

## **2nd Chance Grant Program Overview**

The 2nd Chance Grant Program is designed to support individuals transitioning from prison back into society, addressing some of the most significant challenges they face. Two of the most pressing issues are employment and housing.

## **Employment**

Finding stable employment is often a major hurdle for those with a criminal record. The stigma associated with incarceration can make it difficult for individuals to secure job opportunities, which are crucial for rebuilding their lives.

## Housing

Securing stable and affordable housing is another critical challenge. Many landlords are hesitant to rent to individuals with a criminal background, making it difficult for them to find a safe place to live.

The Rightside Up Foundation recognizes these challenges and aims to alleviate some of the financial burdens that can make reintegration difficult. Through the 2nd Chance Grant, we offer support in the following areas:

- Utility Bills: Assistance with paying essential utility bills to ensure individuals have a stable living environment.
- **Medical Bills**: Financial support for medical expenses, helping to address health issues that may have been neglected during incarceration.
- **Transportation Vouchers**: Providing transportation vouchers to facilitate access to job interviews, work, and other essential services.
- **Grocery Bills**: Helping with grocery expenses to ensure that individuals have access to nutritious food as they rebuild their lives.
- **Down Payment for an Apartment**: Assistance with the initial costs of securing stable housing, helping to overcome the barrier of finding a home.
- **Furniture**: Providing necessary furniture to help individuals set up a comfortable and functional living space as they start anew.

The 2nd Chance Grant Program is committed to offering practical and meaningful support, helping individuals take the necessary steps toward a successful reintegration into society.

**Note:** Please note that Rightside Up Foundation will provide only one grant donation per individual within the specified time period.

\*To be eligible, please submit documentation of your release date. Applications must be made no earlier than 30 days post-release and no later than one calendar year from the release date.