

# ***REFRAMED...***

.... is an exhibit that evolved out of *SCRIPT FROM WITHIN*, a collaborative visual art project that incorporates authentic handwritings of women who are incarcerated in Minnesota, confronting viewers with the humanity behind the crisis of mass incarceration of women.

## Facts:

- The rate of incarceration of women in our state has increased over 900% in the past three decades (national average is 700%)
- Women are the fastest growing segment of the incarcerated population in the US, increasing at nearly twice the rate of men
- 4% of the world's women live in the US, yet we account for 30% of the entire world population of incarcerated women

This exhibit of 1,000 sculptures in one display case tries to convey how society, systems, and institutions put women behind bars. The sculptures have and will continue to be shown in various ways. Each sculpture contains the original voice of a woman under incarceration.

I extend my gratitude to all participants at Ramsey, Hennepin, Goodhue and Wright County Jail. They are amazing human beings, each and every one of them.