Dear TLM Community,

As our society presses on through these unprecedented and trying times, we at The Last Mile remain committed to continuing our work safely and responsibly. While our classrooms are temporarily closed as facilities practice social distancing, we are working hard behind the scenes to advance our curriculum and reentry program. Like most, we are taking each day as it comes and optimistically adapting to our “new normal.”

We’ve seen a groundswell of support in recent years for The Last Mile and criminal justice at large, for which we are grateful. As this pandemic surfaces new societal challenges, it is more important than ever that we work together to ensure the incarcerated population isn’t forgotten. We are confident that through community and resilience, our impact and momentum will continue.

We hope you are staying healthy and safe.

With gratitude,

Beverly Parenti
Co-Founder & Executive Director

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**HIGHLIGHT**

**LinkedIn Offers a Fair Chance**

The world’s largest professional network is making strides towards hiring equity with LinkedIn Coaches and a new “Fair Chance” job filter.

TLM staff and alumni had the opportunity to learn how these features support the formerly incarcerated in their job search during a recent in-depth LinkedIn profile workshop.

**READ THE BLOG ➔**

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**THE LAST MILE IN THE NEWS**

**Learning to Code in Prison**

With help from Stand Together, The Last Mile is on a mission to break the cycle of America’s incarceration problem - using coding. **READ THE STORY ➔**
RETURNED CITIZEN SPOTLIGHT

“The technology learned while in the classroom has allowed me to gain courage and strength, as well as a heightened ability to communicate... With each new challenge I conquered in the classroom, I gained a piece of myself back. By enacting change and making a difference to restore consciousness in our society, The Last Mile has become an invaluable pathway that allows women such as myself to rediscover their voice and be part of the limitless opportunities available in technology today.”

--Talesa Howell, Lead Web Designer, Indiana Department of Correction Graduate, The Last Mile Coding Program

FROM TLM WORKS

Need a website revamp?
Our dev shop is open for business. Most recently, our developers in San Quentin created a new website for #cut50.

EMAIL US TO LEARN MORE→

WHAT WE’RE READING

“America is Isolated. I’ve Been There Before. Lessons I’ve Learned from San Quentin”
By Chrisfino Kenyatta Leal, USA Today

“What 4 Years in Solitary Confinement Taught Me About Surviving Isolation”
By Shaka Senghor, Medium

“Prisons Restrict Inmates, Staffers’ Movements as They Try to Keep Coronavirus Out”
By Kevin Johnson, USA Today

“How to Prioritize Your Mental Health While Self-Isolating”
By Christine Celio, One Medical

CALL FOR SPEAKERS

TLM is accepting applications for virtual and in-person guest speakers. We are also sourcing content to share with incarcerated men and women through CDCR DRP-TV during this period of social distancing.

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Double or triple your impact
Stand Together & qualifying employers will now match individual donations to TLM through Funraise. Help pave the road to success with 2-3x the impact.

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