

Jail Best Practices Award Official Entry Form

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Project Information

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Each application must be submitted with two signatures. Place appropriate signatures on two of the lines below:

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Program Narrative

A separate program narrative document must be attached to this form that answers the following questions in the order presented. This must be typed in a Word-document, Times New Roman, 10-point type.

- A description of the identified need and the background including what programs were in place before the current project, if any, and how it led to this effort
- A description of the project, including any evidenced-based approaches to jail diversion, community involvement strategies, formation of stakeholder groups, county-wide planning strategies, etc.
- A description of expectations and measurable goals, including supporting data
- A brief description of how the project was evaluated and any lessons learned
- A brief description of the community, including a description of key stakeholders, organizations, and county departments that were involved in the project
- A description of how the activities started in this project were altered or will be continued based on experience, including plans for leveraging additional resources
- A description of any costs associated with the project and how it was funded; cost savings, if any and any change in community acceptance, reductions in insurance costs, or inspection improvements that resulted from the program

Data Elements

A separate data report must accompany each submission and must contain program impact and performance measures. Please provide data in a way that indicates dollars saved, and population percentages affected. **Entries that do not include this data will be disqualified.**

Please attach supporting documents, forms or other information that support the award entry. **Entries must be received by close of business on March 1, 2012.** Winners will be announced during the CCAP Spring Conference, March 25 - 27, 2012. **More information: Brinda Carroll Penyak, bpenyak@pacounties.org.**

Program Narrative

1. The Berks County Jail System Community Reentry Center (CRC) is the result of several years of planning and collaboration. Many components of the CRC program had their genesis in programs and initiatives that began either at the Berks County Jail or in the community, beginning with the establishment of the Berks Community Resource Network (CRN), the county's "reentry task force", in 2003. The CRN along with the Reentry Subcommittee of the Berks County Criminal Justice Advisory Board and the Berks County Commissioners Community Corrections Task Force established a four-phase Strategic Plan in order to open the CRC.

Phase One: (1) Bring together a broad coalition of community-based groups and organizations and government agencies to focus on successful reentry and recidivism reduction, sharing information about the current resources that are available, while also identifying gaps in services and duplications in programming. (2) Define and survey the reentry population at the Berks County Jail to identify specific post-release needs.

Phase Two: Begin matching the individual needs of the reentry population with the programs and services available, continuing to identify where there are gaps and duplications.

Phase Three: Identify the focus populations and open the Berks County Community Reentry Center.

Phase Four: Fully integrate the Community Reentry Center with the programs and services available through CRN member agencies. Create and uninterrupted continuum of care that begins at the Reentry Center and continues into the community, with community-based agencies providing services and assistance prior to release with positive community relations and public support. Continue Phase Two goals of systematically reviewing programs and services to measure effectiveness and identify gaps and duplications.

Each Phase was begun, benchmarks were defined and met and the Berks County Jail System opened its Community Reentry Center (CRC) in May of 2010 with the goal of reducing recidivism and assisting residents in re-establishing themselves as productive members of our community. The CRC is dedicated to improving the quality of our community through effective and innovative services that instill pro-social behavior, health life choices and personal accountability; thereby reducing recidivism and its financial burden on the County. We seek to increase employment success, promote successful substance abuse and mental health recovery, secure safe and adequate housing and provide restoration of pro-social family and community supports.

2. The CRC program concentrates on residents housed in the CRC and ex-offenders released from the CRC. The CRC's capacity is up to 136 residents and approximately 50% of all residents qualify to participate in the program. A projected 300 residents are served in a 12 month period. The program focuses on delivering pre- and post-release services to a higher risk population, utilizing a Needs Assessment to interview to identify specific areas of need. Services are provided through a collaboration of Jail System staff and community-based providers. Continuity of staff provides case management services delivered by the same staff personnel both pre-release and up to three years post-release. The target population to participate in the program is defined as follows: (1) Unsentenced and Sentenced inmates, who (2) have a classification status of Minimum or Trusty, (3) who are determined will be at the CRC for a minimum of 30 days to receive required minimum dosage of services, and (4) an LSI-R score of between 13 and 33. Inmates who score between 13 and 22 on the LSI-R will be given information about community-based resources and can participate in limited CRC programming based on availability, but will not participate in the full menu of reentry programming. Inmates who score 23 or above on the LSI-R will receive a case management plan based on the individual's identified needs.

