



Eddie Warrior Correctional Center
Taft, Oklahoma

EWCC houses minimum-security female offenders. The facility is divided into two general population units and the Regimented Treatment Program (RTP), a 12 month military style program with substance abuse and domestic violence components added to address addiction and family violence issues. The RTP unit is housed in one of the original buildings built for the DB&O Institute in 1909.

OFFENDER PROGRAMS

Helping Women Recover Program

The Helping Women Recover program located at EWCC is a 60 bed, gender specific program designed to meet the treatment needs of female offenders who are addicted to alcohol and drugs. The program is funded through private grant funds and, in its current form, has been in operation since October 2009. The program offers trauma informed substance abuse treatment, early childhood development

classes, domestic violence classes, cognitive restructuring, anger management and relapse prevention. The program utilizes a combination of full and part-time licenses therapists who provide 11 hours of weekly therapy along with individual therapy and treatment.

In January 2010 the Department of Corrections contracted with the University of Cincinnati to evaluate the program using the Evidence-Based Correctional Program Checklist (CPC). The objective of the assessment is to conduct a detailed review of programming and services offered to offenders and to compare the practices with the research literature on best practices in corrections. The Helping Women Recover program was the first gender specific program in the country to rate in the “highly effective category” in a correctional setting. To date, approximately 200 offenders have successfully completed the program.

Other programs include:
Regimented Treatment Program, HIV/Aids
Peer Education, Play Day and Early Childhood
Development classes.



An offender building a picture frame in the Frame Shop located at Eddie Warrior Correctional Center.



EDDIE WARRIOR

Eddie Warrior was appointed business manager for the Deaf, Blind, and Orphan Institute by Governor Roy Turner. Warrior was later promoted to principal and subsequently to superintendent of the Taft School System in 1961. The E.W. Warrior Junior High School was dedicated in his honor in 1979. He retired in February, 1979, after 18 years of service. He died in June, 1979.

INDUSTRY

Jacobs Trading Company (Private Prison Industry)

The Jacobs Trading Company is a private prison industry that operates at the EWCC. The company purchases damaged and/or returned items and re-packages them for resale at discount stores. Fifteen female offenders are assigned employment with the company and are paid minimum wage. Offenders learn to develop skills training and work ethics as a means of improving employability after release.

OPERATIONS

HEALTH SERVICES

The Taft Unit will ensure that every offender has unimpeded access to health care and that all health related services are provided in a timely manner. Each facility provides medical, dental and psychological services. Specific information concerning these services is provided during facility orientation. A \$2.00 co-pay will be charged for each visit requested by the offender however, offenders will not be refused health care because of their financial status.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

All offenders remanded to the custody of the Taft Unit facilities retain the right to choose their religious beliefs and to practice religious acts. Religious activities/ services are offered for all denominations and coordinated by the facility chaplain and volunteers. Information regarding the scope and availability of religious activities is made available to all offenders upon reception through the orientation process.