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August Is

National Inventors' Month

For more information
go to:

<http://coekate.murraystate.edu/kate/month/august/inventors/>

And

<http://lib.sdstate.edu/lib11/guidemonth/invent.html>

REENTRY

◆◆ Did you miss an issue of the UPDATE? ◆◆

Come visit us online at www.drc.state.oh.us/web/offenderreentry.htm for back issues of the Update, or visit us on the DRC Intranet under the Employee Information tab. We are under Newsletters then select Offender Reentry. The next issue of the Update will be out **September 7, 2006**.

WELCOME TO THE UPDATE

The Reentry CORE and MORE Update is a way of keeping everyone up to date about what is going on not only in the department but also around the nation with reentry. In each edition of The Reentry, CORE and MORE Update, there will be information on what is happening with reentry around the department, updates on the CORE Grant and in our MORE section, information on books, websites, news, research and reports, training opportunities, and funding resources. The Update will go out the first and third Thursday of each month. If you have information you feel would be an asset to the Update, please forward all information to Candace Knight. Please feel free to share the Update with all of those who have an interest in reentry.

Reentry UPDATES

Meat Processing Career Center Educational Program

Through the combined efforts of the Ohio Penal Industries and the Ohio State University, the Meat Processing Career Center Educational Program was developed to educate and serve the prisoner population in Ohio. The program consists of four educational modules available for inmates working at the ODRC Meat Processing Career Center. Once the inmate completes all four modules he receives twelve hours of college credit from the Ohio State University (OSU). These credits could be transferred and recognized by any major college. To date twenty-five inmates have completed at least one module, and fifteen have completed all four modules.

In addition, this program has been adopted for the Beverage Processing Center (BPC), and began operations on August 1, 2006. And finally, a similar program model is under development for the offenders working in the dairy barns.

In the SPOTLIGHT

Each month the Reentry CORE and MORE Update will highlight something new and interesting in Reentry. If you have any reentry websites, books, movies or resources that you feel have a good theme around reentry, please forward that information to [Candace Knight](#). Let's turn the **SPOTLIGHT** on for Reentry.

Web Design Program a Reentry Solution



What's being done to ensure that inmates receive and utilize both the opportunity, and tools, that will allow for the development and maximization of optimal, productive ability, leading to their post-incarceration functioning? What strategy has Reentry devised and implemented, leading to a wise allocation of its resources to realize a return on an investment in programming, yielding better educated, more socially-prepared inmates? The stratagem shift occurring at London Correctional Best Practices might provide the answer. The Interactive Graphic & Media Web Design Program has garnered much attention from corrections staff inner-, and outer-, state-wise, and has Central Office executives involved with the program grinning from ear to ear – offering a “thumb's up” in light of its success. Introduced on August 15th of 2005 by former ODRC director, Reginald Wilkinson, the program has earned the distinction of being named Best Practices' “Crown Jewel of Reentry.”

Having survived its incipient stage, the program is well into a second year of operation completing a total of 8 students with several more well on their way. Supplied with the latest technology relevant to “today's web design industry,” the program entails a curriculum that allows inmates to become artistic, efficient, and savvy web designers. Not only are business and social skills offered in the curriculum, but those whom already possess business, critical thinking, and social skills have the chance to integrate them with the creative/technological side of the program. Thus, inmates are not only shown how to make web pages and sites; they are molded into individuals able to contribute and operate in a competitive business environment, where both businesses and non-profits use the Internet to capitalize on viable opportunities. Hence, there's a revolving, mutual benefit for all parties involved. Endowed with the Instructors extensive industry experience, and two graduates of the progenitor class acting as aides – each with a diverse business acumen of varying degree – the Web Design Program is once again poised to develop a new set of capable designers, and further augment its status as ODRC's premier “reentry solution.”

Institution Announcements and Events

In each issue of the Reentry CORE and MORE Update we will highlight upcoming events around reentry at the department's institutions. We will also highlight Reentry Day events. If you would like to advertise your event please send the information to [Candace Knight](#).



CORE and FPRC Graduation Ceremony

On June 28, 2006, the Franklin Pre-Release Center held its Annual Graduation Ceremony. The morning ceremony consisted of recognizing the women who successfully completed various education programs. These are as follows: (16) drafting; (11) ABLE; (16) Pre-GED and (45) GRADS. The ceremony acknowledged those who received their GEDs. The uniqueness of this ceremony was Ms. Heather Lovell, a Community Oriented Reentry Program (CORE) participant, a formerly incarcerated person had the opportunity to return and walk with her graduating class. With family members and staff in attendance, 45 women proudly received their GEDs. These women proved that through hard work, dedication, and determination, you can really make dreams come true.

Project LINUS

Female offenders admitted to the Corrections Medical Center as long-term patients have begun work on a special community service project. Using their sewing and crocheting skills, these women are making quilts for the Project Linus. This non-profit organization was established to provide a “security blanket” for children from newborn to 18 years of age who are in crisis. Whether the children are dealing with serious illness, traumatization or personal or family tragedy, these special blankets are designed to provide a sense of security, love, warmth and comfort to help each child get through their personal ordeal. A tag with the lovable Linus character and his blanket is attached to each blanket before being distributed to a child in need. The Columbus Chapter of this nationwide program was established in 1999 and has distributed blankets to children in local hospitals, homeless shelters, and resettlement programs and through the Red Cross to those displaced by storms and other disasters.



