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Mission

To serve justice in Illinois and increase public safety by promoting positive change in behavior, operating successful reentry programs, and reducing victimization.

Vision

- We will operate safe, secure, and humane correctional facilities.
- We will provide quality services to those who require medical and mental health treatment.
- We will evaluate individuals in custody individually and develop an appropriate course of action based on individual needs.
- We will reduce recidivism by offering seamless, efficient services that are geared toward rehabilitation.
- Staff is our greatest asset, and we will ensure that all staff is trained to the highest professional level.
- This is a team-based environment where open communication and sharing new ideas are encouraged.
- We value the well-being of IDOC staff and individuals in custody and will serve the people of Illinois with compassion and fairness.

Core Values

- Professionalism
- Integrity
- Civility
- Transparency
- Accountability
- Responsiveness

Staff Development and Training

The Office of Staff Development and Training provides quality training for correctional, ensuring all training is relevant, up-to-date, and accessible to IDOC employees and partnering agencies. The office emphasizes professionalism, accountability, and ethical standards in all its curricula, which are offered across multiple training sites.

IDOC's Training Academy is a state-of-the-art facility located on the campus of the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center in Decatur. The Training Academy oversees the statewide training program, including pre-service, in-service, statutory, and annual provisions. The academy plays a crucial role in offering professional development opportunities to help staff effectively support the department's mission.

FY24 marked a period of significant growth and development in staff training. The training academy, facilities, and regional sites saw an increase in specialized training programs. A key priority during this time was expanding training opportunities and reducing the logistical challenges for staff. Previously, staff had to travel long distances, often to the former Springfield Training Academy, with potential overnight stays. With the expansion of regional and facility-based training locations, staff receive training at least monthly without long travel times, ensuring better attendance and less disruption to their duties and personal lives.

The partnership with the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center has proven essential in creating innovative training programs, ensuring that staff are better equipped to excel in their careers. Looking ahead, the Training Academy will continue to refine its offerings and provide the most practical, up-to-date training for its employees.

Staff Wellness

The Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) continues to expand access to wellness resources for all staff while providing additional training to proactively enhance awareness and support for wellness within corrections. IDOC recently hired three SWRT Regional Coordinators throughout the state. SWRT completed critical incident stress management training for 50 team members, bringing the number of trained members to 214. SWRT also added approximately 80 new team members statewide. SWRT held a listening session to improve communication between the executive team and frontline staff. These sessions offered opportunities to share ideas and concerns.

In FY24, 1,800 staff members participated in the Corrections Fatigue to Fulfillment (CF2F) workshop, including all cadet classes. SWRT participated in cadet graduation ceremonies, speaking with the families of cadets, and providing information and resources. In FY24, SWRT also started a pilot program for the Wellness Workshop for Families.

Five team members were certified to conduct the new workshop. SWRT has conducted "All Things You" workshops at Big Muddy, Danville, Decatur, Lawrence, Lincoln, Menard, Vienna, Centralia, Taylorville, Robinson, Shawnee, and Vandalia Correctional Centers. The workshops consist of a wellness day for correctional staff, where they receive information and valuable resources on the eight dimensions of wellness.

IDOC's SWRT leadership participated in monthly meetings with a nationwide consortium of Staff Wellness leaders. IDOC's SWRT is also a Wellness Ambassador for CMS, which works with other Illinois agencies to launch wellness challenges and provide resources. SWRT leadership continues to work with Chicago Beyond on prison reform from a holistic safety point of view. SWRT continues to respond after critical incidents, conducting debriefs and canvasses, and providing support and resources to IDOC staff throughout the state.

Office of Administrative Directives

In FY24, the Office of Administrative Directive Standards maintained staffing levels. After a thorough review of all the Administrative Directives in IDOC, a new group of 75 standards were selected to be reviewed to broaden the spectrum of areas covered and give the Facility Administrations, along with Department Leadership, a more thorough snapshot of each facilities performance. As it expanded its reviews, the Office of Administrative Directive Standards identified many areas throughout the facilities that need staffing and training. This led to open dialogue with several areas of IDOC to identify critical areas of opportunity and in need of improvement. The reports generated from the Office of Administrative Directive Standards are utilized by several other Units to evaluate the performance of their respective areas.

The Office of Administrative Directive Standards has increased their focus on corrective action within facilities. This includes additional follow-up visits with facility leadership and a strengthened partnership with operations, to address specific areas of focus. Along with implementing pre-walk throughs of facilities scheduled for external review, the Department strives for continuous improvement in compliance toward administrative directives.

The Office of Administrative Directive Standards continues to manage the facilities identified for re-accreditation through the American Correctional Association (ACA). In FY24, IDOC did not have required facility for the tri-annual re-accreditation. Instead, the Office of Administrative Directive Standards worked with the facilities scheduled for FY25 to prepare for upcoming re-accreditation audits.

Illinois River Correctional Center and Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center are scheduled for their tri-annual re-accreditation in early FY25.

Investigations and Intelligence

In FY24, the Investigations and Intelligence Unit collaborated with stakeholders across the state to restructure and enhance the Unit. Key changes included creating new positions to address current needs, revising and implementing updates to IDOC's administrative directives, and hiring additional personnel.

The Investigations Unit continued quarterly reviews of all investigations assigned to external investigators. Since implementing this system, the Unit has continued to see a significant increase in the number of investigations closed and a reduction in the number of days investigations remain open. In FY24, the external Investigations Unit completed 306 investigations, including 51 criminal investigations. Additionally, facility Internal Affairs Units completed a combined 4,181 investigations, including 298 criminal investigations.

In FY24, the Investigations and Intelligence Unit expanded training opportunities to enhance staff expertise. The 40-hour Investigator Training and Basic Intelligence Officer Training were revised and enhanced. Additionally, staff received specialized training in areas such as homicide investigations, computer voice stress analysis (CVSA), Illinois State Police Basic Investigator training, Cellebrite technology, and more.

The Intelligence Unit maintained its commitment to conducting Security Threat Group (STG) intake screenings statewide. This process addresses a critical intelligence gap by identifying STG affiliations or security concerns among individuals in custody before their transfer to designated institutions. These screenings enable more informed housing decisions and help mitigate potential security risks and balance STG ratios. In FY24, the Intelligence Unit conducted 8,463 over intake interviews.

In FY24, the Intelligence Unit also conducted approximately 43,290 interviews and monitored approximately 195,089 phone calls. Additionally, over 5,400 cell searches and 3,275 common area searches occurred, resulting in 1,699 instances of contraband being discovered. The Intelligence Unit completed 13,985 advisories, with 40.9 percent (5,725) as the result of proactive intelligence gathering. Through the Intelligence Center, 4,557 requests from outside law enforcement agencies were filled, which included coordinating the interviews of individuals in custody for outside agencies. The Intelligence Unit also provided information of criminal activity to outside agencies on 244 occasions in FY24.

In FY24, all Administrative Directives pertaining to the Investigations and Intelligence Unit were reviewed and modified as needed to increase accountability and efficiency.

Prison Rape Elimination Act

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) was passed and signed into law in 2003. The purpose of the Act is to “provide for the analysis of the incidence and effects of prison rape in Federal, State, and local institutions and to provide information, resources, recommendations and funding to protect individuals from prison rape”.

IDOC enforces a strict "Zero Tolerance" policy against all forms of sexual abuse and harassment and provides comprehensive guidelines for the prevention, detection, response, investigation, and tracking of all allegations. Every report of sexual abuse or harassment is treated with utmost seriousness, thoroughly investigated, and, when warranted, referred for prosecution or disciplinary action. Ensuring the safety of individuals in custody, including their right to be free from abuse, harassment, and retaliation, is a cornerstone of IDOC's mission.

A significant accomplishment in FY24 was the continued development of IDOC's PREA Compliance Unit. Alongside the PREA Compliance Administrator, the Unit expanded with five new positions: two PREA Compliance Confidential Assistants and three regional external investigators. This dedicated staffing enhances IDOC's ability to detect, respond to, and investigate allegations of sexual abuse and harassment efficiently. The Unit also provides vital training, oversight, and mentorship to facility staff.

Collaboration with community stakeholders remains a priority. Partnerships with groups such as the International Association of Forensic Nurses Illinois Chapter and the Illinois Attorney General's Violence Prevention and Crime Victim Services Division strengthen IDOC's processes. These collaborations have led to streamlined procedures for evidence handling and chain of custody during forensic medical exams, ensuring the secure transfer of evidence to state crime labs.

The Unit remains committed to maintaining sexual safety for all individuals in IDOC custody. Employee training, specifically around prevention, detection, and response of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, was a primary focus. In addition to training new security and non-security staff, the Staff Development & Training Unit continues to provide an advanced comprehensive training module on IDOC's Sexual Abuse and Harassment Prevention and Intervention Program.

To uphold compliance with PREA standards, IDOC contracts certified independent auditors through the U.S. Department of Justice. Each year, one-third of IDOC's correctional facilities and adult transition centers undergo PREA audits. In FY24, ten correctional facilities and two adult transition centers were audited, all achieving full compliance with PREA standards.

Additional details about IDOC's zero-tolerance approach and efforts to prevent sexual abuse and harassment can be found in its Annual PREA Report.

Administrative Review Board

In FY24, the Administrative Review Board (ARB) handled 22,808 grievances. Each grievance reviewed by the ARB is receipted, with a copy sent to the individual in custody to confirm receipt and notify them of the review process. This system is part of a statewide grievance receipt process implemented in 2018. Seven chairpersons manage the review, receipt, and response to all grievance submissions.

Two Executive I staff members review the facility submissions related to revocations and restorations of time. In FY24, ARB processed 1,512 of these submissions. Their responsibilities include verifying that disciplinary tickets are written accurately and comply with DR 504, ensuring Adjustment Committee Hearing Summary Reports reflect proper hearing procedures, confirming that charges are substantiated, and checking that discipline aligns with the individual's prior record and the disciplinary chart guidelines. For individuals designated as Seriously Mentally Ill, the Executive I staff also ensure the required mental health review has been completed.

ARB conducts about 38 protective custody hearings monthly for IDOC's maximum-security facilities. It also reviews and makes decisions regarding individuals removed from IDOC's boot camp program.

ARB also receives and responds to subpoenas. Due to the volume of subpoenas ARB receives from various legal entities, a full-time position was established to handle these requests. In FY24, ARB received 459 legal requests for records and provided 60,372 pages of records.

Office of Constituent Services

In FY24, the Constituent Services Unit handled 16,273 inquiries, responding directly, or redirecting them to the appropriate IDOC staff for resolution. Most inquiries were submitted through the Department's website or the Unit's email address, while others came via phone calls, letters, advocacy groups, and direct interactions with the public. Despite staffing shortages, the Unit maintained timely responses, averaging a reply to constituents within three days.

Serving as IDOC's primary response team for public and family concerns, the Unit continued its outreach efforts through meetings with stakeholders and advocacy groups to address issues impacting individuals in custody and their loved ones. In FY24, the Unit collaborated closely with the Department's Statewide Advocacy Liaison to engage advocacy groups more effectively. It also worked with the Intergovernmental Affairs Unit to address duplicate concerns submitted to the Governor's Office. The Unit remains committed to streamlining public inquiries and ensuring consistent, accurate information is provided.

In FY24, the Unit held roundtable discussions with Restore Justice and members of the public who have loved ones incarcerated in facilities statewide. These meetings provided an open forum for attendees to ask questions about transfers, conditions of confinement, visits, and medical care. In collaboration with the Transfer Coordinator's Office, Chief of Programming, and Statewide Advocacy Liaison, the Unit addressed questions and conducted follow-ups as needed. IDOC's Acting Director and Chief Inspector also met with Restore Justice to discuss legislative updates and policy initiatives.

The Unit continued to utilize its tracking system, developed in FY22, to document and monitor concerns received. This system allows for efficient tracking of the type, number, and facility associated with each concern. By categorizing and subcategorizing issues, the Unit ensures accurate data collection and reporting. The system also enhances response times by enabling staff to quickly review and address previously submitted concerns.

The tracking system also allows for consistent monitoring and analysis of concern trends, providing valuable data to IDOC for addressing key operational issues. This fiscal year, the Unit successfully filled its Family Liaison and Outreach Administrator positions, which had been vacant earlier in the year. These roles, along with the Administrative Assistant II positions, serve as dedicated points of contact for family members, friends, and visitors with loved ones in IDOC custody. Together, they ensure the delivery of consistent and accurate information about policies, procedures, and rules impacting families and individuals in custody.

The Family Liaison conducted facility visits to observe reentry services provided to the population and engaged with vendors, administrative staff, and individuals in custody. These visits included compliance checks to confirm the proper display of Constituent Services and Family Liaison contact posters.

Unit staff play a vital role in ensuring that questions and concerns are effectively addressed, escalated, and resolved. This includes direct outreach to facility staff to follow up on reported issues and confirm their resolution. Emergent issues posing imminent risks are promptly escalated to the appropriate point of contact. Notifications are sent to the facility's Warden, Assistant Warden, Chief Inspector, and other executive staff to ensure comprehensive awareness and action.

Jail and Detention Standards

Jail and Detention Standards Unit (JDSU) is dedicated to monitoring compliance with Illinois County Jail Standards (ICJS), Illinois Municipal Jail and Lockup Standards, and Federal Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention Act. JDSU also serves as a consultant to Illinois County Sheriffs, Chiefs of Police, and other stakeholders, including advocacy groups and design firms. Through its monitoring efforts, JDSU aims to establish standardized practices in detention facilities that promote the health and safety of detainees, staff, and the public.

State statute [730 ILCS 5/3-15-2] established JDSU. JDSU is required to inspect each county jail on an annual basis [730 ILCS 5/3-15-3] for compliance with ICJS. Municipal lockups may be inspected for compliance with the Municipal Jail and Lockup Standards based upon various factors, including but not limited to the size of the lockup, if detainees stay overnight or over 24 hours, if the lockup is a juvenile No-Hold facility, and upon request of the Chief of Police.

The Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission (IJJC) oversees Illinois' compliance with the federal mandates outlined in the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. JDSU supports the IJJC by receiving Juvenile Monitoring Information System forms and other juvenile population reports, and providing them to IJJC. JDSU staff conduct unannounced monitoring of law enforcement facilities to ensure that delinquent minors are held in accordance with federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention policies and procedures. These visits include the preparation of a Juvenile Monitoring Compliance Report. JDSU staff visit all law enforcement facilities designated for youth detention annually; however, law enforcement facilities not designated to detain youths are classified as juvenile No-Hold facilities and are visited once every three years. County jails continue to be monitored annually. Approximately 1,100 municipal police departments, as well as other law enforcement agencies (e.g., park districts, railroads, colleges/universities, airports, hospitals), and 92 county jails are visited and/or monitored for compliance with federal secure juvenile detention requirements.

JDSU includes one unit manager, four Criminal Justice Specialists (CJS), commonly known as jail inspectors, and one administrative assistant. The state is divided into four separate regions with a CJS assigned to each. CJS conduct on-site monitoring of county jails and municipal lockups to ensure compliance with ICJS. Their responsibilities also include follow-ups on noncompliance, reviews of unusual occurrences, consultations on detention operations, guidance on renovations and new construction, and staffing recommendations. JDSU staff address citizen and detainee complaints related to detention operations, civil rights concerns, and other inquiries. During FY24, JDSU reviewed 5,049 reports of extraordinary or unusual occurrences, focusing primarily on detainee deaths, escapes, and serious life, health, or safety concerns. Additional incidents were reviewed as deemed necessary by the assigned CJS.

JDSU collects detainee population statistics monthly from county jails and quarterly from municipal lockups. A database is maintained for this information which is ultimately sent to the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority on an annual basis.

Operations Center

The Operations Center is a critical, multifaceted division within IDOC. Operating 24 hours a day, it serves as the statewide command post supporting both adult and juvenile facilities within IDOC and the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice. The center ensures continuous communication via the Law Enforcement Agencies Data System/National Crime Information Center (LEADS/NCIC), providing access to and maintaining parole warrants and related information for field staff. Additionally, the Operations Center tracks all high-risk institution and parole transports, enhancing safety and efficiency. It is also responsible for disseminating local and federal criminal history data to appropriate IDOC agents, offices, and local law enforcement agencies. The center functions as IDOC's switchboard, managing a high volume of daily phone calls and acting as a key liaison between law enforcement agencies and the public. In FY24, the Operations Center processed over 5,700 warrant entries, tracked more than 4,700 statewide parole and elevated security transfers, and handled over 112,000 criminal history requests for parole agents.

Transfer Coordinator's Office

The Transfer Coordinator's Office (TCO) is responsible for coordinating and determining the movement and appropriate placement of all individuals in IDOC custody. Established over 46 years ago, the office has grown to its current staffing level, which includes a Transfer Coordinator Manager, 2 Assistant Managers, 10 Assignment Coordinators, and 11 support staff.

TCO is responsible for determining the initial and subsequent security and placement designations for each individual in custody prior to their movement. The General Office file of each individual is reviewed annually to assess appropriate placement, balancing the protection and safety of the public with the needs of the individual in custody. Factors considered in placement decisions include, but are not limited to, ADA compliance, substance abuse treatment needs, Security Threat Group issues, Keep Separate From (KSF) requirements, medical or mental health needs, protective custody or special management requirements, classifications as a Sexually Dangerous Person (SDP) or Sexually Violent Person (SVP), and individuals deemed extreme escape risks. It is crucial to maintain the flow of individuals out of the Reception & Classification Centers (R&C) to ensure the continual transfer of individuals from county jails.

TCO serves as the liaison and coordinator for the Interstate Corrections Compact, overseeing the transfer of individuals in custody on an international level in cooperation with the Department of Justice.

