, safety, wellbeing, and trust - and provides our community and policy-makers with information and tools needed to create a criminal legal system that truly delivers justice.

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