

# Apart Film Resources

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- [Apart Official Film Website](#)
- [Apart Discussion Guide](#)
- Nebraska Public Media [Apart OVEE screening page](#) with chat transcript



## Panelists

- [Alana Alexander](#), Youth & Family Program Associate, RISE Prison Reentry Program
- [Leah Butler](#), Assistant Professor, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of Nebraska Omaha (moderator)
- [Aubrey Mancuso](#), Executive Director, Voices for Children in Nebraska
- [Chantal Wentz](#), Volunteer Relations Manager, RISE Prison Reentry Program

## Links and information from the live event

- There is a widespread opioid crisis in the United States. The strain of the crisis has been acutely felt not only by individuals and families, but also by community first responders and the American legal system. [Read more about this public health crisis.](#)
- [This Nebraska Public Media News story](#) explores a new five-agency collaboration announced to address the methamphetamine problem in the state.
- Rates of substance use disorders are between five and seven times higher among people who are incarcerated than in the general population. [Learn more about mass incarceration and public health.](#)
- A 2016 study from the U.S. Department of Justice found that nearly 1.5 million children have a parent who is incarcerated. [Read the full survey.](#)
- [Read more about the impact of incarceration on children from Prison Fellowship.](#)
- Voices for Children in Nebraska's ["Left Behind by Justice" 2017 report](#) surveying Nebraska families impacted by incarceration also has more details.
- Although the Federal Communications Commission has capped the cost of phone calls in federal prisons at \$0.21 per minute (\$0.25 per minute for collect calls), 80 percent of calls are made to and from state prisons and local jails, and phone companies charge as much as \$1 per minute for someone inside to call a lawyer or loved one. [Read more at the Prison Policy Initiative.](#)
- Earned release programs incentivizes people who are incarcerated to earn early release, or parole, through good behavior, among other factors. Programs vary across the U.S. [See a state-by-state breakdown at the National Conference of State Legislatures.](#)
- People reentering society face many obstacles to their success. They carry with them the mark of a prior conviction that makes it difficult to secure affordable housing and employment. Nearly 75 percent of formerly incarcerated individuals are still unemployed a year after release. Second chance” or “fair chance” hiring is a business practice that

recruits employees who have reentered the job market after incarceration. The U.S. Department of Labor incentivizes second-chance hiring by providing companies a Work Opportunity Tax Credit of up to 25 percent of the employee's first year of wages. Many employers, including Walmart, Starbucks, and Home Depot, participate. [Learn more from Forbes.](#)

- Statistics about Nebraska's prison population can be found at the [Vera Project](#) and [Prison Policy Initiative](#).

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