



THE REENTRY, CORE AND MORE UPDATE

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March

Is:

**National Women's
History
Month**

For more information

Go to:

<http://www.defenselink.mil/specials/womenshistory/>

And

<http://www.infoplease.com/spot/womensintro1.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 **April 5, 2007**.

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

Faith-Based Programming, Reentry and Recidivism Symposium A Success

The Institute for Excellence in Justice, a collaborative partnership between ODRC and the Ohio State University's Criminal Justice Research Center hosted the "Faith-Based Programming, Reentry and Recidivism Symposium" at the Ohio Institute on Correctional Best Practices. Seeking to facilitate an ongoing dialogue between research, the faith community and corrections, over 240 participants attended a variety of sessions focused on research addressing the impact of faith-based programming or reentry and recidivism; what is being done in Ohio; government funding sources and opportunities; and, the legal issues surrounding church-state collaborations. Additionally, over 30 faith and community organizations set up resource tables and provided a wealth of information on their programs and services. Speakers included Director Collins, Representative John White, Dr. Byron Johnson from Baylor University, Chris Money from the Department of Youth Services, Debbie Roeger from Opening Doors, Shannon Teague from the Department of Youth Services, Ed Rhine, Gary Sims, Steve McFarland from the U.S. Department of Justice, Greg Trout, Austin Stout, Joe Mancini from the Attorney General's Office, and Dr. Townsend Price-Spratlen, Dr. David Goldberg and Dr. Doug Berman, all from the Ohio State University.

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.

Franklin County Citizen Circle

Central Ohio Citizen Circle East is taking applications for ex-offenders participants. The Circle meets at the Columbus Urban League (788 Mt Vernon Ave) from 9am to 11am on the second Thursday of each month and from 4pm to 6pm the fourth Tuesday of each month. Knowledgeable and dedicated Circle members from agencies like Faith Mission, South-East Mental Health, Veterans Administration, and Legal-Aid Association just to name a few with referrals, resources, support and accountability as they strive to meet their goals. Contact Carol Hill (614-752-0831) Lisa Morgan (614-995-3771) or Weslee Pullen (614-257-6300)

*The Central Ohio Citizen Circle has had many success stories; one particular circle member spent the last 25 years in prison and now has a heart-warming story to share with those who may be in a similar situation. For more on this terrific young man, stay tune to the **SPOTLIGHT** in the next issue of Reentry, CORE and More.*

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](#).

Reentry on the Move at CMC

- On February 7, 2007, CMC hosted a Reentry-focused presentation by Mr. Douglas Ridenour, a former DRC inmate. Mr. Ridenour spoke to the CMC Cadre and long-term female population on the topics of the "Road To Success" and why Reentry means Going Home to Stay. He shared the trials and heartaches he encountered while trying to find gainful employment. He encouraged those present to never give up hope of finding employment as he, had to send out over 107 applications before he landed a job. Mr. Ridenour also responded to numerous questions from the attentive audience.
- On February 21, CMC hosted a second Reentry-focused presentation involving a panel of four guest speakers. Mr. Jeffrey Tibbs, a former inmate, started his own janitorial services company and landed a position with a manufacturing firm, working his way up to a management position in which he supervises nearly 250 other staff. Mr. Terynso El Amin, also a former inmate, is a successful realtor. Both of these men encouraged the Cadre and female inmates attending the presentation to make a conscious effort to change their lives and focus on doing what they needed to do to succeed in life. The third panelist was Ms. Zandria Galvin, Rehabilitative Services Commission, who provided information on support services available in the community. The fourth panelist, Ms. Jyonne Dickerson, has experience in the HR department of a large corporation and was able to provide meaningful guidance to those in attendance about job searches and interviews. Following the initial presentations, the panelists answered many questions, openly sharing lessons learned through their personal experiences and the expertise of their professional experiences.

APA Regional Announcements and Events

AKRON

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Citizen Circles

Greater Akron Citizen Circle

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 3pm to 5pm
1501 South Hawkins Blvd.
Akron Ohio

Greater Canton Citizen Circle

Meets on the 4th Monday of each month from 11am to 3pm
408 9th Street S.W.
Canton, Ohio

Mahoning County Citizen Circle

Meets on the 3rd Monday of each month from 10am to 12pm
359 West Rayen Ave.
Youngstown, Ohio

Trumbull County Citizen Circle

Meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 11am to 1pm
309 North Park Ave.
Warren, Ohio

The Alliance Citizen Circle

In the Planning Process and is looking for volunteers
interested volunteers can contact: John Geras @ 330-643-1472

Ex-Offender Support Groups

Community Reentry Ex-Offender Support Group

Meets Every Tuesday from 6:30pm to 8pm
1420 Dogwood Lane
Youngstown, Ohio

Welcome Home Ex-Offender Support Group

Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 5pm to 6pm
28916 Euclid Ave.
Wickliffe, Ohio

Chillicothe:

The Reentry Coordinator for this region is:

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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.

Cincinnati

The Reentry Coordinator for this region is:

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The Reentry Coordinator for this region is:

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Cleveland Region's 2nd Annual Information Forum

When

Wednesday April 25, 2007 from 10am – 2pm

Where

Laucshe Building- Cleveland Ohio

Who Should Attend?

The purpose of the Forum is to give the clients an opportunity to gain information about resources in the community, engage in dialogue in a non intimidating environment and to give the agencies a chance to network with each other.

For more information contact Sharyna Cloud at 216-787-4147

Cleveland Citizen Circles

The Cleveland region is host to 7 Citizen Circles, all which is in Cuyahoga County. The goal of all our circles is to “be a collaborative effort that binds our community together to empower participants to become productive citizens, heal the community, and mend moral fibers.” To become involved with any of the Citizen Circles, please contact Sharyna Cloud at 216.787.3019 or Joyce Chisar at 216.787.3761.

The Southeast Side Circles

Lee Miles

4234 Lee Road: They meet the 1st Monday of each month from 6pm – 8pm. For more Information call 216-752-2743

Greater Harvard –

4 086 East 131st: They meet the 3rd Monday of each month from 6pm – 8pm. For more information call 216-751-2644

Mt. Pleasant-

13412 Kinsman Ave: They meet the 1st Tuesday of each month from 6pm – 8pm. For more information cal 216-491.9809

Hough Circles

St. Agnes & Our Lady of Fatima

6800 Lexington Ave: They meet the 1st Monday of each month from 6pm – 8pm. For more information call 216.391.1655
Cleveland Citizen Circles Cont...

