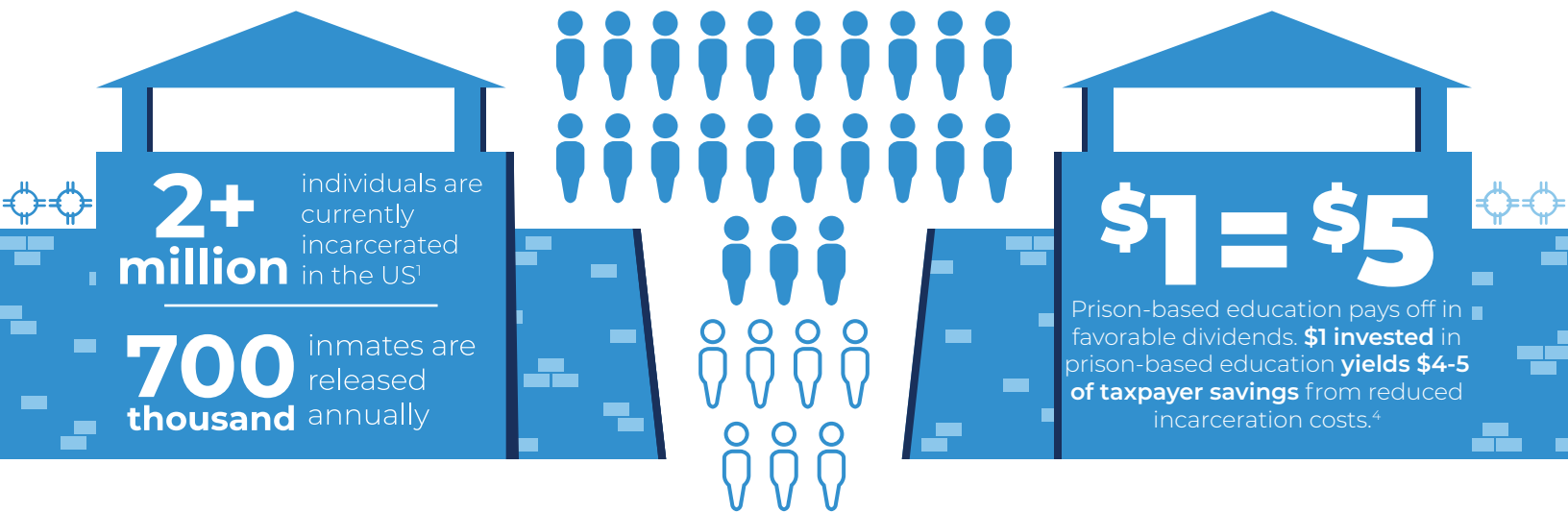
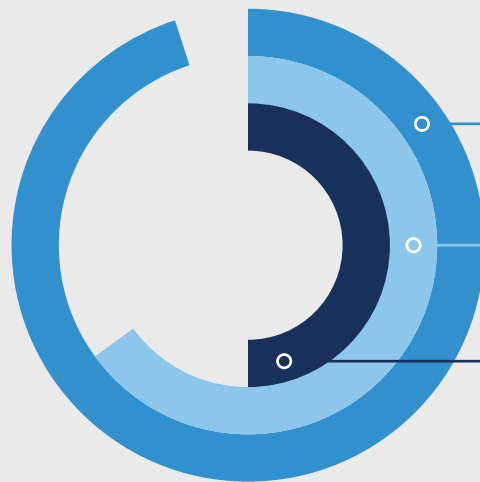


# EDUCATION CHANGES LIVES

INMATES GET RELEASED FROM PRISON. EDUCATION SETS THEM FREE.



For over 6 decades, ACT has championed the power of education to transform the individual. **95% of inmates will reenter society<sup>2</sup>** at a fork in the road. One path leads back to where they started; the other is an opportunity for a second chance.



**95%** Inmates will be released eventually<sup>2</sup>

**65%** Ex- Offenders arrested **within three years**

**50%** Return to prison **within three years**

**43%**

**DECREASE IN RECIDIVISM**

by those who participate in prison education programs.<sup>3</sup>

**13%**

**INCREASED EMPLOYMENT**

among those who participated in either academic or vocational programs

**28%**

**INCREASED EMPLOYMENT**

among those who participated in vocational programs alone.

"Prison education is a means of rehabilitating and redirecting. If you release someone with the same skills with which she came in, she's going to get involved in the same activities as she did before."

— Marymount Bedford Hills Program student<sup>5</sup>

What are you doing to ensure those next steps lead to a brighter future? Partner with ACT Workforce Solutions to Provide Empowered Reentry for the Justice Involved.

**ACT**® Workforce Solutions

# PARTNER

Empower the justice involved to create meaningful next steps with the ACT Career Readiness Program

## HERE'S HOW



### Step 1 WorkKeys Assessments

Evaluate foundational skills critical for workplace success.

### Step 2 WorkKeys Curriculum



Improve skills levels and master foundational skills.



### Step 3 Credentialing

Identify skill levels, measure progress, and award a nationally recognized credential.



### Step 4 Empowered Reentry



Provide justice-involved individuals with a portable, evidence-based credential to create a path toward meaningful next steps.

## Assess. Certify. Grow.

ACT wants to help fulfill the education component of your institution's career readiness system.

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