

Grantee Survey

Fall 2008

Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program

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Instructions

Most of the questions in the survey are about program operations as they relate to your mentoring efforts targeted toward children of prisoners and your mentoring efforts in general (when applicable). You should be able to answer the questions easily. However, if there are survey items that you are unable to answer, you may need to consult with others in your organization who are in a better position to respond to those questions.

When answering questions, unless you are directed otherwise, select the *one* answer that best describes your program.

Please complete all questions, unless you are directed otherwise. When this happens, you will see an arrow with a note that tells you what question to answer, like this:

- ₁ Yes → *Continue to question 2.*
- ₂ No → *Skip to question 3.*

Throughout the questionnaire you will see this symbol ⓘ when there are special instructions or information about the questions we wish to convey to you. Please read these instructions carefully.

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I. INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION



The following questions ask general information about your organization, including background information about your organization and services your organization provides.

Contact Information

To begin we would like to confirm your contact information.

CURRENT CONTACT INFORMATION ON FILE:	CORRECTIONS / UPDATES? (Please fill in below)
*Note – Abt will complete this based on FYSB records re: participating grantees	Respondent name: _____ Organization name: _____ Name of mentoring program: _____ Mailing address: _____ Telephone number: _____ Fax number: _____ E-mail address: _____

Background Information

1. Describe your organization. Is it... (Check all that apply.)

- A public social service agency (e.g., child & family services)?
Which one? _____
- A non-profit/community-based organization?
- An affiliate or chapter of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America (BBBSA)?
- A faith-based organization?
- A prisoner/offender services organization?
- A correctional facility (i.e., detention centers housing prisoners, including jails and/or prisons)?
- Another criminal justice agency (e.g., family court, probation or parole office)?
- Local educational agency or school?
- Other? _____

2. Please describe any of the organizations with which you are currently partnering or collaborating with to run your mentoring program serving children of prisoners. Are you partnering with ... (Check all that apply.)

- Our organization is not partnering with other organizations. → Continue to question 3.
- Social service agency(ies) (e.g., child & family services)?
Which ones? _____
- Non-profit/community based organization(s)?
- An affiliate or chapter of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America (BBBSA)?
- Faith-based organization(s)?
- Prisoner/offender services organization(s)?
- Correctional facility(ies) (i.e., detention centers housing prisoners, including jails and/or prisons)?
- Other criminal justice agency(ies) (e.g., family court, probation or parole office)?
- Local educational agency(ies) or school(s)?
- Other? _____

3. Does your organization serve only children of prisoners or does it also serve other youth?
- ₁ Our program only serves children of prisoners.
 - ₂ Our program also serves other children.
4. Does your organization run any other programs for youth (including children of prisoners) that are *separate and distinct* from your mentoring children of prisoners program funded by the Family & Youth Services Bureau?
- ₁ Yes → *Continue to question 5.*
 - ₂ No → *Skip to question 6.*
5. What are the other activities/programs for at-risk youth (including children of prisoners) that are distinct from your mentoring program serving children of prisoners? (*Check all that apply.*)
- ₁ After-school programs, such as homework support, music, art, computer classes, etc...
 - ₂ Tutoring
 - ₃ Counseling
 - ₄ Organization refers at-risk youth to other social service agencies
 - ₅ Other mentoring program(s)
 - ₆ Other: _____

Organization's Experience in Providing Services to Prisoners

6. Does your organization run any programs for prisoners or ex-prisoners other than your mentoring program serving children of prisoners?
- ₁ Yes → *Continue to question 7.*
 - ₂ No → *Skip to Section II.*
7. What are the other programs or services provided for prisoners and/or ex-prisoners? (*Check all that apply.*)
- ₁ Parenting classes
 - ₂ Marriage counseling
 - ₃ Other counseling (substance abuse counseling)
 - ₄ Job training and/or other job placement assistance
 - ₅ Education services, such as assistance obtaining GED
 - ₆ Legal/advocacy services (i.e., child custody, family visitation, parental rights, etc.)
 - ₇ General re-entry services for prisoners preparing to return to society and/or recently released prisoners (e.g., assistance obtaining housing, making linkages with services in the community, etc.)
 - ₈ Other: _____
8. How many years has your organization been providing these services for prisoners/ex-prisoners?
- _____ Number of years of experience
9. Which of the following best describes your programs for prisoners/ex-prisoners? (*Check one response.*)
- ₁ Providing services to prisoners is the primary focus of our organization.
 - ₂ Providing services to prisoners is one of many services that we offer.
 - ₃ Other: _____

II. INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR MENTORING PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN OF PRISONERS

ⓓ *The following questions are about your program operations as they relate to your mentoring efforts and should be answered by the lead mentoring program staff.*

Please complete the following questions in terms of your mentoring efforts specifically targeted towards children of prisoners.