Downtown: The newest circle

2nd Mondays 12pm – 2pm
CEOGC/Medical Arts Building (lower level)
2475 E. 22nd Street-216.881.7882

Glenville: In transition (not accepting applications)

3rd Mondays 12pm – 2pm
Lee-Memorial A.M.E. Church
781 E. 105th-216.761.4447

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Central Ohio Citizen Circles

Citizen Circles in the Columbus area are thriving! We are looking to expand the current Circles or even establish new Circles in order to better serve our communities. Would you like to become a Citizen Circle member or learn more about the Citizen Circle process?

Would you or your agency like to take the lead for a new Citizen Circle?

Please contact us!

Lisa Morgan (614) 995-3771

Carol Hill (614) 752-0831
carol.hill@odrc.state.oh.us

We will schedule training sessions in the Columbus area throughout the next several months for those who are interested in becoming involved.

Fairfield County Circle:

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 12:00pm 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 2:00pm at Grace United Methodist Church, 125 West Kibby Street, Lima, Ohio. Service area coverage: Lima and surrounding communities.

North Toledo Citizen's Circle/Afternoon: First Thursday of each Month at 12:00pm at Wesley United Methodist Church, 2934 Stickney Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. Service area coverage: Lucas County

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

Sandusky/Seneca County Circle – Fourth Tuesday each month at 6:00 pm at the Pontifex, 416 West State Street, Fremont, Ohio. If you are interested in attending this Circle, please contact Rev. Jeannie Weber. She can be reached at (419) 355-2999. Service area coverage consists of Sandusky and Seneca county residents.

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 (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

Mansfield Citizen Circles Cont:

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>



Community Updates and Announcements



EXOFAC INC.

In December 2006 EXOFAC, Inc. sponsored two families from FPRC as part of their yearly Secret Angel Project. The women at FPRC were sent applications and two women were chosen. Their children were visited by the EXOFAC, Inc. Secret Angel staff and presented with Wal-Mart gift cards. The gifts were made possible by a fundraiser held by EXOFAC, Inc., which consisted of a dance and dinner. Among the attendees at the fundraiser were Bell Center residences, various case managers, staff from different non-profit agencies and the community that have supported EXOFAC over the years. Ex-Offender Family and Community (EXOFAC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing referral sources and support to the ex-offender, their families and the community. They are your family members, your friends, your co-workers, and your neighbors. EXOFAC is a group of men and women who have joined together to help others in their transition from confinement to freedom. They support each other, teach each other, and lead each other . . . realizing that in order to be successful in our mission, we need each other . . . to be united.

EXOFAC is looking for success stories to post on their webpage. If you would like share your story visit them at www.exofacinc.org or send an email to gcarr@exofacinc.org. If you would like to request additional information about EXOFAC call 614-251-4402 or write to EXOFAC at 1060 Mt. Vernon Ave, Columbus Ohio 43203.

New Day Ohio Update

The Ohio Department of Mental Health has launched a new publication to help keep Ohio citizens up-to-date on mental health transformation efforts and the Mental Health Transformation State Incentive Grant (TSIG). The February issue of New Day Ohio Update is now available online at http://www.anewdayohio.org/downloads/newdayupdate_february2007.pdf. Please feel free to share this publication with others who would like to know more about this exciting initiative. In October 2005, Ohio received one of seven federal Mental Health Transformation State Incentive Grant (TSIG) allocations of \$12 million over the next five years. The purpose of this grant is to transform the system of mental health and supportive services to achieve the six goals and recommendations of the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health so that persons with mental illness can live, work, learn and participate fully in their communities. To learn more about how Ohio is creating a "New Day" to transform mental health services visit www.anewdayohio.org.

C.O.R.E

Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative Updates

Multi-site Evaluation of the Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative

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

♦ Approach for Conducting Cost, Cost Effectiveness, and Benefit-Cost Analyses of SVORI Programs

By Alex Cowell, RTI International- November 2006

http://www.svori-evaluation.org/documents/reports/RRIA-Economic_Analysis.pdf

♦ SVORI Multi-Site Evaluation session presentation

At the American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting

November 6, 2006

http://www.svori-evaluation.org/documents/presentations/2006_11_ASC.pdf

Prisoner Reentry Initiative Updates

Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Receives Grant Award

In July 2006, the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (DRC) were selected as one of the US Department of Justice's Prisoner Reentry Initiative grantees. Ohio's grant, *Linking Individuals with New Chances* (LINC) was awarded \$448,000 and will run for two years. The grant provides pre-release services for 200 non-violent offenders returning to the Hamilton County area in collaboration with Talbert House of Cincinnati, who were the award recipients of the US Department of Labor's Prisoner Reentry Initiative. Under LINC, DRC serves as the lead agency and ensures appropriate pre-release services are provided to the target population. Four institutions are participating in the LINC program, Lebanon Correctional Institution, Dayton Correctional Institution, Ohio Reformatory for Women, and London Correctional Institution. LINC will provide direct client services during incarceration that include but are not limited to: static/needs assessment, utilizing and administering the Level of Service Inventory-Revised (LSI-R), development of an individualized transition plan, enhancing the skills and knowledge learned in the release preparation program, Transitional Educational Programming (TEP), Targeting Success financial planning seminar, mental health and substance abuse assessments, family support services, mentoring services, and other supportive services. The Talbert House case manager meets with the offender a minimum of two times a month until released to the community.

For more information about LINC contact Candace Knight at 740-845-3222 or candace.knight@odrc.state.oh.us.

AND MORE

Books and Websites

♦ Capacity Benchmarking Tool For Faith- and Community-Based Organizations

New and emerging nonprofit organizations that want to work toward greater stability and effectiveness can now refer to a helpful, new benchmarking tool on the **Compassion Capital Fund** Web site. Staff and board leaders can use this tool to establish priorities for strengthening an organization's infrastructure and identify the most important next steps needed to build capacity. This tool can be re-used to track progress and focus the organization on achieving new capacities.

