Narrowing the Second Chance Gap

Problem

- 80 million or one in three American adults has a criminal record
- 6 million Americans are barred from exercising voting rights due to a prior felony
- African Americans are 5 times more likely to be incarcerated in state prisons than whites

The Second Chance Gap

- Every state in America has legislation that allow former convicts to clear their criminal records
- Research indicates only a small fraction of eligible individuals have gotten their records cleared
- Placing tens of million in the “second chance gap

Expungement Tool

The Ethical, Pragmatic, and Intelligent Computing (EPIC) lab at Santa Clara University has developed a tool to address this issue.