



United Black Family Scholarship Foundation

Rebuilding the Community from within the Community

Questions Posed to Our Incarcerated Panelists:

- 1) What inspired you to explore the idea of creating a nonprofit or public service organization while incarcerated?
- 2) What tools do you currently possess or require to fully develop a service organization?
- 3) How do you believe your unique perspective as an incarcerated individual can enhance your contribution to the nonprofit sector and address social issues effectively?
- 4) What does it mean for you to learn how to establish your own public service organization or institution?
- 5) In your opinion, how can nonprofit work collaborate with abolitionists to mitigate the damaging effects of the prison industrial complex?
- 6) What immediate benefits do you anticipate for the prison environment through participating in this conference?
- 7) In reviewing our conference topics, which two do you believe would best equip you to become a problem solver, particularly as someone who was once considered the “source of the problem”?
- 8) What institutional mechanisms within the carceral state do you find most stifling to individual expression?
- 9) Regarding the acquisition of skills within our program, how do you perceive these skills aiding in your reentry and success back into society?
- 10) Making amends: How do you envision the conference topics assisting you in this process?
- 11) Do you feel there were concepts missed today? What specific knowledge do you wish you had gained?
- 12) How can we build a bridge with foundations, and where do foundations and philanthropy fit into the prison complex?
- 13) Nonprofits are designed to help individuals get back on their feet; how do you see this conference aiding you in navigating this dynamic?
- 14) How can you transition from being an individual needing to utilize reentry programs to eventually being hired by a reentry program?
- 15) Considering the time you’ve spent incarcerated, how has your age and the duration of your imprisonment shaped your outlook on the nonprofit sector? Furthermore, how has your involvement with nonprofits influenced your perspective, maturity, growth, and facilitated your rehabilitation or transition to becoming a more productive citizen?