We know that some of you provide other mentoring services (in addition to mentoring children of prisoners) but here we are interested only in the mentoring your organization provides in your mentoring program serving children of prisoners. If you work with other children, you will be asked about this later.

Organization's Experience in Mentoring Children of Prisoners

10. For how many years has your organization been running a mentoring program specifically serving children of prisoners?
_____ Number of years of experience
11. Which of the following best describes how your mentoring program serving children of prisoners fits into your general program operations at your organization? (*Check one response.*)
- ₁ Mentoring children of prisoners is the only program we operate.
₂ Mentoring children of prisoners is one of many services that we offer youth but of all our services it is our primary focus.
₃ Mentoring children of prisoners is one of many services that we offer youth but it is not our primary focus.
₄ Other: _____
12. How many *new* mentor/mentee matches were made in your mentoring program serving children of prisoners last year (between September 1st, 2007 and August 31st, 2008).¹?
_____ Number of matches
13. How many mentor/mentee matches are *currently active* in your mentoring program serving children of prisoners (by active we mean that youth are meeting regularly with their mentors; this may include matches that were made previously to last year)?
_____ Number of matches

¹ The exact timing has yet to be determined. Currently, this is assuming the time period will cover September 2007 to August 2008 if the questionnaire is administered in Fall 2008 per our current timeline. Once we know the timing we will right in the dates.

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

Staffing for Your Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program

14. How many paid staff people work on your organization's mentoring program serving children of prisoners? Please provide an answer in terms of full-time equivalents (FTEs) (i.e., 1 full-time person = 1 FTE; 1 full-time person and 1 half-time person = 1.5 FTEs; etc.)?.
_____ Number of FTEs
15. Does your program employ case managers specifically for your mentoring children of prisoners program? (By case manager we are referring to someone who provides ongoing support to youth and their mentors.)
₁ Yes → Continue to question 15.
₂ No → Skip to question 17.
16. How many employees serve as case managers? Please provide an answer in terms of full-time equivalents (FTEs) (i.e., 1 full-time person = 1 FTE; 1 full-time person and 1 half-time person = 1.5 FTEs; etc.).
_____ Number of FTEs
17. How many mentor/mentee matches are these case managers *typically* responsible for?
_____ Number of matches

Identifying Mentored Youth (Mentees)

18. What are the primary sources of referrals for mentees in your mentoring program serving children of prisoners? (Check the top 3 most common sources.)
- ₁ Schools
 - ₂ Community-based organizations
 - ₃ Faith-based organizations
 - ₄ Social service agencies
 - ₅ Youths' incarcerated parents/parents on parole/probation
 - ₆ Youths' caregivers (parents that are not incarcerated or on parole/probation)
 - ₇ Correctional facility(ies) (i.e., detention centers housing prisoners, including jails and/or prisons)?
 - ₈ Other criminal justice agency(ies) (e.g., family court, probation or parole office)?
 - ₉ Other : _____

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

Mentee Demographics

19. How many mentees in your mentoring program serving children of prisoners were in the following age categories last year (between September 1st 2006 and August 30th, 2007)?

₁ Our program does not collect these data → Skip to question 20.

Number of mentees

_____ Aged 4-6
_____ Aged 7-8
_____ Aged 9-10
_____ Aged 11-12
_____ Aged 13-14
_____ Aged 15-16
_____ **Total**

20. What's the racial/ethnic composition of mentees in your mentoring children of prisoners program?

₁ Our program does not collect these data → Skip to question 21.

Number of mentees

	Race/Ethnicity
_____	American Indian or Alaska Native
_____	Asian
_____	Black or African American
_____	Hispanic or Latino
_____	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
_____	White
_____	Other: _____
_____	Total

21. How many mentees in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners are not native English speakers?

₁ Our program does not collect these data → Skip to question 22.

