All In Community (AIC) is the West Ohio Conference’s modern day, Biblical response to eliminate the impact of mass incarceration across our mission field.

The AIC initiative exists to equip local churches in the West Ohio Conference to become communities of support for families and citizens impacted by incarceration.

**30-For-30 Pilot Program and Grant**

Made available through the General Commission on Religion and Race (GCORR), the 30-For-30 Pilot Program and Grant work with AIC community partners to identify 30 inmates scheduled for release with 30 congregations in the inmates’ home neighborhood. The AIC Community Partner, AIC church, and returning citizen work together to identify the needs, community resources, and relationships necessary for successful re-establishment in the community.

This grant is available to churches with a passion for prison/jail ministry that are equally passionate about engaging their community in supporting returning citizens and their families. 30-For-30 Pilot Churches receive AIC training in Healing Communities, Reentry Mentoring, and Community Engagement to increase their cultural competency as a supportive community from release to re-establishment.

**Healing Communities**

Healing Communities is a framework for ministry with men and women returning from – or at risk of – incarceration, their families, and the larger community. Healing Communities training helps congregations, through mobilization of their existing resources, to become “Stations of Hope” for persons affected by the criminal-justice system.

West Ohio uses this training as a foundation for equipping and supporting AIC churches to respond to the devastating effects of mass incarceration in each church’s mission field.

**District Collaboratives**

District Collaboratives works to bring together UM churches, ODRC agencies, and reentry service providers to address reentry needs at the local level. These partnerships provide programming, services, and long-term relationships to people impacted by the criminal justice system.

District Collaboratives promote best practices, share resources, and create long-term sustainability through leveraged local community partnerships.

**72-Hour Church Task Force**

The AIC initiative is forming a 72-Hour Church task force to identify West Ohio UM churches that have the capacity to be “first responders” upon an inmate’s release. A 72-Hour Church meets crisis needs – such as housing, clothing, and meals – and provides referrals to long term support.
Ministries of a 72 - Hour Church include:

- Coordinated transportation for a returning citizen upon release from prison
- Providers of emergency shelter
- Coordinated meal ministry for the first 72 hours
- Providers of clothing
- Providers of hygiene kits
- Referrals services to long term support

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