

# **COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL CENTER TRANSITIONAL HOUSING DIRECTORY**



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### What are Community Residential Centers?

- A transitional housing initiative, formerly identified as independent housing, launched by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction in January 2004.
- The Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS) has licensed contractors in the following cities: Akron, Canton, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Greenville, Hamilton, Lima, Mansfield, Sidney and Toledo. The facilities provide temporary, transitional housing and some limited case management for offenders under Parole, Post-Release Control (PRC) and Transitional Control (TC) supervision.
- The Department will pay for residence in these facilities for up to 90 days for eligible offenders
  - If the agency and parole officer request an extension of the 90-days due to extenuating circumstances, i.e. applying for SSI, etc. the BCS Assistant Chief or designee will review that request and may grant an extension as appropriate.

### Which offenders are eligible for Community Residential Centers?

- TC offenders eligible for step-down to electronic monitoring and Parole/PRC offenders with no viable home placement that are at risk of being homeless. This includes offenders residing in homeless shelters.
- Moderate to low risk/lower need Parole/PRC/TC offenders with little or no programming needs other than housing.
- Higher risk/higher need Parole/PRC/TC offenders who have successfully completed adequate programming in prison, a halfway house, or through a community agency (or are currently involved in programming in the community) **and** are stabilized, but would still benefit from housing assistance due to not having a home placement. TC offenders must be continuously monitored via GPS.

### Then how does a Community Residential Center help?

- Transitional housing frees up valuable, limited, and more costly halfway house beds for higher risk/higher need offenders in immediate need of residential programming.
- Recent evaluations conducted by the University of Cincinnati clearly demonstrate that halfway houses reduce recidivism for high risk/high need offenders and increase recidivism for moderate to low risk/low need offenders.

## What is the difference between a Community Residential Center and a Halfway House?

- The Department of Rehabilitation and Correction contracts with the **Community Residential Center** to provide housing, some limited monitoring and basic case management services.
  - Agencies are not expected to provide meals, but a facility for food preparation and storage.
  - The supervising authority is responsible for linking offenders with any additional programming they may require, however, if informed of the supervising officer's requirements, the staff at the Community Residential Center may assist in monitoring the offender's demeanor and attendance at required appointments, meetings, etc.
  - Residence is voluntary. If the Parole/PRC offender walks away, he or she is subject to a sanction for failing to notify the supervising officer of a change of address. TC offenders are still subject to escape charges.
  - A referral is **not** a sanction or treatment alternative.
  - No additional certification or licensure, beyond being licensed by the Division of Parole and Community Services is required.
- The Department of Rehabilitation and Correction contracts with **Halfway House** agencies to provide housing, food, case management services, residential programming and in some cases, intensive treatment services.
  - Halfway houses are required to provide and prepare meals for offenders.
  - Halfway houses are required to more closely monitor the movements of offenders through itineraries, sign-out sheets, visitor records, search logs, etc.
  - While the supervising authority may sometimes need to assist halfway houses in locating services for offenders that are outside the agency's contracted requirements, halfway houses are generally required by contract to provide residential programming or community referrals for offenders placed within their agency.
  - Residence in and successful completion of a halfway house is mandatory. If the offender walks away, he or she may be charged with Escape under the Ohio Revised Code.
  - Halfway house placement **is** a sanction, condition, or treatment alternative.
  - Halfway houses are required to obtain and continuously maintain American Correctional Association (ACA) accreditation.

## How does an offender get referred to a Community Residential Center?

- Institution referral
  - Parent institution staff shall list, as a placement plan, a Community Residential Center.
  - BCS Parole Program Specialists will review the packet and assist in placing the offender in the most appropriate Community Residential Center by area and admission criteria.
- Field Referral
  - **Sex Offenders**
    - Supervising officer shall complete a referral form and forward it to the APA Region's Sex Offender Specialist where the Community Residential Center is located. The Sex Offender Specialist shall determine if the offender is appropriate for referral, and if so, make the referral to the Community Residential Center.
  - **All Other Offenders**
    - Supervising officer shall complete a referral form and forward it to the BCS, who shall determine if the offender is appropriate for referral, and if so, make the referral to the Community Residential Center.
  - Referral requirements
    - In order to complete appropriate intake on field referrals, Community Residential Centers will require completion of the Community Residential Center referral form and attach a copy of a current investigation report (i.e., pre-sentence investigation).