CMC Graduation

The event recognized the 5 CMC cadre inmates who recently earned their “100% Completion” apprenticeship certificates, the one inmate-patient who earned his GED and the 19 inmate-patients and cadre, who completed the TEP program (Transitional Education Program) this year, as well as the apprenticeship supervisors. These apprenticeship programs require thousands of hours of study and work and give inmates who participate, a viable career upon release.



The apprenticeship certificate completers



Above are some of the TEP program graduates
(The rest have already been released)

Women on the Move, Partnerships for Independence



The Franklin Pre-Release Center (FPRC) hosted their Annual Job Fair/Reentry Resource Day entitled “Women on the Move, Partnerships for Independence” on July 18-19, 2006. Dr. Ed Rhine, Deputy Director of Policy and Offender Reentry joined Franklin Pre-Release Center as the keynote speaker for this event, which featured 22 community and resource agencies who provided workshops, presentations, and information booths to assist the women in creating a seamless transition back into their respective communities so they can “go home to stay.” In addition, five formerly incarcerated women held a panel “Women on the Move” discussion on moving towards their goals as they reach back to motivate and encourage others to do the same.

Along with visiting the information booths, approximately 295 offenders attended six workshops throughout the day. The topics of discussion ranged from supportive housing for individuals and families who are eligible for services through the mental health system, alcohol and drug agencies; resources on starting a business and specific opportunities available for women; public library resources; reinstatement requirements for driver license suspension; child support issues, and how to improve personal performance.

“We are about equipping our women with marketable skills, education and resources so they can be successful once they reenter the private sector. ‘Women on the Move, Partnerships for Independence’ is a significant opportunity to collaborate with our community partners to provide positive options for our women prior to their release from prison,” said Warden Tyson-Parker. As a result of this combined effort, several community resource agencies voiced a desire to partner with FPRC on a continuing basis.

The previous day, 21 offenders participated in the Job Fair and were interviewed by five local employers for possible employment upon their release. Warden Tracy Tyson-Parker said, “This job fair is a great example of our partnership with the community to provide employment opportunities for our women.”

[APA Regional Announcements and Events](#)

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Back-to-School Cookout



The Chillicothe Regional APA will be hosting their annual “back-to-school” cookout for disadvantage children in the Chillicothe area on Friday, August 18th from Noon- 3:00 p.m. at the Southern Playground 7th & Mechanic St. Last year’s event was a success. Disadvantage school aged children received school supplies and a book bag. Area agencies such as the Ross County Community Action, faith-based organizations and local business’ (Ross Co-Redi Mix) contributed to the success last year. We will grill hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixings. We expect a bigger and better turn out this year. Please come and support the event and help build the relationship between law enforcement, faith-based organizations and the community. If you have any questions, please contact Gretchen L. Breckenridge at 740-702-1238.

Upcoming Citizen Circle Training

The Chillicothe Regional APA will be conducting “Citizen’s Circle” training on Friday, September 15th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Ross County Service Center, Rm. B. If you are interested in attending, please contact Gretchen L. Breckenridge at 740-702-1238.

Butler County Citizen Circles

The Butler County - The Circle meets at the Booker T. Washington Community Center on the third Friday of each month from 1:30 – 3:30. Persons interested in receiving additional information or becoming a circle member they should contact Steve Cahill at 513-868-6600 ext 15.

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Mt. Pleasant Citizen Circle

Circle meets 1st Tuesday of the month from 5:30p.m. to 8:00p.m. @ Murtis Taylor Family and Resource Center 13411 Union Ave. Cleveland, Ohio 44120

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Franklin County Citizen Circle accepting applications

Central Ohio Citizen Circle East is taking applications for ex-offender participants. The Circle meets at the Columbus Urban League (788 Mt. Vernon Avenue) from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on the second Thursday of each month and from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM the fourth Tuesday of each month. Knowledgeable and dedicated Circle members provide participants with referrals, resources, support and accountability as they strive to meet their goals. Contact Carol Hill (614-752-0831) or Lisa Morgan (614-995-3771) with referrals, or to learn how you may become part of a Citizen Circle in the Central Ohio area!

New Circle in Fairfield County

The Fairfield County Citizen Circle meets the second Wednesday of every month from 9:00 AM -11:00 AM at the Fairfield County Jobs and Family Services Agency in Lancaster, Ohio. This Circle was generated through the efforts of the staff of the Southeastern Correctional Institution. Carol Hill and Lisa Morgan of the APA jumped on board and made it a reality. If you have *questions or referrals contact Christy Nichols* at 740.687.6738.

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Lima Region Citizen's Circles

Darke County Citizen's Circle: Second Thursday of each month at Noon Greenville Church of the Brethren, 421 Central Avenue, Greenville, Ohio. Service area coverage: Darke County

Lima Citizen's Circle: Third Wednesday of each month at Two O'clock in the afternoon at Grace United Methodist Church, 125 West Kibby Street, Lima, Ohio. Service area coverage: Lima and surrounding communities.

