

Multnomah County Re-entry Enhancement Coordination (REC) Program

Program Start Date: 2009

Website:

http://www.voaoor.org/Learn-About-our-Services/Treatment-Programs/InAct_2/Re-Entry-Enhancement-Coordination-Program-REC

<http://web.multco.us/dcj-adult/special-programs-unit>

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Criminal Justice Partners: VOA Oregon's InAct program, the Department of Corrections, the Multnomah County Department of Community Justice, SE Works and Bridges to Change

Information: The program was designed to close gaps in services provided to those transitioning from prison to the community. REC serves men and women who have severe addictions and have completed treatment during their incarceration and who will benefit from assistance in securing housing, treatment, and employment after release.

The REC team builds on the success of prison-based substance abuse and co-occurring disorder treatment by providing a continuum of care and services for successful offender re-entry. The goals of the REC include: reducing offender recidivism, relapse and use of addictive substances; increasing offenders' engagement with treatment; and increasing offenders' ability to attain and maintain stable housing and employment.

Evaluation/Research: Since April 2010, the program has served 301 participants and 76% have successfully completed treatment. Of participants who remain in the program, 88% are drug and alcohol free, and in the most recent quarter, 84% attained employment within 90 days after release from prison.