



# Offender Reentry in Ohio

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## Reentry Initiatives within the District:

### Stark County Reentry Coalition

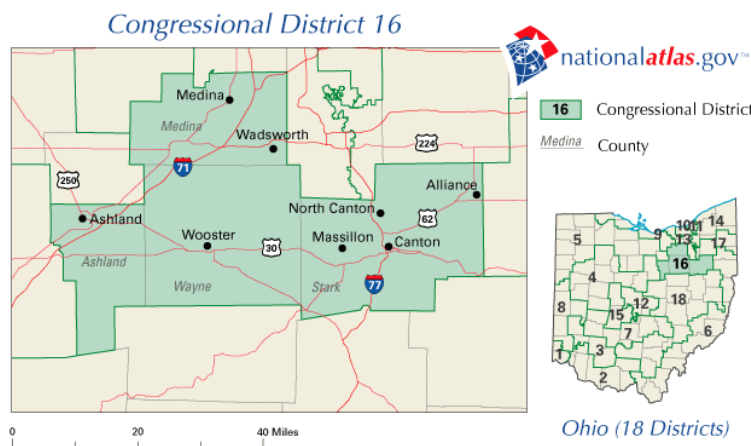
The Stark County Reentry Coalition is a partnership involving the judiciary, service providers, employers, educators, housing authorities, and the faith-based community. By working together, the Coalition assists those men and women who have made the decision to break the cycle of crime and drug addiction, so that they and their families can be productive members of the community. The Coalition produced a comprehensive strategic plan in June 2006 to guide its efforts.

### Transformation Network

The Transformation Network (TNet) program began as a ministry of Park Street Brethren Church of Ashland, Ohio, in July 1999. In 2001, the organization began the WINGS life skills program in the Ashland and Wayne County Jails. The program has provided connections with men and women in the jail who would either be released back into the community or sent on to prison. Recently, TNet unveiled the Liberty's Door program in Ashland, Erie and Huron Counties for individuals reentering society from incarceration.

### By the Numbers

	Ashland	Medina	Stark	Wayne
<b>Number of Commitments by County to ODRC Reception Centers</b> Source: FY 2008 Commitment Report				
Male	52	210	864	81
Female	16	29	138	10
<b>Total:</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Number of Offenders Under Supervision with ODRC</b> Source: Adult Parole Authority Jan. 2009 Monthly Report				
<b>Total:</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>1,212</b>	<b>96</b>



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### Ohio Prisons Snapshot

(as of April 2009)

- Incarcerated — 50,889
- Institutions — 32
- Capacity — 38,665
- Male — 92.45%
- Female — 7.55%
- Annual Admissions — 28,178
- Annual Releases — 29,014
- Average Cost Per Inmate
  - Daily = \$67.77
  - Annual = \$24,736.50

### **Pump House Ministries**

The Pump House Ministries began in 2001 to serve the greater Ashland community. It provides free meals on Easter and Thanksgiving, and boxes of groceries and presents during the Christmas season to those in need. Its “Summer of Fun” program provides elementary age children with a place where they can experience faith-based activities through Bible studies, sports activities, field trips and specialized teaching.

### **Citizen Circles**

Circles create partnerships that promote positive interaction and accountability for offenders upon release. Membership provides an opportunity for citizens to communicate expectations to the offenders for successful reentry. Offenders are able demonstrate their personal strengths, begin the process of rebuilding social capital, be provided with the opportunity to perform community service, and begin repairing the harm their past behavior has caused others. There are twenty-nine (29) active Circles across Ohio which includes one (1) in Stark County within the 16th Congressional District.

### **Ashland Christian Health Center**

The Ashland Christian Health Center (ACHC) opened its doors on August 16, 2003 as an outreach ministry of the county’s churches to provide holistic health care for uninsured or under-insured individuals. The mission of ACHC is to provide primary health care, offer high quality affordable services which will promote spiritual, mental, social, and physical health; allow those who receive care through ACHC to identify their gifts and talents to serve others in the community; enable neighbors to heal one another; and, work cooperatively with existing community resources.