The services that are provided at the CRC focus on specific criminogenic needs including anti-social attitudes (Cognitive Behavioral programming), anti-social friends and peers and family/marital factors (Walking the Line[®], Volunteer Mentoring), anti-social personality (Stress and Anger Management), substance abuse (Treatment Services, Forensic Services), education (GED classes), employment (staff from collaborative agencies providing multiple workshops, work release, one-on-one job-related assistance and counseling), and lack of pro-social leisure activities (New Road Ministry). These programs and services are collectively provided by 10 agencies working collaboratively both pre- and post-release. All are members of the Berks Community Resource Network (CRN), the county's "reentry task force" that includes over 45 agencies working together to reduce recidivism.

The program utilizes cognitive-based programming to motivate participants' change, working to ensure that all programs include cognitive/behavioral based components (such as role playing, modeling, reinforcement, etc.) Staff has been trained to utilize motivational interviewing and the CRC team utilizes defined graduated sanctions when dealing with inappropriate or illegal conduct. Because most of the program participants are County-sentenced inmates (shorter length of stay than State-sentenced inmates), the program acknowledges that proper dosage of services and programs can be limited during participants' time at the CRC. To combat this, all new CRC residents undergo an initial mandatory 10-day screening/scheduling/programming period prior to being eligible for work release (unless currently employed) and programs and services identified in the case management plan are prioritized to ensure maximum participation during their stay at the CRC. Linkages are created thru the discharge plan prior to release to ensure that programming continues in the community after release. Information for the baseline recidivism rate has been collected and is validated thru a research collaboration with Alvernia University. Alvernia works with CRC staff and program providers to collect and report key data elements, including goals identified by the County Commissioners, Criminal Justice Advisory Board and the Berks Community Resource Network (CRN). The expansion of the CRC is recognized as one of the strategic goals of the Criminal Justice Advisory Board's strategic plan.

Berks County recently entered into a contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections to establish the Berks County Jail System Community Reentry Center as one of three pilot sites for a State-Local reentry project that would house State-sentenced inmates at County reentry centers for final reentry-related programming. The first State inmates arrived at the CRC in January.

3. The program demonstrates effective case assessment and management abilities to provide a comprehensive and continuous reentry process. The program utilized Actuarial-Base Assessment Instruments – using the LSI-R as its primary assessment tool. The LSI-R is a reliable, validated instrument that is primarily utilized for correctional use. The program provides sustained case planning/management in the Community and supports a comprehensive range of services for offenders. The program begins its reentry planning and programming at the CRC and provides programming for a minimum of ninety days pre-release in most cases and up to three years post-release. Programming concentrates on (1) securing employment, (2) securing safe and adequate housing, (3) substance abuse and mental health recovery, (4) establishing or re-establishing pro-social family and community connections, and (5) meeting immediate post-release needs relating to clothing, transportation and obtaining proper identification. Pre- and post-release case management is provided by the same agency (BCPS/BerksConnections) that offers an uninterrupted continuum of care: the same staff providing pre- and post-release assistance. Program participants meet with their case manager both immediately before and after release and receive intensive assistance for the first ninety days after release. Pre-release planning includes the use of a reentry Discharge Plan that captures all relevant immediate post-release needs, including such items as scheduling appointment with service providers, ensuring that the participant has an adequate initial supply of medications (if appropriate), and proper housing and employment has been obtained or is in-process. The discharge planning process also includes the utilization of HelpLink/COMPASS, a software program provided via the local United Way that screens eligibility and enrolls eligible applicants for public benefits.

Goals and objectives are in place for the CRC program based on the priorities established by the member groups of the Berks Community Resources Network (CRN), the Reentry Subcommittee of the Berks County Criminal Justice Advisory Board and the Berks County Commissioners Community Corrections Task Force. These goals have been targeted to assist with lowering recidivism in Berks County by increasing employment success, promoting successful substance abuse and mental health recovery, securing safe and adequate housing and providing restoration of pro-social family and community supports.

Outcome Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Reduce recidivism of Program participants

Objectives:

1.1 For participants who complete program requirements, recidivism will be reduced by a minimum of 20% at 6 months, 1 year and 3 years after discharge. Note: Recidivism will be reduced by a minimum 50% within 5 years of program implementation

1.2 The City of Reading and Berks County crime rates will decrease beginning within 12 months after the initiation of the program.

1.3 For participants who complete program requirements, the number of violations of conditions of supervised release will be reduced by 30% at 6 months and 1 year after discharge.