North Toledo Citizen's Circle/Afternoon: Third Monday at **6:30pm** each Month at Salem Lutheran Church, 1125 North Huron, Toledo, Ohio 43604. Service area coverage: Lucas County.

North River Citizen's Circle/ Evening: Third Monday at Six O'clock in the Evening of each Month at Salem Lutheran Church, 1125 North Huron, Toledo, Ohio 43604. Service area coverage: Lucas County.

NEW CIRCLE STARTED:

Sandusky County Citizen's Circle - There will be an upcoming Citizen Circle starting Tuesday, July 25th @ 6pm at the Pontifex, 16 West State Street, Freemont, Ohio. This circle will start taking offenders August 22nd and will meet the 4th Tuesday each month. Rev Jeannie Weber will lead this Circle and can be reached at 419.355.2999. Service area coverage: Sandusky County

Napoleon /Defiance Citizen's Circle: Several counties are involved in starting this Circle. It will be held at the Disciple House, 1727 Spruce Street, Defiance, Ohio. If interested in attending this Citizen Circle please consult with Faith Leader John Weber or John Catell at 419 395 1020. We will keep you posted on the development and progress! Service area coverage: Pending

Questions/ Need Information:

Have questions or need information on Citizen's Circles, please contact: Adult Parole Authority's Reentry Coordinator Chris Stewart at 1 419 245 2935 or email her at Chris.Stewart@odrc.state.oh.us. Thanks!

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Mansfield Region Citizen Circles

The Mansfield Region currently hosts four local Citizen Circles in the counties of Ashland, Lorain, Marion, and Richland. The various Citizen Circles in the Mansfield Region have the same central goal: to offer support to those under supervision by helping them shed the label of "offender" and become productive members of their local communities again. To get involved with any of these Circles, please contact Jay Glauner at (419) 521-3750 or Lisa Fernandez at (419) 522-2441.

Ashland County Citizen Circle

Meets: First Monday of each month from 3:00pm – 5:00pm
 Location: Transformation Network, 317 Pleasant Street, Ashland, Ohio 44805

Lorain County Citizen Circle

Meets: Second Tuesday of each month from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.
 Location: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 300 Third Street, Elyria, Ohio 44035

Marion County Citizen Circle

Meets: Third Tuesday of each month from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.
 Location: Prospect Street United Methodist Church, 185 S. Prospect Street, Marion, Ohio 43302

Richland County Citizen Circle

Meets: Third Thursday of each month from 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.
 Location: Richland County Mental Health Board, 87 E. First Street, Suite L, Mansfield,

For Information on **Citizen Circles** in your area visit our website at: <http://www.drc.state.oh.us/web/Citizen/citizencircle.htm>

C.O.R.E**Updates****Multi-site Evaluation of the Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative**

Check out what's new at <http://www.svori-evaluation.org/>

SVORI Multi-site Evaluation Presentations

◆ The 2007 American Parole and Probation Association Training Institute -July 25, 2006
http://www.svori-evaluation.org/documents/presentations/2006_07_APPA.pdf

◆ The 2006 NIJ Conference- July 20, 2006
http://www.svori-evaluation.org/documents/presentations/2006_07_NIJ_Conference.pdf

AND MORE

Books and Websites

◆ **PODCAST.NET**

Check out this website and you will find four pod casts around the topic of offender reentry hosted by Sheila Savage.

- Welcome
- Finding the Strength To Go On
- Passion and Purpose
- The Psychology of Fear

<http://www.podcast.net/show/66861>

◆ **Mentor Recruitment Kit Offers Free Resource**

The national Network of Youth Ministries offer a free kit that includes a DVD, resources guide, public service announcements and much more.

<http://mentoryouth.com/index.cfm/fuseaction/recruitment.gettingstarted>

◆ **Re-Entry Policy Council Updates** ◆

Information was taken from the Re-Entry Policy Council Newsletter –July 25, 2006

Homelessness and Prison Reentry

Strategies for Addressing Housing Needs and Risks in Prisoner Re-Entry

<http://www.reentrypolicy.org/rp/AGP.Net/Components/DocumentViewer/Download.aspxnz?DocumentID=1283>

Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) and Prisoner Re-Entry

Strategies for Addressing Housing Needs and Risks in Prisoner Re-Entry

<http://www.reentrypolicy.org/rp/AGP.Net/Components/DocumentViewer/Download.aspxnz?DocumentID=1284>

Hill Update: House Judiciary Committee Sends Second Chance Act to the Floor

<http://www.reentrypolicy.org/rp/main.aspx?dbName=DocumentViewer&DocumentID=1304>

◆ **GovBenefits.gov**

GovBenefits.gov provides citizens in need with a one-stop source for connecting to government assistance programs. This website helps citizens quickly identify benefit and assistance programs that meet their specific needs, including information to assist them in times of disaster or other emergencies. Using an online questionnaire, citizens seeking assistance can quickly find programs they may be eligible to receive. For more information visit their website at www.GovBenefits.gov