TCO is also responsible for screening and coordinating placements within the Impact Incarceration Programs and Adult Transitional Centers (ATC). Placement of individuals in custody in the ATC programs is a key resource for population control. The placement of an approved individual in an ATC occurs after all required notifications are sent to the Sheriffs and State's Attorneys, as mandated by statute.

Individuals in custody who are approved for a new placement are prioritized for movement based on factors such as bed space, bus availability, and the urgency of the transfer. Additional considerations include discipline, safety issues, warrants or detainers, programming, writ housing, changes in security, and medical or mental health conditions. TCO also processes requests for adding or removing Administrative KSF designations. A statewide bed report is compiled daily, detailing the beds required for various units. Writ transfer requests are reviewed individually, with transfer destinations selected accordingly.

The movement of individuals in custody involves statewide coordination with the Central Transportation Unit (CTU), utilizing 21 buses across 14 facilities. To ensure bus availability, TCO regularly communicates with facilities to confirm that the aging buses, which are high in miles, are properly maintained and safe for long-distance travel.

TCO also coordinates transportation for Cadet Training Classes, ensuring that cadets are transported to and from their parent facilities and the Training Academy on Mondays and Fridays. Additionally, TCO arranges transport for special training exercises.

Correspondence and calls from individuals in custody, their families, the public, attorneys, law enforcement, government officials and agencies, IDOC administrators, and legal staff are received and acknowledged daily by TCO. TCO recently established a centralized mailbox for the public to submit questions and concerns, which is monitored daily. Other responsibilities include compiling reports, completing special projects, and maintaining special population profiles. The scope of TCO's duties extends well beyond transferring individuals in custody throughout Illinois.

In FY24, a total of 17,488 individuals in custody were moved via CTU, averaging 336 per week. CTU also handled the transportation of correctional officer cadets to and from the Training Academy for their Pre-Service Security Training. In FY24, CTU transported 10,608 correctional officer cadets, averaging 204 cadets per week.

In FY24, TCO Assignment Coordinators approved placements for 17,541 individuals in custody from R&C facilities. TCO processed 7,663 transfer requests, 3,628 ATC requests, 272 Substance Abuse Program transfer requests, and completed 4,373 security reclassifications.

Parole

The Parole Division aims to promote public safety through supervision utilizing reentry resources, community partnerships, and graduated sanctions. This division is dedicated to reducing recidivism and emphasizes the needs of returning men and women to the community, focusing on housing options, mental health issues, options for employment opportunities, and establishing networks to ensure adequate medical care is available to remain healthy.

In addition to Violence Reduction Collaborations and Day Reporting Centers (DRC), the Parole Division has implemented Video Visitation and a Risk Assessment Tool to assist with the supervision of parolees in the community.

The Parole Division in conjunction with Chicago Police Department, members from the local community, the U.S. Attorney's Office, Cook County State's Attorney Office, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), and numerous other agencies in key police districts throughout the Chicago area hold informational forums with gang affiliated parolees to combat violence in the community.

IDOC utilizes DRCs as a resource and re-entry for persons under parole supervision who are vulnerable to drugs, crime, gangs, violence, unemployment, poverty, and family dissolution. These centers include a highly structured program that offers an alternative sanction for non-violent parole violators.

In response to COVID-19, the Parole Division adopted the ability to conduct video face to face visits with our supervised population when home visits were not an option during the stay-at-home orders. Parole Agents ensured our supervised individuals' needs were met during the pandemic. Video Visitation, also known as BI Smart Link, is a proven and successful tool. The Parole Division continues to use this method of supervision for low-level parolees.

The Parole Division completed development and implementation of a Risk Assessment Tool for individuals on parole. This Risk Assessment Tool ensures compliance with the 2009 Illinois Crime Reduction Act and will improve the supervision needs of those who are on parole. The individual's risk assessment score aids in the determination of what level of supervision is needed. Parole Agents are trained and have completed risk assessments on all individuals who are currently on regular parole supervision. The Risk Assessment Tool has led to increased numbers of individuals recommended for early discharge from parole and has reduced the need of intense supervision while on Mandatory Supervised Release.

Re-Entry

In FY24, IDOC's Re-Entry Unit continued to build on existing initiatives, refining and advancing programs to address evolving needs effectively. The Parole Re-Entry Group (PRG) received 4,948 referrals for transitional housing or re-entry placements. PRG successfully placed 3,153 individuals in contracted and non-contracted transitional housing, recovery homes, nursing homes, or higher-level care settings for individuals with severe mental illness.

In December 2023, the Re-Entry Unit onboarded a new Statewide Specialized Housing Coordinator, who took oversight of the High Needs Placement Initiative. Under their leadership, the High Needs Team expanded statewide, providing targeted support to individuals in custody requiring a higher level of mental health care to ensure successful reintegration into the community. This comprehensive assistance was delivered through a variety of specialized programs, including the Department of Mental Health's Housing is Recovery Program, IDOC's Intensive Community Reintegration Program (ICRP), Cook County's Flexible Housing Pool, and the Illinois Department of Human Services' Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Facilities (SMHRFs).

IDOC's Re-Entry Unit maintains a strong partnership with the Illinois Department of Human Services to facilitate application and enrollment in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). This program assists individuals who are 5-10 days from release by helping them apply for SNAP benefits. If approved, the individual is released with a LINK card, and benefits become fully active within 48-72 hours of release. The program aims to address food insecurity for returning citizens. In FY24, 5,838 individuals were released from IDOC custody with approved SNAP benefits. Re-Entry also continues to assist individuals in applying for Illinois Medicaid within 60 days of their release from custody.

The Re-Entry Team continued to expand IDOC's State ID Program, a collaboration with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office. In FY24, the Secretary of State issued 1,041 State IDs to individuals pre-release through this program. As of July 2024, over 2,700 individuals were released from custody with an Illinois State ID since the program's inception in April 2021.

In FY24, each facility hosted an in-person Re-Entry Summit during the fall and spring. A total of 2,388 individuals in custody attended the Fall 2023 summits statewide, where they received resources from 76 different community agencies and organizations. The Spring 2024 Re-Entry Summit season had 2,325 individuals in custody and 75 community agencies and organizations in attendance. The Re-Entry In-Reach Webinar series continued throughout FY24, with 4,893 individuals in custody attending 58 webinars statewide to learn about available resources upon release, tailored to the areas of the state they are returning to.

Office of Adult Education and Vocational Services

The Office of Adult Education and Vocational Services (OAEVS) enhances the quality and scope of education for individuals in custody, aligning with their age, commitments, and sentence. OAEVS ensures that state and federal resources are effectively utilized to assist individuals in restoring themselves to constructive, law-abiding lives within the community.

OAEVS continues to provide quality educational opportunities with the goal of increasing academic achievement. Education has proven to be vital to reducing recidivism and creating opportunities for individuals in custody to better themselves. OAEVS staff will continue to work hard in assisting students in achieving their educational goals.

Since 1987, all individuals committed to IDOC for two or more years, except those serving life sentences, take the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) to determine their academic level. Students are placed in academic and vocational programming based on TABE test scores.

Library services are available throughout IDOC. Libraries offer a variety of recreational reading materials such as books, magazines, and newspapers. Individuals in custody have a constitutional right to access the court system. Law libraries are maintained and contain Federal and State of Illinois Constitutions, statutes, and court decisions. Resource materials help patrons research the law and prepare legal documents exercising their constitutional right of access to state and federal courts.

Adult Basic Education (ABE) is a critical component in the education programming of OAEVS. ABE is mandatory for all individuals in custody scoring below 6.0 on the TABE test. Mandatory ABE students must attend a minimum of 90 days of instruction. The ABE core curriculum provides instruction in basic reading, writing, mathematics, and life skills. The program is designed to provide students with a base of skills and knowledge to prepare them for additional academic/vocational instruction and subsequent employment. Advanced ABE is a class offered to students who need an academic boost to enroll in the Adult Secondary Education (ASE) class. Students may be enrolled in the Advanced ABE class as voluntary students with TABE scores ranging from 6.0 to 8.0.

ASE, formally known as GED and High School Equivalency (HSE), is a voluntary education class available to all individuals in custody who score an 8.0 or higher on a TABE test and do not possess a High School Diploma. OAEVS implements computer-based instruction through the Pearson Vue Testing Services. Testing for the High School Diploma takes place within all facilities. Effective 2022, the GED certificate has officially become the High School Diploma certificate in the State of Illinois.

Post-secondary educational programming continues to be vital in the rehabilitation of individuals in custody. College-level coursework was offered in many career and technical education areas such as Auto Body, Auto Mechanics, Barbering, Career Tech, Construction Occupations, Commercial Custodial, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Horticulture, Nail Tech, Restaurant Management, Warehousing and Welding. These programs educate students in practical career and technical education applications allowing the hands-on training that can be carried on to the workforce upon release.

College academic courses were offered that allowed students the opportunity to pursue an associate degree. Research has indicated that the higher the level of education achievement, the lower the percentage of recidivism. OAEVS encourages all individuals to participate in a degree earning program, with the goal of preparing them for employment upon release. OAEVS continues to work with major colleges towards implementing 4-year degrees.

Illinois Correctional Industries

Illinois Correctional Industries (ICI), a division of the Programs Unit, provides industrial vocational training and hands-on experience to individuals in custody through production shops at 17 sites statewide. Participants can earn certifications from the U.S. Department of Labor (US DOL) or other nationally recognized programs. ICI operates shops for garment production, digital and printed graphics, silk screening, embroidery, core hygiene distribution, milk and juice processing, cabinetry and furniture production, mattresses and pillows, upholstery, engraving, metal fabrication, equipment production, welding, print shop operations, eyeglasses, recycling, gardening, small engine repair, urban agriculture, warehousing distribution, service animal training, landscaping, manufacturing, and simulation training for heavy equipment operation and CDL licensing. Certifications offered include 41 US DOL certifications, an American Board of Optometry certification, an American Welding Society certification, and forklift certifications.



The US DOL apprenticeship programs enable participants to earn vocational certificates in fields such as general farm work, legal administrative assistance, recycling, office management, graphic design, sewing, furniture finishing and upholstery, drafting, CNC machining, cabinet making, engraving, machine operations, aquaponics, maintenance mechanics, shipping and receiving, inventory management, animal training, tailoring, pattern making, woodworking, general maintenance, quality control, machining, library operations, housekeeping, plumbing, carpentry, electrical work, metal fabrication, small engine mechanics, industrial coating, and more. These certifications help individuals in custody gain marketable skills, real-world experience, and a strong work ethic, preparing them for employment upon reentry while also supporting the operational needs of the State of Illinois.

ICI incorporates simulation training for careers in heavy equipment operation, offering Caterpillar heavy equipment simulators at 12 sites. Participants combine curriculum-based education with simulator training to earn heavy equipment operator certificates. CDL simulators are available at Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center, East Moline, Illinois River, Robinson, and Vandalia Correctional Centers, helping individuals build skills for the trucking industry. ICI also runs a statewide gardening program, where participants learn cultivation techniques while producing fresh vegetables for facility dietary departments. Urban agricultural grow systems have been introduced to promote sustainability and prepare individuals for opportunities in this expanding field.

Participation in ICI programs allows individuals in custody to gain valuable skills and work experience while earning day-for-day Earned Program Sentence Credit, enabling earlier reentry and a better chance for successful reintegration into society. The products manufactured in ICI shops support the day-to-day operations of IDOC, delivering significant cost savings compared to purchasing from external vendors.

Religious Services

During FY24, the Chaplaincy Department provided comprehensive religious support services to accommodate the diverse spiritual beliefs within its facilities. A team of over 34 chaplains coordinated religious programming across all facilities, ensuring that major holidays and traditions were observed for represented faith groups. Support included Islam (Ramadan), Judaism (Passover, Chanukah, Purim), Christianity (Protestant, Orthodox, and Roman: Christmas, Easter, Lent), and Neo-Pagan/Odinist/Wiccan (Yule, Midsummer, and Solstice). Minority religious traditions, such as Native-Indigenous practices, Nation of Gods and Earths (NGO), Buddhism, Nation of Islam, and Hebrew Israelites, were also supported in their specific religious practices and beliefs.

IDOC is actively working to establish both Chaplain I and Chaplain II positions at all facilities to meet industry standards for the ratio of chaplains to individuals in custody. This effort aims to enhance the availability of spiritual support through a "ministry of presence" and ensure 24-hour coverage. The goal of staffing two Chaplains at every facility remains a priority, with all Chaplain positions now aligned with industry standards for education, certification, and advanced training. These requirements ensure each facility is equipped with subject matter experts in religion and chaplaincy.

Throughout much of FY24, the Chief of Chaplains was forward deployed with the U.S. Army. Despite this, the Acting Chief of Chaplains successfully advanced the department's priorities, including implementing Administrative Directive changes identified before the Chief's deployment. These updates ensure compliance with the Faith Behind Bars Act while addressing the evolving spiritual and religious needs of individuals in custody. Key advancements include the integration of religious headwear, the approval of sincerely held religious items such as runes, and a review of dietary practices to accommodate specific religious diets.

The Department has worked closely with stakeholders to expand religious dietary options, ensuring all faith traditions requiring specific diets are supported. Chaplaincy leadership has advised on creating a comprehensive religious dietary plan to enable individuals to practice their faith traditions in the least restrictive manner possible. These efforts reflect the department's commitment to fostering a supportive environment for spiritual growth and religious expression across all IDOC facilities.

Office of Mental Health Management

The mission of the Office of Mental Health Management (OMHM) is to assist individuals in custody affected by Mental Illness and Serious Emotional Disturbance to decrease suffering, better manage their illness, and achieve personal goals to reach and maintain their highest level of functioning. IDOC strives to deliver services respectfully, responsively, and efficiently with sensitivity to diversity of culture, language, ethnicity, gender, and sexual identity. In collaboration with Support Services and Operations, OMHM seeks to maximize the resources available and attend to concerns for the safety and well-being of individuals. Services and support are structured to provide meaningful assistance to the individual in acquiring and maintaining those mental, emotional, and social skills, enabling the individual to function most effectively.

IDOC's identified Mental Health caseload is approximately 45 percent of its current population of approximately 29,000 individuals in custody. IDOC has experienced a 1,000 individual decrease in its population compared to last year. However, the mental health caseload continues to increase. OMHM has improved the mental health services delivery system with its Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) program aimed at systematic, ongoing, objective monitoring, evaluation, and improvement of quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of mental health care. This program has allowed OMHM to monitor itself accurately and effectively through internal and external processes.

OMHM has also developed and implemented a student training program targeting post-doctoral, pre-doctoral, and licensed clinical social work students, creating a robust educational and experiential learning environment at several facilities and creating and fostering partnerships with several universities and professional schools both domestically and abroad. Positive feedback from students on their training and learning experiences has led to inquiries about future employment within IDOC.

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OMHM is excited to enhance its technological infrastructure with the implementation of an Electronic Health Record (EHR) system. In collaboration with the EHR vendor, OMHM is developing workflows and documentation requirements for use across IDOC. Work is also underway to design and implement a comprehensive staff training curriculum and learning plan. Utilizing an EHR will streamline communication with treatment providers, leading to more efficient and effective care -ultimately improving patient outcomes. The Review of Suicides and Self-Injuries (ROSSI) data collection instrument, developed by OMHM, will be highlighted in an upcoming publication of *OMEGA – Journal of Death and Dying*, published by Sage. The publication will include a recommendation advocating for all correctional systems to adopt ROSSI to collect detailed information during mortality or self-injury events. OMHM is proud to have worked with Dr. Thomas Joiner and colleagues on this collaborative publication and looks forward to future projects to improve the care for all individuals in custody.

Office of Health Services

The Office of Health Services (OHS) is responsible for providing direction and oversight for the healthcare needs of approximately 28,000 individuals in IDOC custody. Medical care is provided through a contractual relationship with Wexford Health Services and state medical staff. On-site medical care includes a system of primary care chronic clinics, sick calls, dental clinics, and optometry clinics. There are approximately 230 medical infirmary beds throughout the agency. Off-site emergency and specialty medical care is provided through a network of community-based local hospitals statewide. OHS has strong clinical and administrative partnerships with the University of Illinois College of Medicine Chicago (UIC) and Southern Illinois University School of Medicine Office of Correctional Medicine (SIU).

During the COVID-19 pandemic, OHS worked with the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) to protect staff and the population by implementing best-practice infection control procedures such as facility-based testing and vaccines. Post-pandemic, OHS has focused on addressing the broader clinical and administrative needs of IDOC's health care system.

OHS' expanded medical leadership includes a Medical Director, three Deputy Medical Directors, a Chief of Oral Health Services, Medical, Quality Improvement, and Infection Control Coordinators, a Director of Nursing, and most recently, an Agency Dietician.

This team has implemented several innovative pilots in collaboration with UIC including a new telehealth-based diabetes management program in the Northern Region facilities, expanded care for transgender patients, and initiated a trial to screen individuals at risk for dementia. OHS is also piloting a new program to provide on-site specialty care at the Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center. OHS continues to provide care to HIV and Hepatitis C patients in partnership with UIC.

OHS collaborates extensively with SIU to overhaul the agency's medical quality improvement processes. Updates include new medical policy and procedure and quality improvement manuals, system-wide healthcare outcome measures, restructured and centralized quality improvement committees, and a new mortality review and adverse event reporting processes.

In addition to the collaborative work with academic partners, OHS continues to focus on the overall health of the population by implementing new medical treatment guidelines, with an emphasis on preventive medical and dental care.

OHS and IDOC have partnered with the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Substance Use Prevention Recovery (SUPR) to provide training, medications, and programming to treat opioid use disorder in our system. IDOC has completed a pilot and has begun providing these medications to its population.