For more information go to: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccf/resources/benchmarking_tool/cpct_toc.html

◆ Gang Toolkit

United States Department of Justice-COPS
<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=1309>

New Jersey Reentry Digest

New Jersey Institute for Social Justice

A bi-weekly list serve on reentry in New Jersey and nationally. You can subscribe for free by going to :
<http://www.njisi.org/join.html>

eBasedAcademy

eBasedAcademy is a free, online professional development resource for ATOD prevention and treatment professionals. It includes both instructor led and self-paced courses. Courses include multimedia items, discussion boards, quizzes, glossaries, and a number of other activities to enhance the online learning environment. eBasedAcademy has been online since April 2006. Since that time there have been a total of four 6-week sessions offered on eBasedAcademy. The website is managed by the Ohio Resource Network for Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities which is funded by the Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services and the Ohio Department of Education. To start you online courses go to www.ebasedacademy.org

Michigan Reentry Law WIKI

The Wiki is a collaborative effort by people involved in reentry in Michigan to provide relevant, current information on legal issues facing people with criminal records.

http://reentry.mplp.org/reentry/index.php/Main_Page

100 Black Men of America

Born from discussions in the 1960s among concerned African- Americans, "The 100" offers programs in mentoring, education, health and wellness, and economic development. To read the profile, visit: <http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/10006378/spot/100>

ROAD TO SUCCESS VIDEO OPPORTUNITY

The Federal Bureau of Prisons is offering an unprecedented opportunity for non-profit community and faith-based organizations and institutions (education, criminal justice, government) to view their new production ROAD TO SUCCESS, produced for the Inmate Transition branch of the Federal Bureau of Prisons by D.R. Lynes, Inc.

ROAD TO SUCCESS provides insight into the challenges being faced by offenders being released from Federal Institutions as well as opportunities that are available during incarceration that can assist them in a successful transition back into the community. The 22-minute film talks frankly about the challenges that incarcerated men and women face as they approach release. Providing a step-by-step guide for transition, the film outlines opportunities offered through the Federal Bureau of Prisons Transition Program, which prepares inmates for release starting with an assessment on the first day of incarceration. For more information about this video contact Sylvia McCollum, Inmate Transition Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, smccollum@bop.gov or visit Reentry Media Outreach at <http://www.reentrymediaoutreach.org/success.htm>.

HBO's Groundbreaking 14-Part Series, The ADDICTION Project, Kicks Off March 15th

Announcement- Join Together- January 18, 2007

For more information go to: www.hbo.com or

<http://www.jointogether.org/news/yourturn/announcements/2007/hbo-the-addiction-project.html>

Treatment Improvement Exchange (TIE) Website

TIE is a resource sponsored by the Division of State and Community Assistance of the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment to provide information exchange between CSAT staff and state and local alcohol and substance abuse agencies. **Visit the TIE website at:** <http://tie.samhsa.gov/index.htm>

News, Research, and Reports

◆ **Alpha USA's Director of Prison and Re-Entry Programs testifies at the 'Second Chance Act' subcommittee hearing**

March 21, 2007- PR Newswire-New York

<http://www.prnewswire.com/cgi-bin/stories.pl?ACCT=104&STORY=/www/story/03-21-2007/0004550291&EDATE>

◆ **Arrests without charges linger- Bill would expunge records automatically for thousands in state**

By Andrew A. Green- Baltimore Sun- March 19, 2007

<http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/local/politics/bal-te.md.expunge19mar19.0.3957747.story?coll=bal-home-head>

◆ **Condom debate targets prisons- Strategy to fight HIV faces uphill challenge**

By Jeremy Manier- Chicago Tribune, March 18, 2007

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/features/health/chi-0703180058mar18.1.3185865.story?ctrack=1&cset=true>

◆ **Proposed parolee center- Job training for ex-cons**

By Ryan Pagelow- Lake County New-SUN- March 17, 2007

http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/newssun/news/300971.5_1_WA17_PAROLCENTER_S1.article

◆ **Prison for Recovering Man Who Apologized for Sexual Assault**

Join Together- March 16, 2007

◆ **Studying the Effects of Incarceration on Offending Trajectories –An Information –Theoretic Approach**

By Avi Bhati- Urban Institute- March 2, 2007

<http://www.urban.org/publications/411427.html>

◆ **Staying in Jobs and Out of the Underground: Child Support Polices that Encourage Legitimate Work**

By Vicki Turetsky- March 2007- Center for Law and Social Policy- Brief No. 2

http://clasp.org/publications/cs_brief_2.pdf

◆ **Oklahoma's Smart on Crime Plan**

Governor of Oklahoma announces plan to increase support of Drug Courts, Mental Health Courts, Substance Abuse Treatment, and Inmate Reentry Programs.

http://www.ok.gov/governor/display_article.php?article_id=883&article_type=1

Keeping up with sex offenders is busy job for sheriff's dept.

By Jeanne Richardson- ArkCity.net- March 1, 2007

http://www.arkcity.net/stories/022007/com_0003.shtml

◆ **HUD gets new view on who's homeless**

By Wendy Koch- US Today, February 27, 2007

http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2007-02-27-hud-homeless_x.htm

Council of State Governments Justice Center Launches New Project to Promote Collaboration between State Governments and Community and Faith-Based Organizations

Re-Entry Policy Council- February 22, 2007

http://www.reentrypolicy.org/reentry/Document_View.asp?DocumentID=1783

If Legislature approves, one prison will become therapeutic

By Joseph Turner, The News Tribune- February 20, 2007

<http://www.thenewstribune.com/news/government/story/6376892p-5688212c.html>

New effort assists parolees with housing, employment

By Tom Gilchrist- The Saginaw News- February 20, 2007

<http://www.mlive.com/news/sanews/index.ssf?base/news-21/1171986636315850.xml&coll=9>

Texas selected for study of mental health illnesses in state prisons

By Mike Ward- statesman.com- February 19, 2007

<http://www.statesman.com/news/content/region/legislature/stories/02/20/20mental.html>

Mentoring could fit into 're-entry court'

Editorial- CantonRep.com- February 16, 2007

<http://www.cantonrep.com/index.php?ID=336631&Category=3>

Fight crime, addiction with housing

By Tom Carr- The Seattle Times- February 15, 2007
http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/opinion/2003572207_tomcarr15.html

Ohio's prisoners to increase 20%

By Reginald Fields- The Plain Dealer, February 15, 2007
<http://www.cleveland.com/news/plaindealer/index.ssf?/base/news/1171534299280210.xml&coll=2>

Study predicts rise in inmate populations

By Kevin Johnson- USA Today- February 14, 2007
http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2007-02-13-prisons_x.htm

Public Safety, Public Spending***Forecasting America's Prison Population 2007-2011***

