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DATA OVERVIEW

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Grantees use an online data management system to submit data on participants served under their Vocational and Life Skills programming. This data is due monthly and reflects all services provided during the previous month to participants. Evaluators at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research work with grantees directly to manage data entry errors on an ongoing basis during monthly update calls and regular site visits.

This data comes from an active database with live data being entered and updated daily. Data, including previously submitted information, may fluctuate depending on changes made from data entry oversight. One common example of this is when participants begin programming near the end of the month and program staff do not yet have intake information to enter for participants before the next data pull date. These changes will be reflected in future monthly reports.

NOTES ON DATA

- Individuals participating in multiple programs are counted as a unique individual for each program.

- Some participants will leave programming and then return to either finish programming they previously started or to receive additional services. These participations are not reported separately in this monthly report. The participant data reflects only the first participation in each program for completions and numbers served. Program areas are reported for all participant participations.

- Program areas with an end date past the end of the current month are switched to in progress instead of complete or incomplete. Any completions past the date will be reported in the next monthly data report.

- Questions on data presented below can be directed to Katelynn Towne at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research (ktowne@unomaha.edu).

PARTICIPANTS SERVED

New Participants: The number of participants beginning programming in the specified month who were not served by the program in previous months of the grant cycle.

Total Served: The number of unique individuals served during the month by programs. This is determined by calculating the number of participants that completed programming during the month and those who have not yet completed, but who are receiving services and are listed as active during the month.

Successfully Completed: Participants who have completed overall programming during the month and programs have determined they have successfully completed. Successful completions vary widely both within programs and across programs. Most programs develop individualized plans for each participant. Therefore, successful completion does not mean the same thing for every individual.

Grant Cycle 2 Receiving Programming: The cumulative total of unique participants served by each program during Grant Cycle 2 (beginning July 1, 2016).

Grant Cycle 2 Successful Completions: The cumulative total of participants who have successfully completed overall programming during Grant Cycle 2 (beginning July 1, 2016).

PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM

This table provides information on the exit status of participants who ended their participation in the overall program during the month. The exit status selected by programs for each participant are displayed.

PROGRAM AREAS

Program areas were developed for each program this grant cycle to be able to provide a more complete picture of program participation for each participant. Each program divides their programming into different areas where participants receive services. Some participants only need one service while others may receive a multitude of services which may affect their program length. Beyond successfully completing the entire program, program areas show how participants are still actively participating in programming. They may complete one program area while still being actively involved in other program areas. They will not be shown as successfully completing the program until they have completed their program plan established by the program. In these monthly reports, a cumulative count of participants served in each program area is presented along with the status of those in that program area (completed, in progress, incomplete). Participants can be served in multiple program areas. These reports will show changes over time in how participants are moving through programming. Quarterly reports will explain program areas for each program in more detail.

PARTICIPANTS SERVED[1]

Program	New Participants in May	Total Served in May	Successfully Completed in May	Grant Cycle 2 Receiving Programming	Grant Cycle 2 Successful Completions
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	32	106	17	676	547
Bristol Station	5	25	2	178	99
Center for People in Need-TRADE	16	88	10	503	327
Mental Health Association (MHA)	26	168	11	733	497
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	23	299	32	1,153	669
Prepared Place (Ended January 2018)[2]	0	0	0	18	0
ReConnect	80	205	15	1,015	768
ResCare (Ended October 2017)	0	0	0	510	345
Total	**182**	**894**	**87**	**4,786**	**3,252**

PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM IN MAY 2018 BY EXIT STATUS

Program	Successful Completion	Terminated by Self	Terminated by Program	Other[3]	Total Exited
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	17	2	0	0	**19**
Bristol Station	2	1	0	0	**3**
Center for People in Need-TRADE	10	2	2	1	**15**
Mental Health Association (MHA)	11	0	0	1	**12**
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	32	4	0	0	**36**
ReConnect	15	0	0	0	**15**
Total	**87**	**9**	**2**	**2**	**100**

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[1] All participant data is on participants unique to each program. Some participants are active in multiple programs.
[2] ResCare and Prepared Place no longer provide VLS programming. Their numbers are still included in the participants served for Grant Cycle 2.
[3] **Other** category includes terminated due to employment, referred to other agency, moved or cases that do not fall into category options.

Note: Some programs have evolved since last reporting to include new program areas. Program updates are included above each program area table.

ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS (ABC)

Electrical was added as a program area in January '17. In July '17, two participants began Construction Technology 2 at NSP. In November '17, there were participants starting in Construction Technology 1 and Plumbing. In December '17, participants began Construction Technology 3. Virtual welding began in March '18.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Grand Total
Applied Construction Math	34	14	15	63
Construction Technology 1	21	0	6	27
Construction Technology 2	14	1	0	15
Construction Technology 3	5	10	0	15
Core	167	11	52	230
Electrical	1	2	1	4
Electrical 1	1	0	0	1
OSHA 10 Hour Construction	523	0	15	538
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	508	0	13	521
Plumbing	0	1	1	2
Plumbing 1	0	1	0	1
Virtual Welding	9	0	2	11
Grand Total	**1,283**	**40**	**105**	**1,428**

BRISTOL STATION

Bristol Station program areas changed in January to reflect the services they provide underneath their vocational, life skills and residential reentry programming. February '17 was the first month someone participated in anger management. Bristol Station added a Relapse Prevention Group in January '18. In March '18, Parenting Skills was added as a program area.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Grand Total
Anger Management	7	0	7	14
Conflict Resolution	109	8	47	164
Dress for Success	109	6	48	163
Family Reunification	9	0	3	12
Interviewing Skills	108	6	48	162
Job Coaching	109	7	48	164
Job Readiness	104	1	38	143
Managing Mental/Medical	6	0	2	8
Money Management	17	1	9	27
MRT	19	2	34	55
Parenting Skills	0	0	5	5
Problem Solving	3	0	1	4
Relapse Prevention Group	4	0	5	9
Residential Reentry	149	7	29	185
Resume Development	56	0	22	78
Time Management	2	0	1	3
Transitional Skills	44	1	25	70
Transportation Independence	67	4	56	127
Grand Total	922	43	428	1,393

CENTER FOR PEOPLE IN NEED (TRADE)

Center for People in Need added a Welding Module where participation began in December '17.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Grand Total
Core Classes	181	21	15	217
Core Classes - In Facility	220	0	31	251
Forklift & Warehouse Operations Module	67	21	12	100
Office Professional Module	32	18	25	75
Residential Construction & Building Maintenance	16	4	7	27
Residential Construction & Building Maintenance Module	8	2	4	14
Welding Module	18	3	5	26
Grand Total	**542**	**69**	**99**	**710**

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA)

Rent Wise was added as a program area and participation began in February '17. A new program area for Wrap Mentor was also added in February for participants who finished the Wrap program area and then returned as a Wrap Mentor for others during this month. A Day Guest program area was added in November '17 for participants who utilize Honu or Keya for day support. Peer Prevention Group was added to programming in March '18.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Grand Total
Benefits	23	3	5	31
Day Guest	1	0	0	0
Honu	44	1	12	57
Hope	280	11	58	349
Inmate Support	8	6	0	14
Keya	3	0	0	3
Other Services	1	0	0	1
Peer Prevention Group	3	53	0	56
Real	233	18	0	251
Rent Wise	6	0	1	7
Wrap	270	0	11	281
Wrap Mentor	0	2	0	2
Grand Total	**871**	**94**	**87**	**1,052**

METRO COMMUNITY COLLEGE (MCC)

Metro Community College added a National Career Readiness Certificate program area in March '17. MCC classes were not offered for the 2017 summer quarter due to grant funding. Many of the incomplete program areas below (3 MCC Core Courses, Career Certification) are due to the break in programming in those areas. These participants were closed out and MCC will add in another program participation if they continue these programs in the future. Trauma Informed Peer Support began in February '18. Always Growing was added as a new program area in March '18. A continuation of Always Growing, Always Growing II, was started in April '18. Job Readiness and Orientation were also added as new program areas in April '18.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Grand Total
3 MCC Core Courses	190	125	338	653
Always Growing	13	1	0	14
Always Growing II	12	0	1	13
Always Growing III	12	0	0	12
Associate's Degree	3	19	9	31
Career Certification	0	24	53	77
CDL	1	0	0	1
Forklift Certification	187	0	0	187
Foundation Classes	276	12	41	329
Four-Week Workshop	275	21	45	341
GED	3	7	6	16
Initial Communication	385	21	2	408
Job Readiness	8	1	0	9
Long-Term Relief Group	38	28	0	66
MCC Certificate of Completion	16	0	10	26
National Career Readiness Certificate	49	0	0	49
National Certification	16	11	28	55
Non-Credit ESL	9	2	0	11
Non-Credit Workshop	262	0	7	269
Orientation	20	0	0	20
OSHA	2	0	0	2
Grand Total	**1,777**	**272**	**540**	**2,589**

GRANT CYCLE 2 PROGRAM AREAS THROUGH MAY 2018

RECONNECT

Reconnect offered a one-day Success Prep workshop in WEC that is a separate program area. Reentry support is now two separate program areas for Pre-Release and Post-Release support beginning in January '17.

Right Start, an employment interest assessment and job search program, started in August '17.

Pass It On, a personal development program targeting men serving lengthy sentences, began in September '17.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Grand Total
Construction Tool Box Credentials	17	0	0	17
Final Number	203	2	10	215
One-Day Success Prep Workshop	29	0	0	29
Orientation	106	0	0	106
Pass It On	28	0	2	30
Post-Release Reentry Support	198	15	2	215
Pre-Release Reentry Support	717	55	3	775
Ready for Work	216	0	0	216
Right Start	53	1	10	64
Success Prep	489	3	46	538
Grand Total	**2,056**	**76**	**73**	**2,205**