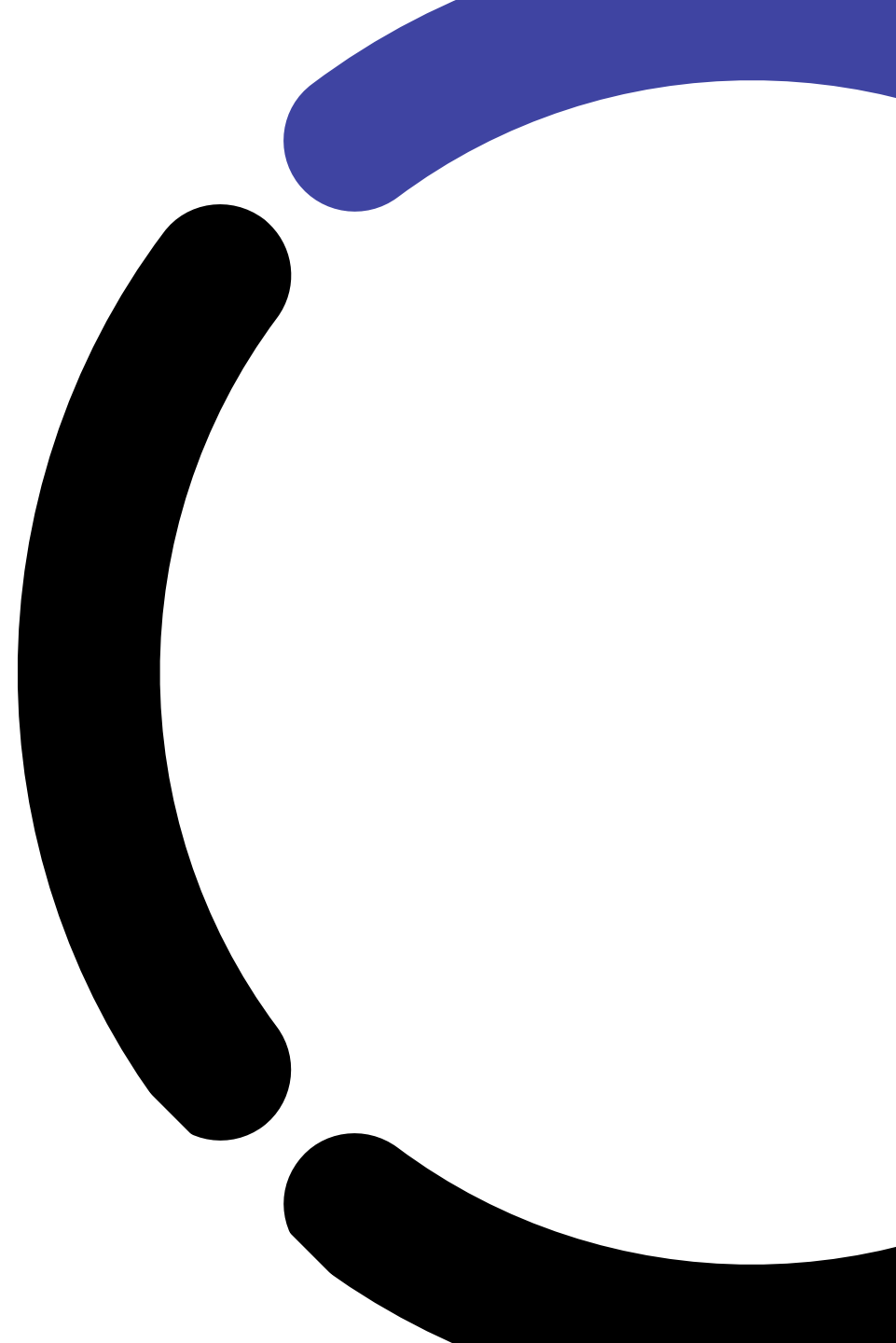


# WELCOME TO OJPC

WE DON'T WRITE PEOPLE OFF



# WHAT IS OJPC?

OJPC IS A TRAILBLAZING NONPROFIT LAW FIRM WITH OFFICES IN CINCINNATI AND COLUMBUS, OHIO. OUR EXPERT STAFF NAVIGATES THROUGH A COMPLEX AND TANGLED CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM TO CREATE PATHWAYS TO RESTORATION FOR PEOPLE, THEIR FAMILIES, AND THEIR COMMUNITIES.



# MISSION

OJPC'S MISSION IS TO CREATE FAIR, INTELLIGENT, REDEMPTIVE CRIMINAL-JUSTICE SYSTEMS THROUGH ZEALOUS CLIENT-CENTERED ADVOCACY, INNOVATIVE POLICY REFORM, AND CROSS-SECTOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION.



# OUR MOTTO

WE DON'T WRITE PEOPLE OFF.





**OUR WORK**



# OJPC works to...

**Substantially, safely reduce  
the number of incarcerated  
people in Ohio.**

OJPC's project, **Beyond Guilt**, works with prosecutors and crime survivors to seek release for over-punished individuals with lengthy sentences.