_____ Number of mentees not native English speakers

22. How many mentees in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners are female?

_____ Number of female mentees

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

23. What are the most common risk factors experienced by mentees in your mentoring for children of prisoners program (other than that their parents are incarcerated or are on probation/parole)? (*Check the top 3 most common risk factors only.*)

- ₁ Parents abuse drugs/alcohol.
- ₂ Child uses drugs/alcohol.
- ₃ Child lives in extreme poverty.
- ₄ Child has been neglected/abused.
- ₅ Child has a learning disability/is developmentally delayed.
- ₆ Child has a mental illness.
- ₇ Child lacks social support.
- ₈ Child gets into frequent fights with peers.
- ₉ Child has few/no positive adult role models.
- ₁₀ Child has self-esteem problems.
- ₁₁ Child is failing in school.
- ₁₂ Child is in a gang.
- ₁₃ Child has other behavioral problems.
- ₁₄ Other: _____

Parental/Caregiver Involvement

24. How does your program work with families of children in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners? This question refers to non-incarcerated parents/caregivers and siblings of youth in the program. (*Check all that apply.*)

- ₁ Our program does not work with the families of children in our mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.
- ₂ Parents/guardians only provide permission for mentees to participate in the program.
- ₃ Parents/guardians meet with potential mentors before matches are made.
- ₄ Parents/guardians play an active role in selecting particular mentors for their children.
- ₅ Parents/guardians meet regularly with their children's mentors.
- ₆ Parents/guardians and/or siblings participate in group-activities with mentors, other youth in the program, and other parents.
- ₇ Mentors meet regularly with siblings of youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.
- ₈ If necessary, the program provides parents/guardians with counseling.
- ₉ If necessary, the program provides siblings with counseling.
- ₁₀ Other: _____

25. How does your program keep incarcerated parents or parents on probation/parole of children in your children of prisoners mentoring program informed of the mentoring relationship? (*Check all that apply.*)

- ₁ Our program does not correspond with incarcerated parents/previously incarcerated parents.
- ₂ Program staff approach incarcerated parents/previously incarcerated parents to get mentee referrals for the program.
- ₃ Program staff periodically check-in with incarcerated parents/previously incarcerated parents to keep them informed of the mentoring relationship.
- ₄ Other: _____

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

Recruiting Mentors

26. How does your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners recruit mentors? (*Check the 3 most common methods only.*)

- ₁ Advertising (ads in local newspapers, public service announcements on local radio/tv stations, website)
- ₂ By distributing flyers and brochures around the community
- ₃ Through partnerships with local businesses
- ₄ Through partnerships with local faith-based organizations
- ₅ Through partnerships with local universities/colleges
- ₆ Through referrals from intermediary organizations (such as mentoring organizations, volunteer centers or statewide recruitment campaigns)
- ₇ Through referrals from Board members
- ₈ Through referrals from mentors already involved in the program
- ₉ Through community events
- ₁₀ Other: _____

27. Who are the mentors in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners? (*Check the 2 most common types of mentors only.*)

- ₁ Teachers
- ₂ Members of faith-based organizations (e.g., clergy)
- ₃ Employees of specific businesses or agencies
- ₄ Retirees
- ₅ General adult community members
- ₆ College students
- ₇ Other adults who were “children of prisoners”
- ₈ Other: _____

Pre-Match Activities

28. In your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners, what kinds of screening must **volunteers** go through before they are matched with youth? (*Check all that apply.*)

- ₁ Written application process
- ₂ Personal interview
- ₃ Background check (general)
- ₄ Background check—criminal records check
- ₅ Background check—national sex offender registry check
- ₆ Background check—child and domestic abuse record checks
- ₇ Reference check
- ₈ DMV check
- ₉ Other: _____

29. Are **mentors** in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners required to participate in pre-match training/orientation?

- ₁ Yes → *Continue to question 30.*
- ₂ No → *Skip to question 31.*

30. If yes, what does that pre-match training/orientation for mentors include? (*Check all that apply.*)

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

- ₁ Opportunity to meet with mentees interested in having a mentor.
- ₂ Introduction to the program (discussion of requirements for participation and program logistics).
- ₃ Cross-cultural sensitivity training.
- ₄ Training in how to identify and address situations in which the mentee has been neglected or abused.
- ₅ Training in encouraging mentees to plan for the future and to set long-term goals.
- ₆ Specific training on how to work with children of prisoners (e.g., how to talk to them about their circumstances, how to connect with the child's parents who are incarcerated or on probation/parole) and help them cope with their circumstances.
- ₇ Training in other specific skills. Please list: _____

31. In your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners approximately how many weeks, on average, does it take to get a volunteer screened and trained and matched with a mentee?

_____ Number of weeks

32. Are **mentees** in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners provided with any pre-match orientation/training?

