

Summary

Educating the community about reentry and getting support from area businesses, local governments, faith based organizations, non-profit organizations and individuals is important. Together we can increase the chances for us to assist ex-offenders with transitioning back into the community.

Looking ahead, we realize that those who learn to maintain an upstanding lifestyle in the community will be better for local economy and will reduce crime. Ex-offenders will feel better prepared to take on the responsibility of sustaining a life style that does not lead them back to jail. If they go back to jail, there was probably another victim in the process. We must come together so that our community will stay together and be safer.



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Southern Kentucky Reentry Council

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Meeting Location *

Barren River Area Development District
177 Graham Ave.
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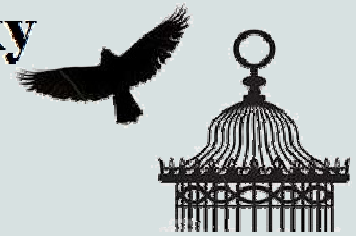
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Mission

The mission of the Southern Kentucky Reentry Council is to coordinate resources in the community in our best efforts to provide assistance for offenders, ex-offenders and their families that will facilitate a better transition from incarceration back into society.

Background

The Southern Kentucky Reentry Council is an extension of Kentucky Reentry which is facilitated by Glenn Minor.

The Councils in Kentucky were established using the Area Development Districts which act as a basis for connecting resources. The Southern Kentucky Reentry Council covers the area of the Barren River Area Development District, which is made up of Logan, Simpson, Butler, Warren, Edmonson, Hart, Barren, Allen, Metcalfe, and Monroe counties.

The council meetings are held in Bowling Green. The meetings are open for anyone to attend and are lead by the Council Director. All information that is shared in the meeting is expected to be done with care and consideration toward other members.

Purpose

The purpose of the Council is to help bring together businesses, non-profit organizations, local governmental bodies, faith based organizations and individuals who could offer support, assistance and resources with helping ex-offenders acquire the necessary means to sustain a lifestyle that will not lead back to incarceration.



Goals

The Council will develop goals for each obstacle the ex-offender may face in their transition back into the community. Such obstacles would be job acquisition, transportation, child care, education, and housing.

General Goals For the SKRC:

- 1. Develop resources for ex-offenders and professionals**
 - A. Develop Housing Resources
 - B. Develop a manual of resources for professionals
 - C. Develop a reentry checklist for the offender
 - D. Develop employment opportunities
- 2. Educational Efforts**
 - A. For the ex-offender to include life skills like job search/retention, time management, communication, options for training/ education
 - B. For the employer on ex-offender issues
 - C. For the public on ex-offender issues
 - D. For the ex-offenders family
 - E. Provide training for both professionals and volunteers through workshops/conferences and assist with program development
- 3. Networking/ Funding**
 - A. Networking with faith based groups/organizations
 - B. Increasing membership in general
 - C. Finding funding and grant opportunities
 - D. Serve as an advocate and community voice for ex-offender reentry initiatives

What Can I Do?

- **Contact us with Employment Opportunities**
- **Contact us with Housing Options**
- **Prepare and Donate care packs for apprentices**
- **Make tax deductible donations**
- **Suggestions for improvement or assistance with any of these resources**
- **Volunteer as a Professional**
- **Volunteer as a Mentor**