**DYS Initiative:** Reentry

**Strategy:** Community Saturation Initiative (CSI)

**Key element:** Saturating DYS facilities and parole regions with community volunteers

**Description:** This strategy is a focused effort to aid youth in the transition from the institutions back to their community. The role of volunteers in the lives of DYS youth will greatly increase as we invite individuals from the community to teach, coach and mentor our youth.

**Methods:**
- Volunteer and staff led programming during unstructured time will begin soon within the institutions (second shift and weekends will be the priority).
- Youth will be paired with a mentor from the community as they transition back to society. Mentorship may begin in the institutions but the primary focus for mentorship will be for paroled youth.

**Expected results:**
- There will be decreased youth idleness leading to a decrease in incidents within DYS institutions.
- Youth will become positively engaged giving them a renewed sense of hope and an increased chance of success once released.

**Call to action for staff:**
- If you know of any faith-based or community organizations that might want to volunteer, pass their contact information to the Resource and Volunteer Management Team at your site.