The state awarded electronic health record vendor, Fusion Health, a contract to design, customize, and implement an electronic health record solution in all IDOC facilities that provide health care. The implementation process began in May and continues.

Facility Highlights

Big Muddy River Correctional Center

Big Muddy River Correctional Center is a medium-security adult male facility in Jefferson County, spanning 20 buildings and over 39,000 square feet. Housing units include four X-type units, a receiving and orientation unit, a restrictive housing unit, and a 15-bed health care unit.

The facility integrates sustainability into its operations, particularly in its Dietary department, which uses produce from the facility's garden to enhance meals. The FY24 harvest yielded 12,250 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables, saving approximately \$8,441 in food costs. Dietary also implemented a fresh French fry cutter program, saving \$76,886 annually while offering healthier meal options. The facility's garden project provides individuals with hands-on experience in gardening and farming, producing fresh fruits and vegetables that are incorporated into daily meals. This initiative enhances meal quality and gives participants valuable skills.

Educational programs include Adult Basic Education, Advanced ABE, and GED classes, with five students earning their GED and 69 completing ABE or Advanced ABE. College credit opportunities are available through Adler University's online psychology program. Vocational training, provided by Lakeland College, includes Auto Mechanics, Construction, Horticulture, Culinary Arts, and Career Technology. In FY24, 42 certificates were awarded in Construction, 38 in Culinary Arts, and 34 in Horticulture, with 129 individuals participating in Career Technology and 105 completing both courses.

Vocational programming at BMRCC is provided through Lakeland College and include Auto Mechanics, Construction, Horticulture, Culinary Arts, and Career Technology. Total Vocational certificates awarded during FY24 included 42 Construction Occupations, 38 Culinary Arts, and 34 Horticulture. Career Technology had 129 total participants with 105 completing both courses.

Clinical Services offers a variety of behavioral and life skills programs to promote personal growth and reduce recidivism. FY24 programming included Inside-Out Dads, Drug Awareness, Civics, Start Now, Aim Higher, and Money Smart. A modified 16-week Drug Awareness program provided an in-depth focus on substance abuse education, criminal thinking, and relapse prevention. Re-Entry and Vital Document Summits prepared individuals for reintegration into society by connecting them with service providers, government agencies, and employers. Approximately 60 individuals participated in each Re-Entry Summit.

Recreation programs promote healthy lifestyles and psychological well-being. Leisure Time Services offered activities such as basketball, handball, softball, soccer, dodgeball, chess, and dominoes tournaments. The facility celebrated Black History, Hispanic Heritage, and Pride Month with art and poetry contests, book displays, and movie screenings. Concerts are held throughout the year for individuals to enjoy and to highlight their musical talent. A dedicated music and art department allows individuals to express creativity through art displays and skill-building workshops.

The Chaplaincy Department supports diverse faith groups including Buddhism, Odinism, Native American Spirituality, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Religious observances include Passover, Ramadan, Christmas, Kwanzaa, and Eid al-Adha. Programs such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Celebrate Recovery, and the Prison Fellowship Academy are supported by volunteers, along with individual spiritual counseling and outreach efforts. FY24 initiatives included the Angel Tree program, which provided gifts to families, and non-profit donations of Christmas goody bags. A chapel library offers religious and devotional materials, and the department provides marriage counseling and special dietary accommodations.

BMRCC offers specialized treatment programs for individuals convicted of sexual offenses. The Sexually Dangerous Persons Program (SDPP) serves those civilly committed to IDOC, while the Volunteer Sex Offender Program (VSOTP) addresses criminal convictions. Both programs provide weekly group therapy using models such as Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy, Motivational Interviewing, and the Good Lives Model.

Staff wellness is a priority, with a dedicated response team addressing mental and emotional needs. The facility offers a wellness room for decompression and a fitness room to support physical health. These efforts underscore the commitment to fostering a supportive and healthy work environment.

Centralia Correctional Center

Centralia Correctional Center is a 1,572-bed, medium-security facility for adults located in Centralia. Built in 1979 and opened in 1980 to initially house 786 men, it now accommodates a population of 1,175 individuals, including transgender individuals in custody. The living units consist of three housing clusters with a total of 14 housing units, one receiving unit, one restrictive housing unit, and a 15-bed healthcare unit. The facility spans 100 acres, with 50 acres enclosed by fencing.

Centralia CC continues to operate efficiently and fiscally responsibly. In FY24, a warehouse freezer, the healthcare unit generator, and several HVAC systems throughout the facility were replaced. These upgrades will require less energy usage, as well as fewer service and parts expenditures. Additionally, Centralia CC upgraded the underground plumbing system at the Dietary/Warehouse building. The upgraded system will allow the facility to run more efficiently by having fewer plumbing interruptions and saving on service and parts expenditures. The Illinois Correctional Industries Recycling Center currently recycles cardboard, paper, plastic, magazines, newspaper, tin cans, and vegetable oil. The recycling program is focused on providing the individuals in custody who work in the recycling center with valuable skills that can be used toward attaining “Green Collar” jobs upon their release.

The Academic Department offers educational and vocational services to students, offering Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Advanced Secondary Education, as well as a high school equivalency credential/GED. Centralia CC ranks in the top three IDOC facilities with the most ABE completed programs.

Centralia CC assists students with advantageous partnership with Kaskaskia College. Kaskaskia College offers certificates in Culinary Arts, Construction Operations, Warehousing and Distribution, and HVAC, in addition to a Career Tech class.

Clinical Services currently offers StartNow, Anger Management, Inside Out Dads, and Because I Said I Would. These programs focus on building problem solving skills and other life skills. Clinical Services also provides Re-entry programming and coordinate community placement needs. This past year, the new initiative of Community Navigator Ambassador Program was started, which presents a unique opportunity to increase awareness of legal principles, while also allowing individuals to advocate on their own behalf. Each individual is provided with a comprehensive risk and needs assessment, which is utilized to develop individual case plans. These case plans are used to implement programming that aids in the adjustment to incarceration and rehabilitation to reduce the risk of recidivism. Centralia CC also continues to review individuals for Earned Discretionary Sentence Credit and early release.

Leisure Time Services (LTS) continues to meet its goal in offering as much out-of-cell activity as possible. Other than seasonal sports, such as basketball, softball, soccer & volleyball, that have high participation numbers, the 60-plus fitness group continues to grow. This year, a weight management class was added along with a new CrossFit class. HIIT, CrossFit and Yoga are the most popular requests. This year, LTS also began offering pictures of individuals in the gym so that individuals who don't receive visits can have a picture to send home to loved ones. The Rhema Praise Dancers and Saints Ministry softball team visited and ministered to individuals in custody as well.

The Chaplaincy program provides reasonable opportunities for individuals to pursue their religious beliefs and practices. There are an average of 88 meetings or religious services held in the Chapel each month with the assistance of 32 volunteers. 106 individuals in custody participated in Prison Fellowship's Angel Tree Ministry, which is a program where local volunteers buy and deliver gifts to the children of individuals in custody on behalf of their incarcerated parent. Also, 16 religious feasts or celebrations from six different faith groups had religious meals in the Chapel.

Industries workers produce staff pants, shirts, and belts, as well as individual in custody boxers, pants, shirts, coats, women's underwear, dietary clothing, laundry bags, mattress covers, pajamas, observation blankets, and shower curtains. Industries also processed more than 185 tons of recycling materials. This allowed the facility to reduce costs associated with waste disposal. The facility's garden produced approximately 8,100 pounds of produce, which was used to reduce costs associated with meals for staff and individuals in custody. Through the programming of individuals in custody, Centralia Industries was able to recommend 8,780 days of Program Sentence Credits.

Re-entry programs currently offered include a semi-annual re-entry summit, re-entry prep, Civics, Social Security, Medicaid, and SNAP benefit sign up, Vital Document Drives, Pell Grant Seminars, Driver's Education Classes, and monthly re-entry webinars. Re-entry programming provides an opportunity to bring awareness and assist individuals with the necessary tools to integrate positively back into their communities. Guidance and counseling services are provided to individuals to increase public safety by promoting positive change and reducing recidivism.

Centralia CC holds the mental and emotional wellness of staff in high regard. Centralia's Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) recently added four new members to its team.

Now, members represent all shifts, making the team more accessible to all of Centralia's staff for daily needs or stressful experiences. Members of the facility SWRT regularly check in with staff. The Staff Wellness Room is available 24/7, and the mother's room is a great addition to Centralia CC.

Many Centralia CC staff give back to the community by working or volunteering with local police departments, fire districts, food pantries, military reserves, and other non-profit fundraising events. Centralia CC continues to hold blood drives at the facility for staff donations to the Red Cross. Staff also participate in the SECA program fundraising to donate to local charities.

HVAC Program: Kaskaskia College began offering an HVAC certificate program at Centralia CC. The HVAC students are taught the same curriculum as the HVAC students at the local college campus. The course is a 10-month program, and the students will demonstrate their ability to install, service and repair residential and commercial air conditioning and heating systems.

Crossroads Adult Transition Center

The Safer Foundation's Crossroads Adult Transition Center (ATC) mission is to support, through a full spectrum of services, the efforts of people with criminal records to become employed, law-abiding members of the community and as a result, reduce recidivism. The center's purpose is to give clients the necessary tools to transition back into the community and to obtain employment prior to being released. The program allows men in custody to serve the last 90 days to 24 months of their sentences in a community-based work release setting. The center's capacity is 330 beds. In FY24, Crossroads ATC received 313 intakes from IDOC with an 85 percent positive exit rate.

Safer Foundation's Basic Skills Programming is offered to residents of Crossroads ATC. Safer's direction is to enhance performance in functional academic skills, which include Language Arts Reading, Reasoning through Language Arts, Mathematical Reasoning, Problem Solving, Social Communication, and Workplace Acclimation. In addition to direct instruction, classes are held in an atmosphere that promotes peer learning and teamwork that will improve academic skills and employability preparedness. The center instills a greater awareness of the values, procedures, and standards of common conduct of the workplace in residents to improve entry and retention. The Program employs the innovative and interactive Safer Foundation Basic Skills/HSE Training Methodology that simultaneously develops academic and interpersonal skills proficiency.

The Basic Skills/HSE Program also provides direct access to a High School Equivalency Certificate Examination. The Basic Skills Program has a unique testing center relationship with Pearson-Vue Testing Services, which guarantees exams for prepared residents without scheduling conflicts or delay. Within 72 hours of enrollment, in-house basic skills preparation begins with an introductory aptitude assessment tool known as the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE). Aggressive subject lesson planning in Direct Instruction with peer and group learning centered workmanship occurs to the standardized range of 40 – 60 hours of instruction.

Clinical Services are provided through the Program Department, which offers programs focused on cognitive restructuring, social skills development, problem solving skills, anger management, overcoming fear, and interpersonal relationship skills. Crossroads ATC has a holistic approach to health and wellness, implementing educational sessions regarding both physical and mental health. UI Health and UIC College of Nursing continues to provide on-site nursing care for residents and conducts monthly seminars with the residents to address health issues such as high blood pressure and diabetes. Telehealth services are also available for residents to address medical concerns. Collaboration with staff to ensure health needs are met includes Medication-Assisted Treatment, the use of medications, in combination with counseling and behavioral therapies, to provide a “whole-patient” approach substance use disorder treatment.

Additionally, because of the partnership between Crossroads and UIC, a Crossroads ATC resident Montez Baker was asked to speak to the graduating 2024 UIC Nursing Class regarding the significance of their role in the criminal justice system.

Residents have two hours per day for gym, playing basketball, lifting weights and walking. In addition, they are allowed outdoor recreation time to talk with their loved ones on their cell phones. Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, located in Chicago, provides Sunday worship for Crossroads ATC residents weekly.

Success Story: Resident Bernard McKinley entered Crossroads ATC in December 2023. Mr. McKinley experienced long-term incarceration, entering IDOC as a teenager. Mr. McKinley understood that his actions that were associated with his lifestyle led him to be involved with a system for which he was unprepared. As a result, he immediately began to engage in programming designed to enhance his character, and actively pursued his education. Upon entering Crossroads, Mr. McKinley advised staff that he took advantage of the many resources that were made available to him, including earning his bachelor’s degree with an emphasis on pre-law. He indicated that upon completion of all orientation requirements, he intended to apply and get accepted to law school. Immediately, Mr. McKinley was hired as a student assistant, and not long thereafter, just as he planned, Mr. McKinley was admitted to Northwestern Law School. While this is already an amazing story, it gets even better when noting the support given to Mr. McKinley. Due to his hard work and dedication, Mr. McKinley received financial assistance from both the university and private sources, which greatly decreased his financial burden. Ultimately, Mr. McKinley was awarded early Mandatory Supervised Release by the Prisoner Review Board.

Danville Correctional Center

Danville Correctional Center, a medium-security male facility located in Vermilion County, spans 85 acres and comprises 17 buildings. The living units include three X-type housing units with 448 beds each, one T-type housing unit with 336 beds, a Receiving unit, a Restrictive housing unit, and a 15-bed health care unit. The facility is focused on improving its operational infrastructure. Recent projects include replacing overhead piping and installing new HVAC units in housing units.

In FY24, maintenance teams replaced sewage lift station pumps, check valves, and isolation valves, installed a bypass, facilitated the installation of a new dish machine, upgraded water heater controls, and installed a generator for Dietary. Upgrades to laundry equipment, including two washers and dryers, and the replacement of backflow preventers at the city water supply are ongoing.

The facility provides individuals in custody with job training in graphic design, vinyl work, industrial sewing, embroidery, bookbinding, and silk screening through Illinois Correctional Industries (ICI). These programs produce vehicle wraps, road signs, uniform embroidery, and other applications for government agencies. ICI also operates a virtual CAT simulator program for hydraulic excavator training and manages a warehouse-style core hygiene distribution program. Additionally, a gardening initiative on the facility grounds provides fresh produce for meals.

Clinical Services offers behavioral programming aimed at improving social and life skills to reduce recidivism. Programs include Substance Abuse, Thinking for a Change, Inside Out Dad's, Start Now, Building Change, and Anger Management. The Building Block program features peer-led community-based initiatives that focus on social skills, educational achievement, veteran recovery, and re-entry preparation. Clinical Services also provides a single-celled re-entry wing that utilizes the Lyfe 2.0 program. Clinical Services continues providing daily wellness recovery programming and has also implemented a program for long term individuals in custody to assist with coping skills, daily activities, and modern awareness.

Educational programming includes Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education, vocational, and college coursework. The Danville Area Community College offers vocational and associate programs. Individuals at Danville CC can obtain their GED, Building Trades Construction, Career-Technology, Automotive Technology and Mechatronics certificates. Danville CC is in the beginning stages of implementing a Computer Numerical Control (CNC) certificate program. Additional educational offerings include a certificate program through Divine Hope Reformed Bible Seminary, undergraduate coursework through the University of Illinois' Education Justice Project, and a bachelor's program in partnership with Eastern Illinois University. Danville CC has increased its staff wellness team, now available across all shifts to provide support and resources upon request. Team members post motivational flyers and offer basic wellness check-ins to enhance employee engagement and morale.

Religious services are a priority at the facility. Over 25 volunteers provide approximately 70 monthly services to support 14 different faith groups. Programs include the Story Book initiative, allowing individuals in custody to record messages for their children, and monthly visits from Bethany, a comfort dog who provides exposure therapy. Volunteers also facilitate Celebrate Recovery meetings, benefiting more than 50 participants, and oversee one of the state's largest Alcoholics Anonymous groups, supporting over 200 individuals. A Spanish-speaking non-denominational Christian service is also available, and ADA accommodations are provided for individuals who request them. More than half of the population participated in the Angel Tree program, which enables individuals to send gifts to their children, supported entirely by volunteer outreach.

Leisure Time Services (LTS) hosts regular and special events, including concerts, art contests, guest speakers, and sports leagues.

New programs such as re-entry seminars, CDL classes, Dungeons & Dragons, and gospel choir have been introduced. Cultural activities are offered for Black History Month, Hispanic Heritage Month, and Native American Heritage Month. LTS plans to continue expanding programming in FY25 to foster individual growth and provide meaningful opportunities for the population.

Decatur Correctional Center

Decatur Correctional Center is a minimum-security female facility located in Decatur that aims to improve the lived experience of women in IDOC custody through targeted changes to fully weave trauma-informed practices through all aspects of the Women's Division.

At Decatur CC, both academic and career technical programming is offered. Academic programming offered includes Adult Basic Education (ABE), Advanced ABE, and Adult Secondary Education (ASE). Career Technical programming is also offered at Decatur CC through Lakeland Community College. Programming includes Career Technology, Culinary Arts, Horticulture, Warehousing, and Manufacturing. Vocational programming at Decatur CC includes Culinary Arts, Horticulture, and Illinois Correctional Industries manufacturing options. Decatur CC provides an in-house Rapid Results Garden through its Horticulture program for individuals in custody.

Clinical Services is composed of staff trained in tasks to ensure that individuals in custody adjust well to being incarcerated and integrate successfully back into the communities they choose to return to with the skills and modified behavior to not recidivate. During their incarceration, individual's activities are considered, and they are placed into behavior modification programs with measurable results. If an individual in custody's classification allows, they are considered for a lower security environment. Those opportunities are reduced sentences, electronic detention, or adult transitional centers. Prior to their release or a reduced security environment, they are educated and given the tools needed for long-term successful results. Individuals in custody are educated on regional-specific resources and services available to them. In addition, opportunities are available for social security cards, birth certificates and state issued identification cards with supplemental support of Medicaid and Illinois Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Leisure Time Services (LTS) offers a wide variety of athletic and leisure activities including art contests, BINGO, crocheting, CrossFit, singing contests, sports tournaments, table game tournaments, trivia, and yoga. The LTS area consists of a gymnasium, five classroom spaces, a 117-seat auditorium, and accommodates the Chaplaincy Department by providing classroom space for religious services.

