Exodus Home
HALFWAY HOUSE IN GARFIELD PARK

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1.1 International rates of incarceration, 2011
Imprisonment rate per 100,000 by country

USA has 5% of world’s population and 25% of world’s prisoners

Source: International Center for prison studies.
In 1970's the United States experienced the "mass incarceration" driven by "war on drugs". Prison population increased 500%.

The United States houses more inmates than the top 35 European countries combined.
The Tipping Point

a tipping point beyond which increased incarceration begins to undermine local networks and the infrastructure of everyday life. Once past that point, neighborhoods can enter a downward spiral in community viability, which, in turn, can promote an increase in crime and juvenile delinquency, and a decrease in everything from public health to housing values to political participation."
imprisonment rates in West Side increased nearly 50% over the past 20 years.

Education level in those communities is **disproportional** to the incarceration rate.

**Educational level**

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21% without a high school diploma

1. Punishment’s place: the local concentration of mass incarceration
6 out of 10 African-American male high school dropouts have spent time in prison.

1 out of 3 African-American men, 20-29 years old is in prison.

70% of West Side men have served time in prison.

34% of the population on the West Side have prison records.
67.8% of released prisoners were arrested for a new crime within 3 years.

The “correctional system” is failing to correct.”
US government spends around $74 billion a year on incarceration.

“Perhaps it is time to begin placing more emphasis on corrective therapy, treatment, and diversion — and less on incarceration.”

Percentage of State General Fund Spent on Corrections and Public Universities.
“But they all come back!"

The prison releases you without a decent education or training and then calls you a failure when you can’t find a job on the outside.
Inmate education among the most effective programs at reducing recidivism

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If they have access to education, they are less likely to come back.

Source: Washington State Institute for Public Policy

In 2004, I walked into Inspiration Corporation a convicted felon, wanting to change my life. Inspiration Corporation welcomed me into its free culinary training program with open arms.
ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION

Reinvesting tax dollars to address root causes, not just symptoms.

- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
- ADDICTION TREATMENT
- MENTAL HEALTH DIVERSIONS

Financial Impacts

Reduced inmates

Reduced prison workers

Reduced expenses

= SAVINGS
Over **30,000** inmates were released in Illinois in 2013, according to information released by the Illinois Department of Corrections.

About **12,000** or **39%** made their way back to Chicago.

Six economically and socially disadvantaged Chicago areas—Austin, Humboldt Park, North Lawndale, Englewood, West Englewood, and **East Garfield Park**—accounted for 34 percent of the prisoners returning to the city, with each area receiving **412 to 1,681** prisoners.

Source: http://www.nbcchicago.com/investigations/Released-Inmates-Face-Roadblocks-Adjusting-to-Society-258402151.html#ixzz3NbN56obi
A halfway house can provide a person with monitoring and support upon reintegration into society when recovering from a dependency.

29 in Chicago offer this service

61 in Illinois

JACK CLARKS FAMILY PROGRAMME:

+ Drug or alcohol rehabilitation.
- Does not offer special programs or groups specifically for criminal justice groups.
500 to 1100 prisoners a year being released and return to Garfield Park communities.
Million Dollar Blocks

Millions allocated to incarcerate residents on individual city blocks.

In Chicago, over a 5 year period 2005 - 2009, there were:

851 blocks
with over $1 million committed to prison sentences

121 blocks
with over $1 million committed to prison sentences for non-violent drug offences

Image: Incarceration spending is highly concentrated in a small number of community areas.

Source: http://chicagosmilliondollarblocks.com/#14/41.8810/-87.7158
30,068 prisoners released in 2001

Drug offenders and parole violators serve short sentences, continue to cycle in and out of the system.
Conclusions
Garfield Park community is vulnerable, because of the destruction of family structure and social fabric, insufficient education and high incarceration rate.

GOAL: Raise the self-sufficiency of Garfield Park community

Strategy
Create the conditions and opportunities for young adults to integrate in society and develop professionally.
Identity of nodes

IDENTITY:
- Industrial, public programs
- Factory, business, warehouse, skill training, high-tech industry

IDENTITY:
- Green, conservatory, public, accessibility, most visited, sport programs
- Cultural center, food service industry, recreational facilities, commerce

IDENTITY:
- Art, educational, industrial, (creative) production, accessibility
- Craft shop, vocational training, gallery, sport facilities, library

IDENTITY:
- Elderly, mobility, isolated
- Community service (day care, nursery home, etc.)