# Goals of Beyond Guilt

- Beyond Guilt will identify **unfairly sentenced** Ohio prisoners who illustrate **widespread problems** in the criminal legal system.
- Beyond Guilt will represent **individuals** who have served significant portions of their sentences and can demonstrate rehabilitation within the prison walls and who have the skills and support systems on the outside to continue to the process of rehabilitation once they are released.
- Beyond Guilt will **partner with prosecutors, law enforcement officers, and crime survivors** who can help convince courts to release prisoners through various avenues.

# Beyond Guilt (BG): Basic Eligibility

- An individual's minimum sentence must be 20 years or greater
- At least 5 years remaining on their sentence
- Application submitted by incarcerated individual



# BG: Factors Guiding Representation



- Over-punished
- Sentence illustrates widespread problems in criminal legal system
- Served significant portion of sentence
- Demonstration of rehabilitation while incarcerated
- Skills and support to continue rehabilitation after release



**RESTORATION THROUGH BEYOND  
GUILT**



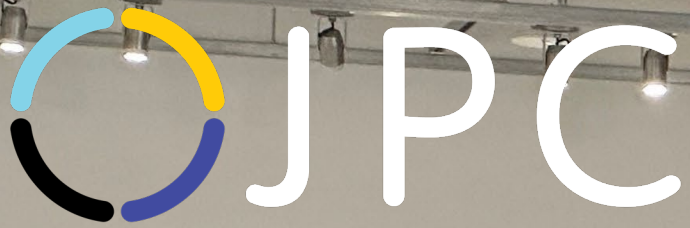
- Role of crime survivors
- Law enforcement partnership

The New York Times

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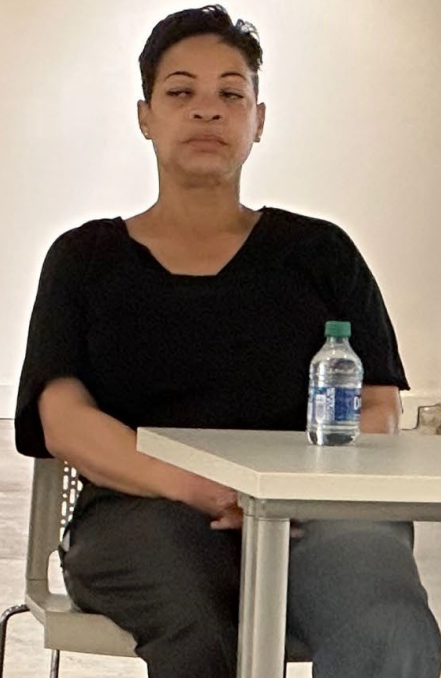
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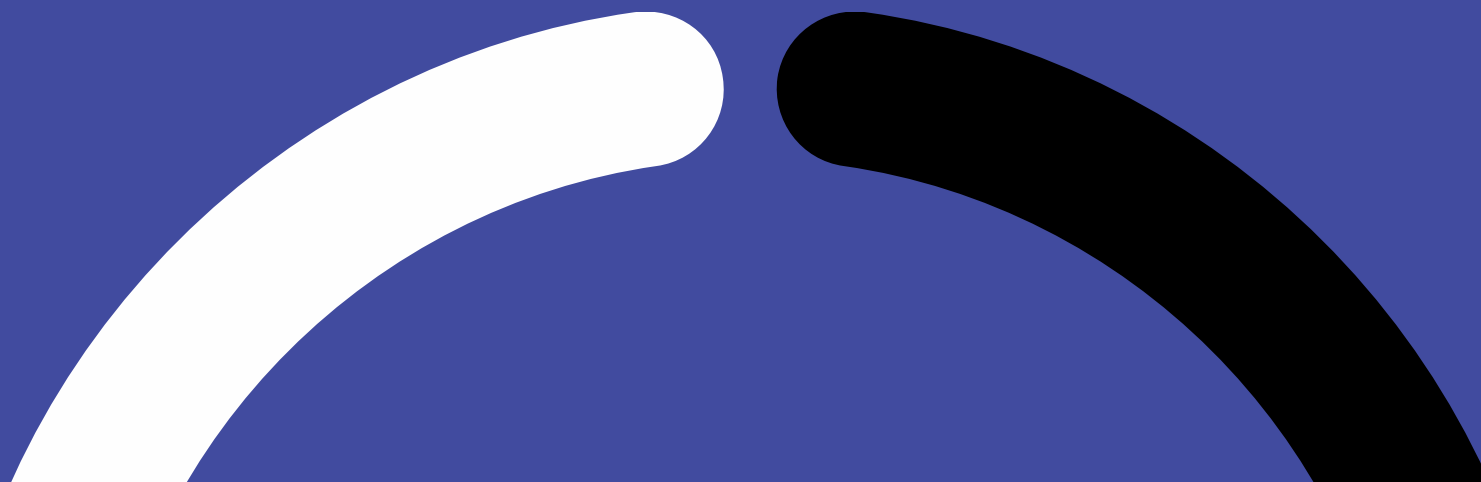


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OJPC client and staff speak about the Beyond Guilt program at the opening of the exhibit in Columbus



**A PROVEN TRACK RECORD**



# Outcomes

- 47 Ohio prisoners released to date since 2019
- 3 released this year with others pending
- 58 active cases

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