

We believe...

Every person has inherent value and holds the power of possibility within.

Public resources are better invested in opportunities for transformation than in prisons and punishment. ANWOL provides reentry services for **less than 1/3** the cost of incarceration.

When a woman goes to prison, her kids serve time, too. Therefore, the healing process must be inclusive of her entire family.

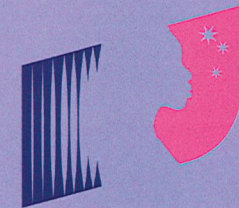


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Reentry Project

"Linking promise with
opportunity"

Our mission

Our mission is to advance multi-dimensional solutions to the effects of incarceration:

- We provide housing and support for formerly incarcerated women for successful community reentry, family reunification and individual healing.
- We work to restore the civil rights of formerly incarcerated people.
- We empower, organize and mobilize formerly incarcerated people as advocates for social change and personal transformation.

Our vision

We envision a world where every person can make decisions for his/her own life, is accountable for those decisions and is valued as a contributing member of the community.



About us

After the tragic death of her 5-year-old son, Susan Burton didn't have access to resources to help her address her grief. In despair, she turned to drugs and alcohol, which led to a cycle of incarceration that lasted nearly two decades. After finding help in an affluent area of Los Angeles, Susan dedicated her life to helping others heal. She founded ANWOL in 1998 to transform the lives of formerly incarcerated individuals and bring resources to the neighborhoods that need them the most.

More than 1,000 women and children have found safety in ANWOL's homes.

Our approach

Ending mass incarceration requires a multi-faceted approach.

- **Housing:** Women stay at ANWOL for as long as needed to build a strong foundation for independence.



- **Legal:** Our legal staff helps hundreds of people clean up their records each year.
- **Policy:** We actively seek structural changes by sponsoring legislation and partnering with local organizations and government entities.
- **Leadership:** We help the formerly incarcerated become change agents through groups like Women Organizing for Justice and Opportunity & All of Us or None.