

Howard County Dept. of Corrections Reentry Program

ReentryXpress Group

For Pre-trial and Inmates with Short Sentences of 90 days or less

1. Sign-in sheet to include name and County/City of return (data to be reported)
2. Introduction of Facilitator/Opening Remarks/Purpose of Group
3. Reentry Documents- Community Reentry ID card/60 day Howard Co. bus pass (example)
 - Social Security card requests (sign up)
 - MVA requirements for ID card
 - Info on how to acquire Birth Certificate (handout and instruction sheet)
 - Acquiring a Release Report
4. Health Insurance-Sign up on kiosk
 - Where to acquire in community at MSC (handout)
5. Community Supervision- Information given about reporting and overall review of conditions
6. Employment- Discussion: What to expect in your job search;
 - Resumes/Making online applications
 - Signing up on the MWE (handout)
 - How to find immediate jobs (temp agencies i.e. Labor Finders)
 - Benefit to acquire Federal bonding letter (handout)
 - Available Reentry Orientation Sessions
 - Interview clothing/Work clothes

(Handouts of Workforce Development locations, Monthly calendar of events, Contact persons)
7. Howard County information: North Laurel Multi Service Center (handout)
 - Food Banks
 - Thrift Stores
 - Transportation info (transit schedules and taxi contact)
8. Community Resources list: handout for each County/City listed on sign in sheet to include (at minimal) the location and contact info for local DSS, Health Dept, Mental Health/Addictions (single point of access), Community Supervision office, Workforce Development office, Emergency Shelter info, any direct contact info with Reentry person in that jurisdiction.
9. Planning for Your Release: Discussion and Summary
10. Q and A (time permitting)

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