Decatur CC has an active Chaplaincy department, which oversees the religious and spiritual activities or services of the facility. Some services include, bible studies, church services, mass, baptisms, retreats, books clubs, special holiday programs and donations, reunification events, and more. Chaplain Welch also ensures that individuals can exercise the rights to their faith practices/celebrations and receive accommodations to special religious diets.

The Re-Entry Resource Room facilitated weekly resource webinars servicing each Illinois county. Over 80% of the individuals in custody left this year with a birth certificate and Social Security card, making it easier to obtain identification upon release. In FY24, 157 individuals were released with an Illinois State Identification card. There were two Re-Entry Summits held. The Spring Summit had 17 Vendors, and 111 individuals in custody participated. The Fall Summit had 23 vendors, and 135 individuals in custody participated. All individuals releasing were given the opportunity to apply for SNAP and Medicaid.

Decatur CC participates in quarterly meetings with community stakeholders to engage and educate them on the facility and department and enhance partnerships. In addition, meeting with IDES and other partners to develop Day-Release Programs and planning and executing facility and community drills occur on an annual basis.

Moms & Babies Program: Decatur CC provides a moms and babies program, as well as a reunification program. Both programs are designed to keep the bonds between mother and child existential. Those screened and approved to be in the moms and babies program have the opportunity to remain in the early stages of the baby's life although incarcerated. They are educated through parenting classes and Zoom classes from certified staff on how to maintain a healthy relationship with their baby and doula programming, pre-natal care, and mental health are provided during pregnancy and post-partum. With the reunification program, the screened and approved mothers will reside on the same unit as moms and babies and permitted to have regular visitation with their children under the age of 18 on the housing unit. Children can bring in homework, grooming products for hair care, and art supplies for craft time with mom. The reunification program offers a warm, family environment on the housing unit.



Dixon Correctional Center

Dixon Correctional Center is situated on 462 acres of land with 125 acres inside the perimeter fence. The facility is divided into specialized areas that include units housing for general population individuals, geriatric individuals with special needs, individuals with disabilities, as well as an infirmary. The Special Treatment Center (STC) houses Seriously Mentally Ill (SMI) residents and serves as the largest male Residential Treatment Unit (RTU) in the State. The Dixon Psychiatric Unit (DPU) also houses SMI residents who are primarily classified as maximum security.

Educational programming at Dixon CC includes Adult Basic Education (ABE), Advanced ABE, and Adult Secondary Education. Lake Land College provides career and technical education programs such as Career Technologies, Cosmetology, Construction Occupations and Culinary Arts. In FY24, forty vocational certificates and six high school diplomas were awarded, and forty-two individuals completed ABE.

Dixon CC's Clinical Services Department utilizes a validated risk and needs assessment and evidence-based programming to identify and target criminogenic risk factors that can lead to incarceration and recidivism. A validated risk and needs assessment, identifies those risk factors and an individualized case plan is developed. Interventions and programming are provided based upon the case plan and include substance abuse treatment, anger management, social skills training, and reentry services.

Dixon CC provides an array of re-entry related services and supports to returning individuals in custody. These include a dedicated re-entry counselor, weekly interactive webinars, a re-entry resource room, vital document drives, Civics education, assistance with applications for benefits such as SSI, SNAP, and Medicaid. Twice a year Dixon CC also hosts a Re-entry Summit where representatives from community-based organizations are invited to visit the facility to meet with individuals in custody who are releasing from IDOC.

In FY24, Leisure Time Services (LTS) continued to provide a variety of services and activities to residents at Dixon CC. The art room remains open and LTS has held several art contests with good participation. LTS staff continue to run the photo program in the visiting room as well as providing individual photo opportunities for residents who do not receive visits. LTS also screens movies and continues to provide and supervise organized sports activities including softball, flag football, basketball, soccer, and handball for GP, STC, and DPU populations.

Non-Denominational Christian Chapel is held on a weekly basis along with programs for all faith groups living at Dixon CC. There are many faith groups represented at Dixon which includes, but is not limited to African Hebrew Israelites, Jehovah's Witnesses, 7th Day Adventists, Protestants, Catholics, Jews, and Muslims. Programs such as Christian Bible Study, Stepping Up by Wayside Cross Ministries, Discipleship Class, Malachi Dad's, Spanish speaking chapel, God Behind Bars, Building Better Men, Jumu'ah, and Alcoholics Anonymous are held on a weekly or monthly basis to meet the needs of our diverse population. The facility is supported by many community volunteers who provide services and other religious programs are offered by appointment.

The Illinois Correctional Industries (ICI) Dixon Optical Lab has been providing quality prescription eyewear since 1986.

In FY24, Dixon ICI produced 9,143 pairs of eyeglasses for individuals within IDOC, an increase of 1,402 from last year's production. In doing so, Illinois realizes a notable savings while providing educational opportunities and job skills for program participants upon re-entry into society. In FY24, 8 individuals earned their American Board of Opticianry Certification, a recognized standard of proficiency and knowledge in the optical industry. Dixon ICI also offers a Hydraulic Excavator Training using a Caterpillar Excavator Simulator and Sim Scholar training program. In FY24, the program expanded to the general - population and 13 individuals earned issued certificates of completion.

The Staff Wellness Response Team has added several new members to the team while the wellness room has been utilized by many staff at Dixon and remains a positive addition to the facility.

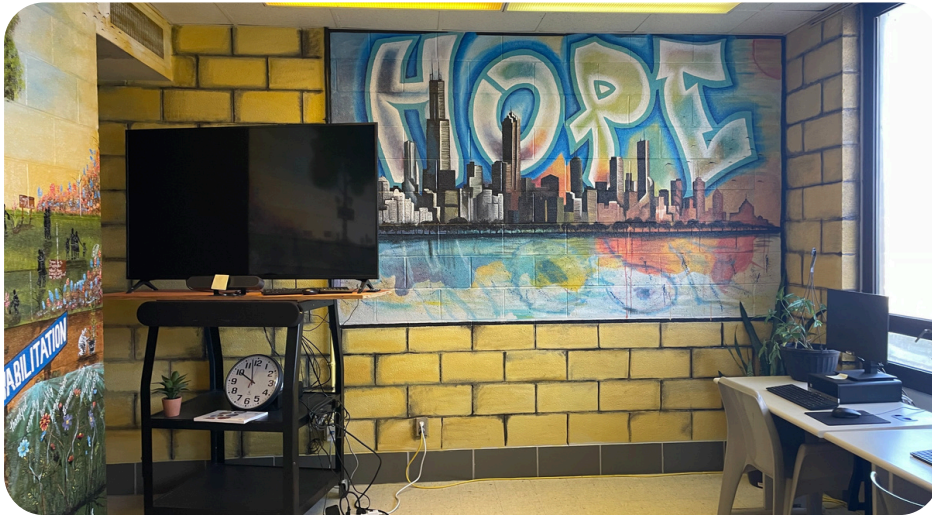
Three Capital Development projects were substantially completed. The first project replacing roofs in the Southwest Cluster began in May and is nearing completion. The next phase of the roofing project has started which includes additional buildings. The second project was replacement of the transformer at the general store, which was started in March 2024. Beginning in January 2024, the final project is an upgrade to the hot water systems, which includes eliminating dead ends, looping the system, increasing water main size, eliminating short circuiting, and adding mixing pumps.

East Moline Correctional Center

East Moline Correctional Center (EMCC), a minimum-security facility in Rock Island County, overlooks the Mississippi River and spans over 80 acres. The facility comprises 26 buildings, totaling more than 430,000 square feet, and includes four housing units, an Administration building, a Restrictive Housing Unit, and a 16-bed infirmary and healthcare unit. EMCC emphasizes sustainability by reducing operational costs and its carbon footprint through extensive recycling initiatives. Cardboard is baled and picked up by a recycling vendor, paper is shredded for bulk sale or used in compost, and plastic bins are strategically placed to minimize landfill waste. Wooden pallets are also recycled, and fluorescent light fixtures are replaced with LED bulbs, resulting in significant utility savings.

Vocational programs at EMCC, offered in partnership with Lake Land College, include Construction Operations, Horticulture, Career Technology, and Culinary Arts. These programs emphasize the technical skills necessary for employment in the construction and culinary industries. The Career Technology course, a 30-day program, prepares individuals for college and careers through lessons on interview techniques, resume writing, personal growth, and financial literacy, though it does not grant certificates.

Clinical Services provides programs aimed at cognitive restructuring, social skills development, problem-solving, money management, behavioral choices, and relationship enhancement. To reduce recidivism, individuals meet with a Corrections Assessment Specialist (CAS) for a risk and needs assessment. The results guide their participation in evidence-based programs, such as Thinking for a Change, Inside Out Dads, Anger Management, Substance Abuse Education, Start Now, Money Smart, Aim Higher, and Victim Impact.



Leisure Time Services (LTS) offers activities like art, band, table games, yoga, extreme calisthenics, softball, photography, creative arts, and drama. Over the past year, 11,663 individuals participated in LTS programs, with the band program attracting the highest participation at 2,841. Classes are offered every day to accommodate varied interests.

Religious services at EMCC meet diverse spiritual needs. Volunteers lead Sunday worship, Bible study, Quran study, tutoring, book club, Catholic faith and communion, and a Spanish Bible Study. Narcotics Anonymous and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are also volunteer led. Special events such as JOY weekends, Freedom from Fear, and Transforming Dad were held. Additionally, the Chaplain ensures the provision of services for Muslim Jummah and Ramadan, Jewish faith, Moorish Science Temple of America, Odinist, and African Hebrew Israelites.

The facility's industry program continues the CAT Simulator training, with six individuals graduating in FY24, one of whom became a peer educator for the resumed FY25 class. The expanded Garden Program now includes two fields and a greenhouse, increasing production. Industries provide laundry services for EMCC's clothing department, medical and restrictive housing units, and general sanitation needs. The program also supports the recycling initiative by transporting items between facilities, such as pallets from EMCC to ICI Hill CC.

EMCC hosts biannual re-entry summits for individuals scheduled for release within a year. These half-day events provide valuable presentations and resources to help individuals transition back into society. In the most recent summit, 70 individuals signed up. The event serves as a milestone for participants, offering insights and resources to make their transition smoother and more manageable.

EMCC prioritizes employee health, safety, and morale through wellness and engagement activities. Monthly planning by the wellness committee has resulted in events such as a cookie bake-off, Fourth of July picnic, ice cream social, and Halloween and holiday door-decorating competitions. These initiatives have boosted morale and strengthened employee engagement.



In December, EMCC employees partnered with the Silvis Police Department for the annual “Shop with a Cop” event, supporting children in the local community. The event remains a favorite among employees eager to contribute to this meaningful cause.

Fox Valley Adult Transition Center

Fox Valley Adult Transition Center (ATC), located in Aurora, celebrated its 24th year as the only IDOC adult transition center exclusively for women in custody. The facility, housed in a four-story building with a capacity for 130 residents, is set amidst trees and grassy hills, featuring an outdoor recreation area and a covered patio. Women eligible for transfer from Logan and Decatur Correctional Centers within 24 months of release engage in comprehensive in-house and community-based re-entry programs at Fox Valley ATC.

Clinical Services staff provide individualized and group services tailored to each resident's social, medical, psychological, educational, and vocational needs, employing a strengths-based, gender-responsive approach. Reintegration planning begins immediately upon arrival, supported by a structured four-step behavior level system that encourages goal setting and achievement. Residents earn privileges such as community movement and overnight home visits as they progress, equipping them with enhanced cognitive, social, educational, and vocational skills to prepare for reunification with their families and reintegration into society and the workforce.

Re-entry programming emphasizes financial independence and community involvement. Residents secure full-time employment and complete community service hours, with an average savings of \$20,000 accrued by the time they parole. Around 36% of residents remain in the Aurora area post-release, continuing their employment secured during their time at Fox Valley ATC. Approximately 30% hold supervisory or managerial roles, with many receiving employer recognitions, including “Employee of the Month” and “Employee of the Year” awards. In FY24, residents volunteered over 5,000 hours with local social service agencies and faith-based organizations, further strengthening community ties.

Resident and staff wellness remains a priority. Newsletters tailored for staff and residents promote holistic health, while wellness break areas, funded by staff donations, provide resources such as health-related reading materials, art supplies, de-stressing gadgets, and snacks. Monthly visits from therapy and support dogs, combined with music and group activities, offer stress-relief opportunities for both residents and staff.

Fox Valley ATC implemented several Rapid Results projects in FY24, achieving significant time and cost savings while reducing its carbon footprint. Recycling initiatives and system optimizations improved efficiency, and upgrades to energy-efficient LED lighting reduced utility costs. Water-saving enhancements, including upgraded showerheads, faucets, and toilets, further contributed to resource conservation.

Staff at Fox Valley ATC actively volunteer within their communities, supporting social service advocacy groups, faith-based organizations, Girl Scouts, and military reserves. They also participate in charitable initiatives benefiting causes such as the Special Olympics, the American Cancer Society, suicide prevention efforts, and Mutual Grounds, a local organization supporting survivors of domestic violence, including some residents at the center.

Graham Correctional Center

Graham Correctional Center, an adult medium-security facility located in Hillsboro, opened in 1980 and serves as the Reception Center for the central region of the state. With a total capacity of 2,006 beds, the facility includes a 450-bed Reception and Classification Center and a general population, maintaining an average daily population of approximately 1,400 individuals. The facility spans 117 acres, with 84 acres enclosed within the perimeter and 50 buildings encompassing roughly 379,984 square feet.

Graham CC has achieved success in cultivating its extensive gardens, which cover over 11 acres and provide job opportunities for residents while supplementing meals with fresh produce. The facility has expanded its west-side gardens and continues its recycling efforts by composting specific scraps, cardboard, and paper shred, which are later used to enrich the gardens. Additionally, Graham CC recycles all plastics and encourages participation in recycling projects within the housing units.

The Office of Adult Education and Vocational Services at Graham served 610 individuals in custody in FY24, with 501 students enrolled in Academic Programs and 109 in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. Academic offerings included Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education (GED), with 226 individuals completing basic education programs and 17 earning GED certificates. The Career and Technical Education Department awarded 45 CTE certificates, and program participants collectively earned over 15,000 days of program sentence credit.

Clinical Services manage initial assessment and classification, process transfer requests, maintain phone and visiting lists, and screen for Earned Discretionary Sentence Credit.

They also prepare PRB orders for release on Mandatory Supervised Release and respond to grievances. Reentry planning, a component of Clinical Services, supports individuals nearing release by assisting with Medicaid and SNAP enrollment, SSI applications, birth certificate and Social Security card requests, temporary IDs, and participation in the Re-Entry Prep Program. Re-Entry Summits and Parole School programs are coordinated to provide additional support.

Leisure Time Services offers a variety of recreational activities, including fitness classes for individuals nearing release, annual 5K runs, and events such as Black History Month art contests, yoga classes, and team sports like softball and basketball. Other activities include ping pong, handball, spades, dominoes, cornhole, wiffle ball, and staff-versus-residents softball games. LTS also provides photo opportunities for individuals to send pictures home to loved ones.

The Chaplaincy Department serves the spiritual needs of a diverse population with weekly services for various faiths, including Christianity, Hebrew Israelite, Catholicism, Al-Islam, Jehovah's Witness, Odinism/Asatru, Judaism, and Moorish Science Temple, as well as interfaith and non-denominational events. A library of religious materials is available, and 22 volunteers from surrounding communities facilitate services. Additional programs like Alcoholics Anonymous, Celebrate Recovery, and the Prison Fellowship's Transforming Lives class are also offered.

Graham Correctional Industries operates several programs, including a Furniture Shop that builds, refurbishes, and reupholsters furniture, a Mattress Shop using RF heat seal technology, and a CMS State Garage that provides mechanical services. The facility also runs a garden program that supplies fresh vegetables to its dietary department, a CAT Simulator Training Program for hydraulic excavators, and a state-certified forklift training course. Individuals in these programs also participate in a Tech Math refresher course required for participation. Currently, 50 individuals are participating in Industries programs, including 14 individuals in U.S. Department of Labor Apprenticeship Programs.

Re-entry is also part of Clinical Services and provides peer-led Civics Education, Medicaid and SNAP program sign up, SSI enrollment prior to release, Re-Entry Prep Program, formerly known as Parole School, processing both in state and out of state birth certificate applications, social security replacement card applications, obtaining a temporary ID upon release for those who are eligible, and the coordination of the Re-Entry Summits and Parole School programs.

Graham's Staff Wellness Response Team has six members, three of whom are certified, with the remaining members scheduled for training. The team has responded to critical incidents, conducted presentations during Cycle Training, and provided resources to staff to promote wellness. A dedicated effort is made to check in with staff regularly and encourage peer support. The facility works closely with local and state agencies to maintain and update emergency response plans. Tours are conducted with local police, fire departments, and hospitals to ensure preparedness and familiarity with the facility.

Graham CC's Maintenance team has worked on several projects throughout the year. The installation of additional data lines for computer access for the Vocational and Academic staff allow for both departments to function more efficiently. New ice machines were ordered, and the plumbing is being installed. Approval from the Capital Development Board will allow for a new roof for the Academic and Vocational building.

