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Ohio Rural Recidivism Reduction Initiative

What you need to know...



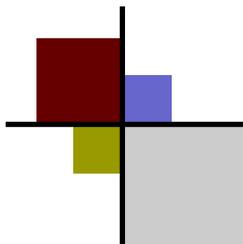
Providing support services to offenders returning home

Change happens by choice not by chance

Eligibility

The grant was designed to serve counties identified as rural Appalachian counties. These counties on average have a higher recidivism rate than the state average. Individuals sentenced to ODRC who are at moderate or high risk to reoffend and who are released back into the target counties under supervision are eligible for grant services.

Eligible types of release include Judicial Release, Transitional Control, and Post-Release Control/Parole.



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Purpose

The Ohio Rural Recidivism Reduction Initiative is a collaborative effort among ODRC, local courts, community corrections entities, local reentry coalitions and local service providers to expand their capacity to provide reentry programming and services to predominantly high risk offenders returning from prison in a ten county area of Ohio. These counties include:

Athens, Fayette, Highland, Hocking, Jackson, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, Scioto and Vinton



The Facts

Research conducted on offender reentry from a rural perspective has found that offenders who are returning to rural communities face challenges and barriers distinct from their counterparts who are transitioning back into urban or suburban areas. Specifically, offenders transitioning back into rural communities encounter daunting issues such as a lack of access to services, geographical remoteness, and other barriers that impede successful reintegration.

“Offenders returning to rural communities face challenges and barriers distinct from their counterparts.”

Solution

The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation & Correction has expanded its capacity to provide reentry programming and services to this ten county rural, Appalachian region characterized by distressed economic conditions that place many of its residents 'at-risk' based on poverty, unemployment and net market household income through a federal grant targeting deficient resources and transportation issues.



Partners

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Local Reentry Coalitions
Ross County Sheriff's Office Day Reporting
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