- ₁ Yes → Continue to question 33.
- ₂ No → Skip to question 34.

33. If yes, what kind of pre-match orientation/training is provided to **mentees**? (Check all that apply.)

- ₁ Introduction to the program (discussion of requirements for participation and program logistics)
- ₂ Training in setting boundaries/resisting inappropriate advances from adults
- ₃ Training in and help with setting goals for participation in the Mentoring Children of Prisoners program
- ₄ Other: _____

34. How does your organization match mentees and mentors in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners? (Check all that apply.)

- ₁ Match mentees with mentors as soon as a mentor becomes available
- ₂ Match "highest risk" mentees first
- ₃ Aim to make same race matches
- ₄ Aim to make same gender matches
- ₅ Make matches based on personality-based assessment of what would constitute a good fit (survey of interests, etc.)
- ₆ Mentees meet a pool of eligible mentors and can choose
- ₇ Mentors meet a pool of eligible mentees and can choose
- ₈ Match based on mentee preference
- ₉ Match based on mentor preference
- ₁₀ Other: _____

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

Mentor/Mentee Matches

35. Consider the length of mentor/mentee relationships in your mentoring program that served children of prisoners **between September 1st, 2007 and August 30th, 2008²**.

(For the following question, please provide a number for each category. When you determine the length of a mentoring relationship, consider that relationship to have begun once mentees and mentors were matched, even if they never met in person. Please consider a relationship to have ended on the last day that the match met. For example, if Jane Mentor and John Mentee were matched on 9/1/06 and their last meeting was 3/1/07, their relationship would have lasted 6 months and you would indicate 6 to 9 months below. If matches lasted exactly 6 months indicate 6 to 9 months. If matches lasted 9 months indicate 9 to 12 months.)

By August 30th, 2008, how many matches will have lasted each of the following time periods:

- ₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 36.*

Number of matches	Duration
_____	Less than 3 months
_____	3 to 6 months
_____	6 to 9 months
_____	9 to 12 months
_____	More than 12 months
_____	Total

Mentee/Mentor Activities

36. What is the minimum commitment required for mentees and mentors in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners? *(Please answer all three of the following unless there is no specific minimum contact required.)*

- ₁ There is no specific minimum contact required. → *Skip to question 37.*

36a. _____ Number of contacts per week

36b. _____ Number of hours per contact

36c. _____ Number of months

37. What is the most common ratio for mentees and mentors in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners? *(Check one response.)*

- ₁ One mentor to one mentee
₂ One mentor to several mentees
₃ One mentee to several mentors

² Will fill in month and year when we know the timing of the questionnaire.

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

₄ Several mentors to several mentees

38. In what kinds of activities do mentors and mentees typically engage in in your mentoring children of prisoners program? (*Check all that apply.*)

₁ Mentors and mentees spend time talking and “hanging out” together.

₂ Mentors and mentees work on mentees’ homework/academic skills.

₃ Mentors and mentees engage in community service activities.

₄ Mentors and mentees attend church services together.

₅ Mentors and mentees participate in group-activities sponsored by your organization (trips to local museums, libraries, ballgames, colleges, etc.)

₆ Mentors and mentees engage in recreational activities (e.g., play sports together)

₇ Mentors and mentees work on arts and/or crafts together

₈ Mentors meet with mentees’ families (not including the parent who is incarcerated or on probation/parole).

₉ Mentors meet with mentees’ incarcerated parent or parent who is on parole/probation

₁₀ When appropriate, mentors and mentees visit the mentees’ parent who is incarcerated

₁₁ When appropriate, mentors and mentees talk about the child’s circumstances (that his/her parent is incarcerated or on probation/parole) and mentors provide advice on how to cope with their circumstances.

₁₂ Other: _____

On-going Support and Training

39. What kinds of **ongoing support** for mentors in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners does your organization provide? (*Check all that apply.*)

₁ Mentor/mentee meetings are supervised by program staff.

₂ Mentors have access to social workers who are involved in the program and who can answer questions/address concerns.

₃ The organization hosts get-togethers where mentors can meet and discuss strategies for working effectively with mentees.

₄ The organization sponsors listservs, mentoring chat rooms, or other on-line forums for mentors to support each other.

₅ Mentors are required to participate in on-going trainings on a variety of issues.

₆ Mentors have the opportunity to participate in on-going trainings on a variety of issues.

₇ Other: _____

₈ None, our organization focuses on providing support before the match is made and/or after mentoring relationships end.

