

Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Small Business
2361 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6515

NOTICE OF HEARING

October 23, 2019

11:30 A.M., 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, Committee on Small Business

FROM: Nydia Velázquez, Chairwoman

DATE: Wednesday, October 16, 2019

The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, “Prison to Proprietorship: Entrepreneurship Opportunities for the Formerly Incarcerated.” The hearing is scheduled to begin at **11:30 A.M. on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

Many formerly incarcerated individuals face barriers to reentering the workforce. Some employers hesitate to hire the formerly incarcerated, which drastically reduces employment possibilities and earnings potential. Entrepreneurship can help to overcome these barriers to employment and reduce recidivism. The hearing will discuss entrepreneurship training options for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals.

A staff briefing will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Monday, October 21, 2019 in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff have questions, please contact Ellen Harrington, Deputy Policy Director for the Committee, at 202-225-4038.