◆ **Ex-Offenders and Service Providers Needed** ◆

Project SOAR has a survey they would like Ex-Offenders and Service Providers who directly or indirectly work with the offender population, complete their survey. Your input is important. Please click on the link below that best describes you and complete the survey. The deadline to complete the survey is August 23, 2006. If you have any question please feel free to contact:

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Service Provider Survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=950432316800>

Ex-Offender Survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=437422365173>

News, Research, and Reports

◆ **Why I Quit the Prison System: California's last corrections chief on what the state needs to do next.**

By Jeanne S. Woodford – Los Angeles Times – August 6, 2006

<http://www.latimes.com/news/printedition/opinion/la-op-woodford6aug06.1.5667556.story?ctrack=1&cset=true>

◆ **Most violent felons have priors, study finds**

USA Today – August 7, 2006

http://www.usatoday.com/printedition/news/20060807/a_capcol07.art.htm

◆ Successful Transition and Reentry for Safer Communities: A Call to Action for Parole

By Peggy Burke and Michael Tonry- Center of Effective Public Policy- 2006

<http://www.cepp.com/documents/A%20Call%20to%20Action%20for%20Parole.pdf>

◆ Time Served: Help for the Hardest Part of Prison: Staying Out

By Erik Eckholm, New York Time – August 12, 2006

http://www.nytimes.com/2006/08/12/us/12reentry.html?_r=2&th=&oref=slogin&emc=th&pagewanted=print&oref=slogin

Getting It Right: Collaborative Problem Solving for Criminal Justice

U.S Department of Justice, National Institute of Corrections- 2006

<http://www.nicic.org/Library/019834>

◆ Recidivism Findings for the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration's Mentoring Program: Final Report

By Elizabeth Drake –The Washington State Institute for Public Policy- July 2006 (#06-06-1202)

<http://www.wsipp.wa.gov/rptfiles/06-07-1202.pdf>

Failure to Enact Mental Health Parity: Consequences for Ohio Businesses and Communities.”

By the Coalition for Healthy Communities – July 2006

<http://www.namiohio.org/>

Instituting Lasting Reforms for Prisoner Reentry in Philadelphia.”

Report submitted to the Jackson v Hendricks Oversight Committee by John Roman, Michael Kane, Emily Turner, Beverly Frazier_ July, 2006.

Available at: <http://www.urban.org/publications/411345.html>

A possible miracle for addiction

By Sarah Etter, News Reporter- Corrections.com- July 5, 2006

<http://www.corrections.com/news/feature/index.aspx>

◆ Brown County crafts program to help former inmates

By Jean Peerenboom- Green Bay Press Gazette- July 9, 2006

<http://www.religionandsocialpolicy.org/news/article.cfm?id=4509>

Citizen Circle helps former inmates adjust to life after prison

By Carl Bennett Jr. – The Lancaster Eagle-Gazette - July 17, 2006

<http://www.lancastereaglegazette.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20060717/NEWS01/607170312&SearchID=73251032486956>

Businesses, ex-cons have much to gain at career fair

By Sylvester Brown Jr., St. Louis Post- July 21, 2006

<http://www.stltoday.com/stltoday/news/columnists.nsf/sylvesterbrownjr/story/F18F7E0A92C360C6862571B20011ECA9?OpenDocument>

Effective Reentry Programs

By Christy Visher –Urban Institute- July 24, 2006

http://www.urban.org/UploadedPDF/1001016_reentry_programs.pdf

Everybody deserves a second chance

By Rep. Danny Davis – The Hill –OP-ED, July 25, 2006

http://www.hillnews.com/thehill/export/TheHill/Comment/OpEd/072506_oped1.html

Strengthening Family Ties- Behind Bars

By Carin Yavorcik- Blade- July 31, 2006

<http://www.toledoblade.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20060731/NEWS17/607310321/-1/ARCHIVES30>

◆ Sex Offender Sentencing in Washington State: Who Participates in the Prison Treatment Program?

By Robert Barnoski - The Washington State Institute for Public Policy- June 2006 (#06-06-1204)

<http://www.wsipp.wa.gov/rptfiles/06-06-1204.pdf>

◆ Sex Offender Sentencing in Washington State: Does the Prison Treatment Program Reduce Recidivism?

By Robert Barnoski - The Washington State Institute for Public Policy- June 2006 (#06-06-1205)

<http://www.wsipp.wa.gov/rptfiles/06-06-1205.pdf>

Funding Opportunities

◆ **Tiger Woods Foundation Grants**

Deadline: February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 annually

The Tiger Woods Foundation grant-making process focuses on providing opportunities to children and families who are underserved. Funding is approved for the programmatic areas of education, youth development, parenting, and family health and welfare. Organizations must be tax-exempt under Section 501(c) 3 and not a 509(a) private foundation. (Please note . public schools are not 501(c)(3) tax-exempt. Individual organizations within a public school that are 501(c)(3) tax-exempt may apply). For more information, visit www.twfound.org/grants/default.sps?itype=7609.

