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# VOCATIONAL AND LIFE SKILLS MONTHLY DATA UPDATE

October 2017

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# DATA OVFRVIEW

#### OCTOBER 2017 MONTHLY DATA: OVERALL PARTICIPATION AND COMPLETIONS

#### **OVFRVIFW**

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 correct any data errors on an ongoing basis during monthly update calls and regular site visits.

Data presented below is from the most recent monthly data extract. Because this data comes for 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 Johanna Peterson at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research (jpeterson@unomaha.edu).

# CONTENT AND DEFINITIONS

#### **PARTICIPANTS SERVED**

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

<u>Total Served:</u> 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.

<u>Successfully Completed:</u> 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.

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

<u>Grant Cycle 2 Successful Completions:</u> 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.

# OCTOBER 2017 DATA

# PARTICIPANTS SERVED<sup>1</sup>

Program	New Participants	Total Served	Successfully Completed	Grant Cycle 2 Receiving Programming	Grant Cycle 2 Successful Completions
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	0	87	0	408	307
Bristol Station	8	31	4	139	75
Center for People in Need-TRADE	3	50	0	297	199
Mental Health Association (MHA)	13	105	5	425	272
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	7	217	3	844	458
Prepared Place	1	7	0	18	2
ReConnect	26	228	0	735	463
ResCare (Ended October 2017)	0	15	0	510	345
Total	58	740	12	3,376	2,121

#### PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM IN OCTOBER 2017 BY EXIT STATUS

Program	Successful Completion	Terminated by Self	Terminated by Program	Other <sup>2</sup>	Total Exited
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	0	0	0	0	0
Bristol Station	4	0	0	0	4
Center for People in Need-TRADE	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health Association (MHA)	5	0	0	1	6
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	3	4	1	2	10
Prepared Place	0	0	0	0	0
ReConnect	0	1	0	0	1
ResCare (Ended October 2017)	0	0	0	0	0
Total	12	5	1	3	21

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All participant data is on participants unique to each program. Some participants are active in multiple programs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **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 which was an already established program area.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	<b>Grand Total</b>
Applied Construction Math	6	24	4	34
Construction Technology 2	0	2	0	2
Core	35	67	6	108
Electrical	0	3	1	4
OSHA 10 Hour Construction	347	0	11	358
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	267	0	2	269
Grand Total	655	96	24	775

#### **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.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	<b>Grand Total</b>
Anger Management	5	0	1	6
Conflict Resolution	72	26	26	124
Dress for Success	72	26	26	124
Family Reunification	3	0	0	3
Interviewing Skills	71	26	26	123
Job Coaching	72	26	26	124
Job Readiness	74	24	25	123
Managing Mental/Medical	6	0	2	8
Money Management	15	3	3	21
MRT	10	10	21	41
Other Services	5	0	0	5
Problem Solving	3	0	1	4
Residential Reentry	87	27	30	144
Resume Development	54	2	22	78
Time Management	2	0	1	3
Transitional Skills	23	8	14	45
Transportation Independence	45	17	28	90
<b>Grand Total</b>	619	195	252	1,066

# CENTER FOR PEOPLE IN NEED (TRADE)

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	<b>Grand Total</b>
Core Classes	95	19	8	122
Core Classes - In Facility	155	0	19	174
Forklift & Warehouse				
Operations Module	27	21	3	51
Office Professional Module	12	13	13	38
Other Services	11	0	0	11
Residential Construction &				
Building Maintenance	12	5	4	21
Grand Total	312	58	47	417

# 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.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	<b>Grand Total</b>
Benefits	18	5	5	28
Honu	27	1	8	36
Норе	141	63	26	230
Inmate Support	0	1	0	1
Keya	3	0	0	3
Other Services	1	0	0	1
Real	129	47	0	176
Rent Wise	6	0	1	7
Wrap	122	23	8	153
Wrap Mentor	0	2	0	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	447	142	48	637

# 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.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	<b>Grand Total</b>
3 MCC Core Courses	126	87	217	430
Associate's Degree	1	17	8	26
Career Certification	0	36	31	67
Forklift Certification	73	1	9	83
Foundation Classes	148	63	31	242
Four-Week Workshop	160	38	31	229
GED	3	7	6	16
Initial Communication	324	14	2	340
Long-Term Relief Group	17	15	0	32
MCC Certificate of				
Completion	11	4	10	25
National Career				
Readiness Certificate	46	0	0	46
National Certification	7	16	21	44
Non-Credit ESL	8	2	0	10
Non-Credit Workshop	200	1	7	208
OSHA	1	0	0	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	1,125	301	373	1,799

### PREPARED PLACE

William's Prepared Place rebranded to Prepared Place in March '17.

Prepared Place began serving people in their Mind Phase and Strength Phase in September '17.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	<b>Grand Total</b>
Heart Phase	8	6	3	17
Mind Phase	1	1	0	2
Other Services	2	0	0	2
Soul Phase	4	2	3	9
Strength Phase	0	2	0	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	15	11	6	32

# **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	<b>Grand Total</b>
Construction Tool Box Credentials	17	0	0	17
Final Number	139	12	9	160
One-Day Success Prep Workshop	29	0	0	29
Orientation	90	0	0	90
Other Services	12	0	0	12
Pass It On	1	15	1	17
Post-Release Reentry Support	101	42	1	144
Pre-Release Reentry Support	385	153	2	540
Ready for Work	132	1	1	134
Right Start	20	2	0	22
Success Prep	325	34	36	395
<b>Grand Total</b>	1,251	259	50	1,560