## Who do I contact for assistance?

- Bureau of Community Sanctions  
[DRCBCS.Placement@odrc.state.oh.us](mailto:DRCBCS.Placement@odrc.state.oh.us)  
(614) 752-1188  
Fax: (614) 728-9946

## Links:

Ohio Reentry Resource Center – [http://www.drc.ohio.gov/web/reentry\\_resource.htm](http://www.drc.ohio.gov/web/reentry_resource.htm)

## **Agency /Contacts**

### Alvis House

971 Bryden Road (20 male beds)  
Columbus, Ohio 43205

*Denise Robinson, President/CEO*

Intake:

2100 Stella Court

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Ph: (614) 252-0295

Fax: (614) 252-6527

Email: [Jeffery.barga@alvishouse.org](mailto:Jeffery.barga@alvishouse.org)

[Katie.James@alvishouse.org](mailto:Katie.James@alvishouse.org)

*Jeff Barga*

*Katie James*

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders or arsonists

## **Agency/Contacts**

Community Treatment and Correction Center  
1413 Second Street SE (5 male beds)  
Canton, Ohio 44707

*Chandra Bryant – Executive Director*

Intake:  
1432 Tuscarawas Street E.  
Canton, Ohio 44707  
Ph: (330) 453-8401  
Fax: (330) 453-8430  
Email: [ctccintake@rr.biznet.com](mailto:ctccintake@rr.biznet.com)

*Margaret Preston*

## **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders or arsonists

## Agency/Contacts

### Good Samaritan Home

116 Ludlow Street (4 male beds)  
Greenville, OH 45331

449 & 451 E. Third Street (6 male beds)  
Greenville, OH 45331

2916 Main Street (30 male beds)  
2654 N. Main Street  
231 E. Hillcrest Ave.  
22 Woodcrest Ave.  
Dayton, OH 45405

516 N. Ohio Avenue (10 male beds)  
Sidney, OH 45365

Intake:

PO Box 382

Greenville, OH 45331

Ph: (937) 547-6337

Fax: (937) 548-5415

Email: [jgraham19@woh.rr.com](mailto:jgraham19@woh.rr.com)

## LOCATIONS IN DARKE, MONTGOMERY AND SHELBY COUNTIES

*John Graham - Director*

*Kathleen Graham – Admin. Assistant*

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria for Darke County (Greenville) facilities:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders
- OFFENDERS ARE TO REPORT TO 442 E. THIRD STREET, GREENVILLE FOR INTAKE, PRIOR TO ADMISSION

### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

If offenders are traveling to the facility via public transportation, provide the offender the above listed phone number to call the Good Samaritan Home staff. Staff will ensure the offender is transported from the bus stop to the facility.

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria for Montgomery County (Dayton) facility:**

- Male offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria for Shelby County (Sidney) facility:**

- Male offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history

## **Agency/Contacts**

### Mary Alice's House

(13 beds total)

524 W. Elm Street (**female** beds)

Lima, OH 45801

*Bruce Monford – Director*

*Nancy Mueller - Assistant*

543 W. Elm Street (male beds)

Lima, OH 45801

549 W. Elm Street (male beds)

Lima, OH 45801

Intake:

543 W. Elm Street

Lima, OH 45801

Ph: (419) 225-9830

Fax: (419) 227-9830

Email: [maryaliceshouse@woh.rr.com](mailto:maryaliceshouse@woh.rr.com)

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male and female offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history

## Agency/Contacts

### NISRE, Inc. – The EXIT Program

### LOCATIONS IN FRANKLIN, HAMILTON, RICHLAND, ROSS and SUMMIT COUNTIES

1003/1005 Oakwood Avenue (8 male beds)  
Columbus, OH 43206

*Michele Johnson – Director*

984/984 ½ Oakwood Avenue (8 male beds)  
Columbus, OH 43206

### **Columbus placements report to 897 Oakwood, for intake**

1052 Forest Street (4 male beds)  
Columbus, OH 43206

397 Elberon Avenue (10 male beds) – **Cincinnati Intake Reporting Facility**  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45205