◆ **The Allstate Foundation Community Development Grant**

Deadline: The foundation has no deadlines for submission

The Allstate Foundation supports national and local programs that fit within one of three focus areas: safe and vital communities, tolerance, inclusion, and diversity, and economic empowerment. The foundation makes grants to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

For more information, visit www.allstate.com/Community/PageRender.asp?Page=foundation.html.

McKenzie Foundation Community Development Grants

Deadline: Ongoing

The purpose of the McKenzie Foundation is to encourage and support nonprofit programs, primarily in the areas of education, health, human services and cultural and environmental concerns. Faced with the task of translating these broad-reaching goals into a more focused set of grant guidelines, the board has selected four initiatives that will shape its grant making for the next few years: early childhood development, education, the environment and arts and culture. The foundation makes grants only to tax-exempt organizations with 501(c)(3) classification. It does not support for-profit organizations or candidates for political office. For more information, visit: www.mckenziefoundation.us/guidelines.php.

Cigna Foundation Health Grants

Deadline: Ongoing

The Cigna Foundation is soliciting applications from nonprofit organizations for programs in a variety of areas, including community and civic affairs, education, health and human services, and culture and the arts. Projects involving women's health and domestic violence will be given priority. Interested parties should prepare a one- to two-page summary of their request with program objectives, a description of the organization, a copy of the organization's most recent audited financial statement and suggested methods of evaluation of the requested program. Individuals and faith-based and political organizations are barred from applying. Organizations must be 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

For more information, visit: www.cigna.com/general/about/community/grant_information.html.

Prudential Foundation

Deadline: Ongoing

Ready to Work focuses on initiatives that increase employment opportunities by strengthening job skills and opportunities, and by promoting neighborhood development activities. Programs involve workforce development and increasing entrepreneurship through financial training and access to capital. Ready to Work also promotes the creation of decent, affordable housing by working in partnership with Community Housing Development Corporations and community development financial institutions. For more information, please visit:

<http://www.prudential.com/productsAndServices/0,1474,intPageID%253D1440%2526bInPrinterFriendly%253D0,00.html>

The Annie E. Casey Foundation

Deadline: Rolling

The Annie E. Casey Foundation makes grants that are, in general, limited to initiatives that have significant potential to demonstrate innovative policy, service delivery and community supports for children and families. The majority of the foundation's current giving is targeted to the Making Connections initiative. More information about the Making Connections initiative can be found on the foundation website here. For more information, please visit <http://www.aecf.org/about/grantguidelines.htm>.

IBM Community Relations Workforce Development Gants

IBM Community Relations supports technology's important role in adult education and job training. The IBM Foundation helps job seekers secure and retain employment by providing hand-on experience with today's technologies. For more information, please visit <http://www.ibm.com/ibm/ibmqives/grant/grantapp.shtml>.

Mary Kay Ash Charitable Foundation Grant

Deadline: September 1, 2006

The goal of the Mary Kay Ash Charitable Foundation is to eliminate domestic violence. As a part of this effort the Foundation wishes to donate funds to worthwhile organizations that aid the victims of domestic violence. Grants to shelters for victims of domestic violence will be made following review of this document and requested attachments. The funds awarded by the Foundation may be used for the operating budget of the shelter, with the exception of travel. No exceptions will be made. Failure to receive a grant does not prohibit the shelter from applying the following year. Shelters that receive grants may not apply the following year. The Foundation wishes to aid the largest number of shelters as possible.

<http://www.mkacf.org/Violence/ShelterGrantWinners.html>

Seed Funds for Social Justice, Media and Campaign Reform**Deadline:** September 1, 2006

The Arca Foundation offers grants of \$50,000 to include worker justice, campaign finance reform, government or corporate accountability, civic participation or media and First Amendment rights. Grants will be awarded based on interests to pursue social equity and justice efforts that affect public policy. Nonprofits that can educate the general public and impact policy are eligible to apply. For more **Information: Donna Edwards, Executive Director, Arca Foundation, 1308 Nineteenth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036- <http://www.arcafoundation.org/>**

W.H.O. Foundation**Deadline:** September 12, 2006

The WHO Foundation (Women Helping Others®) nationally supports grass-roots charities serving the overlooked needs of women and children. Grants are provided to organizations serving women and/or children in the United States and Puerto Rico. Specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social-service needs are the foundation's priority. In order to qualify for funding, an organization must have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status through the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Funding will be considered for grass-roots charities with: total organization budget of \$2 million or less; government funding of less than 30% of income; United Way funding of less than 30% of income; salaries/wages and benefits not more than 50% of budget.

For more information contact: The WHO Foundation Grants, P.O. Box 816029, Dallas, TX 75381-6029, or visit their web site at http://www.whofoundation.org/WHO_Funding.htm

The Cable Positive Tony Cox Community Fund**Deadline:** September 15, 2006

Cable Positive's Tony Cox Community Fund is a national grant program that exists to encourage community-based AIDS organizations and cable outlets to partner in joint community outreach efforts, or to produce and distribute new, locally focused HIV/AIDS-related programs and public service announcements (PSAs). Funded program/project must be completed in conjunction with a local 501(c)(3) and/or HIV/AIDS organization. This organization can help provide the necessary information regarding HIV/AIDS in your community. Grants are available of up to \$5,000. Cable Positive allocates \$100,000 to support two grant cycles each year.

