

# Strengthening Our Community

Ending the cycle of crime means teaching pro-social life skills, mentoring students to graduate, providing job skills training, and facilitating the successful reunion of parents with their children.

## MCRI HELPS INDIVIDUALS REMAIN CRIME FREE THROUGH:

- Working with businesses to employ emerging talent
- Transitional housing that is supervised, drug-free, safe, and accountable
- Skill building for today's workforce
- Treatment, counseling, and community resources
- Providing support and encouragement



## COMMUNITY SAFETY

Helping former AICs successfully integrate into the community is crime prevention. Prior to being released from prison, AICs attend one or more “reach-in” workshops to learn about resources available and ready to help them when they reenter the community. In Marion County, reach-ins are working. Prior to the reach-ins, a third of individuals released were not initially reporting to their parole officer. Now our no-show rate is just 5%.

### Employment Solutions

MCRI works with more than 200 employers to support them in extending job opportunities to qualified reentry clients.

### Transition Solutions

MCRI supports multiple programs that help individuals successfully transition from incarceration back into the community. This includes “reach-in” workshops that individuals attend prior to their release from incarceration and reentry programs that incorporate community partners such as Chemeketa Community College.

### Resource Solutions

The De Muniz Resource Center helps individuals obtain Oregon identification, health insurance, education, transportation, basic needs, employment, and other services.

### Treatment Solutions

Local medical and treatment providers support MCRI participants through individualized care and service coordination

### RETURN ON INVESTMENT

The cost of incarceration is far greater than the cost of providing supportive services that help individuals to be successful. Savings are realized in part by reductions in recidivism. Marion County's current recidivism rate of 15% remains lower than the state averages of 19%.



**Rebuilding lives, promoting community safety and saving taxpayers money**

**HOPE** to change.  
**COURAGE** to make it happen.  
**DETERMINATION** to follow through.

## BY THE NUMBERS

*The 2022 Marion County Jail Survey provides a snapshot of the local reentry population.*

- 86.1% of Adults in Custody (AIC) are men, 12% women, 1.9% preferred not to answer, and 0.01% chose not to identify.
- 81% of AICs are parents; 79% of those have children under the age of 18.
- 59% of the children of those incarcerated at the Marion County Jail are cared for by an AIC's spouse or partner, 18% lived with grandparents; and 2% were in foster care.
- 42% self-reported having a job waiting for them upon release.
- When asked to identify the three most important reentry needs, AICs selected employment, housing, and medical care.



## MCRI Key Partners

MCRI works to reduce crime and recidivism by offering coordinated services that are critical for successful community reentry. MCRI is a collaborative effort and key partners provide housing, transportation, treatment, mentoring, family strengthening, and employment services for individuals.

- Bridgeway Recovery Services
- Chemeketa Community College
- Family Building Blocks
- Marion County Board of Commissioners
- Marion County District Attorney's Office
- Marion County Sheriff's Office
- Marion County Housing Authority
- Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency
- Oregon Department of Corrections
- Union Gospel Mission of Salem
- Willamette Workforce Partnership
- Shelly's House
- Soaring Heights
- The Pathfinder Network
- Recovery Outreach Community Center



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REENTRY INITIATIVE



## Giving People A Second Chance

Rebuilding Lives  
Restoring Community  
Reducing Recidivism



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