By Public Safety Performance- A Project of the Pew Charitable Trust- February 14, 2007
http://12.130.62.149/pdfs/PCT_CorrectionsReport_3-1.pdf

Ex-offenders face big obstacles***City Council to hold hearing today on resolution to hire more adult parole officers***

By Damon C. Williams- The Philadelphia Inquirer, February 13, 2007
<http://www.philly.com/mld/philly/news/16685984.htm>

Kansas resists buffer zones***Residency restrictions on molesters don't keep kids safe, lawmakers and experts say***

By Laura Bauer- The Kansas City Star- February 12, 2007
<http://www.kansascity.com/mld/kansascity/16678518.htm>

♦ Changing Crime Rates: Ineffective Law Enforcement Grants and the Prison Buildup

By David B. Muhlhausen, Ph.D.- The Heritage Foundation- February 12, 2007
<http://www.heritage.org/Research/Crime/wm1355.cfm>

Patrick seeks to limit background checks***Criminal records proposal in works***

By Andrea Estes- The Boston Globe, February 12, 2007
http://www.boston.com/news/local/articles/2007/02/12/patrick_seeks_to_limit_background_checks/

Plan would move inmates closer to urban areas***Re-entry centers would offer job training, drug treatment in months before—and after—release***

By Mark Martin- San Francisco Chronicle- February 12, 2007
<http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=c/a/2007/02/12/MNGT0034001.DTL&hw=prison&sn=001&sc=1000>

Allen parolees to test GPS monitoring

By Amanda Iacone- The Journal; Gazette- February 10, 2007
<http://www.fortwayne.com/mld/journalgazette/16667911.htm>

Hostile attitudes, records won't keep ex-convict from succeeding

By Ben Popper- The Capital Times- February 10, 2007
<http://www.madison.com/tct/mad/topstories/index.php?ntid=118482&ntpid=0>

Legislation to bring inmates home advances

By Kevin Dayton- The Honolulu Advertiser- February 10, 2007
<http://www.honoluluadvertiser.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070210/NEWS02/702100348/1001/NEWS>

♦ Impact and Cost-Benefit Analysis of the Maryland Reentry Partnership Initiative

By John Roman, Lisa e. Brooks, Erica Lagerson, Aaron Chalfin, Bogdan Tereshchenko
Urban Institute- February 8, 2007
<http://www.urban.org/publications/311421.html>

Prisoner info now available on the internet

The Associated Press- Concord Monitor- February 2, 2007
<http://www.concordmonitor.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070202/REPOSITORY/702020315/1043/48HOURS>

♦ Offender Reentry Program

By Steven McQueen- The Police Chief Magazine - February 2007
http://policechiefmagazine.org/magazine/index.cfm?fuseaction=display&article_id=1095&issue_id=12007

◆ **The Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress**

February 2007- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
http://www.huduser.org/publications/povsoc/annual_assess.html

◆ **Dispelling the Myths about Information Sharing Between the Mental Health and Criminal Justice System**

National GAINS Center- February 2007
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Criminal justice leaders push home nurses, anger management to help trim crime

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 Vera Institute of Justice- January 2007
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A Joint Project of the Rutgers University School of Criminal Justice and the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice
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Domestic Violence and Prisoner Reentry: Experiences of African American Women and Men

By Creasie Finney Hairston and William Oliver
 Vera Institute of Justice- December 2006
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Safe Return: Working Toward Preventing Domestic Violence When Men Return From Prison

By Mike Bobbitt, Robin Campbell, and Gloria L. Tate
 Vera Institute of Justice- November 2006
http://www.vera.org/publications/publications_5.asp?publication_id=368

Funding Opportunities

The Lawrence Foundation

Deadline: February 1, 2007 and August 1, 2007

The Lawrence Foundation is a private charitable foundation focused on making charitable contributions and grants to support educational, environmental, health, and other causes. Nonprofit organizations that qualify for public charity status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or other similar organizations are eligible for contributions or grants from The Lawrence Foundation. **For more information contact** The Lawrence Foundation, 530 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 207, Santa Monica, CA 90401, (310) 451-1567 or (970) 870-9456.

E-mail: info@thelawrencefoundation.org Web: <http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org/grants/index.shtml>

Wells Fargo Housing Foundation

Deadline: Application deadlines February 1, 2007; May 1, 2007 and August 1, 2007.

The primary focus of the Wells Fargo Housing Foundation is to increase low-income homeownership through the development of affordable housing, and to provide shelter and supportive services for homeless and disabled adult populations. Established nonprofit housing organizations (organizations with at least two complete audit cycles) meeting these needs in communities where Wells Fargo provides products and services may apply. To be eligible, an organization must be tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3). **For more information** contact Kimberly Jackson, Executive Director, Wells Fargo Housing Foundation, MAC N9305-192, 90 South 7th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55479, (612) 667-2146. Web: <http://www.wellsfargo.com/about/wfhf/guidelines.jhtml>

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.

Bikes Belong Coalition

Deadline: February 26, 2007; May 30, 2007; August 27, 2007 and November 26, 2007.

Members of the American Bicycle Industry sponsor the Bikes Belong Coalition. The coalition's mission is to put more people on bicycles more often. The grants program was the first major ongoing initiative undertaken by the Bikes Belong Coalition. The mandate of the grants program includes education and capacity projects, in addition to bicycle facility projects. The coalition welcomes grant applications from organizations and agencies within the United States that are committed to putting more people on bicycles more often. The Bikes Belong Grants Program funds projects in three categories: facility, education, and capacity building. For the education and facility categories, Bikes Belong will accept applications from nonprofit organizations and from public agencies and departments at the national, state, regional, and local levels. For the capacity-building category, Bikes Belong will only fund organizations whose mission is expressly related to bicycle advocacy. Applicants can request up to \$10,000. In very limited cases, Bikes Belong will consider amounts over \$10,000. Requests of over \$10,000 will generally be viewed unfavorably unless the applicant has an extremely compelling case with a proposal of unique and/or national importance.