Legend
- School districts boundaries intersections
- Circular radiation zone
Functional zoning on the Lake St
When inmate comes back to his block, what does he find?
“WE ARE NOT SIMPLY PUNISHING PEOPLE FOR THE CRIMES THEY COMMIT. WE ARE ALSO PUNISHING THEM FOR THE PLACES WHERE THEY LIVE, THE SCHOOLS THAT FAILED THEM AND THE EMPLOYERS THAT REJECTED THEM.”

PUNISHMENT’S PLACE: THE LOCAL CONCENTRATION OF MASS INCARCERATION
SAMPSON & LOEFFLER, 2010
“Activities”? 
“Community”?
Design proposal

Exodus House - Sustainable community

A place for ex-cons to provide monitoring and support, temporary shelter, skills and confidence to start new life outside prison.

Halfway House Principle.

Active rehabilitation treatment programme throughout a day - intensive individual and group counseling for substance abuse, while ex-cons establish a strong support network, secure new employment, find new housing.

- How long?

Ex-cons live 1 - 6 months (depends on judge’s sentence or official’s recommendation), others can attend various educational programmes.

- Who pays?

Halfway house gets finances from government. It costs half as much as for the inmate. School can be partially financed by a private investor that is willing to employ an ex-prisoner and

Some of the companies that have operations within a state prison
500 to 1100 prisoners a year being released and return to Garfield Park communities.

Average time of stay in Halfwayhouse: 1 - 6 months

Average of 800 ex-convicts
Average of 3 months.

With recidivism rate as high as 80 %,
Halfway house for 200 people needed in Garfield Park communities.
Reoffending rates have been reported at 16%.

“Trust and responsibility”

“We know we are prisoners but here we feel like people.” One of the inmates
How to create spaces that accommodate all aspects of life of ex-convicts?

- Refocus public spending on community infrastructures that are the real foundation of everyday safety, rather than criminal justice institutions of prison migration.
Halfway House is a transition from prison back to society, where the healing and resocializing process occurs.
The corridor in prison and school share similar traits, internal circulation. The difference - school corridor creates more nooks for reading and social gatherings.
PUBLIC AND GREEN SPINE CONNECTING WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD

PRESERVING EXISTING CHURCH AND AN ATTRACTOR IN THE HALFWAY HOUSE

URBAN SCALE / RELATION TO THE BUSY LAKE ST. AND THE STREET ELEVATION

ADDING HUMAN SCALE AND DENSIFYING THE AREA.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS / NEW IDENTITY
SEQUENCE OF COURT YARDS WITH DIFFERENT CHARACTERS / DIFFERENT SCENARIOS.

COURT YARDS = COMMON SPACE
Businesses collaborate, share staff.
Companies train their staff.
Artists rent space.
"The gallery has friendly exchanges with local kids who occasionally visit the space to draw. But formal programming has never been initiated."

Painter Molly Zuckerman-Hartung, Julius Caesar, the artist-run gallery
Number of residents
45 + 5 temporary accommodation

Total gross area
3170 sq. m. + 952 common outside space

50 / 50 ratio of common and private spaces
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SENSITIVITY TO CROWDING
PRIVACY
- DESIGN OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE
Semi-public
Everyone can access with a supervision of personnel

Private
Personnel and tenants can access by appointment

Common
Tennants can access 24/7
THE GREYSTONE

Greystone is a designation that comes primarily from building material, rather than a strict housing type.

- stacked apartment units with matching plans
- shared porch
- wide steps going up to a front porch on one side of the front, and a wide bow of projecting windows (round or squared off) on the other side.
- Elevating the first floor half a level above grade also created a more imposing facade and granted more privacy for the first level tenants.
- Limestone facade
- “In addition to their structural stability, greystones can also provide community stability. Greystones are an anchor in neighborhoods that have been distressed.”
MORE HOME - LESS INSTITUTION

HOUSE ARCHETYPE

PORCH - RECOGNIZABLE ELEMENT

LIMESTONE - TYPICAL MATERIAL
CROSS LAMINATED TIMBER STRUCTURE
Limestone veneer cladding

Roof window system with a wood cladding on the inside

Locally sourced wood rainscreen on overhang

Timber vertical louvres

Timber curtain wall system
NATURAL VENTILATION FOR HOUSING

ROTARY HEAT EXCHANGE UNIT FOR COMMON SPACES
PUBLIC BUILDINGS
COOLING

HEATPUMP

FLOOR HEATING

SOUTH ROOFS
COVERED BY SOLAR
PANELS

SUPPLEMENTARY
ENERGY SOURCE FOR
HEATING
Start with a block and build new network to replace the existing prison migration infrastructure.
“VIOLENCE IS A PART OF THE CULTURE OF POOR. SO IS COMMUNITY”
THANK YOU