

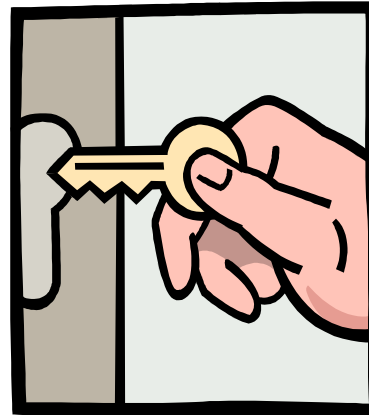
# Missouri Re-entry Process

The goal of the Missouri Re-Entry Process is to prepare offenders returning to the community to be productive citizens. Considering that 97% of all current inmates in Missouri will eventually be released back into our communities, successful offender re-entry directly effects every Missouri citizen. You can make a difference, get involved today!



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## Keys to Successful Re-Entry



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Making  
Re-entry a  
Priority

Doing together what  
can't be done alone.

## Missouri Re-Entry Process

Released offenders have a significant impact not only on their own families, but on the community as a whole. The Missouri Re-Entry Process is designed to assist ex-offenders and their families in accessing services that have been proven to greatly reduce the recidivism rate.

The following agencies have collaborated to provide services to ex-offenders to make their transition a successful one:

- ◆ Department of Corrections
- ◆ Missouri Board of Probation and Parole
- ◆ Department of Mental Health
- ◆ Department of Social Services
- ◆ Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- ◆ Department of Economic Development
- ◆ Department of Revenue
- ◆ Department of Health and Senior Services
- ◆ Office of State Courts Administrator

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- ◆ Employment- recidivism rate of only 14% for those employed full time, compared to 33% of those employed part time and 54% unemployed.
- ◆ Vocational Training-Offenders with increased vocational skills have a recidivism rate of 19% compared to 45% of those with no vocational skills.
- ◆ Substance Abuse Treatment-28.3% of offenders with untreated substance abuse problems recidivated within 1 year, compared to only 4.7% of those receiving institutional and post-release care.
- ◆ Mental Health Treatment-offenders with moderate need for mental health care (MH-3) had a recidivism rate of over 50%; recidivism rates rose to over 80% for those with serious mental health needs (MH-4).
- ◆ Strengthening support systems- for offenders and their families through mentor-ships, parent mediation, parenting classes, Head Start Early Childhood Program and other family services.
- ◆ Transition Accountability Plan- A pre-release planning process that stresses accountability, family and community support and identifies assets and liabilities to create a case specific rehabilitation plan.

## Why Get Involved?

Successful re-entry will benefit all Missourian's by:

- ◆ Increasing number of Missourian's with high school diploma or GED
- ◆ Lower rate of unemployment
- ◆ Lower crime rate
- ◆ Fewer repeat offenders
- ◆ Fewer abused or neglected children. Decreased juvenile offenders. Better access to substance abuse and mental health treatment = more people in recovery
- ◆ Increasing education and vocational training making more skilled workers and less reliance on social services

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