



HOME IS WHERE TRANSFORMATION TAKES ROOT.

For decades, Inside Circle has created spaces where men in California prisons can do something rare: tell the truth and be heard. In facilitated healing circles, participants speak openly about isolation, loss, and harm they have both experienced and caused, and begin to take responsibility for their lives in a new way. Through this process, they build connection, accountability, and a sense of hope that stays with them long after they leave prison.

But sustaining that progress after release can be incredibly difficult. The period immediately after release is one of the most vulnerable points in the reentry journey. Without a safe and stable place to land, the progress individuals make during incarceration can quickly be lost. In California, formerly incarcerated people are 10 times more likely to experience homelessness than the general population, underscoring the urgent need for supportive housing at reentry (CA Department of Housing and Community Development, 2024).

This gap persists despite strong evidence that community-based support works. Individuals who participate in reentry programs are 34 to 44% less likely to reoffend, demonstrating the critical role these programs play in promoting long-term stability and successful reintegration (CA Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, 2025).



The Opportunity

Today, Inside Circle stands at a moment of both opportunity and responsibility. We recently secured a multi-unit property in Sacramento that will become our new Healing Home — a dignified, healing-centered place for men returning from prison.

Within the home, residents will continue participating in Inside Circle's facilitated healing circles — the same practice that begins inside prison and supports lasting transformation. By grounding daily life in accountability, connection, and shared healing, the Healing Home will ensure that individuals do not lose the progress they have made, but instead deepen it in community.

We are raising approximately \$2.2 million to bring this vision fully to life. With nearly two-thirds of the total already secured through early commitments, your support will help ensure the property is paid off, renovations are complete, and the home is ready to welcome its first residents in September 2026.

“Thanks to circle, I was free long before I was ever physically free. The struggle to stay free is a whole different thing... if I didn't have these circles, then I'm afraid I'd fall backwards into what I know. Hurt people hurt people and healed people heal people. The world needs this.”

- Rick Misener, Inside Circle participant and facilitator

Our New Healing Home

The Healing Home will provide a true continuum of care, offering supported housing for adults returning from incarceration who have participated in Inside Circle's prison-based healing circles and demonstrated readiness and commitment to change. Inside Circle staff will maintain a consistent, caring presence in the home, supporting accountability, stability and growth. While the Healing Home will be located in Sacramento, residents may come from communities across California.

Beyond providing housing, the Healing Home will be a training hub for the next generation of Inside Circle facilitators. By nurturing leadership and skill-building, it will strengthen individual outcomes while building the organization's long-term capacity. This home is a foundation for healing, leadership development, and community transformation.



The Importance of Your Support

Early support made it possible for us to make a down payment and secure the property. Since then, we have been awarded a multi-year grant from the Board of State and Community Corrections to support operating and start-up costs.

Although this grant provides critical operating support, philanthropic investment remains essential to complete the capital components of the project, ensuring the home is fully renovated, debt-free, and ready to open with care and intention.

As board member Scott Raymond shares, "I feel strongly that once a person is released from prison that they need a place to land. The fact that we can help so many people in this home get back on their feet and go forward is tremendous."

Please join us in making this dream a reality. Your support will help bring a safe, dignified home to life for those who need it most, while building a future rooted in healing, leadership, and community.



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