For more information contact Thomas Henning, Cable Positive, 1775 Broadway, Suite 433, New York, NY 10019, E-mail: thenning@cablepositive.org or Web: <http://www.cablepositive.org/programstonycox.html>

CVS/pharmacy -- Community Grants for Nonprofits**Deadline:** October 31, 2006

CVS/pharmacy supports the many communities the company serves by providing nonprofit organizations the opportunity to apply for a CVS/pharmacy Community Grant if the project falls within its funding guidelines. CVS is currently accepting proposals for the following: (1) programs targeting children under age 18 with disabilities that address any of the following: (a) health and rehabilitation services; (b) public schools promoting a greater level of inclusion in student activities and extracurricular programs (c) creating opportunities or facilities which give greater access to physical movement and play and (2) health-care services for uninsured people.

All CVS/pharmacy Community Grant applications must be submitted online. Visit their website for more information at: http://www.cvs.com/corplnfo/community/community_grants.html

The J. Jill Compassion Fund**Deadline:** December 15, annually.

The J. Jill Group considers written proposals for cash grants from nonprofit organizations within the United States only. Organizations serving homeless or at-risk women and children by providing job training, transitional and/or affordable housing, education, emergency shelter, or other types of aid will be considered upon submission of a grant proposal.

They will consider recommending grants only for existing programs. Grant requests should be between \$250 and \$15,000. All grants are made on a one-time basis.

For more information visit their website at: <http://www.jjill.com/about/community.asp?AreaID=OL>

Public Welfare Foundation Announces Funding Priorities for 2006**Deadline:** Open

The Public Welfare Foundation, which supports nonprofits addressing human needs in disadvantaged communities, has announced its grant priorities for 2006. The foundation supports organizations that include service, advocacy and empowerment in their efforts to address specific problems. Among the priorities for 2006: Community Development, Criminal Justice (\$1.5 million and funding goes to alternatives to incarceration legal services for the poor and violence prevention), Health, Reproductive Health, Environment, Welfare Reform, Human Rights and Global Security.

Information: PWF, <http://www.publicwelfare.org>

Ohio State Bar Foundation Grant**Deadlines** for submitting grant applications are **February 15** and **August 15**

Grants are given in three funding categories and are to meet the foundations mission. The three categories are: Short term Project-Based funding, Long-Term Partnerships/ Alliances and Capacity building. The Foundation's Trustees consider proposals twice each year. For more information about OSBF Grants go to: http://www.osbf.net/grant_home.html

Community and International Justice Program Funding**Application Deadline:** Ongoing

The Justice, Equality, Human Dignity and Tolerance (JEHT) Foundation was established in 2000 to provide funding for community and international justice programs. Letters of inquiry are reviewed in October, March and July.

For more information go to <http://www.jehtfoundation.org/index2.html>

Hitachi Foundation Business and Community Grants**Deadline:** Rolling

The Hitachi Foundation funds projects that strengthen corporate citizenship, including programs that support workforce development. The Foundation focuses on partnerships that enable economically isolated people to retain and advance in their jobs, earn living wages, and accumulate savings and assets. The actions and interaction of business and community are fundamental to this goal. They support path-breaking business and community partnerships in order to capture lessons from leader that can advance the field. To learn more, please visit <http://www.hitachifoundation.org/grants/guidelines/index.html#focus>

The Starr Foundation**Deadline:** Ongoing

The foundation currently has assets of approximately \$3.5 billion, making it one of the largest private foundations in the United States. It makes grants in a number of areas, including education, medicine and health care, human needs, public policy, culture, and the environment. The award amounts go up to \$2,000.

For more information contact The Starr Foundation, 70 Pine Street, 29th Floor, New York, NY 10270.

Web: <http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/starr/#guidesched>

OVC HOPE Grants**Deadline:** Ongoing

The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) provides \$5,000 under the Helping Outreach Programs to Expand (HOPE) program to grass roots community- and faith-based victim service organizations and coalitions to improve outreach and services to crime victims through program development, networking, coalition building and service delivery.

For more information go to: <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/expandingoutreach/welcome.html>

Foundation Funding to Prevent Domestic Violence**Application Deadline:** Open

The parent foundation of the Target store chain offers an array of funding through its Community Giving grants program, which includes family violence prevention-substance abuse is usually a factor in most domestic violence-among its three areas of focus-the others are the arts and reading. Support for family violence prevention, includes funding for parenting education, crisis nurseries, family counseling, after-school programs and abuse shelters. Most grants will range between \$1,000-\$3,000.

Applicants must be nonprofits or public agencies. Organizations in Alaska, Hawaii or Vermont are not eligible. **For more**

Information, visit: http://target.com/target_group/community_giving/local_giving.jhtml

The After Prison Initiative from the Open Society Institute:

http://www.soros.org/initiatives/justice/focus_areas/after_prison/guidelines

Application Deadline: Inquiries are accepted on a rolling basis.