Hill Correctional Center

Hill Correctional Center is a medium-security adult male institution located in Galesburg. Opened in October 1986, the facility spans 71 acres and consists of 29 buildings, including three “X-Houses” and one “T-House” for general population. It also features a separate housing unit with an Orientation and Receiving Wing and a wing designated for Restrictive Housing. In FY24, Hill CC implemented various initiatives and programs aimed at reducing recidivism, enhancing professionalism, improving the quality of life for individuals in custody, and supporting successful reentry into society. The facility has continued its sustainability efforts by upgrading lighting to LED, installing new high-efficiency cooler and freezer doors, and replacing old water heaters with high-efficiency condensing models. These improvements have significantly reduced energy consumption.

Educational programming in FY24 included Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education. Lake Land College provided contracted vocational and academic courses, allowing individuals to earn vocational certificates in Career Technology, Automotive Technology, Custodial Maintenance, Horticulture, and Warehousing. In FY24, Lake Land College awarded two associate degrees, and 18 individuals earned high school diplomas. Knox College also offered non-credit courses, expanding educational opportunities.

Clinical Services provided programs focused on cognitive restructuring, social skills, problem-solving, and relationship building. Offerings included START NOW, Aim Higher, Inside Out Dads, Anger Management, and Money Smart, with other topics rotated as needed. Substance Abuse Education was facilitated by CADC-certified staff, who also conducted assessments and made referrals for treatment. Comprehensive orientation for new arrivals and individualized case plans helped individuals identify the services they needed from Clinical, Education, and Mental Health departments. For those serving longer or life sentences, Hill CC offered the peer mentoring program Man to Man and the Legacy program, both focused on personal development and creating meaningful experiences.

Leisure Time Services in FY24 offered a range of programs, including athletic tournaments for basketball, softball, and soccer. Cultural heritage months were recognized through art and poetry contests and movies aired on the institutional channel. New clubs, including Chess Club, Book Club, and Spoken Word Club, were established, meeting monthly to diversify programming. LTS staff also continued to provide visiting room photos for individuals and their families.

The Chapel hosted 18 weekly groups, including volunteer-led studies like Purpose Driven Life and religious groups such as Jehovah’s Witnesses. Peer-led religious services were supervised, and Protestant faith members could partake in monthly communion, with approximately 80 individuals served on those days. Faith groups requesting special services for their traditions were accommodated with worship and meal opportunities.

The Illinois Correctional Industries at Hill CC transitioned into a programs department, offering initiatives such as a farm worker program utilizing the greenhouse and garden to produce thousands of pounds of vegetables annually. Hill CC is the only IDOC facility with an operational aquaponics system, which enhances dietary options. The recycling program processes large quantities of cardboard, plastic, and steel.



The small engine program trains individuals in maintenance skills, and the CAT simulator program provides certification in excavator operation. Hill CC also distributes milk and juice throughout the northern region.

Reentry support included semi-annual Re-Entry Summits, where individuals nearing release could connect with vendors offering beneficial services. Vital Documents Drives were also held twice yearly to help individuals apply for birth certificates, Social Security cards, and state IDs. Staff assisted with applications for Medicaid and SNAP benefits, ensuring smoother transitions post-release.

The Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) provided ongoing support to employees, offering resources, and maintaining a wellness room for staff use during times of need. Regular check-ins and morale-boosting initiatives demonstrated the facility's commitment to staff well-being.

Hill CC engaged with the local community through donation drives for pet supplies, winter clothing, and other essentials for local organizations such as animal shelters and women's shelters. Employees generously supported the annual SECA campaign, with fundraisers contributing to the local FISH food pantry and ASPCA.



Illinois River Correctional Center

Illinois River Correctional Center is a medium security adult male facility located in Canton. The facility sits on a 100-acre site and houses general population individuals in custody. Illinois River continues to operate as efficiently as possible through FY24. All departments work responsibly and frugally with the supplies on hand. A garden was once again utilized to offer individuals in custody fresh vegetables and aid with food costs.

Along with library services the facility offers Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education (pre-GED), and Adult Secondary Education (GED). North Park University's School of Restorative Arts offers a Master of Arts in Christian Ministry and Restorative Arts at IRCC, as a partnership between North Park University and IDOC. The program is designed to prepare students for ministries of restoration in contexts that are prone to violence and includes courses on: trauma, race relations, nonviolent communication, conflict transformation, restorative practices, transformative justice, bible, theology, and history. North Park is currently running their third cohort program at IRCC.

The IDJJ pilot program was implemented in Fall 2024 for emerging adults ages 21 and under in IDOC custody, who have not yet earned a high school diploma or a General Educational certificate (GED), to finish high school and earn their High School Diploma. Senate Bill 426 amends the Unified Code of Corrections to allow IDJJ to establish emerging adult programs for individuals ages 18 to 21 who have been committed to IDOC. Lakeland College provides vocational programming and college level classes towards an associate degree. Current programming includes Automotive Technology, Construction Occupations, Culinary Arts, Horticulture, and Career Technologies.

The Clinical Services Department provides opportunities for individuals in custody to develop alternatives to anti-social lifestyles utilizing programming conducive to rehabilitation. Direct services provided are responsive and appropriate to the needs of the individual.

In September, the Clinical Services and Industries departments hosted a graduation for individuals completing clinical programming and Department of Labor Certifications. A total of 73 completing individuals were in attendance. IRCC alumni, Nicholas Crayton, was invited to attend as a guest speaker. Mr. Crayton spent 12 years at IRCC and was then transferred to Kewanee Life Skills Reentry Center before reentering the community. Leisure Time Services at IRCC offers a variety of activities for individuals in custody including basketball, handball, horseshoe, volleyball, softball, soccer, dodge ball, chess, and domino tournaments throughout the year. Leisure Time Services also celebrates months, such as Hispanic Heritage Month and Black History Month, with historical documentary screenings and art, poetry, and essay contests.

The Chaplaincy Department facilitates growth or movement toward a meaningful, spiritual faith experience, and behavior according to the individuals in custody's faith orientation. Upon arriving at IRCC, individuals in custody may designate their religious affiliation and request for a religious diet and request a special diet meal for the observance of a special holiday or ceremony.

The Illinois Correctional Industries program at IRCC, is transitioning from a fully operating bakery, that ceased production in June 2024, to a Warehousing program that will receive, package, and deliver core hygiene items for individuals in custody at IRCC initially before expanding to other correctional centers. The CAT heavy equipment simulator program provides hands on experience and took off this year with 29 graduates. The participants complete several practice sessions until they are proficient with the exercises and then they complete their final tests in each skillset. Selected past graduates of the program act as peer instructors under the guidance of the correctional vocational instructors.

IRCC provides every individual in custody who is preparing for reentry with the opportunity to meet with a parole agent to answer questions about successful parole completion, participate in workshops with partnering community vendors, conduct job searches, write a resume, sign up for benefits such as SNAP and Medicaid, and more before they leave.

Staff participate in the Statewide Staff Wellness program. Staff check on fellow co-workers and lend an ear to whatever events may be happening at the time. The Staff Wellness team members are always there when needed.

Jacksonville Correctional Center | Pittsfield Work Camp

Jacksonville Correctional Center focuses on ensuring the custody, care, and safety of individuals under its jurisdiction while providing opportunities for program participation and fostering increased responsibility and decision-making skills. The facility spans approximately 70 acres, with 24 acres enclosed by perimeter fencing. It includes 13 buildings totaling over 152,000 square feet, with five housing units, one Restrictive Housing unit, and a seven-bed health care unit. Jacksonville CC is also the parent institution of the Pittsfield Work Camp.

The Sustainability Committee at Jacksonville CC emphasizes reducing operating expenses and minimizing the facility's carbon footprint. Efforts include transitioning to electronic, fillable documents to reduce paper usage and replacing low-efficiency lighting with high-efficiency LED lighting, resulting in notable utility savings.

The Education Department, a division of the IDOC's Office of Adult Education and Vocational Services, provides programs such as Adult Basic Education (ABE), Advanced ABE, Adult Secondary Education (ASE), and College Academic and Career Technical programs. Career and Technical Education certificates offered through Lake Land College include Commercial Custodian and Career Technologies.

Clinical Services staff deliver a range of case management services at both Jacksonville CC and Pittsfield Work Camp. These services, managed by Program and Unit Counselors, Re-Entry and Field Services Counselors, and Correctional Assessment Specialists (CAS), include Housing Unit hours, transfer requests, EPSC and EDSC reviews, and advocacy between individuals in custody and loved ones. Orientation classes are provided to all new arrivals, and counselors facilitate programs such as Inside/Out Dads, Start Now, Money Smart, and Thinking for a Change, among others.

Orientation classes are provided to all new arrivals, and counselors facilitate programs such as Inside/Out Dads, Start Now, Money Smart, and Thinking for a Change, among others. CAS staff conduct individualized assessments and master file reviews to determine programming needs, develop case plans, and establish goals that support individuals' successful reintegration into their communities.

Leisure Time Services provides a range of recreational activities, including HIIT classes, basketball, slow-pitch softball, ultimate frisbee, 5k runs, chess, talent shows, art contests, kickball, weightlifting competitions, and photograph services. LTS also secured an agreement with Swank Motion Pictures to screen movies for individuals in custody.

Chaplaincy services cater to various religious and spiritual needs, including Christian, Catholic, Jewish, Al-Islam, Odinism, Jehovah's Witness, Wicca, Shetaut Neter, and Moorish Science Temple. Pittsfield Work Camp also offers Catholic, Christian, Odinism, Jumu'ah, and other spiritual classes. Non-religious spiritual classes, such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Toastmasters, Jobs Partnership, Storybook, Dimensional Growth, and Relationship Dynamics, are available. Communion and baptism services are also offered.

The Re-Entry team adopts a client-centered and needs-based approach, starting at intake and continuing throughout incarceration. Programming, support services, and referrals address housing, transportation, identification, civic education, voting rights, education, employment, mental and physical health, substance use disorders, financial assistance, parenting skills, veteran services, and immigration concerns. Individuals are encouraged to set and pursue tangible goals, develop personal responsibility, and establish a reliable support network.

GEO Re-Entry Services offers in-custody treatment to address antisocial behaviors and change criminal thinking and behavior. The treatment model employs evidence-based programming through group and individual sessions. GEO Substance Recovery classes are held Monday through Friday, both mornings and afternoons.

Staff at Jacksonville CC and Pittsfield Work Camp have access to wellness rooms designed for decompression or completing incident reports after stressful situations. Staff Wellness Response Team members are available for support in these rooms, and additions to the team this year have resulted in a fully staffed program.

Both facilities contribute to surrounding communities during weather-related emergencies, including storm cleanup, and sandbagging to mitigate flooding risks. Work crews assist with tasks such as highway trash pickup, landscaping, general maintenance, supporting State Fair events, and collaborating with city crews, IDOT teams, and volunteer groups. These efforts benefit the community while instilling a sense of service and accomplishment in individuals in custody.

Joliet Treatment Center | Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center

Joliet Treatment Center (JTC) is a multi-security facility in Will County and the largest residential facility in Illinois for individuals with serious mental illness. The facility spans 55 acres, with 50 acres enclosed by fencing, and includes 20 buildings totaling over 222,058 square feet. It houses two behavior modification units, five residential treatment units, and a minimum-security unit. On the same grounds, the Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center (JITC), a 200-bed mental health and medical correctional inpatient facility, opened in June 2022. Covering 180,000 square feet, JITC provides intensive care for individuals struggling with mental illness or requiring long-term nursing care. As a state-of-the-art facility, JITC aims to serve as a national model for mental health treatment in corrections.

JTC employs a multidisciplinary mental health team, including psychologists, behavioral health technicians, qualified mental health professionals, and psychiatric providers. This team offers a variety of services, such as psychoeducational groups, treatment groups, individual sessions, therapeutic recreation, and medication management. Residents participate in community meetings, treatment team discussions, and specialized dialectical behavior therapy (DBT) groups in the Behavior Management Unit. JTC serves approximately 180 residents at any given time.

The facility integrates sustainability into its operations. Buildings constructed in 2020 feature white roofs that reflect sunlight, reducing heat absorption and cooling costs. On the JTC side, LED lighting replacements continue to improve energy efficiency. At JITC, building automation schedules reduce energy usage by operating equipment only in occupied areas, a significant shift from 24/7 operation when the facility first opened.

Educational services at JTC, overseen by the Office of Adult Education and Vocational Services, focus on academic and vocational opportunities for residents. The school provides multi-tiered programming, including Adult Basic Education (mandatory and advanced), GED preparation, and certified GED testing through the Pearson Online Assessment Platform. Lake Land Community College offers vocational training in Custodial Maintenance and Horticulture. Additional initiatives include a Student of the Month program, Peer-to-Peer Math & Reading Tutoring, and a Book Club. The Law Library provides paralegal, notary, and photocopying services for residents and students.

Clinical Services at JTC offers programs such as Anger Management, Inside Out Dads, and Start Now, focusing on skills like problem-solving, social development, and cognitive restructuring. In FY24, the department introduced the New Direction Drug Awareness program, a cognitive-behavioral curriculum addressing criminal and addictive thinking, drug awareness, relapse prevention, and reintegration preparation. Financial education is available through the Money Smart program, and Thinking for a Change programming is planned for FY25.

Leisure Time Services (LTS) expanded activities for individuals in custody, offering PowerPoint presentations, pro-social games, art projects, and relaxation CDs.

Events this year included a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, a Halloween character contest, and a Magic the Gathering group. Aunt Mary book recordings, which allow residents to read books for their loved ones, returned successfully with three sessions. Additional programming is being developed for FY25.

Chaplaincy programs and religious services have grown with the addition of 18 new volunteers in FY24. Christian services are provided by organizations such as Mother Sinclair Prison Ministry and Apostolic Christian Church of Chicago, while Catholic Mass is celebrated by the Catholic Chaplain. Calvary Evangelical Church of Plainfield staffs a Bible study program, and Islamic services include a Muslim study hour and Jumu'ah on Fridays. Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are also held weekly.

JTC hosts semi-annual Re-Entry Summits, connecting residents with community organizations that offer housing assistance, job training, and educational opportunities. The Re-Entry Counselor helps residents secure vital identification documents such as birth certificates, Social Security cards, and State IDs, which are critical for housing and employment upon release. These summits aim to support reintegration by fostering stability, social relationships, and pro-social behaviors.

JTC's Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) provides support for staff, especially during critical incidents. SWRT members participate in quarterly training and have facilitated programs such as Corrections Fatigue to Fulfillment, Corrections Fatigue to Fulfillment for Families, and All Things You. These initiatives emphasize work-life balance, stress management, and the importance of strong external support systems. Staff and their families have reported positive experiences with these programs, highlighting their value in addressing the unique challenges of correctional work.

The Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center (JITC) mental health team utilizes a multidisciplinary approach to support individuals in custody who are experiencing significant psychiatric symptoms or acute crises. Upon admission, individuals are assessed to determine their current level of functioning and specific treatment needs. Services are tailored to individual preferences and are delivered by licensed mental health professionals, including Licensed Clinical Psychologists, Licensed Clinical Professional Counselors, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, and Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists. Treatment planning focuses on developing skills in symptom management, emotion regulation, and interpersonal communication. Each patient is offered individual therapy sessions with an assigned mental health professional three times per week, alongside psychiatric services provided three times per week. The program includes daily therapeutic and psychoeducational groups, as well as opportunities for meals, recreation, leisure, and peer interaction. A milieu-based treatment model encourages frequent interaction between mental health professionals and patients, allowing individuals to practice and reinforce key treatment strategies.

The medical department at JITC provides a range of services, including nursing, laboratory, pharmacy, and radiology care for all patients. It also delivers educational programming for employees and patients, maintains records and logs for audits and Continuous Quality Improvement, and supports medical providers during chronic care clinics and annual physicals. In the absence of a medication room assistant, the medical team manages medication orders for patients. Nurses handle laboratory work, coordinate with the University of Illinois Chicago for lab processing, and follow up on results, in addition to conducting sick calls with patients. During weekends and holidays, when mental health staff may be unavailable, nursing staff conduct crisis watches.

The facility's infirmary, which began providing 24-hour care in 2024, allows patients to access physical therapy and other specialized medical services. This expanded care capacity strengthens the overall health and recovery support available to patients at JITC.

Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center

Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center (KLSRC) focuses on equipping individuals in custody with life skills and preparing them for successful reintegration into society while maintaining safety and security for all. The center is designed for individuals committed to making positive changes and who are within three to seven years of release, provided they meet the criteria for placement.

KLSRC actively maintains and improves its facilities by incorporating environmentally sustainable practices, such as installing instantaneous water heaters to reduce fossil fuel use. Residents, with staff guidance, have cultivated gardens producing fresh vegetables used within the facility. This initiative not only provides nutritious food but also fosters a sense of accomplishment and self-worth among participants. KLSRC is committed to fiscal and environmental responsibility, prioritizing sustainable development.

Educational programming includes Essential Learning, Life Skills, Job Skills, and Adult Secondary Education, allowing individuals to build foundational skills on their path to earning a GED. Life Skills courses cover communication, financial literacy, health, and other critical areas. Through a partnership with Lake Land College, vocational training is offered, including Custodial Maintenance certifications. Vocational opportunities also feature CAT and CDL simulators. The library provides extensive resources for general and legal research and hosts activities such as book, chess, and writing clubs. It has also welcomed classical musicians, enriching the educational and cultural experience.

The CCII's have daily office hours to meet with individuals on their caseload and to discuss any concerns they have with their return to society. Individuals in Custody are required to meet with their CCII monthly to check in. The Social Worker II's complete ORAS on all intakes and program requisition forms to sign up for groups for all individuals who have completed the mandatory 90-day classes. Weekly office hours are also available for any individual who would like to meet with a Social Worker to discuss programming issues or make changes to programming requests. The CCIII -Re-Entry conducts parole school, schedules agencies in the institution for summits, completes documentation for Workforce programming and assists with Department of Human Services interviews and follow-up assistance. The CCIII-Field Services works with outside agencies and sets up interviews to assist in securing placements for returning citizens, maintains vital records and maintains parole plans to assist in reentry issues.