3178 & 3142 Saffer Street (16 male beds)  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45211

783 Clinton Spring, Apt. 3 (4 male beds)  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

232 W. Fifth Street (12 male beds)  
Mansfield, Ohio 44903

244 W. Fifth Street (10 male beds) – **Mansfield Intake Reporting Facility**  
Mansfield, Ohio 44903

395 ½/397 ½ & 395 E Second Street (12 male beds)  
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601 – **Report to APA office, 8 S. Paint St., Chillicothe, Ohio 45601**

66 N. Sugar Street (4 male beds)  
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

889/891 Delia Avenue (10 male beds)  
Akron, OH 44305  
Ph: (330) 867-1362

Intake:  
897 Oakwood Avenue  
Columbus, OH 43206  
Ph: (614) 253-8969  
Fax: (614) 253-8968  
Email: [charles.mclemore@theexitprogram.com](mailto:charles.mclemore@theexitprogram.com)  
[michele.johnson@theexitprogram.com](mailto:michele.johnson@theexitprogram.com)

*Charles McLemore*

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Sex offenders permitted at all locations with the exception of Richland County (Mansfield)
- No other restrictions regarding criminal offense history

## Agency/Contacts

### Oriana House

65 East Glenwood Avenue (20 male beds)(GHH)  
Akron, Ohio 44304

## LOCATIONS IN CUYAHOGA AND SUMMIT COUNTIES

\*(indicate which county on referral)\*

*James Lawrence, President & CEO*

1804 E. 55<sup>th</sup> Street (25 male beds)  
Cleveland, Ohio 44103

Intake:

P. O. Box 1501

Akron, Ohio 44309

Ph: (330) 996-2222 x 2670

Fax: (330) 761-9021

Email: [emilyemiller@orianahouse.org](mailto:emilyemiller@orianahouse.org)

*Emily Miller*

## Admission/Rejection Criteria:

- Male offenders
- No Tier III sex offenders (Cuyahoga and Summit)
- No Tier I and II that require community notification (Cuyahoga only)
- No convictions for Murder, Rape or a felony against a minor (Cuyahoga only)
- Arsonists reviewed on a case-by-case basis

## **Agency/Contacts**

Salvation Army – Harbor Light  
1710 Prospect Avenue (12 male beds)  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

*Beau Hill, Executive Director*

Intake:  
1710 Prospect Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115  
Ph: 216-619-4668  
Fax: 216-781-2265  
Email: [deb.jones@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:deb.jones@use.salvationarmy.org)

*Deb Jones*

## **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders
- Arson convictions reviewed on a case-by-case basis

## Agency/Contacts

### Talbert House

538 Front Street (7 male beds)  
Hamilton, Ohio 45011

## LOCATIONS IN BUTLER AND HAMILTON COUNTY

*Neil Tilow – President/CEO*

1782 Esmonde Street (4 male beds)  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

1616 Pelham Place (4 male beds)  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45237

### Intake:

5234 State Route 63  
Lebanon, Ohio 45036  
Ph: (513) 933-9304  
Fax: (513) 933-9305  
Email: [hwhintake@talberthouse.org](mailto:hwhintake@talberthouse.org)

*Veronica Hand*

### Admission/Rejection Criteria:

- Serves counties in southwest Ohio
- If discharged previously for a medical condition, offender must be stable medically
- If discharged previously for violation of program rules, must agree to behavioral contract
- No sex offenders, arsonists or offenders with a serious pattern of violence

## **Agency/Contacts**

Volunteers of America Northwest Ohio  
1201 Champlain St. (8 male beds)  
Toledo, Ohio 43604

*Kim Richards, Vice President*

Intake:  
1201 Champlain Street  
Toledo, Ohio 43604  
Ph: (419) 241-7191 x1010  
Fax: (419) 248-1488  
Email: [dave.shade@voanwo.org](mailto:dave.shade@voanwo.org)

*Dave Shade*

## **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders, arsonists and offenders with a serious or long history of violence
- No severe medical needs (psychological or physical disorders)
- No criminal history which indicates a potential threat to the local community
- No history of poor institution adjustment