Goal 2: Increase the successful reintegration of Program participants into the community

Objectives:

2.1 60% of program participants will maintain ongoing involvement in identified group programs or designated aftercare programs for a minimum of 6 months after discharge.

Goal 3: Increase the number of Program participants who are employed

Objectives:

3.1 60% of participants who complete program requirements will be employed at 6 months and 1 year after discharge.

3.2 50% of participants who complete program requirements and gain employment will sustain an income above the national poverty level at 6 months and 1 year after discharge.

Goal 4: Increase safe and adequate housing for Program participants

Objectives:

4.1 70% of participants who complete program requirements will maintain appropriate housing for 6 months and 1 year after discharge.

Goal 5: Improve abstinence rates and mental health functioning for Program participants.

Objectives:

5.1 60% of participants who complete substance abuse treatment/recovery continuum will be abstinent or have decreased substance use at 6 months and 1 year after discharge.

5.2 60% of participants with a mental health diagnosis who continue with mental health services in the community will exhibit a reduction in the severity of psychiatric symptoms at 6 months and 1 year after discharge.

Goal 6: Increase payment of restitution and child support obligations by Program participants

Objectives:

6.1 60% of identified program participants will make restitution/ legal fines/ costs payments prior to discharge from the CRC and ongoing payments after discharge.

6.2 60% of identified program participants will make child support payments prior to discharge from the CRC and ongoing payments after discharge.

4. Alvernia University has been contracted to assist with the evaluation of the CRC program. Alvernia was provided with a list of Berks County Jail System inmates released between 7/1/06 and 6/30/07 who were incarcerated for at least 30 days and who met the eligibility criteria initially set forth for the Community Reentry Center, namely: (1) being male, (2) have an LSI-R score of 40 or less, and (3) have a classification of: Trustee, Minimum or Medium. Alvernia randomly selected approximately 20% of the names on the list resulting in an initial control group of 232 inmates. The following is the initial data reported by Alvernia:

Table 1. National and Local Recidivism Rates by LSI-R Classification at 12 Months Post-Release

LSI-R Classification National	Score National	LSI-R Classification Berks County, PA	Score Berks County, PA	% Chance of Recidivism National	% Chance of Recidivism Berks County, PA
Low	0-13	Low	0-12	11.70%	0.00%
Low_Moderate	14-23	Moderate	13-22	31.10%	35.87%
Moderate	24-33	Moderate/High	23-33	48.10%	47.17%
Medium-High	34-40	High	34-40	57.30%	54.55%
High	41-47	NA	NA	76.00%	NA

The control group local LSI-R classification scores are distributed as follows:

Table 2. Number of Inmates by Local LSI-R Classification

Local LSI Classification	Score	# Inmates
Low	0-12	12
Moderate	13-22	92
Moderate/High	23-33	106
High	34+	22
Grand Total		232

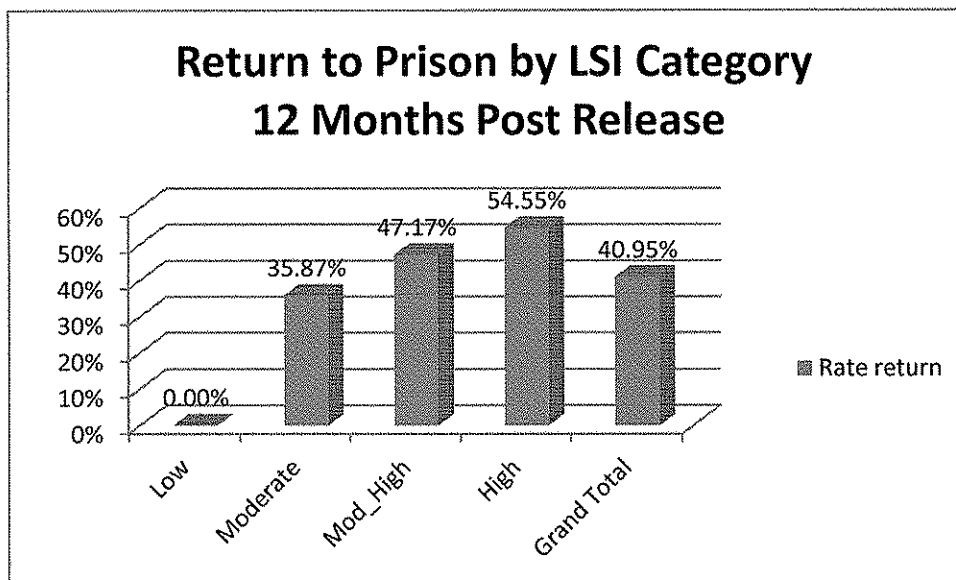
Overall recidivism rates for the **control group** are as follows:

- 27% at 6 months
- 20% at 6-12 months
- 41% within 12 months with 95 inmates returning to prison at least once during the 12 month post-release period.

