READI CHICAGO
A HEARTLAND ALLIANCE PROGRAM
REAL TALK. REAL HOPE. REAL LOVE. BE BOLD

READI CHICAGO IS AN INNOVATIVE RESPONSE TO GUN VIOLENCE IN CHICAGO

OUR GOALS:
- Decrease shootings and homicides
- Create pathways for better life outcomes
- Promote long-term safety and opportunity in Chicago’s most impoverished communities

COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL THERAPY - “I react to situations differently now. I think more, take responsibility, and think about the consequences.”
READI Chicago infuses the principles of cognitive behavioral therapy throughout the program, including through participation in clinician-led group sessions four times per week.

JOBS - “It provides me with an opportunity to create some safe, steady income for me and my family.”
READI Chicago provides participants with a viable opportunity to make real change in their lives, in part by connecting them to 12 months of paid transitional employment.

SKILL BUILDING AND SUPPORT SERVICES - “I feel like I have a real family here. There are a lot of people seeking to do better, and this is real help.”
READI Chicago outreach workers, coaches, and work crew staff work together to provide participants with critical supports and access to services to help set them up for success in work and in life.