The After Prison Initiative will consider proposals from advocacy groups, community groups, scholarly or research institutions, government agencies, associations of elected officials, and nonprofit business associations or initiatives. Priority will be given to organizations in which people with criminal convictions have a leadership role and/or meaningful participation. The After Prison Initiative does **NOT** provide funding for: Programs or direct services, lobbying activities, start-up costs or seed monies, annual fundraising drives, projects undertaken by individuals, general support (for first-time grantees), capital costs, including equipment or real estate purchases/renovations, film production or post-production.

Juvenile Justice Assistance**Application Deadline:** Ongoing

The MacArthur Foundation invites letters of inquiry for juvenile justice-related grants that expand knowledge about the origins, development, prevention and treatment of juvenile crime and delinquency. The goal of this work is to promote an effective juvenile justice system that is linked to relevant agencies, acknowledged to play a critical role in the community, and is held accountable for public safety and the rehabilitation of young offenders.

<http://www.macfound.org/site/c.1kLXJ8MQKrH/b.855229/k.CC2B/Home.htm>

Training and Conference Opportunities**Announcing OVC's Fall/Winter 2006 Training Program**

The **Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)** sponsors training workshops for victim service professionals each year. Workshops are designed to build practical technical skills and enhance knowledge of victim service issues. The Fall/Winter schedule offers several new workshops as well as favorites from years past. You may download the **OVC Training Calendar Registration Form** or register and pay online at <http://www.ovcttac.org/calendar/training.cfm>. OVC Professional Development Scholarships Are Available Scholarships provide up to \$1,000 for individuals and up to \$5,000 for multidisciplinary teams of victim service professionals seeking continuing education opportunities. For additional Training Calendar information or registration instructions, please call OVC TTAC at 1-866-OVC-TTAC (1-866-682-8822); TTY: 1-866-682-8880.

Super Trainer! Train on Domestic Violence Like a Pro**When:** August 24-25, 2006**Where:** Mansfield**Host Agency:** Domestic Violence Shelter**Registration Deadline:** August 17, 2006

This two-day workshop is a training of trainers. Facilitators will assist participants in designing, implementing and facilitating workshops on domestic violence that fit the needs of different audiences. In addition to modules on general adult learning principles, assessing group needs, logistical planning, and useful exercises, this workshop gives participants the opportunity to practice and hone facilitation skills. Participants will receive a manual and a 'Trainer's Toolbox' on CD-Rom. Call 614.781-9651 or visit <http://www.odvn.org/> for more details.

Women's Issues in Recovery & Reentry**August 25, 2006****Ann Bass Academy****9am-4pm****38 N. Walnut St., Dayton (South), OH 45449**

This workshop will provide participants with information about issues commonly seen in females that affect the CD treatment process. Also, discussed will be the effects of incarceration on female addicts and relate how these effects make it difficult to engage this population in the recovery and reentry process. Participants will learn techniques designed to assist clients who are affected by gender specific issues. A panel of women will be present to discuss their experiences with recovery and reentry.

Presenters: Edward D. Lampton, B.A., M.Ed., M.B.A., LICDC and Khadijah Ali. **Mr. Lampton** is a seasoned consultant and trainer. He is the author of numerous addiction home study courses published by Ed Lampton & Associates. He is currently the Executive Director of Warren County TASC program in Springboro, Ohio. **Ms. Ali** is a consultant and trainer for the Ann Bass Academy. She also facilitates groups such as, *The Psychology of Incarceration* and *The Winners' Circle* (ODADAS recognized). She is a survivor of abuse, incarceration, and serious addiction issues. Ms. Ali continues to help others in their recovery and reentry process. **Cost: \$105 (lunch included) Seats are limited.**

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Association of Women Executives in Corrections Conference**When:** Sept. 8-10, 2006**Where:** Phoenix.

For more information, contact Luella Burke at (231) 845-1789 or

aburke9534@aol.com

Creating Synergy: Aligning All Levels of an Organization to Make "What Works" Work

Conference Presented by Talbert House and co-sponsored by ICCA

When: September 7-8, 2006**Where:** Sheraton Cincinnati North Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio

For more information visit: www.talberthouse.org

National Major Gang Task Force.**When:** Sept. 10-13, 2006**Where:** Indianapolis, Indiana Adam's Mark Hotel

For more information, contact Ed Cohn at (317) 322-0537 or visit www.nmgtf.org

Responding to Diversity In Our Communities: Intervening with Latino Men who Batter**When:** September 15, 2006**Where:** Midwest Hotel and Conference Center, Columbus, OH**Registration Deadline:** August 31, 2006

Julia Perilla, Ph.D. is a clinical community psychologist and Associate Professor of Psychology at Georgia State University. Dr. Perilla is the founder of Caminar Latino, a comprehensive intervention for Latino families affected by domestic violence. She serves as Director of El Centro: The National Latino Research Center on Domestic Violence at Georgia State University, a component of the National Latino Alliance for the Elimination of Domestic Violence. She is President of TAPESTRI: The Refugee and Immigrant Coalition Challenging Gender-Based Oppression and an appointee to the Georgia Commission on Family Violence. Call 614.781-9651 or visit <http://www.odvn.org/> for more details.

