

GRANTEE: The Directors Council

ADDRESS: 620 Eighth Street
Des Moines, IA 50309

AMOUNT: \$1,002,936

DURATION: 8 months

POPULATION SERVED: Ex-offenders (ages 18-29)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The project design for this proposal is based largely on the work of The Directors Council (TDC) Prisoner Re-Entry Initiative that is currently being funded by the United States Department of Labor Employment & Training Administration. Core services that the TDC Reentry Program offers are pre-employment training, counseling, follow-up services and outsourcing of other supportive services such as substance abuse counseling, family reunification, mental health therapy and others. The TDC Reentry Program works closely with each individual client's Fifth Judicial District's Parole Officer (PO) to develop a team of service providers who create, with the client, a program intended to enable successful reentry. All ex-offender services are assessed; which include housing needs, substance and mental health needs, social service needs, education and employment needs, and Faith-Based Organization mentoring needs. The worker pulls a team of service providers together at one location who work to create single reentry plan for client. The plan becomes part of the ex-offenders formal parole agreement and the PO retains responsibility for holding the client accountable for his/her responsibilities. Weekly, the Wraparound Worker provides the PO information on service provision so that the PO has timely information on the usefulness of services and how the ex-offender is progressing.

SUBCONTRACTORS: Iowa Workforce Development, Iowa Department of Corrections, U.S. Probation/Pretrial Services, 5th Judicial District Department of Community Corrections and other community organizations.

GOALS: Services 225 ex-offenders

GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED: The high-risk census tracts in Des Moines Iowa

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