



Males graduates from Class of 2022: Shanard Linsey, Robert Combs, Steven Yates (Entrepreneurship Trainer), Terrance Mitchell, Derek Jones, Albert Gawlak, Michael Hines

# ABOUT

Project Restart is a 501c3 organization whose mission is to redudce recidivism and increase success outcomes among formerly incarcerated individuals through education, training, mentorship and capital. The program explores training topics in the areas of personal development, professional development and entrepreneurship. Upon completion of the program, members have the opportunity to pitch for financial support to aid them in their next steps to succes.

This program begain in 2020 and operates year-round, providing the resources and connections to human capital that individuals with backgrounds require to achieve and maintain self-sufficiency and continued success.

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**Project Restart's** Board of Directors is dedicated to the mission of the program. All are engaged in fundraising efforts, personal giving, marketing and providing their technical expertise to the program.

Each board member serves on one or more committees and some serve as mentors and advisors to program participants.

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## FOUNDER & SUPPORT



**Tiffany Kirk** FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Tiffany Kirk, the founder of Project Restart, considers herself a "Social Equity Warrior". She has over 16 years experience in community development for the financial sector, over 20 years in education and financial eduation, and 15 years formally working with incarcerated and returning citizen youth and adult populations.

Her visioin for Project Restart is to be a key reentry program locally in Atlanta and beyond. She understands that they key to personal success is human, educational and financial support for any demographic, but more importantly for returning citizens.

Tiffany and her team's dedication has lead to the program gradute 46 adults since 2020. According to recent surveys, only 2 of the alumni of the program have faced criminal charges, one of whom faced charges of a crime committed prior to entering the program. A 4% recidivism rate is much more promising than the general recidivism rate in the state of Georgia which currently stands at greater than 30%. All alumni have begun and maintained employment, training and/or entrepreneurship ventures upon completion of the program.

With the continued operation and growth of Project Restart, these outcomes will continue. It is through the support of public and private donors that the program can opearate, hence, Project Restart sources and accepts financial support on an ongoing basis.

### ALUMNI SUCCESS HIGHLIGHTS

#### Shanard Linsey

Shanard returned home from incarceration in Novmember 2021, after serving 26 years in prison. At that time, Shanard began his own home inspection program. Through participating in and completing Project Restart, Shanard was able to complete his business plan, greatly improve and execute his marketing strategy and purchase new equipment for his business. His brand and customer base has greatly grown since completing the 2022 program.



2022 Project Restart Graduation; Shanard Linsey, Board Chair- Cecilia Bailey and Tiffany Kirk



2021 Project Restart Graduation; Sharee Jackson, Mentor- Twanna Wood and Tiffany Kirk

#### Sharee Jackson

Sharee Jackson, a licensed cosmetologist, entered the 2021 program while providing cosmetology services out of her home. Through a powerful mentorship experience, Sharee was encouraged to consider renting a salon suite to operate her business from. Sharee pitched for funding to begin her lease, purchase equipment and additional hair technique training and is now a successful entrepreneur.

### PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Since 2020, 49 adults have successfully completed Project Restart's 12-week program
- 100% of graduates have improved thier employment, entrepreneurship or education foundation
- Within 1 year of completing the program, we have seen a 4% recidivism rate compared to the statewide rate of nearly 50%

### COMMUNITY IMPACT

- Project Restart has cultivated relationships with over 75 nonprofit organizations, correctional facilites, government agencies and private businesses since 2020
- The program has served over 150 individuals in the nontraditional programming providing resources and financial education in transitional housing and two correctional facilities



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