The pattern of return to prison rates across the four local LSI-R classification categories is consistent with national research findings validating LSI-R's statistical association with recidivism; overall, inmates with higher LSI-R scores recidivated at higher rates within the first 12 months post release.

Current practices at the CRC restrict eligibility even further to an LSI-R score of up to 33 and Alvernia will be adjusting our baseline data to exclude those that no longer meet the requirements for the CRC program.

The risk principle states that higher-risk offenders should receive more intensive services and supervision than lower risk offenders. Our statistical data is consistent with this. As you can see from the following recidivism (defined as return on new arrest) data chart created by Alvernia University, we appear to be focusing our efforts on the correct population. The CRC's program focuses its efforts on those residents that fall into the moderate and moderate-high risk category. This group offers the most potential for success and reduction in recidivism with the assistance and programming that is offered at the CRC.



5. Staffing for the CRC program includes:

Jail Transition Case Manager - The Berks County Jail System Case Manager conducts the initial Needs Assessment Interview, coordinates the programs and services provided by the Jail Treatment Staff at the Jail prior to entry into the CRC and assists in the continuing delivery of those services at the Center.

Employment Development Specialist - The BCPS/BerksConnections Employment Development Specialist assists in the successful obtaining and retention of employment by program participants, by providing outreach to local employers, employment-related education and classes and ongoing monitoring and assistance. The Employment Specialist works with Jail staff, Adult Probation and Parole and Domestic Relations in coordinating justice system employment efforts and has developed ongoing relationships with Pennsylvania CareerLink[®] Berks County, the Greater Reading Chamber of Business and Industry and the local Society of Human Resource Managers association to secure program participant employment opportunities.

Work Release Coordinator - The Berks County Jail System Work Release Coordinator works with the Employment Specialist and community-based employers to provide employment opportunities for Center residents and manages the institutional (internal County) employment program for Center residents.

Employment Specialist - The BCPS/BerksConnections Employment Specialist works with the Employment Development Specialist and Work Release Coordinator and provides one-to-one employment assistance to Center residents, conducts employment workshops in coordination with Pennsylvania CareerLink[®] Berks County staff and facilitates resume writing and computer-lab job search activities.

Community Reentry Coordinators - The BCPS/BerksConnections Reentry Coordinator provides uninterrupted pre- and post-release case management to program participants. Duties include administering program assessments; completing the items on the Discharge Checklist; providing ongoing case management services, linking participants to CRC and community-based services relating to employment, housing, substance abuse and mental health recovery, establishing or re-establishing family and community connections; and meeting immediate post-release needs relating to clothing, transportation and obtaining a proper identification. Their services continue post-release for up to three years.

Family Restoration Specialist - The Community Prevention Partnership Family Restoration Specialist facilitates the *Walking the Line*[®] pro-social relationship and skills building curriculum, a series of 8 – 12 sessions that aid individuals in developing and maintaining healthy, successful relationships.

Volunteer Mentoring Coordinator - The Reading Berks Conference of Churches Mentoring Coordinator recruits, trains and supervises volunteer community-based mentors to work with CRC residents. The Coordinator also facilitates New Road Ministry, a post-release program begun in 2000 that unites community-based volunteers and recently-released ex-offenders for a weekly meal and information-sharing session.

The Berks Community Resource Network (CRN) currently includes over 45 local non-profit and government agencies that collaborate in planning and providing reentry-related programs and services. These agencies represent a broad coalition of local government agencies and non-profit organizations and include representatives from the fields of public safety, corrections, housing, health, education, substance abuse, children and families, victims' services, employment and business. Agencies participating in the CRN and their role in providing extensive collaboration relating to key post-release factors are as follows:

Health, Mental Health and Substance Abuse – the County MH/MR Program and the Council on Chemical Abuse have provided leadership and funding since the beginning of reentry efforts. They oversee substance abuse and mental health programming at the Center and have engaged providers who assist participants both pre- and post-release.

