Program Name: Ex-Offender Re-Entry Portal		
Department Name: Recreation and Community Ser	vices	
Prepared By:	Reporting Month	Contact Info:
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Type Allocation: City Direct Delivery Competitive Bid Legislative Award

**Program Strategy**: Focusing on felony re-entry

# **Program Summary:**

The Jacksonville Re-Entry Center (JREC) is the required first stop for all ex-offenders returning to Duval County after incarceration, to ensure proper and lawful re-entry into the community. The expansion of this program will help to ensure that ex-offenders make successful transitions back into the community and do not return to a life of crime.

### **JREC ACTIVITIES:**

JREC staff received notice from the Lake County Re-entry committee that as a result of last month's staff presentation they received funding to hire a part time re-entry coordinator. Following the Interfaith Breakfast, staff presented on a re-entry panel. A student intern from UNF is working with JREC staff to assist in analyzing and improving the data analysis and reporting process. JREC and JSO staff attended the American Jail Association conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan and had an opportunity to learn more about the opportunities and challenges involved with implementing evidence based assessments and cognitive behavioral programing within a jail facility.

5 b) What is the number of NEW program participants receiving services that were added during the reporting month?	76
10 a) What is the number of program participants who completed services during the reporting month?	37
b) What is the number of program participants that exited services during the reporting month?	66
(This number should include those that completed and those that did not complete using the 90 day contact rule if you have a 3 year completion period ) (List provided)	
OUTCOME FOR ALL ACTIVITIES	
84 b) What is the total number of individuals arrested in the below (#86) categories during the reporting month?	2
86. Please indicate (with an <b>X</b> ) if any of the following crimes were committed during the reporting month :	
A. HOMICIDES	0
B. FORCIBLE RAPE	0
C. ROBBERIES	1
D. AGGRAVATED ASSAULTS	1
PERSONNEL QUESTIONS	
34. A) What is the number of personnel <i>retained</i> with ARRA JAG funds during the reporting month?	1
B) What is the number of existing personnel paid by all OTHER (non-JAG ARRA) during the reporting period?	7
35. Indicate the type of RETAINED personnel paid with JAG ARRA funds?	
C) Prevention and Educational Personnel	

Overall Program Status: JREC is in the process of filling four vacated staff positions, two re-entry specialist, 1 CSA 111 and the BYRNE Grant funded employment specialist. All individuals that resigned their positions found better paying jobs. Staff considers this to be an ongoing problem as the economy improves. All JREC positions require individuals with extensive experience to work well with the JREC population: this very experience is better rewarded monetarily by most other

community partners.

## **Program Successes:**

- 1. M. Warren: Since his release he enrolled and attended the Duval County High School Completion Program and obtained his GED. He is scheduled to graduate with his High School Diploma in a week.
- 2. J. Johnson: Enrolled in the North-South Human Services after care substance abuse program, was provided services through Vision is Priceless, and successfully developed and independent contract mobile detail business servicing via contracts with dealerships and downtown business offices.
- 3. C. Simmons-Cooper is a 28 year old male, released from Columbia Correctional Institution after having served a 2 year sentence for sexual battery/custodial. Mr. Simmons-Cooper aggressively looked for employment and was successful in finding a job at Longhorn Restaurant. He has quickly been promoted from a host to a server which will enable him to earn tips, in addition to his minimum pay.
  - Mr. Simmons-Cooper was diligent and finally successful in convincing Judge Soud to modify his probation, extending his curfew allowing him to work as many hours as necessary to satisfy his work schedule at Longhorn. Mr. Simmons Cooper has a positive attitude and continues to progress at his weekly support group.

Program Providers – Where there are multiple agencies working together, please specify each agencies role. If type other than those illustrated below, please add to legend type below.

Types: D\$=City direct funded provider PT = Partner or subcontracted provider – NO FUNDING

# PT\$ = Partner or subcontracted provider receiving

Jacksonville Sheriff's Office	D\$	Jimmy Holderfield, Director	Jimmy.Holderfield@ jaxsheriff.org 301 East Bay St, Jax, FL 32202 630-2120	Administration & Operation of JREC
McGhee Heartfelt Wholeness	PT\$	Fadia McGhee	5719 Moncrief Rd, Jax, FL 32219	Ex-Offender Housing
New Start Transitional Housing	PT\$	Jerry Turner, owner	P.O. Box 9 New Castle, Va	Ex-Offender Housing
REM Innovations	PT\$	Jackie Harris, Director	5906 San Juan Ave Jacksonville, FL	Ex- Offender Housing
River Region	PT\$	Deyra Williams	2055 Reyko Rd, Ste. 107, Jax, FL	Ex-Offender Housing
St James Recovery Center	PT\$	Hank Smith, Director	521 W Bay St Jax, FL 32202	Ex-Offender Housing

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Thorminc House of Refuge Ministries	PT\$	Cassandra Bush	P.O. Box 26889 Jax, FL 32226	Ex-Offender Housing	
Arlington Psychological	PT\$	James Vallely, PhD	8049 Arlington Expressway, Ste. #12 Jax, FL 32211	Psychological Evaluations	
Community Behavioral Services	PT\$	Larry Neidigh	2211 Park St, Jax, FL 32204	Counseling Services	
Gateway Community Services	PT\$	Nancy Whipple	555 Stockton St, Jax, FL 32204	Counseling Services	
North South Fla Human Services	PT\$	Lester Randolph	610 Julia St Jax, FL 32202	Counseling Services	
Stop, Inc.	PT&	George Deitchman	710 Third Street, Jax, FL 32250	Sex-offender Counseling Services	
Intrinsic	PT\$	Chris Bartkowiak	2342 Park Street, Jax, FL 32204	Sex-offender Counseling Services	
Salvation Army	PT\$		17 East Church Street, Jax, FL 32202	Batters Intervention Program	