For more information contact Elizabeth Train, Grants & Research Director, Bikes Belong Coalition, 1920 13th Street, Suite A, Boulder, CO 80302, (303) 449-4893. E-mail: elizabeth@bikesbelong.org Web: <http://bikesbelong.org/site/page.cfm?PageID=21>

◆ FY 07 State Victim Assistance Academy Initiative Grants

Deadline: April 9, 2007

The Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) cooperative agreements of \$35,000 will help establish four State Victim Assistance Academies (SVAAs) to provide academic education and training for victim assistance providers, victim advocates, criminal justice personnel, and allied professionals who routinely deal with crime victims. Grants are intended to help in year 1 planning and may be continued for 2 more years, for a total of \$195,000 in federal grant funds. In-kind match of 25% required for each year. Note: Only one application per state will be funded. Eligible entities include state governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, private institutions of higher education, nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education. The award ceiling for these grants is \$35,000.

For more information contact Laura Ivkovich, Grant Manager, at 202-616-3576

◆ Compassion Capital Fund (CCF) Targeted Capacity Building Program

Deadline: April 10, 2007

Who: Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply.

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Community Services (OCS), announces that applications will be accepted for new grants pursuant to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary's Compassion Capital Fund (CCF) authorized under Title XI Section 1110 of the Social Security Act governing Social Services Research and Demonstration activities and the Department of Labor, HHS, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006, Public Law (P.L.) 109-149. Pursuant to this announcement, OCS will award funds to help build the capacity of faith-based and community organizations that address the needs of distressed communities. A distressed community is defined as a neighborhood or geographic community with an unemployment rate and/or poverty rate equal to or greater than the State or national rate. The Targeted Capacity Building Program will focus on capacity building among organizations addressing the following programmatic service areas: help for at-risk youth; help for the homeless; marriage education and preparation services to help couples who choose marriage for themselves develop the skills and knowledge to form and sustain healthy marriages; or social services to those living in rural communities.

AWARD AMOUNT: up to 200 awards of \$50,000 per project

For more information contact Thom Campbell at (800) 281-9519 or ocs@lcgnet.com

FULL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2007-ACF-OCS-EJ-0035.html>

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2007-ACF-OCS-IJ-0036.html>

Charles M. and Mary D. Grant Foundation

DUE DATE: Proposals are due April 30 each year, and grants are made in September.

The foundation provides funding for community and economic development, health and human services, education, and literacy. Organizations must be classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service tax code. The foundation focuses its resources in the southeastern United States. Grants range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. The average grant size is \$30,000.

For more information contact The Charles M. and Mary D. Grant Foundation, c/o Jacqueline Elias, Vice President, JPMorgan Private Bank, Philanthropic Services NY1-N040, 345 Park Avenue, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10154. Or visit them on the web at <http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/grant/>

General Mills and Hamburger Helper – myHomeTownHelper.com

Deadline: May 31, 2007

General Mills Sales, Inc., and Hamburger Helper are searching for people in towns across the country that is raising funds to help the community. When evaluating requests, the MYHOMETOWNHELPER.COM review committee will favor organizations meeting the following criteria: Demonstrate a need in a community; illustrate a helpful, creative, or innovative concept that meets this need; clearly identify change/s that can be made as a result of receiving the Award. Hamburger Helper does not grant funding to the following: Organizations without 501(c)(4) or public school status; individuals; religious organizations for religious purposes; political causes, candidates or legislative lobbying efforts. Applicants can request a one time award for a minimum of \$500 and a maximum of \$15,000 during any single month. **For more information visit their website at** <http://www.myhometownhelper.com/>

◆ SAMHSA to Fund 15 Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTC) Grants**Due Date:** June 1, 2007

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is soliciting applications for Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTC). The ATTC program supports the workforce that provides addictions treatment services to 23 million Americans age 12 and older who need treatment for alcohol or illicit drug problems (NSDUH, 2005). The ATTCs assess the training and development needs of the substance use disorders workforce, and develop and conduct training and technology transfer activities to promote the adoption of evidence-based practices in substance use disorders treatment. Awards will be made to 14 Regional Centers and 1 National Coordinating Center. The annual award amount will range from \$500,000 to \$550,000 per year for up to five years. The actual amount may vary, depending on the availability of funds. Eligible applicants are domestic public or nonprofit entities, states and local governments, federally recognized American Indian/Alaska native tribes and tribal organizations, including public or private universities and colleges, and community and faith-based organizations. The grants will be awarded by SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment. Applicants with questions on program issues should contact Catherine Nugent at 240-276-1577 or Cathy.Nugent@samhsa.hhs.gov. For questions on grants management issues, contact Kimberly Pendleton at 240-276-1421 or Kimberly.Pendleton@samhsa.hhs.gov. Visit <http://www.samhsa.gov/newsroom/advisories/0703123138.aspx> additional information on applying.

VA Issues NOFAs for Grant and Per Diem Program

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has issued several Notices of Fund Availability (NOFA) for the Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program in the February 22, 2007, Federal Register. The NOFAs provide funding for organizations that have not previously applied for or been granted per diem under the Grant and Per diem Program (GPD), organizations eligible to receive funding under the "per diem only" component of the GPD, as well as grants for special needs populations and for technical assistance provided to organizations that serve homeless veterans.

The deadline for submission of applications for all of the NOFAs is 4 p.m., April 4, 2007. Application packages submitted through Grants.gov will be the only electronic format accepted. For a copy of the application package for these grants, go to: <http://www.va.gov/homeless/page.cfm?pg=3>, or call the GPD grant office at 1-877-332-0334. Applicants need to carefully read the guidelines and instructions in each NOFA in order to fully comply with program requirements and enhance the strength of their proposals.

Under this announcement, approximately \$10 million is available annually to organizations that have not previously received per diem under the GPD. Funds may be used for aid for supportive housing, but service centers will not be funded under this NOFA. To download the entire text of this NOFA, go to <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-3024.htm>.

Approximately \$6 million is available for current grantees to make re-application for existing programs that serve select special needs populations: women veterans, including those with dependent children; the frail and elderly; veterans with serious mental illness; and veterans with terminal illnesses. To download this NOFA, go to <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-3031.htm>.

Approximately \$6 million is available for current GPD grantees to provide assistance to special needs populations: women veterans, including those with dependent children; the frail and elderly; veterans with serious mental illness; and veterans with terminal illnesses. To download this NOFA, go to <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-3029.htm>.

Approximately \$2 million is available over the next two years for organizations that provide technical assistance to homeless veteran service providers under the GPD program. To download this NOFA, go to <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-3020.htm>.

For further information, contact Guy Liedke, VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program, Department of Veterans Affairs, 10770 N. 46th Street, Suite C-200, Tampa, Florida 33617, or call 1-877-332-0334. Potential applicants may also direct questions to Melanie Lilliston, Technical Assistance Director, National Coalition for Homeless Veterans by email at nchv5@nchv.org, or by calling 202-546-1969.



