Survey Questionnaire

Filter Questions

1. Are you currently incarcerated (i.e., in prison, jail,under house arrest)? (*select only one*)

Yes 🡪 **STOP (end survey)**

No

Demographic Questions

1. Are you male or female? (*select only one*)

☐ Male

☐ Female

1. Do you identify as belonging to the following racial and ethnic groups?

Yes No

East Asian descent (Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Indonesian)

Central Asian descent (Russian, India)

Black, African-American, African descent

Hispanic or Latino descent

Middle Eastern or North African descent

Native American or Alaska Native descent

Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander descent

White, Caucasian, European descent

Other descent (please specify: )

1. What is your religious affiliation? (select only one)

☐ Atheism (i.e., don’t believe there is a God)

☐ Agnosticism (i.e., believe the existence of God is unknown and unknowable)

☐ Buddhist

☐ Eastern Orthodox

☐ Hindu

☐ Jewish

☐ LDS (Mormon)

☐ Muslim

☐ Non-Denominational

☐ Protestant (e.g., Baptist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, etc.)

☐ Roman Catholic

☐ None of the items listed above

☐ Other (please specify)

1. How old are you now (i.e., years of age)?
2. How old were you when you were last released from prison or jail?
3. Have you been involved in criminal activity in the past 12 months for which you have not been arrested or criminally charged? (*select only one*)

☐ Yes

☐ No

1. Are you currently facing criminal charges? (*select only one*)

☐ Yes

☐ No

1. Have you been incarcerated in the past 12 months? (*select only one*)

☐ Yes

☐ No

Education

1. Have you completed the following formal education levels?

Yes No

Grade school

High school diploma or G.E.D.

Trade school certificate

Associate degree from college

Bachelor degree from college

Master degree from college

Doctorate degree from college

1. At what point did you complete your highest level of education?

\_\_\_ Before being incarcerated

\_\_\_\_While incarcerated

\_\_\_\_After being incarcerated

Use of Public Services

1. Did you use the following public services and assistance programs at any time after you were last released from prison or jail?

Yes No

Public transportation

Subsidized housing

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), food stamps

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

Job training programs

1. Were the following public services and assistance programs vital for your reintegration into the community following your last release from prison or jail?

Yes No

Public transportation

Housing Assistance (i.e. public housing or housing vouchers)

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), food stamps

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

Job training programs

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Education grants, loans, scholarships (please describe)

1. Do you still use the following public services and assistance programs?

Yes No

Public transportation

Subsidized housing

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), food stamps

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

Job training programs

Financial Status

1. How many people are in your household including yourself?
2. Last year did you support yourself financially through the following means?

Yes No

Employment with a company or organization

Self-employment or a business that I own

Money received from family and friends

1. What was your total gross household income for last year?

OR

What was your total gross household income range for last year?

☐ Less than $12,490

☐ Between $12,490 and $16,910

☐ Between $16,911 and $21,330

☐ Between $21,330 and $25,750

☐ Between $25,751 and $30,170

☐ Between $30,171 and $34,590

☐ Between $34,591 and $50,000

☐ Between $50,001 and $75,000

☐ Greater than $75,000

1. What percent of your total gross household income last year was attributable to self-employment or businesses that you owned? (*select only one*)

☐ 0 percent

☐ Between 1 and 25 percent

☐ Between 26 and 50 percent

☐ Between 51 and 75 percent

☐ Between 75 and 99 percent

☐ 100 percent

Overall, which of the following describes how well you are managing financially these days

Finding it difficult yto get by

Just getting by

Doing okay

Living Comfortably

In your community, how would you rate economic conditions today:

Poor

Only fair

Good

Excellent

Do you currently have student loan debt or owe any money used to pay for your own education? Please include any loans on which you are a co-signer that were used to pay for your education beyond high school (including student loans, home equity loans, or credit cards paid off over time).

EF1. Have you set aside emergency or rainy-day funds that would cover your expenses for 3 months in case of sickness, job loss, economic downturn, or other emergencies?

1. Yes 0. No

Grit Scale

For the following items, please select the answer that you feel best reflects how much the statement describes you. There are no right or wrong answers.

1. New ideas and projects distract me from previous ones. (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. Setbacks don’t discourage me. (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. I have been obsessed with a certain idea or project for a short time but later lost interest. (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. I am a hard worker. (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. I often set a goal but later choose to pursue a different one. (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. I have difficulty maintaining my focus on projects that take more than a few months to complete (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. I finish whatever I begin. (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

1. I am diligent (persistent in anything I do). (*select only one*)

☐ Very much like me

☐ Mostly like me

☐ Somewhat like me

☐ Not much like me

☐ Not like me at all

When you were growing up (under age 17), how frequently did you worry about not having enough to eat? Never worried, rarely, sometimes, regularly.

**Emergency Savings:** Suppose you have an emergency expense ($400). How would you pay? (0,1)  
\_a (Put it on my credit card and pay off in full next statement) (3861 of 11,316)  
\_b (put it on credit card and pay off over time) (1,785)  
\_c (pay with money currently in my checking account or cash) (5,137)  
\_d (using money from a bank loan or line of credit) (342)  
\_e (borrowing from a friend or family member) (997)  
\_f (using a payday loan, deposit advance, or overdraft (184))  
\_g (by selling something (654)  
\_h (I wouldn’t be able to pay (1,434)  
\_i (other – 56 of 11316)