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Subject: Re: UKSPF - Interventions Lists, further
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Hello [REDACTED]

I think you are a few steps ahead here - so don't worry.

We are not at the point where we are asking for applications, we don't even understand the application process yet. This will all come in due course.

Let's keep talking, but for now - there is not a huge amount you can do (apart from focus on your LCLD delivery obviously!)

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Dear [REDACTED]

(I'm so sorry, I did key in the central email address you advised, but mustn't have pressed "save"!)

Thank you for the clear and concise presentation this morning which answered some questions, and possibly raised others!

Where I believe our ex offender Job Finder service to be wholly unique in the region, I continue to be concerned that the "People and Skills" strand seems to only want to focus on "economically inactive" folk.

Re: [REDACTED] comments to check for existing duplication of service, I have since spoken to D [REDACTED]
offender pre/employability projects have yet gone out to re-tender this year. They confirmed that neither the Re:Start nor the [REDACTED] programmes have any ex offender specialism - the former is indeed for long-term unemployed which may well catch some of them, but with no specialist knowledge or training catering to this group. Neither are they a 'job finder', and have published no stats on their into-work figures.

The only other statutory provision is via probation, under contract to Ingeus, for offenders newly released on licence. This 'misses' great swathes of this people group, and only offers 12 hours of intervention to those it covers, which our experience would deem largely insufficient in length.

For interest, I enclose below our 18-month outcomes report, which also comprises work done in the context of our current CLLD/ESF project - one of the case studies, Jay, is one of its participants.

You will see that we are achieving [REDACTED] sustainable jobs outcomes, and this with a particularly hard demographic [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I would actually venture this is a nation-beating performance statistic, should others be bold enough to publish their stats. (The government's prison leaver jobs target is 30%.)

I'm unable to attend the library event in mid June as I'm in the prison. But I would appreciate your steer on how we could craft an application that has a robust chance of success. Both the need for our service, and its proof-in-the-pudding, is clear.

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