Sponsors Replication in Marion County
Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council
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Marion County Snapshot

• Marion County
  – 600 Release from DOC every year
  – 200 Release to Local Control PPS (Marion County Supervisory Authority)
  – 40-50% do not have a viable residence
    • Homeless
    • Family
    • “Couch Surfing”
    • Supervision Conditions
Marion County Snapshot

• Marion County “Homeless”
  – DOC PPS
    • 60% have a Drug & Alcohol/Co-Occurring/MH Diagnosis
  – LC PPS
    • 90%
    – 101 transitional beds available
      • UGM (Shelter, Greer St., Restoration House)
      • Bridges to Change
  – Need an additional 50
Sponsors
Sponsors History

- Founded by a group of Catholic Nuns and community activists in 1973
- Began providing housing in 1988, beginning with 5 beds

Today the agency manages 12 buildings on 5 sites with a total 145 beds of transitional, long-term, and permanent housing for people with criminal histories.
Sponsors philosophy is based on the belief that people can and do change, and that a strategic intervention at the appropriate moment can serve as a catalyst in that change.
Various House “Types”

Transitional Housing

Permanent Housing

Long-term Housing
Roosevelt Crossing
Roosevelt Crossing Room

Roosevelt Crossing
Roosevelt Crossing-Kitchen
Roosevelt Crossing-Facilities
Fitness and Recreation Center
Administrative and Conference Space
In-house services include:

- Reentry Resource Center
- Mentoring Program
- Education Program
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (MRT)
- Level I & II Substance Abuse Treatment
- Veteran’s Grant and Per Diem
- Parenting Classes
- UO/Sponsors Legal Clinic
Treatment Process

1. Identified for Co-Ocurring Services? (Occurs in Prison)
   - Yes: Treatment Services Including:
     - Cognitive Programming
     - Mental Health Counselor
     - Treatment Counselor
     - Mentor (assigned in prison)
     - Psychiatric Nurse
     - Medication Management
     - Housing Assistance
   - No: Next Prioritized Risk/Need

2. Referrals based on highest criminogenic risk factors including:
   - Substance Abuse
   - Mental Health
   - Anti-social Attitudes/Beliefs
   - Family
   - Anti-social Peers

3. Attend Motivation and Cognitive Programming
   - Not Ready
   - Ready: Intake Criteria Met

4. Stage of Change (LS/CMI)
   - Not Ready: Not Ready
   - Ready: Intake Criteria Met

5. 3-9 months Attend Group Session Based on Needs
   - Includes:
     - MCRI SOAR
     - Alcohol and Drug
     - Domestic Violence
     - Mental Health
     - Sex Offender

6. All Risk Needs Addressed?
   - Yes: Discharge from Treatment
   - No: Next Prioritized Risk/Need

7. Back to Supervision Flow

8. 3 months Aftercare Services

9. Treatment from Parole
10. Treatment from Probation
• 2009: Quest for Change
  – 13 Bed transitional housing project

• Opened through a federal appropriation, COPS Grant, and Marion County’s first Second chance Act Grant award

• Closure in 2013

• 2015: Second Chance Act Adult Reentry Demonstration Grant
  – Small Scale: Transition housing for 24 people
  – Connected to the Aumsville Campus
  – Access to supervision, treatment, and the De Muniz Resource Center
Modular Concept
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