7th Annual Inside Out Summit

"Rehabilitation Re-emerge: Working Together to Help Those Affected by Incarceration"

When: September 11-12, 2006

Where: San Francisco, Ca

For more information contact: Tiffany Barber, Summit Coordinator at 415.456.9980 - ext. 135 or by email at TBarber@centerforce.org. Visit their website at: <http://www.centerforce.org/summit/>

13th National TASC Conference on Drug and Crime: Recovery- Rights- Responsibility

When: September 17-20, 2006

Where: Birmingham, AL

For more information send and email to ntasc@comcast.net or call 703-836-8272

7TH National Conference on Addiction and Criminal Behavior

When: September 17-20, 2006

Where: St. Louis, Missouri

Anyone working with mandated clients who suffer from drug and alcohol addiction, this is the one conference that can't be missed. Experts from the addiction and criminal justice field will discuss areas of critical importance and address the newest strategies for working with this challenging population. For more information visit http://www.gwcinc.com/2006_ncacb.htm or Call GWC at 800-851-5406.

9th Annual Domestic Violence Training Seminar

When: September 21 –and- 22, 2006

Where: R.G. Drage Career Education Center, 6805 Richville Dr. S.W., Massillon, OH

Deadline: September 11, 2006

The information shared during this seminar will assist the attendee in gaining practical and insightful knowledge from professionals who are currently involved in the domestic violence field in a variety of areas. For more information and to receive a copy of the brochure, call Jennifer Dave at 330-832-9856.

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) National Conference

When: September 25-27, 2006

Where: Orlando, FL

For more information about presentation submissions and guidelines, please contact Michele Saunders at Michele.fpic@adelphia.net or by phone at 407-574-7182.

Alcohol, Drugs and Domestic Violence

When: September 29, 2006

Where: Columbus, Ohio

Registration Deadline: September 22, 2006

This full-day training is designed to help advocates better understand the intersections of alcohol and other drugs (AOD) and domestic violence. Topics include the dynamics of alcohol and drug addiction, the treatment and recovery process, and how to recognize the impact of AOD use and/or addiction on survivors. The facilitator will discuss safety planning with addicted women or with women whose partners are addicted. Participants will gain awareness about community resources and how to effectively advocate for women with addiction issues. For more information call 614.781-9651.

8th National Conference on Preventing Crime: *Helping Build Safer Communities*

When: October 3-5, 2007

Where: Atlanta, Georgia

For more information visit their website at: www.ncpc.org/NationalConference2007

ICCA's 14th Annual International "What Works" Research Conference.

When: October 8-11, 2006.

Where: Radisson Norfolk Hotel, Norfolk Virginia,

For more information go to: <http://www.iccaweb.org/norfolkflier.pdf> or <http://www.iccaweb.org/index.php?section=6>

The 2006 National Transitional Jobs Network Conference

Strengthening Communities, Building the Workforce of the Future, *Transitional Jobs Work*

When: October 12-13, 2006

Where: Atlanta, Georgia, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta.

Please continue to visit the NTJN website <http://www.transitionaljobs.net/Events/Events.htm> for updates or to register online go to <http://www.regonline.com/Checkin.asp?EventId=96593>

National Prisoner Reentry Conference "The Heart of the Problem"

Sponsored by Transition of Prisoners Inc. and Operation Oasis

When: October 13-15, 2006

Where: Westin Park Central Hotel, Dallas, TX

Website: www.topinc.net - Telephone: (313) 875-3883 x28

♦ **"Collectively Changing Lives" Re-Entry Conference**

When: October 19th from 8:00 am – 4:00pm and October 20th from 8:00am – 12:00pm

Where: Columbus Urban League-788 Mt Vernon Ave, Columbus Ohio, 43203

This two-day conference will educate participants on many issues and strategies pertaining to the criminal justice/ex-offender population. Fee: The cost of the training will be \$100 (non-refundable, unless conference cancels), which includes breakfast, lunch and training handouts, and training education hours. Onsite registration, add an additional \$20. All registration materials must be in by October 16th, 2006. For more information call (614) 425-2909 or send an email to projectsoar2004@yahoo.com

National Training Conference for Criminal Justice and Community Leaders

Multi-Jurisdictional Law Enforcement Training Conference "Working Together to Serve Better"

When: November 1-3, 2006

Where: Radisson Hotel and Conference Center Green Bay, WI 54303

Website: <http://www.fvtc.edu/tp2.asp?ID=CJ-Multi-Jurisdictional+Conference&pix=001>

♦ **The 2006 National Summit on Prisoner Reentry**

When: November 8-9, 2006

Where: Memphis Marriott Downtown, Arlington, VA

For more information or to register go to www.performanceweb.org or call 708-894-0481

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Admit You're Happy Month
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 Back-To-School Month
 Black Business Month
 Children's Vision and Learning Month
 Data Entry Month
 Golf Month
 Happiness Happens Month
 National Inverters' Month
 National Win with Civility Month
 Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month
 Women's Small Business Month

August Weekly Observances

Aug. 25-31. Be Kind To Humankind Week
 Aug. 11-17. National Buckle Up Week

August Daily Observances

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