40. Are mentors in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners required to report to program staff about their interactions with their mentees?

₁ Yes → *Continue to question 41.*

₂ No → *Skip to question 42.*

41. If yes, how do they report on their activities? (*Check all that apply.*)

₁ Program staff contact mentors regularly to find out how the mentoring relationship is going (via email, phone, etc.)

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of the mentoring your organization provides for youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners.

- ₂ Mentors are required to provide program staff with detailed reports of each of their meetings with mentees, describing activities, etc.
- ₃ Mentors are required to check-in with program staff after every meeting, but they are not required to provide detailed information.
- ₄ Mentors are required to check-in with program staff periodically but not after every mentoring session.
- ₅ Mentors keep formal logs of contacts and times they meet with their mentees.
- ₆ Other: _____



The remainder of the questions in this section should be answered in terms of children of prisoners only.

We know that some of you serve both children of prisoners and other youth in the same mentoring program but here we are interested only in children of prisoners.

Parent Information

42. Please describe the criminal status of the parents and/or caregivers for children in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners. *(Check one response per row.)*

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 43.*

	None of the youth.	Some of the youth.	Most youth.	All youth.	Unknown.
Father is currently incarcerated or on probation/parole?	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Mother is currently incarcerated or on probation/parole?	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Both mother and father are currently incarcerated or on probation/parole?	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅

43. Please describe the offenses committed by parents and/or caregivers that led to their current incarceration for children in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners?³ *(Check one response per row.)*

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 44.*

	None of the youth.	Some of the youth.	Most youth.	All youth.	Unknown.
Violent offense (homicide, sexual assault, robbery, assault, other violent)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Property offense (burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, fraud, stolen property, other property)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Drug offense (possession, trafficking, other drug)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Public-order offense (weapons, harassment, disorderly conduct, other public order)	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄	<input type="checkbox"/> ₅

³ These categories come from a Bureau of Justice Statistics report – “Incarcerated Parents and their Children” (Aug, 2000).

Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of children of prisoners in your mentoring program.

44. Please describe the length of time since the parents' and/or caregivers' incarceration for children in your mentoring children of prisoners program?⁴ (Check one response per row.)

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 45.*

	None of the youth.	Some of the youth.	Most youth.	All youth.
Incarcerated within the past year	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
Incarcerated within the past 1 to 2 years	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
Incarcerated within the past 2+ years	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> ₁	<input type="checkbox"/> ₂	<input type="checkbox"/> ₃	<input type="checkbox"/> ₄

45. How many children in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners were living with the parent/caregiver at the time of the parent's admission into prison?

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 46.*

_____ Number of mentees

46. How many children in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners live with the following individuals?⁵

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 47.*

Number of mentees

- _____ Other parent/caregiver (who is not incarcerated or on probation/parole)
- _____ Grandparent
- _____ Other relative
- _____ Foster parent
- _____ Parent/caregiver who is on probation/parole
- _____ Other: _____
- _____ **Total**

47. Do youth in your mentoring program that serves children of prisoners know that his/her parent(s) is incarcerated or on probation/parole?

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 49.*

- ₁ None of the youth know about his/her parent(s) criminal justice status. *Skip to question 47.*
- ₂ Some of the youth know about his/her parent(s) criminal justice status.
- ₃ Most of the youth know about his/her parent(s) criminal justice status.
- ₄ All of the youth know about his/her parent(s) criminal justice status.

48. Of those children who know that his/her parent(s) is incarcerated or is on probation/parole, what percent have contact with that parent?

₁ Our program does not collect these data → *Skip to question 49.*

⁴ These categories come from a Bureau of Justice Statistics report – “Incarcerated Parents and their Children” (Aug, 2000).

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Reminder: Answer the following questions ONLY in terms of children of prisoners in your mentoring program.

- ₁ None of the youth have contact with his/her parent(s).
- ₂ Some of the youth have contact with his/her parent(s).
- ₃ Most of the youth have contact with his/her parent(s).
- ₄ All of the youth have contact with his/her parent(s).

49. Do you provide mentoring to other children who are not children of prisoners?

- ₁ Yes. → *Continue to question 50.*
- ₂ No. → *Skip to end. Thank you, you have completed the questionnaire.*

III. INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR OTHER MENTORING PROGRAM(S)

(i) *This section asks questions about your other mentoring efforts (those programs in which you provide mentoring to other children who are not children of prisoners and how your other mentoring programs differ from or are similar to the mentoring you provide to children of prisoners.*

50. For how many years has your organization been running mentoring program(s) for other youth (not youth in your mentoring children of prisoners program)?

