## **Empowering Rehabilitative Justice**

## An Open Letter from Aventiv's Advisory Board



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**Together,** we're committed to building a better future for the 2.1 million people in the United States living behind bars.

They're our friends,

our families,

our neighbors,

our fellow citizens,

and at one time, some of us stood in their shoes.

Together, we're now the independent executive advisory board for Aventiv.

Aventiv is empowering rehabilitative justice for the people we care about and those who care about them.

We believe Aventiv is committed to changing within, changing the system, changing their industry, and empowering individuals to change their own lives.

That's why we're working with them to reconnect incarcerated Americans with the moments that matter.

To create safe and secure environments where people we care about can live and learn, using the tools that lead the way out of prison and into the productive and meaningful lives they want to lead.

## Inspiration. Connection. Education. Empowerment. Rehabilitation. Reentry.

These issues are our life's work, and now we're putting that expertise and experience to work, with Aventiv.

Because we believe it's unacceptable that our society has tolerated a 70% recidivism rate within five years of release.

Because 95% of people who go to prison eventually return home, we can't afford to make coming home so hard.

Because we believe technology can help make incarceration the start of a new life, not the dead-end of an old one.

We're going to hold ourselves and Aventiv accountable for the continued transformation of an industry that for years has been disconnected from the people and communities it must serve.

We work for our communities. And **together**, we're going to change the outcomes of incarceration in America.

One person and one platform at a time. Together, for all of us.