◆ **American Psychiatric Foundation**

Deadline: August 1, 2007

The foundation is making up to \$750,000 in grant funds available over the course of three years (2005-2007) to fund public education, information, and outreach initiatives that promote the early recognition and treatment of mental illness. Grants from the foundation can support a wide variety of public education activities in this arena. Organizations that have been in existence for at least two years and currently maintain a 501 (c) 3 charitable status. Organizations need not be mental health programs. Grants may be sought for new initiatives or expansion of current programs. Requests must be for educational, informational or outreach efforts. Efforts may focus on a specific mental disorder, mental illness in general, or target a specific population.

For more information: Send an email to: apf@psych.org or visit their website at: <http://www.psychfoundation.org/>

◆ **Grant Applications Available for Women Helping Others Foundation**

Deadline: September 11, 2007

The WHO Foundation: Women Helping Others, supports grassroots charities in the United States and Puerto Rico serving the overlooked needs of women and children. Specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social service needs are the foundation's priority. The foundation recognizes the value of new programs created to respond to changing needs and will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization. In order to qualify for funding, an organization must have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and be qualified to receive deductible charitable contributions. Organizations must have been incorporated for a minimum of three years prior to application. Preference will be given to organizations with an operating budget of \$3 million or less, those not dependent on government grants, and those with greater program than personnel costs. Visit the foundation's Web site for program guidelines, application materials, and an FAQ.

RFP Link: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10006616/whofoundation>

For additional RFPs in Women, visit: http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat_women.jhtml

Dreyer's Foundation

Deadline: 7th of each month

The Foundation makes small grants (\$3,000 or less) and donates ice cream products and gift certificates/auction items to bona fide nonprofit organizations for events. These proposals are reviewed on a monthly basis. To request a small grant, products, gift certificates and/or auction item donations, please send a one-page letter on organization stationery with the following information: Current tax exemption number; Date of event; Brief description of organization and purpose of event; Specific item or product request; For product donation, please state number of people to be served and specific product request (e.g., ice cream, yogurt, sherbet); Name, email address and daytime telephone number of a contact person. Award amounts are up to \$3000.

For more information: Contact Dreyer's Foundation, 5929 College Avenue, Oakland, CA94618.

Web: http://www.dreyersinc.com/dreyersfoundation/small_grants.asp

Ludwick Family Foundation

Deadline: Initial requests are only accepted during these times: January 1 to March 1 and July 1 to September 1.

The Foundation is a philanthropic organization committed to assisting a broad array of groups that are working to make a positive difference in the world. Ludwick Family Foundation varies from many other foundations in that it tends to provide grants for tangible types of items that assist a program or project, rather than funding the program itself. Applicants must be tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3), known as nonprofit public charities, and not be a private foundation under 509 (a) of the code.

The foundation is only able to make grant awards to approximately 20-25 organizations each year. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$50,000. Grants are made for a single year. **For more information contact** *Deanna* Monaghan, Program Officer, Ludwick Family Foundation, P.O. Box 1796, Glendora, CA 91740, (626) 852-0092 E-mail: ludwickfndn@ludwick.org . Web: <http://www.ludwick.org/guide.html>

◆ **MacArthur Foundation Grants**

Deadline: Rolling

The Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation's Program on Human and Community Development will focus its 2007 grant-making strategies on community change and juvenile justice.

The Juvenile Justice effort maintains a national scope and promotes an effective juvenile justice system that is linked to relevant agencies, is acknowledged to play a critical role in the community and is held accountable for public safety as well as the rehabilitation of young offenders.

Grant award funding levels vary. Eligible applicants for the Juvenile Justice program include organizations in the United States.

For more information visit: http://www.macfound.org/site/c.lkLXJ8MQKrH/b.938141/k.FEFC/Domestic_Grantmaking.htm

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.

Legal Services Corporation Grant Awards**Deadline:** Rolling

Beginning Jan. 1, 2007, the Legal Services Corporation (LSC) intends to award grants and contracts to organizations that provide civil legal services to eligible low-income clients. **For more information:** Reginald Haley, 202-295-1545 or haley@lsc.gov

Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Foundation**Deadline:** Rolling

The Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Foundation is seeking applications for the health and mental health grants program. The purpose of this program is to increase access for underserved individuals to quality healthcare. Preference is given to mental health care initiatives focusing on prevention and early intervention. The foundation gives priority to programs that provide comprehensive services for clients, including case management, childcare and housing.

For more information: www.blaufund.org/foundations/jacobandhilda_f.html

Fidelity Foundation Grants for Substance Abuse and Mental Health**Deadline:** Rolling

Fidelity Foundation, the giving arm of Fidelity Investments, launches the competition for its Strengthening Nonprofit Organizations grant program. These grants are designed to enhance the effectiveness of nonprofits providing substance abuse, mental health and other services. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations located near Fidelity Investments' major corporate locations. Fidelity also sets aside a portion of its total giving each year for good programs outside these geographic limits. The foundation's website details its geographic focus and other eligibility factors. **For more information:** www.fidelityfoundation.org; for a list of contacts, which vary by location: fidelityfoundation.org/contacts/contacts.html

Public Welfare Foundation Grants**Deadline:** Rolling

Addressing human needs in disadvantaged communities' ranks as the main goal of the Public Welfare Foundation. Its grant making emphasizes support for organizations that include service, advocacy or empowerment in their approach. The Public Welfare Foundation creates funding in the areas of criminal justice, youth and community development. For more information: The Public Welfare Foundation accepts letters of inquiry through its site: www.publicwelfare.org/first_time/online_application.asp

OMNOVA Solutions Drug and Crime Prevention Grants**Deadline:** Rolling

This multifaceted "covering" company produces among other things: commercial wall covering, upholstery fabrics and laminates. The foundation supports nonprofit organizations that address drug and crime prevention and safety issues. It also funds projects by human services organizations focused on health, serving clearly defined community needs. It gives to organizations operating in communities where OMNOVA does business and its employees live. **For more information:** Theresa Carter, Executive Director, 175 Ghent Rd., Fairlawn, OH 44333-3300; phone, 330-869-4289; fax, 330-869-4345. Email: Theresa.carter@omnova.com, website, www.omnova.com/about/community/community.aspx

Avon Foundation -- Helping Children of Domestic Violence**Deadline:** The deadline date for proposals is April 1 annually.

