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## Louisiana Agencies to Host Statewide Second Chance Events in April

*Multi-agency effort supports successful reentry for formerly incarcerated individuals*

BATON ROUGE, LA. – The Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS&C) recognizes April as Second Chance Month, also known as National Reentry Awareness Month. The nationwide observance highlights the importance of successful reentry, access to employment, and support services following incarceration.

The Department is collaborating with multiple state, regional and local agencies as well as nonprofits, community organizations, and faith-based groups to host activities to support Second Chance Month.

Throughout the month of April, the department’s Probation and Parole district offices will jointly host free events that aim to connect formerly justice-involved individuals with job opportunities.

The statewide events include the following:

- **Alexandria** - April 22 | Job and Resource Fair
- **Baton Rouge**
  - April 14 | Job Fair Expo at Main Library from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
  - April 28 | EmployBR Job Fair
  - City of Faith Job Fair
  - East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority Job Fair
- **Covington** - April 7 | Job and Resource Fair
- **Donaldsonville** - April 17 | Second Chance Employment and Expungement Event
- **Lafayette** – April 21 | Reentry Event
- **Lake Charles**
  - April 14 | Take Back Tuesday, a Transportation Worker Identification Card (TWIC) Assistance Event
  - April 15 | Ready to Work Wednesday
- **Monroe** - April 7 | Job Fair from 9 a.m. to noon
- **New Orleans** - April 15 | Career & Resource Fair at Goodwill East from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Thibodaux** - April 13 | Job & Resource Fair at the Terrebonne Parish Library in partnership with Louisiana Works
  - Family Fun Day at Lafourche Parish Correctional Center

“Public safety remains our top priority, and that includes reducing recidivism through meaningful rehabilitation and reentry efforts,” said Renee Delouche, Assistant Secretary. “Second Chance Month highlights the importance of equipping individuals with the tools and skills they need to be successful when they return home.”

The Department offers year-round programming focused on education, job training, and life skills development. For more information about reentry programs and services, visit <https://doc.la.gov/imprisoned-person-programs-resources/transition-reentry/>.

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