

## IMPACT OF DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS CUTS

### **To Florida's Economy**

- **502 Jobs Lost** (reported from 10 of the community providers)
- 33 community providers and 66 contracts affected statewide
- Proposed cut would reduce:
  - Contracted Community Substance Abuse Treatment programs by **43%**
  - Contracted institutional substance abuse treatment programs by **48%**
  - Re-entry substance abuse Treatment beds by **38%**
- Community programs will close
  - These companies will not pay taxes into local or state governments
  - Offenders will not be working or paying restitution, child support or taxes

### **To Florida's Society**

- Florida is in the worst opioid/drug abuse crisis ever experienced - additional treatment funding is needed, budget cuts are unacceptable
- 58% probationers / 64% inmates have documented substance abuse problem
  - Without treatment, inmates and offenders will be at high risk to commit crimes
  - Without treatment inmates and offenders are at higher-risk to use drugs, potentially overdosing

### **To Florida's Budget**

- *Existing funding for contracted Substance Abuse Treatment services is less than 1.5% of Department of Corrections budget*
- Average cost of Community Substance abuse Treatment bed - \$10,500
- Average cost of Prison for drug offender - \$ 45,600

### **To Increasing the Offender's Chance at Success**

- INMATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS:
  - Line 726 of state budget, contracted substance abuse treatment funded at \$15.94 million - proposed reduction of \$7.6 million in Substance Abuse Treatment→ 48% reduction
- COMMUNITY THERAPEUTIC RE-ENTRY BEDS FOR INMATES
  - Proposed reduction of \$6 million in therapeutic beds→38% reduction
- COMMUNITY SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT PROGRAMS:
  - Line 745 of state budget, contracted Community Substance abuse Treatment funded at \$21.3 million - proposed reduction of \$9.1 million → 43% reduction

## COMMUNITY PROVIDERS HAVE PROVEN RESULTS

### *Department of Corrections Performance Results*

- Therapeutic Community outcomes: success rate of 67% for 2013-2014 - pg. 28, 32 of Bureau of Readiness and Community Transition Programs: Inmate Programs
- Post-Release Transitional Housing: success rate of 60% for 2013-2014- pg. 58,63 of Bureau of Readiness and Community Transition Programs: Inmate Programs
- Total success rate for Institutional Therapeutic Community Programs in prisons over 13 years – 70%.