_____ Number of years of experience

51. How many mentor/mentee matches were made in your other mentoring program(s) last year⁶ (Do not include the matches that are for children of prisoners as part of this answer)? (Here, we define a “match being made” as a mentor and mentee having been paired. Note: if a mentor has more than two mentees this counts as two matches. It is possible that the number of matches made does not equal the number of mentees served.)

_____ Number of matches

52. Is case management (match supervision) in your other mentoring program(s) different than case management in your mentoring program for children of prisoners? (Check all that apply.)

- ₁ Yes, the average caseworker caseload of youth is smaller in our other mentoring program(s).
- ₂ Yes, the average caseworker caseload of youth is larger in our other mentoring program(s).
- ₃ Yes, mentors in our mentoring program for children of prisoners require mentors to check-in more often than in our other mentoring program(s).
- ₄ Yes, case managers provide more intensive on-site supervision for our mentoring children of prisoners program than our other mentoring program(s).
- ₅ Other: _____
- ₆ No, case management in our other mentoring program(s) is the same as case management in our mentoring children of prisoners program.

53. Are program goals for your other mentoring program(s) different than the program goals for your mentoring children of prisoners program? (Check all that apply.)

- ₁ Yes, we are more focused on academics (working with mentees on homework, basic skills, etc.) in our mentoring program for children of prisoners.
- ₂ Yes, we are more focused on goals that mentees establish for themselves in our mentoring program for children of prisoners.
- ₃ Yes, we are more focused on building mentees self-confidence/self-esteem in our mentoring program for children of prisoners.
- ₄ Yes, we are more focused on preventing mentee involvement in violent and/or criminal activity in our mentoring program for children of prisoners.
- ₅ Yes, we are more focused on preventing mentee involvement with drugs/drug abuse in our mentoring program for children of prisoners.
- ₆ Yes, other: _____

⁶ The exact timing has yet to be determined. Currently, this is assuming the time period will cover May 2006 to April 2007 if the questionnaire is administered in May 2007 per our current timeline.

- ₇ No, the goals in our other mentoring program(s) are the same as those for our mentoring children of prisoners program.

54. What are the primary sources of referrals for mentees in your other mentoring program(s) (not your mentoring program for children of prisoners)? (*Check the top 3 most common sources.*)

- ₁ Through schools
₂ Community-based organizations
₃ Faith-based organizations
₄ Public social service agencies
₅ Through youths' incarcerated parents/parents on parole/probation
₆ Through youths' caregivers (parents that are not incarcerated or on parole/probation)
₇ Correctional facility(ies) (i.e., detention centers housing prisoners, including jails and/or prisons)?
₈ Other criminal justice agency(ies) (e.g., family court, probation or parole office)?
₉ Other : _____

55. Are the ages of youth in in your other mentoring program(s) than the ages of youth in your mentoring children of prisoners program?

- ₁ Yes, the youth are a lot younger (2-3 years younger on average) in our other mentoring program(s).
₂ Yes, the youth are a little younger (0-1 years younger on average) in our other mentoring program(s).
₃ Yes, the youth are a little older (0-1 years older on average) in our other mentoring program(s).
₄ Yes, the youth are a lot older (2-3 years older on average) in our other mentoring program(s).
₅ No, the youth are the same age in our other mentoring program(s).

56. Who are the mentors in your **other** mentoring program(s) (not your mentoring program for children of prisoners)? (*Check the top 2 most common types of mentors only.*)

- ₁ Teachers
₂ Members of faith-based organizations (e.g., clergy)
₃ Employees of specific businesses or agencies
₄ Retirees
₅ General adult community members
₆ College students
₇ Other adults who were "children of prisoners"
₈ Other

57. In your other mentoring program(s) (not your mentoring program for children of prisoners) how many weeks, on average, does it take to get a volunteer screened and trained and matched with a mentee?

_____ Number of weeks

58. What is the minimum commitment required for mentees and mentors in your other mentoring program(s) (not your mentoring program for children of prisoners)? (*Please answer all three of the following unless there is no specific minimum contact required.*)

- ₁ There is no specific minimum contact required. → *Skip to end. Thank you, you have completed the questionnaire..*

38a. _____ Number of contacts per week

38b. _____ Number of hours per contact

38c. _____ Number of months

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