

Program Overview

Windows to Work provides inmates and parolees from the Oshkosh Correctional Institution with education, support and other case management services. It is a voluntary program designed to assist parolees in making a successful transition to life outside of prison. The program's case managers serve as the client's advocate, working with their parole agent and other correctional personnel to get on track and start a new life.

Who We Serve

Inmates housed at the Oshkosh Correctional Institution and being released to Brown, Manitowoc or Sheboygan Counties are eligible for services. **2009: 52 individuals served**

A Story of Success

John lived a crazy life during his childhood and teenage years. He would get into trouble, but the consequences for him were never very harsh. When he was 16 years old, his girlfriend became pregnant and he was convicted of Second Degree Sexual Assault of a Child. He was sent to prison a few years later after getting into trouble with gangs. For his part in those crimes, he was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

John joined the Windows to Work program about nine months before his release and really learned a lot. He was very excited to be released from prison and start his life over. We worked with him on employability skills and goals for his life outside of prison.

After his release, John moved in with his brother and ran into a few problems. He was arrested for his first drunk driving offense. However, he learned from this experience and began to cut back on his drinking. He was able to find a good job at a local factory. Eventually, he moved into his own apartment and started dating a nice girl.

A few years later, John is still with his girlfriend and they have one child together. He continues to work full-time for the factory and has successfully completed his probation after prison. He looks forward to a positive future for the sake of his child.

Windows to Work offices are located at 300 Crooks Street in Green Bay.

The above story is an example of the type of children and families we serve. Names, ages, and other personal information have been changed to protect the client's confidentiality.

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