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**Minority-Owned Business Leaders Convene at CoreCivic in Nashville**  
*Photos from the event highlight important work to boost minority suppliers*

Nashville – On Wednesday, October 11, Minority Business Enterprise protégées from Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia, along with their corporate mentors, convened in Nashville at the corporate headquarters of CoreCivic (please find below photos from the event – featuring key presenters and participants).



*Photo One: (from left to right) – Minority Business Enterprise protégées include Alba Gonzalez-Nylander, AJ Media Services; Derrick Dowell, Tristate Minority Supplier Development Council; Joy Walker, Louisville/Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD); Angela Hinkle, Clint Chemical & Janitorial Services; Sharon Reynolds, DevMar Products; Andre Gist, MIG Steel Fabrication; Marilyn Clark, Fayette County Public Schools; Randy Perry, Appalachian Manufacturing; Jackie LaJoie, Ingersoll Rand; and Cheri Henderson, Tristate Minority Supplier Development Council. Susan Marston, Tristate Minority Supplier Development Council, and Dawn M. Mason, CoreCivic, helped lead the session.*

As a Centers of Excellence corporate participant and sponsor, CoreCivic serves as a mentor to minority-owned businesses like Nashville’s own SourceMark – a premier provider of innovative products, services and solutions to the health-care and retail pharmacy industry – and plays an integral part in its growth.

The Tri-State Minority Supplier Development Council (TSMSSDC) Centers of Excellence event included business spotlight presentations by six Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and two corporate mentors, including CoreCivic, followed by a Q&A session.

The Tri-State Minority Supplier Development Council (TSMSSDC) is a non-profit dedicated to ensuring the development of mutually beneficial relationships between ethnic minority businesses (suppliers) and major corporations (purchasers) throughout Tennessee, Kentucky, and West Virginia, by promoting and expanding business and procurement opportunities as they strive to be the product and service providers of choice.

### Suggested Photo Captions:

Photo: Dawn Mason, CoreCivic's Managing Director for Purchasing, leads the TSMSCD presentation to attendees:



Photo Three: Participants at the event represented Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) located in Kentucky, Tennessee and West Virginia:



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### About CoreCivic

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