

# **Commission on Reentry and Returning Citizen Affairs**

## **August Meeting Minutes Summary**

(2100 Martin Luther King Jr Ave SE, Washington, DC 20020)

### **I. Opening –Call to order by Commission Chair (6:28 PM)**

### **II. Roll Call**

#### **Attendees**

Tony Lewis  
Bryan Ferguson  
James Berry

Marcus Bullock  
Shae Harris (EOM)  
Clarence Johnson

### **III. Quorum established**

### **IV. Adoption of the minutes of June Meeting**

### **V. Old Business**

1. Discussed Returning Citizen Family Day
2. Discussed WIN/Reentry Network Action

### **VI. New Business**

#### **1. Discussion on IT Sector Employment for Returning Citizens**

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P r o f e s s i o n a l s ” i n t h e D i s t r i c t o f C o l u**

- a. Commissioner Bullock discussed the Flikshop School of Business and its mechanism's to train Returning Citizens, he also gave an overview of IT needs companies like Uber, Lyft, and Google have locally
- b. Commissioner Barry discussed training options for Returning Citizens in the IT field and spoke to the number of IT jobs surpassing 10,000 opportunities
- c. Director Ferguson and Ms. Harris mentioned possible resources for training that exist within DC Government to prepare Returning Citizens for jobs in the IT Field

- d. Director Ferguson mentioned OCTO as an agency within government that had a need for IT professionals
- e. Commissioner Lewis mentioned looking to OCTO for guidance and support as a possible employment partner for a Returning Citizen IT Training Program
- f. Group agreed to bring back additional information to further conversation and move forward on establishing a Pathway for Returning Citizens to compete for IT jobs in the District of Columbia

## **VII. Adjournment**

1. Motion made and passed to adjourn the commission meeting at 7:59 PM