Clinical Services focus on cognitive restructuring, social skills, problem-solving, and relationship building through programs such as Inside Out Dads, Drug and Alcohol Education, Relapse Prevention, Criminal and Addictive Thinking, and Civics Education. Leadership seminars and cognitive behavioral groups are also offered.

Correctional counselors meet with individuals regularly to address concerns related to re-entry, while social workers administer assessments, facilitate group enrollments, and offer weekly office hours for additional support. The correctional counselors for re-entry and field services organize parole school, collaborate with external agencies, and manage workforce programming, vital records, and parole plans to assist with reintegration.

Leisure activities at KLSRC include indoor and outdoor options, from weightlifting competitions on Veteran's Day to obstacle course challenges during Hispanic Heritage Month. Residents participate in yoga, softball, and even a "Biggest Loser" weight loss competition, alongside other recreational activities like bags games and open gym sessions. These activities provide opportunities for physical fitness and stress relief, fostering a sense of community and personal growth.

Religious services include studies, ceremonies, and classes, as well as the annual "Day with Dad" event, which allows individuals to spend quality time with their children. The Re-Entry Room, open five days a week, offers services such as job searches, Medicaid applications, State ID processing, resume building, and parole school. The center, in collaboration with Rotary, hosted an Employment Engagement Event featuring mock interviews, virtual reality training, and resume workshops. Counselors facilitated webinars and partnerships with organizations including Chicago Cook Workforce, Illinois Prison Project, Illinois Veterans Transition Pathway, DEFY, and the Illinois 160 Driving Academy, among others. Local Workforce Development also supports individuals applying for funding applications for on-the-job training through the Day Release program.

KLSRC staff involved in the Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) provide peer support for colleagues and participate in wellness initiatives at other facilities. They have supported events such as debriefings and canvasses at Pontiac, Illinois River, Hill, Dixon, and East Moline correctional centers. At Kewanee, the SWRT team promotes staff appreciation through prize bags containing stress-relief items and resources for employee assistance programs. The facility maintains a dedicated wellness room, continually updating resources to support staff well-being.

In FY24, KLSRC residents volunteered over 900 hours on various community projects, including moving furniture for a local library, cleaning up after festivals, setting up Christmas lights at Windmont Park, and assisting in storm recovery efforts in LaHarpe. Volunteers also rebuilt a park fence in Bishop Hill and contributed to back-to-school drives, Christmas food and toy collections, and blood drives.

The facility introduced virtual reality training (Transfr) in partnership with the American Job Center, providing individuals in custody with innovative vocational training for careers in warehousing, blueprint reading, and other fields. This technology equips participants with the skills and confidence needed for workforce entry and long-term success.

Lawrence Correctional Center

Lawrence Correctional Center is a maximum-security facility located in southeastern Illinois. The facility consists of 16 buildings, which comprise more than 364,000 square feet. The warehouse, mailroom, vehicle maintenance, and maintenance departments are located outside of the perimeter fence, which assists in the safety and security of the facility. Lawrence CC sits on a 160-acre site. The eight housing units are T-design with a restrictive housing unit, protective custody unit, administrative detention unit, and health care unit. The facility is ADA (American Disabilities Act) approved.

In FY24, Lawrence CC worked tirelessly on finishing projects and became the first Maximum-Security facility in Illinois to achieve ACA accreditation. While each area was analyzed for optimal security upgrades, the aesthetics of the facility were also considered. New coats of paint were applied in many buildings by maintenance and an individual in custody art class contributed to a variety of murals painted throughout the facility. Specialized Housing yards also received upgrades that increased the number of individuals able to participate at one time.

Lawrence CC's Green Government Sustainability Committee is dedicated to finding alternative methods to reduce the institution's operating expenses while protecting the environment. The facility has implemented several paper reduction initiatives, saving nearly \$1,500 in paper and ink costs by utilizing digital storage instead of printing. Garden yields have increased each year, resulting in cost savings of nearly \$2,000 in FY24. Additionally, Lawrence CC replaced its facility sewer bar screen with an IEPA-certified model, which offers lower operating costs and is easier and safer to maintain. This upgrade is expected to save an estimated \$5,000 annually by reducing the need for replacement parts and unscheduled labor.

Educational opportunities at Lawrence CC are Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education. Qualifying students can enroll in vocational courses through Lake Land College as well. Currently, the vocational certificate programs are Culinary Arts and Construction Occupations. The facility also provides access to a law library and a general library.

Clinical Services is focused on providing individuals with the resources and support needed for a successful reintegration into society. Their approach centers on reentry readiness, ensuring that individuals in custody are equipped with the cognitive, social, and life skills necessary to thrive and maintain a crime-free lifestyle post-release. The foundation of this recidivism reduction strategy is built on evidence-based, rehabilitative programming that emphasizes cognitive transformation and behavior modification. Clinical Services has expanded offerings, delivering comprehensive life skills programs designed to address the varied needs of the population. These programs include Inner Circle Individual in Custody Support Groups, Civics Education Group, House of Healing, Money Smart, Inside Out Dads, Because I Said I Would, A Better You (Lifer Program), Drug Awareness, AD to GP, Veteran Program, Victim Impact, Reentry Summits, Reentry Prep Program, and Storybook. These initiatives provide valuable resources for individuals to develop emotional resilience, improve interpersonal relationships, and prepare for reentry into society.

This year, the facility also made strides in enhancing reintegration initiatives to offer correspondence programs to individuals in custody in administrative detention and restrictive housing. Clinical Services also offers several Cognitive Behavioral Therapy programs, including Start Now, New Direction, Aim Higher, Anger Management, and Thinking for a Change. These programs target key areas of behavior and thought patterns, guiding participants toward healthier, more productive ways of thinking and acting. Leisure Time Services (LTS) offers various programs through the institutional television system consisting of motivational videos, yoga, and art classes. The art classes are geared toward beginner artists, teaching the basics of painting, drawing, and shading and provide an opportunity for individuals in custody to create projects to share with friends and family. LTS provides photo opportunities for friends and families during visits or for individuals to take a picture and send out to loved ones. LTS assists in the rehabilitation process as well through their newsletter and podcast. The Insider's Perspective newsletter and the Off the Top podcast at Lawrence CC are dedicated to promoting restorative justice by inspiring others to recognize opportunities, maintain a positive mindset, and use their voices to make each day better than the last.

Lawrence CC offers services on a weekly basis for various faith groups. The participants can sign up for a variety of events that include cultural month observances, religious holidays, Angel Tree program, baptisms, and the Global Leadership Summit. These services and events are designed to support personal growth, spiritual development, and community engagement.

Lawrence CC focuses on staff well-being and tries to improve staff morale by offering staff wellness podcasts and newsletters. Voluntary carry ins are also encouraged throughout the year. Lawrence CC teams up with the Red Cross for annual blood drive events. Staff also participate in several charity organizations helping with purchasing Christmas gifts for Head Start programs, Special Olympics, and Shop with a Hometown Hero. Many employees also volunteer in the surrounding communities as firefighters, auxiliary police, first responders, and in nonprofit organizations. There are several employees who are enlisted and serving in the military reserves.

Lincoln Correctional Center

Lincoln Correctional Center, established in 1984, is a minimum-security facility located in Logan County. The facility spans 25 acres and includes 14 multipurpose brick buildings with gable roofs, totaling 197,033 square feet of building space. Eleven of these buildings are enclosed within a double security fence. The housing units are structured as follows: Units 1, 3, 4, and 5 each have a capacity of 200 beds, with 100 beds per wing, while Unit 2 accommodates 100 beds using a single wing. The Health Care Unit includes six dorm-style infirmary beds and two isolation rooms. The facility replaced frozen/canned vegetables and fruit with fresh produce from the facility gardens, allowing a savings of approximately \$2600. Lincoln CC has also switched most of the fluorescent and high-pressure sodium lighting over to more efficient LED lighting resulting in considerable savings in its monthly electric utility bill.

Educational programming includes Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education (ASE). In FY24, the ASE program had seven students complete their High School equivalency.

In addition to the Earned Program Sentence Credit, the graduates also earned individual ninety-day completion awards. Six individuals in custody received their Law Clerk Certificates, earning additional 180-day individual completion awards. In FY24, the library provided in-person service for 4,785 patrons, and 6,282 books were checked out. Lake Land College provided contracted vocational programs with stackable vocational certificates in Custodial Maintenance and Construction Occupations. There were 55 vocational certificates earned in addition to 54 Career Technology program completers.

Clinical Services offers an array of programming to meet the needs of the population including Orientation, Inside Out Dads, Money Smart, Anger Management, Drug Awareness, and a Re-entry pilot program. In FY24, clinical staff continued to ensure program counselors were focused on administering programs to the individuals based on their ORAS case plan recommendations. All counselors also attended IFPG, StartNow, and Anger Management training to increase facilitation of these programs. Clinical Services facilitated a Day with Dads event in June, giving 26 dads the opportunity to spend the day doing activities with their child(ren). Clinical Services experienced drastic staffing changes in FY24 but passed all clinical, re-entry and field services related external audits. Leisure Time Services has continued to offer a wide range of activities for the population, including a spades tournament, a basketball 3-point contest, an art contest, a March Madness bracket challenge, an introduction to pickleball, pickleball league play and a tournament, a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, a cornhole tournament, and access to the gym, yard, and 40+ gym.

On average, there are 40 religious programs provided each month by the Chaplaincy Department, excluding faith-based holidays such as Passover or meals/fasts like Ramadan. Weekly programs such as AA and Job Partnership are available in addition to special events such as the Leadership Summit. The Chaplaincy assembles and distributes approximately 900 hygiene bags to the individuals in custody each month. Regularly scheduled Odinst and Jewish programs were implemented and are offered weekly.

Clinical Services hosts two re-entry summits and two vital document drives each year for the population. The facility's resource re-entry room, located on the program wing, offers both paper and electronic resources for individuals to take or review as needed. The re-entry counselor also facilitates multiple re-entry WebEx sessions each month to ensure the population has access to relevant information. As part of Lincoln's rapid re-entry program, preparation for release begins as early as an individual's orientation. During this process, individuals are educated on vital documents and release planning procedures, allowing staff to begin organizing and preparing them for release. Lincoln CC released 871 individuals in FY24, an increase from FY23.

In December, a presentation was delivered to Clinical Services on promoting client recovery, followed by a staff retreat centered on team wellness and effectiveness. The retreat emphasized teamwork, effective communication, and growth. Team members had the opportunity to share their personal and professional challenges and identify areas where they could benefit from additional support at work.

Logan Correctional Center

Logan Correctional Center is a multi-level female facility located in Lincoln. The facility consists of 57 buildings on 150 acres with 48 acres enclosed by fencing. The living units consist of six E-type housing units, four C-type housing units, one X-type housing unit, a residential treatment unit and an acute critical care unit for the severely mentally ill, one Receiving and Classification Unit, and a 15-bed Health Care Unit that includes five isolation rooms that are negative air pressure. Logan CC's sustainability efforts are focused on reducing the facility's operating expenses and carbon footprint. Logan CC is attempting to procure an additional greenhouse and increase the amount of space dedicated toward gardening and horticulture. Logan CC is also working with CDB to decommission our coal burning power plant to a more affordable and sustainable environmentally friendly system.

Educational programming included Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education as well as the Northwestern University Prison Education Program and the North Park Theological Seminary Master's program. In FY24, five individuals earned their High School Diploma equivalency, 79 individuals completed Mandatory Adult Basic Education, and 6 individuals completed Advanced Adult Basic Education. Northwestern University Prison Education Program added five spaces for additional individuals for a total of 20 students enrolled working on a bachelor's degree. There are 14 individuals in custody working towards a Master of Arts in Christian Ministry/Restorative Arts from North Park Theological Seminary.

Clinical Services offers programs focused on cognitive restructuring, social skills development, problem-solving skills, and relationship building. These programs include Anger Management, Hazelden Substance Abuse Education, Moving On, Money Smart, and Courage to Heal (for victims of sexual abuse). Clinical Services also provides one-on-one counseling through the Prairie Center for Sexual Assault for individuals who have been victims of sexual assault. Additionally, Clinical coordinates Orientation and collaborates with the Women's Justice Institute on various projects and special events.

Leisure Time Services (LTS) offered a literacy program to help individuals improve their TABE scores. Seasonal activities included softball, sand volleyball, 3-on-3 basketball, bingo, spades, and flag football. Seasonal art contests were held in recognition of Black History Month and Domestic Violence Awareness. Bulletin boards were decorated to raise awareness for Suicide Prevention, Mental Health Awareness, and Breast Cancer Awareness. LTS also provided decorations and photo backdrops for the Reunification Ride monthly events. Additional programs included a 5K for Pride Month and a Biggest Loser Contest. The picture program allowed individuals in custody to have their photos taken during scheduled day room times on the housing units.

Logan CC offers a variety of religious programs for individuals in custody, including Angel Tree and observances of religious holidays such as Passover and Ramadan. Several Bible study sessions are available, and individuals can participate in the choir and praise dance. Additionally, Logan CC offers a Leadership Academy, a one-year program. Upon completion, the current cohort, along with former cohorts, attend the Global Leadership Summit. Participants also receive a certificate of completion from Lincoln Christian University.

In FY24, the Illinois Correctional Industries (ICI) program, Logan Helping PAWS, graduated 22 service dogs and completed 5, 4,000-hour Certified Animal Trainer apprenticeships through the U.S. Department of Labor. The program also enrolled 18 new individuals in custody and awarded seven grooming certificates. ICI's Garden crew, consisting of eleven individuals, maintained five plots totaling 1.5 acres inside Logan CC. Their efforts produced 16,242 pounds of produce, which was served to individuals in custody by Logan Dietary. The Greenhouse crew, made up of six individuals, nurtured 10,224 flowers from seed to mature plants, which were prominently displayed across the Illinois State Fair Grounds for over 773,000 attendees to enjoy.



Logan CC offered several re-entry services through its resource classrooms, providing individuals in custody with access to computers and a range of resources and websites related to their re-entry into the community upon release. Logan also began enrolling individuals in custody for Medicaid and SNAP benefits and offered the opportunity to obtain a state ID prior to release in collaboration with the Secretary of State's Office. Logan hosted Fall and Spring re-entry summits, where community outreach providers shared valuable information and resources with the population.

The Staff Wellness Response Team is a peer led team trained in critical incident stress management to debrief staff after exposure to high stress related events. SWRT also serves as a peer-to-peer resource to point staff in the direction to get help through PSP and EAP. In FY24, SWRT provided multiple peer-to-peer contacts as well as facilitating multiple debriefs for Logan staff. Logan's SWRT members have also been utilized regionally in debriefs at other facilities.

Many Logan CC employees are active in a variety of organizations within their communities as volunteer coaches, firefighters, auxiliary police, and military reserves. Staff members also participate in numerous charitable events to raise money for Special Olympics Illinois, the St. Jude organization, and Toys for Tots. Logan CC staff also organized a softball tournament with other correctional facilities to support the local food pantry.

Menard Correctional Center

Menard Correctional Center was established on the banks of the Mississippi River in 1878. The maximum-security facility changes in elevation over 200 feet and includes more than 2,600 acres with 41 acres enclosed by perimeter. The facility is comprised of 155 buildings totaling 1,294,000 square feet. Menard CC is the state's largest maximum-security adult male facility and consists of five housing units, a receiving and classification unit, restrictive housing unit, health care unit, and the Menard Medium Security Unit (MSU).

In FY24, Illinois Correctional Industries (ICI) at Menard CC partnered with the Department of Labor (DOL) to implement an apprenticeship program, allowing individuals in custody to earn certificates that can be used toward college credit hours. Currently, Menard CC offers 16 different DOL job titles, including Dock Worker, Electrician, Plumber, Reclamation Worker, Sewing Machine Setter, Legal Administrative Assistant, Industrial Machinery Mechanic, and Aquaponics Technician, among others. While still in its early stages, the program has enrolled 46 individuals. By offering specialized vocational training, Menard CC can help reduce recidivism and support gainful employment upon release. Caterpillar Excavator Simulator training and Forklift Certification/Safety courses are offered for the ICI Garment Manufacturing Plant, Broom & Soap Manufacturing Plant, and Correctional Supply workforce. Menard CC's workforce averaged over 50 individuals in custody, earning nearly 9,820 days of Earned Program Sentence Credit in FY24. These programs promote a strong work ethic, teamwork, problem-solving, and job-specific skills, helping participants transition successfully into the workforce. This year, Menard CC also launched an Aquaponics program following the closure of the slaughterhouse, which is being converted into a produce house and meal enhancement program. To adapt to changing needs and keep individuals in custody employed in meaningful work, the garden program was expanded to provide nearly 2,000 pounds of fresh produce and herbs for meal enhancements. A new greenhouse is currently being added to increase harvesting capacity.

Menard CC has several Capitol Development Board (CDB) projects in progress to ensure the infrastructure is maintained. CDB awarded a project to replace the boilers and relocate the boiler house outside the perimeter of the main facility. There is also a project for a new dietary complex in the design phase, which will modernize the dietary department to make it more efficient and safer.

Educational programming includes Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education and Adult Secondary Education in both the General Division and MSU. This year a Career and Technical Education course and Building and Construction Management course were added. In FY24, educational programming was provided for 190 students including 142 in Adult Basic Education, 43 in Adult Secondary Education, and five in Career and Technical Education. A total of 4,525 days of Earned Program Sentence Credit was awarded.

