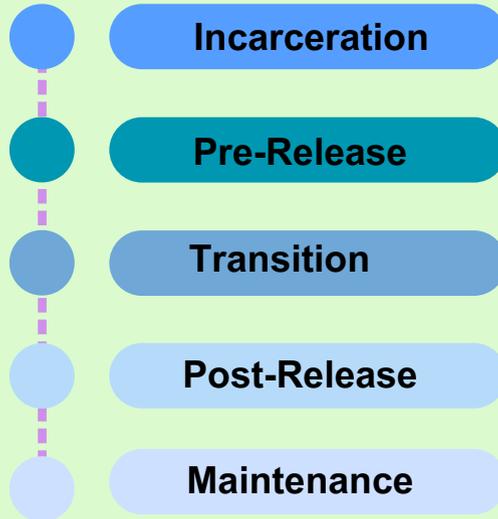


What is Reentry?

The process in which individuals return to the community from a period of incarceration within a criminal or juvenile justice system. Reentry begins at incarceration.



Best Practices in Reentry

Increase public safety, reduce recidivism, and improve outcomes for individuals and families through the utilization of practices supported by

- Validated risk needs assessment and client/family feedback drive case planning.
- Enhancing strengths of individuals and families.
- Implementation of a continuum of care through community partnerships.
- Continuous program evaluation and improvement.
- Incentivized goal attainment.
- Motivational Interviewing
- Cognitive Behavioral Interventions

The most difficult thing is the decision to act.

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Get Involved!
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*Inspiring hope and
creating inclusion for
returning individuals.*

PBC's Approach to Reentry

Our reentry model focuses on providing outreach to clients in prisons, jails, and other facilities. Connecting individuals to case managers, prior to release, who will work to build rapport, assess for risk and needs, and reentry case plan to prepare for a successful return back into the community. Case managers manage the implementation of the continuum of care and provide critical services to reduce risk, meet needs, and enhance the strengths of clients.

Reentry Task Force

Created in 2010, the PBC Reentry Task Force is comprised of representatives from over 50 agencies and affiliations within the community. They collaborate to refine, expand, and innovate policies, procedures, and services impacting individuals returning from incarceration.

The **mission** is to reintegrate individuals returning from incarceration into the community by creating opportunities that reduce recidivism.

Reentry Case Management

- Food and Basic Needs Assistance
- Transportation Assistance
- Identification Assistance
- Health Insurance Assistance
- Behavioral Health Treatment
- Education & Employment Assistance
- Supportive Housing Advocacy & Assistance
- Prosocial Activities

Eligibility For Services

Adults who have a felony conviction and are returning to Palm Beach County from Jail, State or Federal Prison.

Reducing Recidivism & Improving Outcomes

A main goal of successful reentry is to utilize services and support to reduce the risk to reoffend and increase successful outcomes.

Recidivism typically refers to subsequent involvement into the criminal justice system for individuals who have returned from incarceration.

Achieved outcomes:

- Reconnection to the workforce
- Family reunification
- Housing stability
- Increased wellness & general health
- Reduced reliance on social services
- Increased behavioral health connections
- Individuals who receive reentry services are more than 50% less like to recidivate than those who return to the community and do not participate.

Return on Investment

PBC provides outreach to nearly 1000 individuals and services approximately 750 reentry clients per year.

Reentry services reduce the costs of incarceration, through reductions in recidivism that allow for funds to be reallocated to improve social services and outcomes for individuals in the community.

The Costs of Incarceration

JAIL \$48,910

PRISON \$28,300

JUVENILE \$81,395

2023

Incarceration Trends in the US

1 in 3 individuals have been arrested in their lifetime (by the age of 23)

5% of the world's overall population

25% of the world's prisoners

95% adults sentenced to prison will return to their communities

Incarceration Trends in PBC

Each year,

- Approx. 40,000 individuals are arrested
- 1,460 people are released from incarceration and resume their lives in the community:
 - 60 youth
 - 400 adults from local jails
 - 1,000 adults from state prisons

Community Involvement

Reentry efforts hinge upon coordination of a continuum of care with community partners. Our partners include the public defender, state attorney, the judiciary, community agencies, faith leaders, government entities, behavioral health providers, business leaders, individuals with lived experience, and members of our community.

\$7 MILLION DOLLARS AWARDED TO PBC

By leveraging these partnerships, PBC has been able to acquire over \$7,000,000 in grant funding at the local, state, and federal levels to support and sustain reentry programming in our community.