The Avon Foundation is seeking proposals from nonprofit organizations and agencies that provide programs that assist children who have been exposed to domestic violence. Programs sought include: coordinated response models between domestic-violence agencies and child-abuse agencies; counseling and mentoring programs for child witnesses and victims of domestic violence. All program models must have the capacity to be replicated in other communities and cities. It is advantageous if nonprofit organizations and agencies already have in place plans and contacts to replicate their program models in other communities and cities. The Avon Foundation makes grants only to organizations having tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3). Grant amounts range from \$10,000-\$50,000 depending on the size, scope, and impact of the program proposed. **For more information** and stipulation contact Denise Yap, Avon Foundation, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105-0196, (866) 505-AVON (2866). E-mail: info@avonfoundation.org . Web: http://www.avoncompany.com/women/speakout/dv_helping_children.pdf

U.S. Department of Justice –Helping Outreach Programs to Expand Grant Program**Due Date:** Open Solicitation contingent upon fund availability

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) will provide up to \$5,000 in funding to grass-roots community- and faith-based victim service organizations and coalitions to improve outreach and services to crime victims through support of program development, networking, coalition building, and service delivery. Funds may be used to develop program literature, train advocates, produce a newsletter, support victim outreach efforts, and recruit volunteers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Established organizations and coalitions that do not receive federal Victims of Crime Act victim assistance grant funding and operate with \$50,000 or less in annual funding. Eligible organizations and coalitions must be operating for at least 1 year. **For more information contact the U.S. Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime, 810 Seventh Street NW, Washington, DC 20531, (202) 307-5983. Web:**

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/expandingoutreach/welcome.html>

The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation Foundation**Deadline:** None

Dun & Bradstreet, a leading business information service provider, to support disadvantaged youth and youth development, created the Dun & Bradstreet Corporation Foundation in 1953. The foundation considers annual campaigns, general operating support, employee matching gifts, and continuing support.

For more information contact Yvette Radish, Director, The Dun & Bradstreet Corporation Foundation, 103 JFK Parkway, Short Hills, NJ 07078; phone 973-921-6080; fax 866-810-7132; email: rudichy@dnb.com

HSBC in the Community Foundation**Deadline:** Rolling basis

HSBC established HSBC in the Community (USA) Inc. to carry out its mission with a philanthropic strategy focused primarily on two critical issues: education and the environment. In line with federal regulations, the foundation can only make grants to organizations registered with the IRS as 501(c)(3) public charities. In addition, public schools and school districts or other government agencies are eligible to receive grants under IRS rules. **For more information contact:** HSBC in the Community (USA) Inc., Group Public Affairs, 452 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10018, (212) 525-8239.

Web: http://www.hsbcusa.com/corporateresponsibility/contributions_grants/hsbc_in_the_community_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 Grants

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/ibmgives/grant/grantapp.shtml>.

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. **For more information, 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:**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.

For more information go to: http://www.soros.org/initiatives/justice/focus_areas/after_prison/guidelines

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.

For more information go to: <http://www.macfound.org/site/c.lkLXJ8MQKrH/b.855229/k.CC2B/Home.htm>

WACHOVIA FOUNDATION

The Wachovia Foundation's primary grant focus areas include community development. The foundation seeks to assist with affordable housing, neighborhood revitalization projects, job creation and economic development. Information: Wachovia Foundation, 100 N. Main St., 13th Fl., Winston-Salem, NC 27150, 704-374-4085.

For more information visit: http://www.wachovia.com/inside/page/0,,139_414_430_432,00.html

Gerber Foundation offers Grants to Benefit Infants and Young Children**DEADLINE:** For the May grants, submit letters prior to December 1; for the November grants, submit letters prior to June 1.

Priority is given to projects that improve infants' and young children's nutrition, care, and development from the year before birth to three years of age. Programs should support a specific nutrition intervention and have defined outcome parameters. The foundation gives priority to projects of national or regional impact. Organizations recognized as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) are eligible to apply for foundation grants.

For more information, visit www.gerberfoundation.org/grantmaking_policies.htm

Rosie's For All Kids Foundation — Early Childhood Care and Education Grants

Deadline: Letters of intent are accepted on a rolling basis. The foundation has two funding cycles per year, with disbursements typically occurring in April and November.

Grants support direct-service organizations throughout the contiguous United States. First priority is given to experienced, community-based programs serving children in major low-income urban areas, where many families struggle to find affordable, high quality early education and care. Grants focus on tuition subsidies, small renovations, equipment upgrades, playground construction, and staff development opportunities. The foundation awards grants only to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations dedicated to helping low-income children and their families through quality child care and early childhood education curricula. The grant range is \$15,000 to \$30,000. **For more information, visit www.forallkids.org/site.php?module=article&pageid=56**

Training and Conference Opportunities

◆ **2007 Ohio Compassion Capital Project (OCCP) Training Schedule** ◆

The Governor's Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives announce that the 2007 Ohio Compassion Capital Project (OCCP) Training Schedule is now updated and available online. Click here to register: <http://www.ohiofamilies.org/ccftraining.asp>

◆ **Announcing Free Organizational Development Training and Technical Assistance to Faith Based and Community Based Non-Profit Organization in Ohio.**

The Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives offers free training classes offered through the Ohio Compassion Capital Project (OCCP). The Ohio Compassion Capital Project provides training, collaborative opportunities, and one-on-one technical assistance at no cost to faith-based and grassroots community organizations in Ohio. For a complete listing of the training schedule and on-line registration click on this link <http://www.ohiofamilies.org/ccftraining.asp> In addition, one time a year, the project provides sub-award grants for capacity-building activities for faith and community-based organizations throughout the state. For more information about the sub-awards and the new option for collaborations in the 2007 RFP's , click on this link http://www.fbciohio.gov/pdf/OCCP_Brochure.pdf The OCCP is a collaborative partnership with Community Care Network, Economic and Community Development Institute, Freestore Foodbank and Ohio Community Action Training Organization.