Clinical Services offers programs focused on cognitive restructuring, behavior modification, social skills development, problem solving skills, and life skills. Programs include Anger Management, Aim Higher, Building Change, Civics Education, Drug Awareness, Inside Out Dad, Money Smart, Start Now, Thinking for a Change, and Re-Entry Summits on a rotating basis.

Correctional Assessment Specialists complete risk assessments to determine an individual in custody's risk of recidivism and develop case plans to help them make positive changes and reduce recidivism. Correctional Counselor III's help prepare individuals for re-entry by assisting them with identifying community resources, obtaining identification, and applying for Medicaid. The CCIII also coordinates the Civics Education program, re-entry webinars, and Re-Entry Summits. Clinical Services established a Drug Intervention program for individuals in custody classified as maximum-security with substance use issues.

Leisure Time Services (LTS) at Menard MSU offers a variety of activities, including physical activities like basketball and table tennis, as well as mind-challenging board games such as chess and Sequence, and friendly card games like spades and rummy. LTS hosts several open activity days, and individuals in custody have the option to visit the gym twice daily to participate in these events. Menard CC also holds art and poetry competitions that reflect seasonal themes throughout the year. In addition to these activities, the facility has a choir group that meets twice a week to practice songs for their Sunday chapel service. The choir performs with the aid of a keyboard and speaker, using personal tablets purchased through the IDOC commissary to play the music. During March and April, LTS hosted an MSU basketball league, culminating in a single-elimination tournament in May.

The Chaplaincy Department provides opportunities for individuals in custody to participate in religious services on a weekly basis. Staff chaplains tour the housing units to distribute religious literature and provide cell front services. In addition, the Chaplaincy Department utilizes an institutional religious services television channel with programming for a diversity of religious affiliations.

Re-Entry at Menard CC is managed by two Re-Entry CCIII staff members who provide services to both the General Division and MSU. Re-Entry services are available to all individuals in custody with less than two years to Mandatory Supervised Release (MSR). All individuals are encouraged to participate in the State ID Program and to submit requests for their birth certificates and Social Security cards. Menard CC averages five State IDs per month, with this number increasing through aggressive document drives. Each individual participates in a Peer-Led Civics Education Class and earns 1-day of EPSC. A Re-Entry Prep Program is offered 6-9 months prior to release, and all individuals have access to the Re-Entry Room as needed. Additionally, Medicaid and SNAP applications are completed the week before release. The facility hosted Re-Entry summits in June 2024 and October 2024, featuring 16 vendors.

The Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) encourages all staff to focus on their well-being and find productive ways to handle the stressors of work and home life. SWRT gives staff peer-to-peer support that hold a personal understanding of the job challenges. A member of the team presents information and resources during day one of all annual cycle trainings at the facility and speaks to all new employees. SWRT members are always available and are utilized regularly.

Individuals in custody at MSU assigned to the road crew assist the surrounding community by supporting clean-up projects, flood relief efforts, and hauling recycling for Chester Mental Health. The road crew also sets up and takes down tents for community events and non-profit organizations, creating job opportunities for individuals in custody while allowing them to engage with the community. To further promote pro-social behavior and life skills to reduce recidivism, MSU introduced the "Exceeding Expectations" Building Block Program in FY24.

This peer-led, community-based program focuses on improving social skills, life skills, financial stability, and instilling pride in one's surroundings, regardless of where they live. Additionally, MSU partnered with TASC to establish the bi-weekly Winners Circle program, offering individuals a pathway to graduate into the Inner Circle once they have paroled. To enhance the environment at MSU, a mural contest was held, resulting in a beautiful mural in the visiting room. The facility continues to foster a positive atmosphere by incorporating inspirational quotes throughout.

Murphysboro Life Skills Re-Entry Center

Murphysboro Life Skills Re-Entry Center (MLSRC) encompasses five buildings totaling 63,604 square feet on a 33.6-acre campus. The center houses up to 240 residents in six dorms, with Dorms 1 through 4 providing 158 re-entry beds and Dorms 6 and 7 accommodating 84 beds for the DuQuoin Impact Program (DQIP). Re-entry programming promotes independence by allowing residents free movement within the facility to shop, attend chapel services, visit the library, and use the gym throughout the day.

The garden program remains a standout initiative, with produce harvested on-site incorporated into resident meals. MLSRC's education department offers a range of services, including Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education, Career and Technical Education, and both core and elective classes for re-entry residents and DQIP participants. In FY24, 53 individuals completed Adult Basic Education, 11 earned high school diplomas, and 20 received Career & Technical Education certificates in Horticulture and Construction Management through Lake Land College. Core classes at MLSRC are Computer Concepts, Communications, Obtaining & Maintaining a Job, and Financial Literacy. DQIP core classes are Financial Literacy and Obtaining & Maintaining a Job. Electives such as Current Events, Coping Through Art, Microsoft Office, Rules of the Road, Book Club, Developmental Writing, and American History were also offered, resulting in 401 completed core and elective classes.

Clinical Services consistently deliver Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and life skills programming, integrating education and vocational services by administering TABE tests for workforce education training eligibility. A variance created by Program Services enables individuals to participate in CBT courses alongside vocational training. Case plans guided by ORAS risk assessments ensure personalized programming and individualized case plans are used with EDSC reviews, program offerings include Parole School, Civics, Substance Abuse Treatment, Drug Awareness, Anger Management, Money Smart, Start Now, Inside Out Dads, Building Change, Impact of Crime, and Thinking For A Change. Clinical Services has also partnered with a workforce grant to provide training and employment services tailored to individuals' geographic locations.

In FY24, the merger of DQIP into MLSRC marked a significant milestone, with 56 graduates successfully reintegrating into the community. Participants engaged in a rigorous schedule of cognitive behavioral classes, educational sessions, and WestCare substance abuse programming. The program's health and wellness component, including a P90X group, has been particularly impactful, fostering healthy habits and reinforcing structure.

Mental health professionals provide essential support through workshops, group sessions, and individual counseling. Topics include Personality and Criminal Thinking, Peer Leadership, Eight Dimensions of Wellness, Grief and Loss, and Relationships. Residents benefit from tools and guidance to manage personal challenges effectively.

Leisure Time Services offer an array of recreational activities, both indoors and outdoors. Weightlifting, exercise programs, and tournaments such as pickleball, flag football, horseshoes, washers, softball, and ping pong are especially popular. A Thursday night class, "Does History Repeat Itself?", encourages participants to reflect on past behaviors and avoid repeating mistakes, quickly becoming a favorite among residents.

Religious services cater to various faiths, with monthly activities supported by three volunteer groups. These volunteers also lead self-help groups, including Alcoholics Anonymous and addiction recovery programs. In FY24, MLSRC hosted five Christian music concerts and its first "Day with Dad" event, where participants spent quality time with their children while mothers attended an off-site luncheon with a mental health professional. MLSRC celebrated its staff with the inaugural "All Things You" appreciation day, featuring meals, games, activities, and a class on work-life balance. Shift commanders, the superintendent, and volunteers prepared meals for all shifts, fostering camaraderie and well-being among staff.

DQIP participants have made meaningful contributions to local communities through the work crew initiative, which helps individuals develop employment skills vital for successful reintegration. Recent projects include beautifying two local schools with murals and landscaping and restoring veterans' headstones at Swanwick Cemetery. Participants gained skills in painting, landscaping, and concrete work while interacting with community members. The cemetery project resonated deeply with participants, offering an opportunity to honor veterans and create lasting positive impacts for the families involved.

North Lawndale Adult Transition Center

North Lawndale Adult Transition Center (NLATC) is a 200-bed facility operated by the Safer Foundation for adult males in IDOC custody. NLATC is located on the Westside of Chicago within walking distance of its sister facility, Crossroads ATC. A prerequisite of being transferred to an ATC requires a parole date that does not exceed 30 months or 36 months for residents who are assigned to Permanent Party duties at the facility. In FY24, NLATC has seen a steady increase in its population with a daily average of 149 residents.

NLATC offers Basic Skills and High School education services. Basic Skills Instructors provide services to residents participating in Basic Skills programs as well as the Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics (TDL) program. TDL is designed for students with a High School Diploma (HSD) or High School Equivalency who test below the required scores. The program aims to raise academic scores into the normative range. Class sessions are scheduled for nine weeks, but students can complete the program sooner if they meet program requirements and improve their scores. Residents assigned to TDL classes attend twice a week, supplemented by asynchronous learning or learning at their own pace.

In FY24, the Transportation, Distribution and Logistics Program was provided to a total of 73 students and four students earned their High School Equivalency.

NLATC continues to focus on enhancing the ancillary services offered to provide holistic support to its residents as they prepare for re-entry into the community. With this goal in mind, the Safer Foundation collaborates with UIC Miles Square Health Network, utilizing a nursing station within the facility. Although the assigned UIC nurse is part-time, the direct access to Miles Square personnel, including access to telehealth services, resulted in a significant increase in the quality of healthcare services offered. Most residents are seen by the nursing staff within seven days of their arrival at the facility. The UIC nursing staff assist with initial medical assessments, schedule medical appointments, and complete follow-ups for medication and prescriptions.

The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) partner with NLATC to provide free on-site vaccinations for residents on a bi-monthly basis. The vaccinations offered are Flu, Pneumonia, Shingles, Tetanus, Hepatitis A and B, Meningitis, and COVID-19. These protective inoculations promote preventive measures for individuals with limited knowledge of various resources available to curtail health risks and provide a barrier at minimizing and combating the spread of numerous life-threatening viruses and diseases. VISION for Chicago is another crucial component in the promotion of self-care and prevention, providing free professional high quality eye screenings for residents at NLATC. In addition to eye exams, uninsured NLATC residents are provided with an opportunity to obtain corrective eyeglasses free of charge.

Residents of NLATC participate in Community Service projects working in conjunction with the local Alderman's office and participating in neighborhood cleanup projects. The majority of NLATC's resident population are fully employed in the community. Residents typically leave the program with a minimum of \$3,000 in their Trust Fund Accounts with many having much more as they prepare for re-entry into the community. 85 percent of NLATC residents are fully employed in the community, averaging 160 program hours per resident per month; and with 81 percent positive exits.

Peoria Adult Transition Center

Peoria Adult Transition Center (ATC), accredited by the American Correctional Association, is in historic downtown Peoria. Spanning approximately 48,000 square feet, the facility accommodates up to 248 residents in a dormitory-style setting. For over 20 years, Peoria ATC has been an integral part of the local community, benefiting from its proximity to amenities that support residents in transitioning back into society. The nearby Peoria bus terminal grants residents' access to the metropolitan area, enabling participation in leisure activities, community services, and employment opportunities. This strategic location also strengthens the facility's ability to contribute quality employees to the local workforce. The longstanding relationship between Peoria ATC and the community has been a critical factor in reducing recidivism by offering support and resources to residents.

Sustainability efforts are integral to Peoria ATC. All staff members participate in the facility's Green Committee, with a focus on reducing waste and paper usage.

Timekeeping forms and sheets are handled electronically, and residents are encouraged to use email for requests, significantly cutting down on paper consumption. Additional initiatives are being planned through Rapid Results projects to further these goals.

Educational and vocational opportunities in the Peoria area provide residents with essential skills and training. Many residents attend the Midwest Technical Institute, a trade-focused school, or participate in workforce initiatives at Illinois Central College, which offers paid on-the-job training with a curriculum to further personal growth. Programs like the Job Partnership Program and SEEL provide training in renewable energy and energy efficiency fields through partnerships with Ameren Illinois and the solar energy sector, offering lucrative career placements. Residents also pursue Commercial Driver's Licenses through Illinois Central College or 160 Driving Academy. Peoria ATC has a strong relationship with the Moonlight Coalition for Adult Learning, which actively participates in the facility's intake orientation. All residents are encouraged to pursue and attain their GED.

Clinical Services support residents by aiding their adjustment to the work release program and preparation for reintegration into society. Residents have access to mandated drug and alcohol counseling through community resources. Corrections Assessment Specialists provide in-house and peer-based programs tailored to individual needs and Unit Counselors individualize their counseling techniques based on the residents' needs, and they motivate residents to mend and build outside relationships. The counseling and assessment staff also facilitate services for community-based support and recovery groups which include AA/NA, Anger Management, life skills, marriage counseling, parenting, and HIV/AIDS awareness.

Leisure opportunities at Peoria ATC make use of the facility's outdoor yard with weight and exercise equipment and exercise machines within the living areas. Most residents choose to engage with the community for recreation, utilizing green spaces along the Peoria riverfront, the Peoria RiverPlex activity center, or memberships at local gyms.



The facility's downtown location provides easy access to diverse religious services. Residents can attend religious ceremonies within walking distance or a short bus ride, while in-house services are also available through the facility's chaplain, Mrs. Miller. This accessibility to religious affiliations is a distinctive feature of Peoria ATC.

Achieving successful re-entry and reducing recidivism is Peoria ATC's primary mission. Nearly 100 local employers' partner with the facility, resulting in over 98% of residents being actively employed.

Community organizations such as Goodwill, the Tri-County Urban League, and Step Up provide essential job training, counseling, and skills development. Residents benefit from resources offered by these partnerships, which help them build a foundation for success after incarceration.

Staff wellness is a priority at Peoria ATC. Newly appointed Staff Wellness Response Team members organized activities like National Correctional Employees Week celebrations, where staff received goodie bags. Informational flyers and resource opportunities are regularly provided to staff, along with cultural diversity celebrations that include themed flyers and selected treats.

Community involvement is a core value at Peoria ATC and is an important part of our structured programming. The residents often provide community service and volunteering through the Peoria Area Foodbank and local churches. We also work closely with ELITE a youth based mentoring program, and the Susan G Komen foundation. Our residents are frequent volunteers at the Peoria area DREAM center for families with children and annually volunteer with events at the George W. Carver Center in Peoria.

Community involvement is a core value at Peoria ATC, with residents frequently volunteering through the Peoria Area Foodbank and local churches. Peoria ATC also works closely with ELITE, a youth mentoring program, and the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Residents also participate in events at the George W. Carver Center and the DREAM Center, reinforcing their connection to the local community.

Peoria ATC residents are required to turn in all of their income they earn, and the Business Office deposits their earnings into the resident trust fund. Peoria ATC follows a level system (Levels 1-4), and all residents are permitted to submit requests for a bi-weekly allowance from their trust fund. Previously, resident allowance amounts were determined by their level; all residents on level 3 received the same amount. Peoria ATC's Clinical Services department worked with the Business Office to create an allowance program that increases financial literacy and mirrors real-life experiences. Peoria ATC created an income-based allowance program. Residents are allowed to take an allowance amount that is equal to 50% of their income (capping at a certain dollar amount). In this program, residents are required to complete a newly created Budget Form to annotate how they would spend their money. Residents are also encouraged to open checking accounts and secure credit cards, preparing them for successful reintegration.

ATCs are an essential component to the path ahead. The mission of Peoria ATC is rooted in the belief that a second chance should lead to a better life. By fostering meaningful connections between residents and the community, Peoria ATC transforms its residents into neighbors and contributors to society. A vast majority of residents seize the opportunity provided and choose to stay within the local Peoria community, With the community's support and the facility's opportunities, residents are empowered to rebuild their lives and succeed after incarceration.

Pinckneyville Correctional Center

Pinckneyville Correctional Center (PNKCC) is a medium security adult male facility comprised of 19 buildings, totaling 434,000 square feet, contained on 148 acres of land. The institution consists of five X-design housing units, four dedicated to general population and one that uses two wings to house general population and two wings for Restrictive Housing.

PNKCC's Sustainability Program began with the Recycling Program, aimed at reducing waste costs. This initiative has been a significant success. One of the program's notable achievements involved an individual in custody, who learned to operate a forklift as part of the recycling efforts. Upon leaving PNKCC, he was able to secure a job as a forklift operator, demonstrating the program's positive impact on skills development and successful reentry into the workforce.

All academic programs at PNKCC have been shown to reduce recidivism, as research indicates that successful completion of these programs is a strong predictor of an individual not returning to incarceration. In FY24, the following academic achievements and Program Sentence Credits were recorded:

- 308 baseline assessments completed,
- 507 new students enrolled,
- 84 Adult Basic Education completers,
- 70 Advanced Adult Basic Education completers,
- 16 High School Diplomas/GED certificates issued,
- and 9,339 days of Program Sentence Credit awarded.

Additionally, more than 50 individuals were approved for correspondence education, with several enrolling in the Blackstone Paralegal Certification program or gaining acceptance into the Northwestern Prison Education Program or the Augustana Prison Education Program.

Clinical Services ran a Reflections Contest from September 2023 to June 2024. This was an art and writing contest for individuals in custody. Each month individuals were given a choice of three topics/events to use in their art or writings. Every participant received a certificate and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place were named. Three individuals became certified peer educators and were chosen again to present at World Aids Day event in December 2023. They also presented in February 2024 for National Black HIV/Aids Day.

Leisure Time Services provides daily recreational gym, yard time, and structured programs on a regular basis offering fun leisure activities. In FY24, LTS's most significant events included a Veteran's Day Olympics event for the Veteran population, a facility wide 5-on-5 basketball tournament, a Black History Month trivia contest, volleyball, scrabble tournament, a Veteran's bookmark art contest, a Hispanic Heritage Month art contest, and a weekly Creative Painting Class.

PNKCC's Chapel Department seeks to assist individuals in custody to practice their religion of preference providing services for study, worship, prayer, and meditation. Currently, there are 19 services a week offered, reflecting a variety of different faith groups. Religious Volunteers from the community are essential in helping to meet the large demand for religious services. Accommodations are made to allow individuals in custody to possess religious items that aid in the practice of their faith such as chains and medallions, beads, prayer rugs, religious head gear, and religious literature. Faith and religious practice play a key role in maintaining hope, peace, good mental health, and spiritual wellbeing.