Housing – the County Community Development Office and the Reading Housing Authority are both CRN members and the County has prioritized the reentry population for funding under the federal HUD HPRP housing program.

Child Welfare – the Berks County Youth Center, Berks County Domestic Relations Section and the Berks County Juvenile Probation Office have all participated as CRN member agencies and provide assistance.

Education and employment services – Pennsylvania CareerLink[®] Berks County has provided assistance beginning with new programming at the Berks County Jail in 2008 and provides enhanced services at the Community Reentry Center.

Law Enforcement – the Berks County District Attorney and the Berks County Chiefs of Police Association have assisted with reentry efforts as members of the Criminal Justice Advisory Board and its steering committee.

Several of these community-based agencies (treatment provider Berks Counseling Center, non-profit BCPS/BerksConnections and the Conference of Churches) all have permanent offices at the Community Reentry Center, and there is shared office space for additional agencies available as well.

6. The average daily population of the CRC increased throughout 2010 and in 2011 had reached a level of 92 residents per day. During this time, program offerings were expanded to include such programs as Interviewing Skills, Father's Voice, *Walking the Line*[®], a computer lab and a clothing bank. Discussions with the local transit authority resulted in the authority (Barta) agreeing to add multiple new bus runs to and from the CRC. The CRC program will be beginning a furlough program in 2012 which will allow approved residents to leave the facility for employment searches, programming, obtaining identification and family reunification. A new unit was opened at the CRC that allows residents who have successfully reached targets in their Transition Plan and/or are participating in community-based job search/treatment and recovery services to live in the less restrictive unit that promotes a higher level of independence and self-responsibility. The CRC expects to offer services to the Adult Probation office in the form of "Day Reporting".

The specific programs and services currently offered on-site at the Community Reentry Center include:

(1) CONTINUATION OF JAIL-BASED PROGRAMS

The Jail Transition Case Manager ensures that appropriately-identified CRC residents complete the following Jail-based programs:

- Stress and Anger Management
- Values Clarification
- Choices and Consequences
- Parenting
- Sex Offender Treatment
- GED Classes

(2) EMPLOYMENT

Employment programming includes:

- Resume Writing, Interviewing Skills, Ready to Succeed and Ready to Work employment workshops conducted by Pennsylvania CareerLink[®] Berks County and/or BCPS
- Job search workshop conducted by DRS for all residents incarcerated for Domestic Relations Cases
- Work Release program with local employers administered by the Jail
- Work Crews on County-owned property
- A computer Lab with 15 functioning computers for resume/cover letter writing, job hunting and on-line application completion
- A clothing bank under the direction of the Conference of Churches which assists residents with clothing for interviews, work release and/or permanent release from the CRC.

(3) SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH RECOVERY

Substance abuse and mental health recovery programming includes:

- Treatment services (provided by Berks Counseling Center) including Psycho-Education, Intensive Outpatient, Outpatient, DUI Targeted Outpatient, Early Recovery Support and Mental Health Psycho-Education
- Forensic services (provided by TASC and SAM)

(4) HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Housing-related programming includes:

- The Berks County Community Reentry Housing Program (local HUD HPRP funding administered by BCPS)
- Budget counseling referred/conducted by BCPS

(5) FAMILY AND COMMUNITY RESTORATION

Family and community restoration programming includes:

- *Walking the Line*[®] relationship curriculum conducted by the Community Prevention Partnership of Berks County
- Volunteer Mentoring provided by the Reading Berks Conference of Churches
- *New Road Ministry* is a weekly meeting of ex-offenders and community volunteers who join to share a meal and discuss reentry needs and obstacles, coordinated by the Reading Berks Conference of Churches
- Father's Voice is a program provided by BCPS/BerksConnections which gives fathers the opportunity to read book to their child/children while being videotaped. The book and video tape are then given to the child/children.