GRANT WRITING SEMINARS IN 2007

The Office of Criminal Justice Services will be hosting eight free Grant Writing Seminars in 2007. OCJS' grant trainings provide an overview of identifying grant sources, analyzing program objectives, creating a budget, seeking letters of support, and proposal writing. Federal and state grants available to criminal justice professionals are discussed. Attendees also receive the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services' publication, *Grant Writing: Identifying and Applying for Funding in a Competitive Market*. The trainings take place from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Motorcycle Classroom, located at 1970 W. Broad St., Columbus, on the first floor on the following dates: (To register online, visit <http://www.ocjs.ohio.gov/Training>)

Wednesday, May 9, 2007
 Tuesday, June 26, 2007
 Tuesday, July 31, 2007
 Tuesday, August 28, 2007
 Tuesday, September 25, 2007
 Tuesday, October 23, 2007
 Tuesday, December 4, 2007

◆ **Meeting the Employment and Parenting Needs of Low Income Families**

Date: March 27, 2007

Time: 1 pm - 2 pm ET

Location: Online

Low-income families often struggle to balance the demands of work and parenting. A recent Chapin Hall report found that parents who applied for cash assistance from a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program face barriers to employment that may compromise their ability to adequately care for their children. A significant number of families in the Chapin Hall study had been investigated by a child welfare agency or had had a child removed from the home. For more information and to register, visit:

www.chapinhall.org

The Ninth Criminal Mapping Conference

When: March 28-31, 2007

Where: Omni William Penn Hotel- Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

To register and for more information go to: <https://secure.palladianpartners.com/crimemapping/form1.asp> or email Maria Young at myoung@palladianpartners.com

Ohio Community Corrections Association 6th Annual Conference

When: April 2-4, 2007

Where: Columbus Marriott Northwest

For more information, contact Jolene Fonte at 614-252-8417x15 or visit our website, www.occaonline.org.

3rd Annual National Offender Workforce Development Conference
“Making Successful Re-Entry a Reality”

When: April 2-5, 2007

Where: Westin Hotel Charlotte, North Carolina

For information contact us at: 314-209-9400 or twhitener@proworkdev.com

I Was in Prison and You Came To Visit Me

When: April 17-18, 2007

Where: Beaches Chapel located in Neptune Beach, Florida

Come and join Beaches Chapel Church and the National Alliance of Faith and Justice for a two day conference. The cost of the conference is \$125. Visit <http://www.nafj.org> or <http://www.beacheschapel.com> for information and online registration for the April 2007 event. You can also call Beaches Chapel at 904.241.4211, ext. 421.

2007 Mental Health in Corrections Consortium Annual Symposium Offender Re-entry & Reintegration: Best Practice Models for Reducing Recidivism, Part II

When: April 17 - 18, 2007

Where: Marriott Country Club Plaza, Kansas City, MO

To registration information visit: <http://www.forest.edu/mhcca/conference/Conference2007.pdf>

Or email Becky Moyer at bmoyer@forest.edu

♦ Stepping Stones to Recovery: A Training Curriculum for Case Managers and Other Advocates Assisting Adults who are Homeless with SSI and SSDI Applications

When: April 23-26, 2007

Where: Orlando, FL

For more information visit: http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/listserv/1_9_07.htm

♦ Legal Barriers to Offender Reentry

When: April 30, 2007 - May 1, 2007

Where: James R. Thompson State Building, Chicago, IL

For more information and to register go to: http://files.e2ma.net/2800/assets/docs/conferenceflyer3507_2.pdf

♦ Two Days in May: Conference on Victim Assistance

When: May 7-8, 2007

Where: Hyatt Regency Hotel, Columbus, Ohio

For more information visit: www.ag.state.oh.us

Offender Workforce Development Workshop

Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission and Department of Rehabilitation Corrections are offering a free community partnership training! So please plan on attending the Offender Workforce Development Workshop.

When: May 31, 2007

Time: 9:30 – 3:30

Registration begins at 9:00

Location: St. Rita's Hospital, Lima, Ohio (*Detailed Room location will be forthcoming*)

Please RSVP to Gwen.Biglin@rsc.state.oh.us and Patti.Filipski@odrc.state.oh.us

If you need an accommodation; please let us know when you RSVP so proper arrangements can be made.

**Institute for Excellence in Justice
Quarterly Seminar Series**

Employment Experiences of Ohio Offenders Following Release from Prison

Friday, June 1, 2007

Location: TBD

9:00am – 10:30am

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. William Sabol – Government Accountability Office and author of “Local Labor Market Conditions and Prison Employment Experience of Offenders Released from Ohio Prisons.”

For addition information, please contact Coretta Pettway, 614-247-7866 or Coretta.Pettway@odrc.state.oh.us

◆ 2007 ODMH Annual Forensic Conference

Dates: August 16-17, 2007

Location: Wilmington, Ohio – Roberts Convention Centre – Holiday Inn

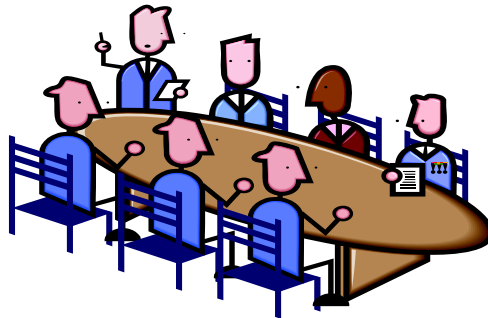
Ethics, sex offender, suicide, special advanced CIT track, and many other topics will be on the agenda. For more information, call Glenda Johnson, Conference Coordinator, at 614-466-1099 or johnsong@mh.state.oh.us.

The 2007 Addiction Studies Institute

When: August 14-17, 2007

Where: The Greater Columbus Convention Center

Prevention, treatment, recovery support and criminal justice professionals, stay tuned for breaking information about the 2007 Addiction Studies Institute. Mark your calendars now. The 2007 Addiction Studies Institute Call for Presentations is now available online. Submission information and forms are available at www.asiconference.garrisonevents.com. Registration brochures and on-line registration will be available after May 1, 2007. Please watch the ODADAS website Event Calendar for more information at www.odadas.state.oh.us.



March Monthly Observances

American Red Cross Month
International Ideas Month
National Caffeine Awareness Month
National Craft Month
National Ethics Awareness Month
National Social Work Month
National Women's History Month
National Umbrella Month
Optimism Month
National Frozen Food Month
International Listening Awareness Month

March Weekly Observances

American Chocolate Week 18-24
National Bubble Blowers Week 20-26
National Spring Fever Week 19-25
National Cleaning Week 25-31

March Daily Observances

Day 21
National Puppy Day 23
O.K Day 23
Pencil Day 30
Bunsen Burner Day 31

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