



## Mission

The mission of the Oklahoma City Community Corrections Center is to provide offenders with the opportunity to achieve all positive goals they have set for their re-entry plan success. The district will utilize its well trained and dedicated staff, committed to offender change to provide treatment/intervention programs for community offenders whose behavior reflects a need for more structured treatment of supervision services. Program components include:

- Public works program jobs to teach good work habits;
- Work release job opportunities that will establish a stable financial base to assist in the support of families, payment of fees and stable employment prior to release; and
- Holding offenders accountable for their actions.

## OFFENDER PROGRAMS

### **Cognitive Behavior**

The cognitive behavior program available at Oklahoma City Community Corrections Center is “Thinking For A Change,” utilizing both trained staff and resources in the community. This program seeks to address the thoughts, beliefs and attitudes that lead to criminal behavior.

The Thinking For A Change program is also utilized with the Second Chance Project. Additional cognitive behavior programs offered are Victims Impact, Associates for Success, and Life Skills.

### **Substance Abuse**

Substance abuse treatment is provided for offenders through COPE, Inc. This is a 16 week program and upon successful completion the offender has access to relapse prevention and aftercare upon discharge. The goal of this program is to provide the offender with the tools necessary to address addictive and self-defeating behavior.

### **Prisoner Public Works Program**

The Oklahoma City Community Corrections Center provides offenders for the Prisoner Public Works Program. This program provides offenders for other state agencies to assist with labor, maintenance or office orderlies.

### **Work Release Program**

Oklahoma City Community Corrections Center has 40 beds reserved for offenders participating in the work release program who have no more

than 1,095 days left to serve and meet the other work release criteria. Once employed the offender becomes responsible for repaying court costs, child support, fines and program support fees which helps offset the cost of the offender’s incarceration.

### **Second Chance Act**

The Oklahoma City Community Corrections Center Second Chance project is a community based transition facility purposed to reduce recidivism and improve public safety. The target population are moderate/high risk/high need, adult male offenders who would not typically have an opportunity to reentry services in a community based facility. The transition focuses on addressing unmet needs of the offenders utilizing onsite treatment and educational services as well as local social services agency, vocational and educational services, volunteers, faith and community organizations, natural supports and family members in the central Oklahoma area.

### **Other Programs Available:**

100 Hour Transition, Adult Basic Education, Alcoholics Anonymous, Career Tech, Fatherhood Program(*provided by COPE, Inc.*), General Education Diploma (*high school equivalency*), Literacy, Living Longer/Living Stronger(*self efficacy/self advocacy health*), and Peer Led STD/HIV.

## Community Corrections

The concept of community corrections has been well established in Oklahoma for some time. On March 18, 1970, the Oklahoma Crime Commission awarded the Department of Corrections a grant to open community treatment centers in the state. The first, Oklahoma City Community Treatment Center, was opened October of 1970. Since that time the Department of Corrections has introduced additional centers in Tulsa\*, Enid, Lawton, Muskogee\*, Oklahoma City, McAlester\* and Union City. All operate under guidelines set forth by state statutes, the Board of Corrections, and the policies of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. Inherent in these guidelines is a basic philosophy of providing increased opportunities to offenders for engaging in responsible behaviors.

*\*Denotes community corrections centers no longer operating.*