(6) IMMEDIATE POST-RELEASE NEEDS

Immediate post-release needs provided by BCPS include:

- Ready to Reenter workshops focusing on connecting program participants with community-based services and program providers as well as completing a self-guided discharge planning assessment
- Completion of all items listed on Discharge Checklist protocol
- Qualifying and enrolling residents for post-release public benefits via HelpLink/COMPASS
- Assistance with obtaining proper identification
- Transportation vouchers
- Clothing vouchers
- Hope Rescue Mission shelter vouchers

7. To operate the facility in 2011 it cost the tax payers of Berks County over \$1.4 million. We were able to receive grant funding through the Second Chance Act which helped to offset the costs of a treatment caseworker and costs of some third party provided services, i.e. BCPS/Berks Connections, Community Prevention Partnership and Reading Berks Conference of Churches. In 2012 our goal is to expand to an average daily population of 136 residents. We have contracted with the State of Pennsylvania to begin housing pre-release and parolees beginning in January 2012. Our 2012 operating budget is \$1.9 million and we once again have received funding from the Federal government through the Second Chance Act. Payments received from the PA DOC for housing state residents at the CRC will be used to sustain all programming once grant funding has ended. We have applied for an additional grant through PCCD and will be reapplying for additional Second Chance Act funding.

The CRC program is fortunate to have the support of the Berks Community Resource Network (CRN) which includes over 45 agencies within the community that have a common goal of reducing recidivism. The CRN holds all-member meetings on an on-going basis and is governed by a Coordinating Committee consisting of senior representatives from the Jail, Single County Authority (representing treatment providers) and BCPS/BerksConnections (representing community-based groups). Based on these efforts the following is a list of the agencies that participate in the CRN activities and fulfilling the goals of the strategic plan:

Government Departments

Berks County Jail System
Berks County Youth Center
Berks County Adult Probation Office
Berks County Commissioners
Berks County Court of Common Pleas
Berks County MH/MR Program
Berks County Criminal Justice Advisory Board
Berks County Assistance Office
PA CareerLink® – Berks County
City of Reading
Berks County Community Development Office
PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
Reading Housing Authority
Berks County District Attorney
U.S. Attorney’s Office

Community Agencies

BCPS/BerksConnections
Berks Advocates Against Violence
Berks Counseling Center
Berks Coalition to End Homelessness
Berks Weed & Seed Strategy
Berks TALKLINE
Berks County Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Berks Women in Crisis
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Berks County
Catholic Charities
Children’s Home of Reading
C.A.N. – Community Action Network
Council on Chemical Abuse
Co-County Wellness Services/Berks AIDS Network
Downtown Improvement District
Community Prevention Partnership of Berks
Easy Does It, Inc.
Hispanic Center
Literacy Council of Reading-Berks
Mental Health Association

Mid-Penn Legal Services
NAACP
New Person Center
Opportunity House
Olivet Boys and Girls Club
Reading-Berks Conference of Churches
Reading Hospital and Medical Center
Real Estate Investors Association
St. Joseph's Medical Center
Service Access Management, Inc.
TASC
United Way of Berks County
United Working Families
YMCA of Reading & Berks

Data Elements

The control group recidivism rates by local vs. national LSI-R classification are consistent as shown in Table 1. Given the profile of the CRC population and current eligibility criteria, the use of local LSI-R classification is justified and would allow for valid national comparisons.

Table 1. National and Local Recidivism Rates by LSI-R Classification at 12 Months Post-Release

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High	41-47	NA	NA	76.00%	NA

The following data charts and tables represent the recidivism rates for the period ending December 31, 2011:

RECIDIVISM RATE: 1 – 180 Days Post Release (6 Month) using Moderate and Moderate-High LSI-R Scores:

Target Population Baseline (as confirmed by Alvernia): 26.4%

CRC Population – Period ended 12/31/11: 5.6%

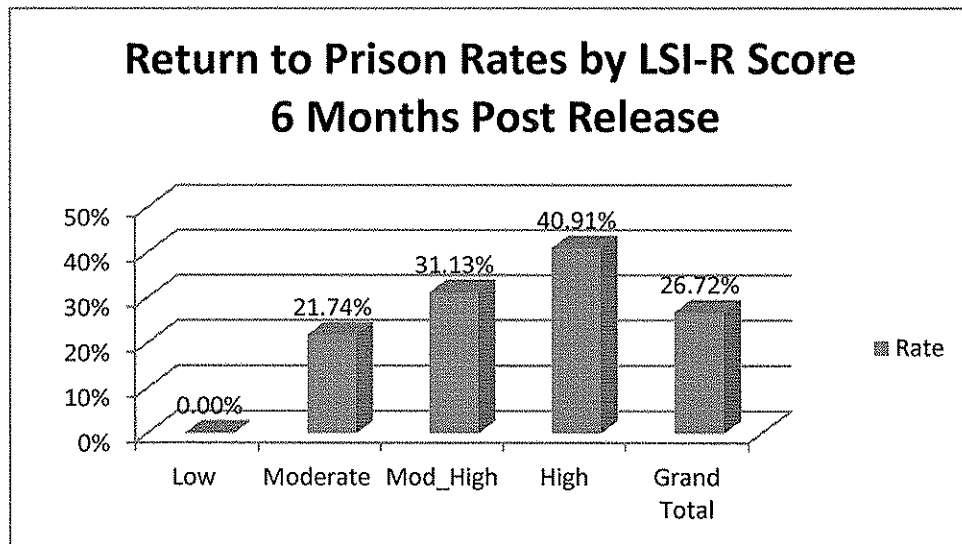


Table 2. Return to Prison Rates by LSI-R Score - Six Months Post-Release

LSI-R Classification	Score	# Inmates Returned to Prison	# Total Inmates	Rate Return to Prison
Low	0-12	0	12	0.00%
Moderate	13-22	20	92	21.74%
Mod_High	23-33	33	106	31.13%
High	33+	9	22	40.91%
Grand Total		62	232	26.72%

RECIDIVISM RATE: 181 + Days Post-Release (1 Year) using Moderate and Moderate-High LSI-R Scores:

Target Population Baseline: 21.2%

CRC Population: 8.3%

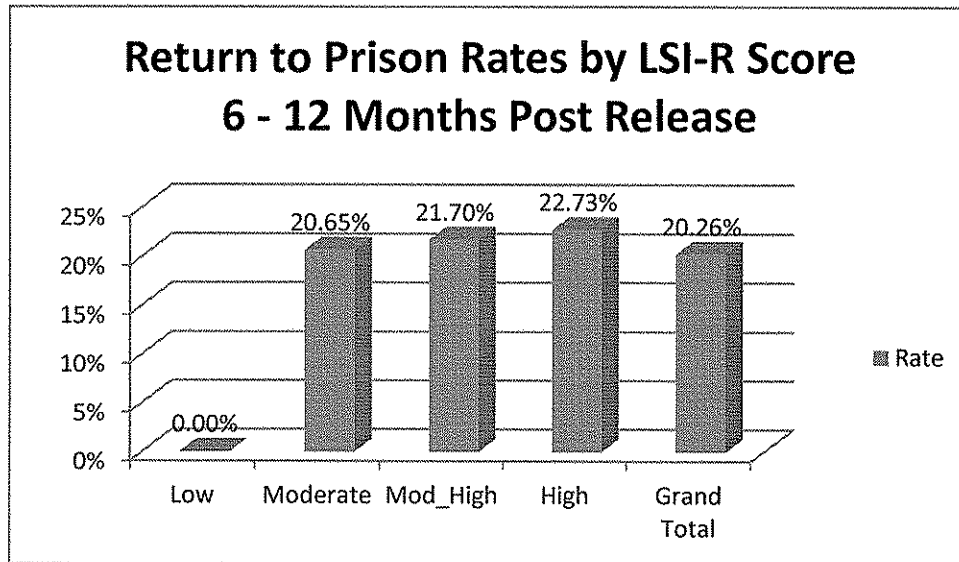


Table 3. Return to Prison Rates by LSI-R Score – Six-to-Twelve Months Post-Release

LSI-R Classification	Score	# Inmates Returned to Prison	# Total Inmates	Rate Return to Prison
Low	0-12	0	12	0.00%
Moderate	13-22	19	92	20.65%
Mod_High	23-33	23	106	21.70%
High	33+	5	22	22.73%
Grand Total		47	232	20.26%

COMBINED RECIDIVISM RATE using Moderate and Moderate-High LSI-R Scores:

Target Population Baseline: 47.6%

CRC Population: 13.9%

As you can see, the CRC Program continues to show significant reductions in recidivism – from an overall rate of 48.0% from the validated baseline numbers to less than 14% for the CRC population.

The reduction in recidivism produces a costs savings for the county and its taxpayers. In 2010, it cost the Berks County Jail System \$75.86 a day to house an inmate. The average inmate is incarcerated for 61 days, expense of \$4627.46.

By subtracting our combined CRC population recidivism rate of 13.9% from our combined target population baseline of 47.6% leaves a reduction of 33.7%.

In the past 12 months, the average daily population at the CRC was 92 residents. If we can assist 31 residents (33.7% of the 92 daily residents) by involving them in programming and case management that reduces recidivism, we could save the county \$143,451 (31 residents x \$75.86 cost per day x 61 days) in one year.