

THE LEGAL AllSquare REVOLUTION

The Prison to Law Pipeline

Putting the keys to the law in the hands of those most impacted by it



United Nations Sustainable Development Goals addressed with this program:

4 QUALITY EDUCATION



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



The Social Impact of the Legal Revolution

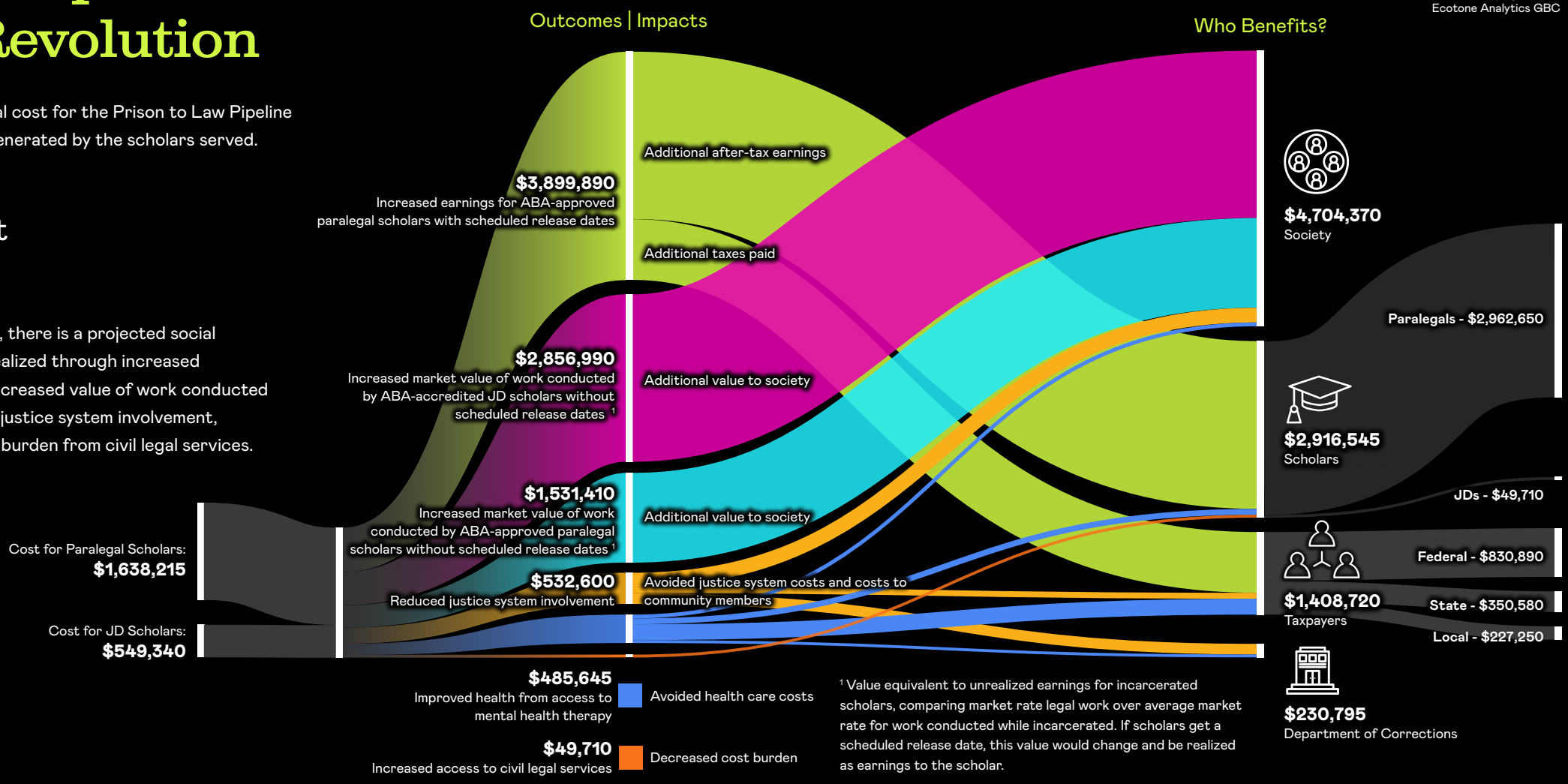
This impact value map shows the total cost for the Prison to Law Pipeline cohort, and the projected benefits generated by the scholars served.

Projected Social Return on Investment

\$1 → \$4.22

For every \$1 dollar spent on Scholars, there is a projected social return of \$4.22. This value is being realized through increased earnings for Scholars post-release, increased value of work conducted by JD or paralegal scholars, reduced justice system involvement, improved health, and decreased cost burden from civil legal services.