#### **Program Information**

### Scope of Services Include:

**Portal of Entry**: The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Department of Corrections will, in conjunction with participating agencies operate a "Portal of Entry" (one stop shop) whereby ex-offenders returning from local, state or federal incarceration can be provided assistance for successful reentry into our community. The Jacksonville Re-Entry Center serves as one arm of this reentry portal. The "one stop shop" will provide the following deliverables:

- Increase public safety by reducing recidivism
- Provide on-site felony registration
- Assign terms of and conditions of program participation that complement any state sanctioned probation or parole requirements
- Facilitate former offender's sustained engagement in treatment, mental health and supportive health services
- Identify stable housing through JREC staff networking with several agencies and community providers that provide housing to ex-offenders such as, boarding houses, income based apartments and when needed financial assistance to secure such
- Continue to address the obstacles that make it difficult for ex-offenders to obtain and retain employment at a living-wage level
- Provide opportunities for inmates exiting prison or jail to obtain appropriate forms of identification;

**Case Management -Reentry Transition Plans**: In coordination with State of Florida, Department of Corrections facilities, the JREC Resource Specialists will develop a reentry plan for those meeting the criteria which states *clients are defined as offenders who were residing in Jacksonville, sentenced in Jacksonville and are returning to Jacksonville upon release from incarceration.* 

**Facilitate Transportation:** The JREC provides a limited number of bus tickets for ex-offenders who are seeking employment. **Parole/Probation Coordination:** Probation officers and resource specialists will work hand-in-hand to provide intensive, individualized assistance needed by many of the ex-offenders.

Program Outcomes: A detailed process for tracking successes and outcomes for all programs for the following measures

	Current Month	YTD	Proposed 12/13
A. Quantity: How much?			1100000 12/10
Info & Referral Services	148	953	800
New Clients	76	613	700
	0		700
Returning clients 12/13	125	1196	1005
Returning clients expired clients	6	63	N/A
Prior year clients 08/09	N/A	N/A	N/A
08/09 Transferred to Other Journey Programs	0		
TOTAL Transferred to Other Journey Programs	0		
Inactive (No contact for 30 days, rearrested, moved, etc)			
2012-2013	16	138	
2010-2011			
2009-2010			

B. Quality / Effort: How well services are provided?	<del>_</del>		
Successful Completers (1 Year participation)			
2012-2013 3 month contracts	37	306	
2011-2012 (3 month participation & 1 YR CONTRACTS)			
2010-2011			N/A
2009-2010	64		N/A
2008-2009	N/A	N/A	N/A
C. Client Benefits: Is anyone any better off?	2nd QTR	YTD	
Reduce recidivism rates at 6 months, 1 year, & 3 years.	Actual recid.	Actual recid.	
Year 1 Clients (Signed prior to 10/1/09)	5.98%	28.2%	
Year 2 Clients (Signed 10/1/09 – 9/31/10)	2.4%	5.6%	
Year 3 Clients (Signed 10/1/10 – 9/31/11)	8.6%	12%	
Year 4 Clients (Signed 10/1/11 – 9/31/12)		14%	

Budget Item Re-Entry Services:	Budget	Actual (cumulative) Journey/ARRA Combined	Balance Journey/ARRA Combined	Variance/ Explanation
ARRA GF – JOURNEY	\$558,053	\$ 333,052	\$ 225,001	

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr	Total	Total Clients (includes Transfers)	2nd QTR RECID. RATE	3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr RECIC RATE	YTD
YR1 (Signed 10/1 - 9/30/09)									
Program - VOP, Extradition, Order to Transport	2	7	2	3	14				
Misdemeanor	14	8	6	5	33				
Felony	11	11	10	6	38				
YR 1 TOTAL WITH 6/1/09 START DATE	27	26	18	14	85	301	5.98%	4.65 %	28.2%
YR 2 (signed 10/1 - 9/30/10)									
Program - VOP, Extradition, Order to Transport	2	4	0	4	10		1%	0	1.09%
Misdemeanor	3	4	11	7	25		9%	1.5%	2.7%
Felony	4	3	6	4	17		6%	8%	1.8%
YR 2 Total	9	11	17	15	52	914	2.4%	2.4%	5.6%
Total clients per quarter	197	444	697	914	914		·		

YR 3 (Signed 10/1 - 9/30/11)										
Program - VOP, Extradition, Order to Transport	4	6	5	4	19		1.9%	1%	2.8%	
Misdemeanor	6	8	9	6	29		2.6%	1.9%	4.3%	
Felony	9	12	3	9	33		3.9%	6%	4.9%	
YR 3 Total	19	26	17	19	81	670	8.6%	3.7%	12%	
Totals clients per quarter	148	302	457	670	670					
YR 4 (Signed 10/1 - 9/30/12)										
Program - VOP, Extradition, Order to Transport	3									
Misdemeanor	7									
Felony	10									
YR 4 Total									-	
Total client 10-1-11/1-31-12	278									