



Reentry Services

- The Reentry and Integration Division (RID) has a voluntary reentry program focused on assisting offenders in preparing for a successful return to the community.
- TDCJ has 139 Reentry Case managers allocated to the Division including:
 - 123 assigned to TDCJ units where identification document ordering and Reentry Planning services are provided pre-release.
 - 1 assigned to the central administration to coordinate veterans reentry services, as well as post-release services via the reentry hotline.
 - 15 assigned to District Reentry Centers or parole offices to provide post-release reentry services to serve as Community Reentry Specialists.

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Pre-Release Reentry Services

- Reentry Case managers use the Texas Risk Assessment System – Reentry Screening Tool (TRAS-SRT) to assess offender risk of reoffending, with program enrollment offered to moderate and high risk offenders.
- Case managers develop a reentry plan in cooperation with the offender, community providers and family support systems, designed to address offender needs in nine areas that have been identified as keys to successful reentry, including:
 - Identification
 - Housing
 - Employment and Education
 - Health Care
 - Substance Abuse
 - Transportation
 - Clothing, Food, and Amenities
 - Financial Resources
 - Support Systems
- Eligibility criteria for the Reentry Program include:
 - Must have an FI 1, FI 2, or FI 3R vote with a target release date within 6 months, or sentence maximum expiration date within six months
 - No active ICE or felony detainers (excludes State Jail detainers)
 - Must plan to reside in Texas upon release from TDCJ

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Community Reentry Services

- Community Reentry Specialists will be with moderate and high risk offenders who were enrolled in pre-release Reentry Planning services
- The Community Reentry Specialists will provide case management and reentry engagement in the following areas:
 - Identification
 - Housing
 - Employment and Education
 - Health Care
 - Substance Abuse
 - Transportation
 - Clothing, Food, and Amenities
 - Financial Resources
 - Support Systems
 - Family Reunification

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State Identification Card Update

- TDCJ and DSHS have entered into an interagency contract to obtain birth certificates for those offenders who were born in Texas and whose driver license/state ID will expire prior to their release. Offenders who are eligible to renew their cards or licenses after release, have pending felony detainers or illegal aliens are excluded from the birth certificate application process.
- TDCJ has an interagency agreement with the Social Security Administration to provide replacement Social Security Cards for offenders scheduled for release within six months.
- Other supporting identification documents such as military records or offender identification cards that may be used to secure a state drivers license or identification card are provided to offenders at time of their release.
- TDCJ, DSHS and DPS have finalized interagency contracts for issuing the state identification card through an electronic process.
- TDCJ received grant funding to provide hardware and programming necessary for implementing the DPS ID process.
- TDCJ and DPS project teams are working to finalize a method for electronic submission of ID requests and related hardware/software requirements.
- TDCJ will also begin working to meet new requirements by DPS for the fingerprinting processes. DPS will be converting to a new system that requires a full finger print image versus a thumb image. The new Fingerprint Signature (FPS) Project has caused minor delays, but it is still the agency's goal to see the first cards given to offenders in early 2014.

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