

# FATHERS AS RETURNING CITIZENS

## 4 KEYS FOR PRACTITIONERS

**THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025**

**10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

### SESSION DESCRIPTION:

Research has shown that fathers returning to their families and communities after incarceration often face multiple challenges, including lack of housing or employment, large child support debt, and complicated family relationships. Participants will explore four key approaches to fostering successful re-entry, including family reunification, economic stability, mental and emotional well-being, and community engagement. Attendees will leave with actionable tools to enhance their work with returning fathers and strengthen family outcomes.

### OBJECTIVES:

#### THIS TRAINING WILL HELP ATTENDEES:

**1**

Identify key barriers that fathers face when returning from incarceration, including legal, economic, and social obstacles.

Understand a framework for working with fathers who are returning to their families after incarceration.

**2**

**3**

Learn four key promising practices for helping fathers' transition back into the community.



**DONALD HURST**

**Fatherhood Advocate, Mentor,  
and Community Leader**

**Donald Hurst**, a proud native of Compton, California, Donald has worked tirelessly to support fathers navigating the complexities of re-entry, family reunification, and personal development. As the Founder & CEO of Pathways to Purpose Fathers and Family Services, he has facilitated more than 2,300 workshops and training sessions, helping over 1,000 fathers rebuild relationships with their children and reclaim their roles as active, engaged parents. His expertise spans fatherhood engagement, family preservation, crisis intervention, and e-entry support, making him a trusted leader in the field.



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TO REGISTER**

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