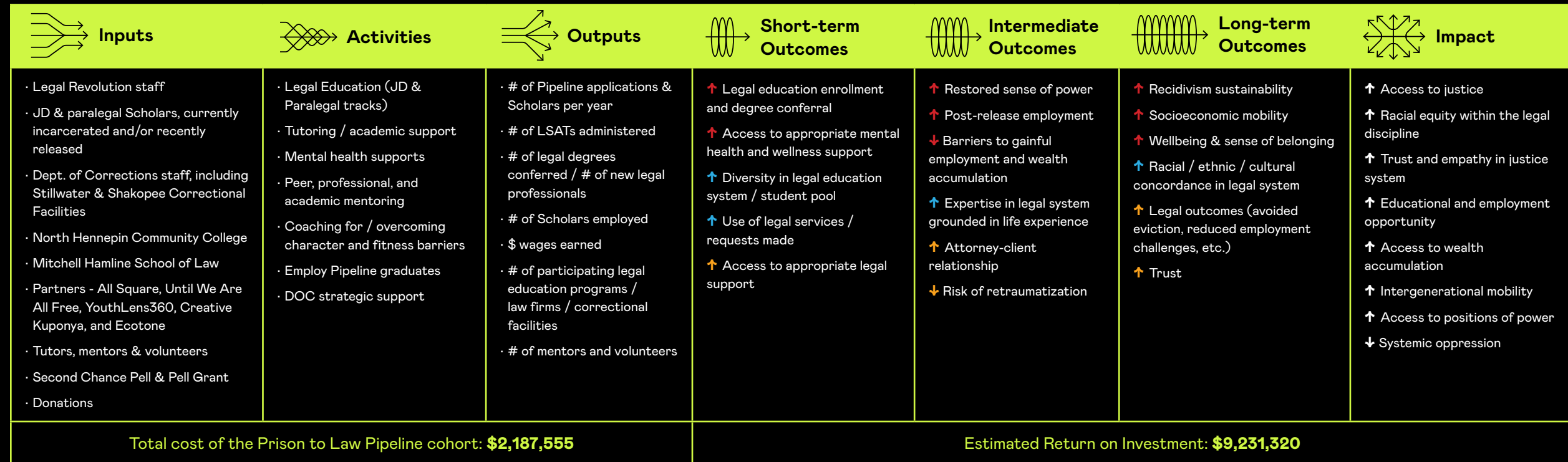
Estimated Return on Investment: **\$9,231,320**



Total Cost for Prison to Law Pipeline Cohort: \$2,187,555

Total cost includes expenses for 2 JD Scholars and 25 Paralegal Scholars to complete their degree program and cover Legal Revolution operations.

Logic Model



Dimensions of Impact

WHAT: Training incarcerated and recently released Scholars in the paralegal and JD fields, the Prison to Law Pipeline initiative is designed to structurally transform the justice system, democratizing access to legal education and increasing representation, accessibility, and efficiency in the legal discipline.

WHO: The Pipeline serves Scholars who are currently incarcerated and/or recently released in Minnesota and are interested in pursuing careers in the legal industry. Scholars in turn provide legal services to communities negatively impacted by a system of mass incarceration.

HOW MUCH: In the first cohort, the Prison to Law Pipeline is supporting 5 paralegal and 2 JD scholars who are currently incarcerated, with an additional 20 paralegal scholars working on supervised release. Over 5 years, the cohorts are expected to grow, supporting a total of 10 JD and 75-80 paralegal scholars.

CONTRIBUTION: Evaluations of representative education programs inside prison facilities show the potential impacts achieved beyond what would otherwise occur. The Pipeline is also based on growing evidence that those who are impacted by the law are well positioned to transform it given their knowledge of, lived experience with, and proximity to legal issues and procedures.

IMPACT RISK MITIGATION: The Pipeline leverages Scholars' assets and centers their justice system experience and legal knowledge, promoting Scholar engagement. Access to mental health, tutoring, peer support, and other social and professional services further strengthens Scholar engagement. The Legal Revolution is collaborating with a variety of educational institutions, law firms, and justice system and community partners to support scholar outcomes, protecting the longevity of the Legal Revolution's positive (community and scholar) impacts.

Key Performance Indicators

Improvements in the following areas:

Scale KPIs

- Number of legal degrees conferred
- Number of Scholars employed
- Number of support sessions (mental health, tutoring, mentoring, etc.)

Quality KPIs

- Proportion of Legal Revolution LSAT takers attending law school
- Hours worked per week
- Graduation rate (2-, 3-, 4+ years)
- Change in earnings from before and after degree completion



Dear Community,

Scholars in prisons all across the world are engaging in the study and practice of law: crafting arguments, authoring briefs, and filing petitions, often towards the pursuit of their lives; their liberty. Why, then, is formal legal education, and the legal profession, largely devoid of those who are, or who have been, in prison? We know many of the answers to this question. And now, with the Legal Revolution, we have a solution. This collaborative effort is a transformational force, from how the law is taught to how it is applied - from who engages and shapes the law, to who the law ultimately represents. The momentum we have experienced over the course of the past few years—with support from law firms, bar foundations, private foundations, and legal institutions—is social proof that the time for change is now and the energy to change it is here.



¡Viva la Revolución!

Elizer Darris, Co-Founder

John Goepfinger, Co-Founder

Emily Hunt Turner, Co-Founder



To Our Pipeline Family:

Democratizing legal education to include the legal expertise that exists within our correctional facilities is, to me, "justice" in its most holistic form. The Prison to Law Pipeline is centering the voices, perspectives, lived experience, and outright brilliance of those whose lives have relied on the law as a means to create a more just and equitable system. We can hardly imagine anything more exciting, and necessary, than what we are building in collaboration with our academic and community partners.



Maya Johnson, Prison to Law Pipeline Director



All Square and their partners' investment in me through the Prison to Law Pipeline program is the most powerful replanting process to root me in community and hold me accountable to live up to my purpose, passion and obligation to reduce harm, contribute to healing and be an asset to society by becoming a civil rights attorney.

Jeff Young

Juris Doctorate Scholar



Society might not know it yet, but it needs the Prison to Law Pipeline. As incarcerated persons begin working in the legal field, it will be evident that this legal revolution was long over due. It's time for the ones most affected by the law, to help promote and cultivate positive change in the law. We need to be woke. No more sleeping. It's time.

Maureen Onyelobi

Juris Doctorate Scholar



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