

REDIDIVISM IN MAINE + PROJECT REENTRY

Over the last 10 years, the number of inmates in Maine's jails has nearly doubled. In recent years, there has been an increase in the number of offenders released into the community accompanied by a corresponding increase in re-offending rates in Maine. Additionally, a significant and growing number of person's in the justice system have co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders. Project Reentry has a goal to reduce recidivism rates for someone with a co-occurring disorder by offering integrated and need-matched treatment.

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Funding through The Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 14 Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adult Offenders with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disorders to the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office



Kevin J. Joyce, Sheriff

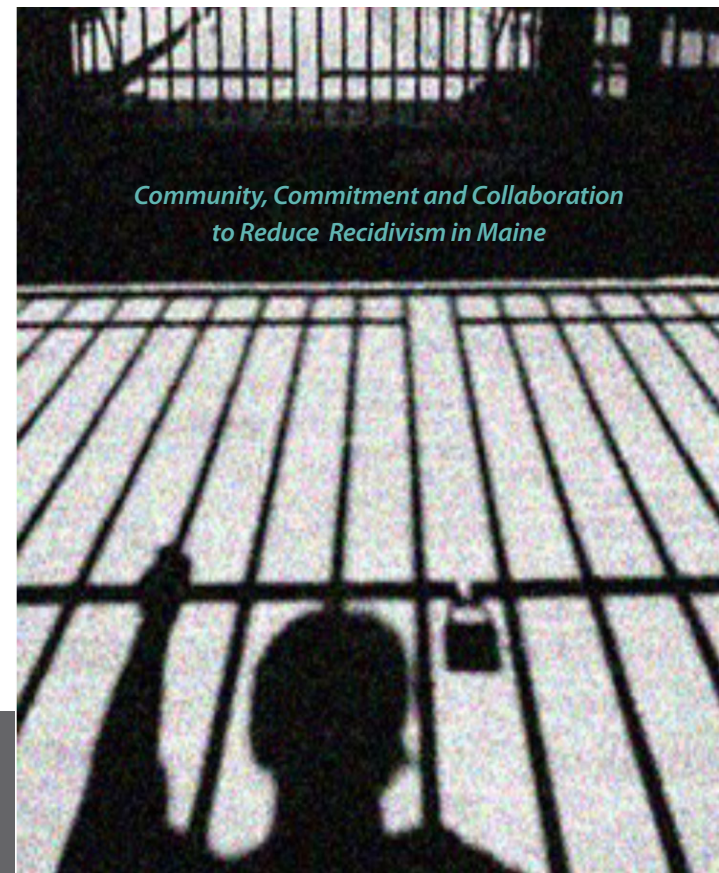
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CUMBERLAND COUNTY MAINE

*Community, Commitment and Collaboration
to Reduce Recidivism in Maine*



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PURPOSE

The purpose of the two-year project is to reduce recidivism in medium and high risk offenders with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders. Incarcerated, pre- and postconviction individuals are identified and enrolled in evidenced-based programs which include peer support and mentoring services. Project Reentry's unique design involves forensic case management targeted to the individual offender. It also includes a multiprovider, in-jail treatment program to create a continuity in services for participants to ease reentry shock by leveraging established in-jail service relationships, establishing individual case plans supported by probation terms; insuring participants receive the proper treatment, community support and monitoring upon release; thereby changing their trajectory of continued engagement with the criminal justice system.

QUALIFYING CLIENTELE

Male or Female Offenders age 18 and older with co-occurring substance abuse and mental illness, who are medium to high risk to recidivate and are:

- 1) currently in Cumberland County Jail (CCJ) and facing a probation revocation,
- 2) currently in CCJ and serving a probation revocation with at least 9 months of probation left,
- 3) on a Maine Pretrial contract and awaiting a straight sentence that is 9 months or greater or
- 4) sentenced to at least 9 months of probation upon release and currently serving jail time at CCJ.



REFERRALS

If you know someone who may qualify for this program please send your referrals to the following:

Maine Pretrial Services
Frances Mercado
Re-Entry Case Manager
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SERVICES

- Maine Pretrial Services Case Management
- Cognitive Behavior/Criminogenic Groups
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Treatment through Catholic Charities
- Pharmacological Medication Services
- Peer-to Peer Relationships-Domestic Violence support, AA/NA, mentoring, etc.
- Vocational Services through Goodwill