

1. What is your name and how do you spell it?
2. Give a little background here of what you've been doing and what you've been looking at and who you've spoken with and then lead into how you two got connected and how you heard he would have a great story to tell.
3. Tell me a bit about your current life right now. Where do you work? How do you like your job? What are some of your hobbies/things that make you happiest?
4. Where do you work? How were you able to find work?
 - a. Tell me about a typical day in your job.
 - b. Do you feel that it is easy for someone with a felony to find work in the St. Louis area? Why/why not?
 - c. Describe to me your feelings after you were given your first paycheck.
5. What are some of your current biggest challenges?
6. Tell me your story.
 - a. What was your life like before prison? During prison? After prison?
7. Tell me about the events and emotions you were feeling on the day of your arrest and sentencing.
8. What resources were available to you in prison to help with your reentry once you were released?
9. What motivated you to try to make a change once you were released from prison?
10. Where did you live once you were released?
 - a. How easy is it to find a place to live as someone with a felony? How were you able to find a place to live after having a felony?
11. Tell me about your experience in the probation system.
12. Was the costs of prison and the probation more or less than you expected? How did you handle the costs of probation?
13. What changes would you make to the criminal justice system as a whole?
14. What changes would you like to see to help those get employed?
15. Have you experienced any social stigma surrounding being a felon?
 - a. How has that affected you?
16. What are some things that you would change about the criminal justice system?
17. What is something you would change about the societal view towards felons?
18. Tell me about your experience at Connections.
19. Where do you think you would be if it wasn't for the help you received at Connections?
20. How did Connections impact you as a person?
21. Some people who don't have any experience in the criminal justice system might have the opinion that someone who has committed a crime deserves any consequences that are given to them. What would you say in response to that?
22. What advice would you have for someone who has just been released from incarceration?
23. What are some goals you have for the future?
24. Do you have anything to add that I haven't touched on or any last thing you'd like me to make sure I know or that the people watching this know?