In FY24, PNKCC had two Re-entry Summits, including 13 vendors in the Fall and 20 vendors in the Spring. The two summits had 142 attendees. PNKCC certified two more Peer Educators to teach CIVICS classes and currently has six Peer Educators. The facility also held Vital Documents Drives in November and April with 75 participants.

Staff Wellness had an exciting FY24 with the help of administration, volunteers, and the hard work of the Staff Wellness Response Team. The facility is making steps in the right direction with staff comradery, morale, and ensuring a vast number of mental recourses are available. PNKCC has its first ever 'All Things You' event in April, which was a day comprised of food on all shifts, games, activities, and a chance to win prizes.

In FY24, PNKCC held four blood drives at PNKCC with a total of 63 donors, including eight first time donors. During SECA, PNKCC collected items for the Humane Society including food, treats, collars, bowls, and toys. PNKCC also collected monetary donations for the Veterans Honor Flight.

The Supply Department at PNKCC achieved significant success in FY24 by implementing innovative ideas in the Commissary. Through a vision and detailed planning, shelving and products were reorganized to eliminate blind spots and streamline the flow of items by weight and section. This redesign has made the shopping process more efficient. With these changes in place, Supply Supervisors introduced more effective shopping procedures, allowing the entire facility to be served within four days. This efficiency frees up the fifth day of the week for make-up shopping, holidays, or inventory. Additionally, a new bag shopping system was implemented for lockdowns, using individuals in custody's laundry bags. This innovation sped up the shopping process even further and eliminated the cost of using brown paper bags. This success reflects a commitment to sustainability, efficiency, and fiscal responsibility, demonstrating the department's dedication, creativity, teamwork, and continuous hard work.

Pontiac Correctional Center

Pontiac Correctional Center is a maximum-security male facility, established in 1871 as a boys' reformatory school. The facility comprises 63 buildings, covering more than 744,000 square feet, on a 37-acre site, with 32 acres enclosed by fencing. It houses restrictive housing, protective custody, medium security, general population, health care, crisis intervention, mental health services, a behavioral modification unit, a residential treatment unit, and administrative detention reintegration management.

In FY24, Pontiac CC advanced its sustainability efforts by incorporating garden produce into daily meals, promoting healthier and higher-quality nutrition. A classroom in the Max Library was remodeled and equipped with computers featuring the I-Pathways online GED curriculum, offering the potential to replace the MSU class currently housed in the North House Lower Recreational Room. This change could double the current enrollment capacity.

Clinical Services conducted art, essay, and poetry contests and organized donations for domestic violence support and the Salvation Army Angel Tree program. Programming for individuals in custody included AIM Higher, Making Time Count, Inside Out Dads, and Money Smart. The facility began its third cohort of the "Defy CEO of Your New Life" program, continued the "Because I Said I Would" initiative for Peer Educators, certified new Peer Educators, and hosted multiple Reentry Summits and Vital Documents Drives. Clinical staff also continued to work with the Crime and Justice Institute to restructure restrictive housing.

Leisure Time Services supervised recreational programs and activities for the general population, protective custody, NAD population, and the mental health population. Over the past year, individuals participated in ping pong, bags, domino, and card tournaments. Recreational lines to participate in open gym allowed individuals to engage in basketball, walking, weightlifting, ping pong, and board games. Interest in the art program remained strong, and plans are underway to introduce a music class. The facility also continued offering photo opportunities for individuals and their visiting families.

Individuals in custody were supported in practicing their chosen religions. Religious services included Christian, Buddhist, Muslim, and Odinist faiths, with literature available for all religions and special holiday ceremonies conducted on-site.

In FY24, Re-entry Services held successful Reentry Summits and Vital Documents Drives. The addition of Oxford House Reentry and the Expungement and Sealing Unit enhanced vendor participation, strengthening connections between the facility and community resources. Re-entry's goal was to increase the percentage of individuals going home with both a Birth Certificate and Social Security card to 80 percent. They met that goal and 84 percent of individuals also went home with a Social Security Card. Throughout the year, individuals were able to apply for Medicaid, SNAP and a State ID prior to their release and participate in Money Smart - a self-study program used to provide training for adults in many different life stages and financial situations. Re-entry staff continued to share information from Webex seminars, along with employment, housing, and support service resources.

Staff decompressed in the Staff Wellness Center, benefiting from aromatherapy and soft lighting to alleviate work-related stress. Popcorn was provided throughout the week for enjoyment. In FY24, Pontiac partnered with the American Red Cross for four successful blood drives, exceeding donation expectations each time. During the holiday season, staff participated in the Salvation Army Angel Tree program, providing gifts to approximately 80 children, and took part in the 2024 Bloomington Polar Plunge.

Robinson Correctional Center

Robinson Correctional Center, built in 1990, is an adult minimum-security facility located in Southeastern Illinois with an average daily population of 1092 individuals. Totalling 28 buildings, the facility has 202,871 square feet on 100 acres, with 29 acres enclosed.

Sustainability projects include four 100x100 gardens that are maintained by individuals in custody in the Horticulture class. The gardens produced approximately 1700 pounds of fresh vegetables. Additionally, Robinson CC continues to replace low efficiency lighting with high efficiency LED lighting, resulting in considerable electric utilities savings. This year, new water softeners were added throughout the facility to help alleviate wear and tear on water heaters, dietary equipment, and laundry equipment.

Robinson CC offers a variety of educational, vocational, and clinical programming. The Education Department includes mandatory and voluntary Adult Basic Education (ABE) and Adult Secondary Education (GED) classes.

Leisure Time Services supervised recreational programs and activities for the general population, protective custody, NAD population, and the mental health population. Over the past year, individuals participated in ping pong, bags, domino, and card tournaments. Recreational lines to participate in open gym allowed individuals to engage in basketball, walking, weightlifting, ping pong, and board games. Interest in the art program remained strong, and plans are underway to introduce a music class. The facility also continued offering photo opportunities for individuals and their visiting families.

Individuals in custody were supported in practicing their chosen religions. Religious services included Christian, Buddhist, Muslim, and Odinist faiths, with literature available for all religions and special holiday ceremonies conducted on-site.

In FY24, Re-entry Services held successful Reentry Summits and Vital Documents Drives. The addition of Oxford House Reentry and the Expungement and Sealing Unit enhanced vendor participation, strengthening connections between the facility and community resources. Re-entry's goal was to increase the percentage of individuals going home with both a Birth Certificate and Social Security card to 80 percent. They met that goal and 84 percent of individuals also went home with a Social Security Card. Throughout the year, individuals were able to apply for Medicaid, SNAP and a State ID prior to their release and participate in Money Smart - a self-study program used to provide training for adults in many different life stages and financial situations. Re-entry staff continued to share information from Webex seminars, along with employment, housing, and support service resources.

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Shawnee Correctional Center

Shawnee Correctional Center is a medium security adult male facility located in Johnson County. The facility consists of 24 buildings, totaling 369,029 square feet. There are four X-type living units, a receiving and orientation unit, a restrictive housing unit, and a 16-bed health care unit. The facility sits on 60 acres with 40 acres inside the fence.

Clinical Services play a critical role in helping individuals adjust to incarceration, engage in rehabilitative programs, and prepare for reintegration into society. Programming includes cognitive restructuring, social skills development, problem-solving, and relationship-building. Classes offered include Inside/Out Dads, Thinking for a Change, Start Now, Building Change, Anger Management, Parole School, Individual in Custody Orientation, Drug Awareness, Aim Higher, and Civics. Re-entry simulations help individuals prepare for challenges during parole, while bi-annual Re-entry Summits provide access to vital reintegration resources.

Biannual Re-entry Summits and Vital Document Drives are conducted to support individuals in custody with key reentry resources. Illinois Veterans Transition Pathways workshops, along with Quarterly Community Navigator workshops, are held via Webex, offering guidance to help individuals navigate complex systems and make informed decisions. Re-entry Prep (Parole School) is conducted monthly, while several times a week, individuals attend Webex sessions led by IDOC re-entry staff and external vendors, covering diverse topics like IDFPB Barber/Cosmetology Licensing, Pride Day events, Hispanic Heritage celebrations, and Black History programming. Twice weekly, individuals are screened for Medicaid and SNAP benefits, and bi-weekly Live Free Illinois De-carceration Fellowship meetings are facilitated. Regular Webex meetings are also held for IDOC Eligibility, Screening, and Recruitment Workgroups, providing opportunities for individuals to interact with NYU/Department of Labor representatives regarding grant opportunities. Additionally, monthly training sessions prepare individuals to become Civics Peer Educators, and virtual job fairs are hosted in the Re-entry Resource Room every other month. The Re-entry Correctional Counselor III works daily to ensure individuals have access to all Re-entry Room materials and resources.

Vital Document Drives and workshops such as Illinois Veterans Transition Pathways and Quarterly Community Navigator sessions offer individuals guidance on navigating complex systems. Monthly Re-entry Prep (Parole School) classes and weekly Webex sessions with IDOC staff and external vendors cover diverse topics, including professional licensing, cultural celebrations, and job readiness. Twice-weekly screenings for Medicaid and SNAP benefits are conducted, and Live Free Illinois De-carceration Fellowship meetings occur bi-weekly. Regular Webex meetings are also held for IDOC Eligibility, Screening, and Recruitment Workgroups, providing opportunities for individuals to interact with NYU/Department of Labor representatives regarding grant opportunities. Civics Peer Educator training sessions take place monthly, and virtual job fairs are hosted bi-monthly in the Re-entry Resource Room, where individuals have daily access to resources with the assistance of a Re-entry Correctional Counselor.

The Chapel supports services for seven faith traditions and offers classes in Meditation, Spirituality, Loss and Grief, and Torah Study. Loss and Grief participants, often referred to by Mental Health staff, are invited to an annual Memorial Service. Religious services include Catholic Mass, bilingual Bible study sessions, and the Sacrament of Baptism. Participants of Odinist, Asatru, Pagan, and Wiccan faiths hold quarterly feast meals with seasonal altars, while Al-Islam/Muslim individuals observe Ramadan and celebrate Eid feasts.

Shawnee Industries provides skills training to enhance rehabilitation and re-entry. In FY24, 40 individuals gained work experience under ICI supervisors, learning techniques to support post-release employment. Industries programs include eight Department of Labor certifications, heavy equipment simulator training, basic K-9 obedience training, and AWS welding certification. The facility's garden produced 18,000 pounds of vegetables, surpassing previous yields, with produce supplementing the kitchen and composted waste enriching next year's crops.

Educational opportunities include Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education. Lake Land College offers vocational courses in Custodial Maintenance, Construction, Welding, and Career Technology. In FY24, 108 students earned vocational certificates, demonstrating significant educational progress.



Leisure Time Services (LTS) provided various recreational activities, including basketball, dodgeball, handball, horseshoes, soccer, and volleyball tournaments. Gym and yard access rotated daily, and a yoga class met weekly. LTS screened six new movie releases monthly on the institutional channel and facilitated a photo program for visits and family correspondence. The Art Program completed two murals in the visiting room for photo backdrops, enhancing the space for visitors.

The Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) organized morale-boosting events such as distributing ice pops, setting up a lemonade stand, and offering an ice cream bar. Bi-weekly facility canvases engaged staff directly, while over 100 peer-to-peer support interactions highlighted the program's effectiveness. During cycle training, the team educated staff on available wellness resources, ensuring broad awareness of their support services.

The facility's staff actively supports the community by donating school supplies, providing Christmas gifts for 37 children, and collecting change for the local veteran's home. Staff members have also engaged with students at Vienna High School to discuss careers in criminal justice, fostering interest in the field among future social workers.

Sheridan Correctional Center

Sheridan Correctional Center is an adult male medium security prison that consists of 66 buildings, which comprises more than 600,000 square feet. There are 15 housing units and a 9-bed health care unit. The facility sits on 270 acres with 83 acres inside the perimeter fencing. Sheridan Correctional Center applies clinical best practices and uses a modified therapeutic community model with cognitive self-change. Sheridan Correctional Center staff collaborates with other organizations including clinical, reentry management services, and community reintegration.

WestCare provides substance use disorder programming through trauma-informed care in a Therapeutic Community to the client population at Sheridan CC.

In FY24, 673 clients were admitted into the WestCare's Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment program at Sheridan CC. In FY24, a total of 780 clients were discharged from the program with 83% of participants successfully completing the program. In addition to Substance Use Disorder curriculums, WestCare provides Family Reunification to address family roles in addiction and the importance of family support. WestCare also provides the opportunity for credentialing as a Certified Associate Addiction Professionals Program (CAAP). There were 14 participants in FY24. WestCare has provided services to the population through group and individual counseling.

TASC serves the individuals at Sheridan CC through participation in re-entry activities and services that aid them in preparation to positively reintegrate into a community setting upon parole. Additionally, Clinical Services coordinated two Re-entry summits with local vendors for over 500 individuals in custody, who were within 6 months of release. Clinical Services also provides reentry services to the general population.

Educational programming at Sheridan CC includes Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education (GED) and is based on TABE scores. In FY24, the Education Program awarded 24 Adult Basic Education certificates. Lake Land College also provides contracted vocational courses. Students can earn vocational certificates in Custodial Warehousing, Welding, Culinary Arts, and Career Technology. In FY24, Lake Land College awarded 65 Vocational Program certificates. Home Builders Institute (HBI) has four trades classes consisting of electrical, carpentry, masonry, and plumbing. In FY24, HBI had 201 completers in the various trade's classes.

Sheridan CC's Clinical Services Department offers programs focused on cognitive restructuring, social skills development, financial skills, problem solving skills, and relationship skills. Programs include Aim Higher, START Now, All My Money, Parole School, Facility Orientation, Civics Education, a Re-Entry Resource Room, and Re-Entry Summits. In FY24, 113 individuals in custody completed Clinical Services programming. Clinical Services coordinates a monthly multi-disciplinary pre-release staffing for individuals in the contractual substance abuse program as well as a 30-day discharge staffing with parole agents for individuals in the substance abuse program. Clinical services processed 1151 MSRs and provided each with the Reentry Prep program.

In FY24, 552 Social Security cards and 611 birth certificates were received by individuals in custody. In addition, 89 State IDs were issued, and 78 social security applications were processed. Clinical Services ensured the entire population received their ORAS risk and needs assessment and all applicable individuals had a case plan developed. In addition, Sheridan CC's Clinical Services Department participated in training an intern in the master's level social work program.

In FY24, the Illinois Correctional Industries' Recycling Program at Sheridan CC employed 19 individuals in custody, averaging 9 workers daily. The ICI individual in custody participants were awarded 1,918 days of EPSC.

Sheridan CC is a therapeutic community that also provides access to a wide variety of programs that are supportive of individuals in custody, staff, and surrounding communities. Individuals in custody, through HBI, completed 3,934 community service hours on projects for various non-for-profit organizations like Camp Tuckabatchee, Peoria Heights Kris Kringle Huts, Maitri Path to Wellness, and more, in addition to also helping the Sheridan CC maintenance staff with numerous projects.

Compass Church in Naperville provides Saturday worship in the chapel. Sheridan CC also has many other volunteers involved in leading various programs, including Malachi Dads program and Discipleship, and Freedom from Fear, a program led by volunteers from Wayside Cross Church. Worship services are also led by volunteers from Koinonia House and Broadview Baptist Church. AA meetings are held weekly. Volunteers also lead a program called Foundations for Life and Taking the Lead and lead the Jehovah Witness service weekly. Volunteers are a vital part of the program that help to build strength and insight for individuals in custody. Each week, Sheridan CC also has a service for the Muslim community and the Odiniist community. Recently, Compass Church has donated musical instruments, sound, and video equipment to enhance the worship experience for the individuals in custody.

Leisure Time Services (LTS) continued to increase programs and clubs in FY24. Ongoing programs with regular meetings included Fitness Club, Yoga Club, a music program, and various art activities and exhibits. New programs included a kickball tournament, Ultimate football, a chess tournament, basketball tournament, multiple 5k runs, and various holiday centered events. LTS works diligently to provide special interests on the institutional TV channel including movies, prerecorded church services, music programs, and special events. In addition, visiting room photos are offered to individuals in custody or they can take photos by themselves to send to loved ones that are not able to visit in person.

Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center

Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center (SWICC) is a minimum-security male facility located in St. Clair County, serving as one of two total substance abuse treatment facilities in the state, with programming and re-entry as the primary focus. The facility is comprised of 19 buildings, with living units consisting of four dorm-style housing units, a 91-bed Work Camp, an eight-bed restrictive housing unit and a six-bed health care unit. The facility sits on a 24-acre site.

SWICC has prioritized reducing operating expenses and improving efficiency. Its academic offerings serve approximately 120 students daily through Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education. Lake Land College provides Career and Technical Education programs where individuals can earn vocational certificates in Construction Occupations, Custodial Maintenance, Warehousing, and Horticulture. Additionally, Lake Land offers a Career Tech program focusing on self-management, critical thinking, interpersonal skills, and career development, as well as a Remedial Bridge program to enhance math and reading skills before entering vocational programs. Monthly FAFSA seminars are available to help individuals complete PELL Grant applications, enabling them to participate in educational programs after release.

Clinical Services focus on functions, including reclassification, screening, transfer recommendations for Work Release, processing phone and visiting lists, and reviewing Earned Discretionary Sentence Credit eligibility. Staff prepare mandatory supervised release (MSR) orders, respond to grievances, and administer evidence-based Cognitive Behavioral Therapy programs such as Anger Management and Start Now, which help individuals identify and manage impulsivity, communicate effectively, and resolve conflicts.

Field Services and Reentry Planning handle MSR processing, discharge preparation, and Interstate Compact requests. Reentry services include peer-led Civics Education, assistance with Medicaid and SNAP enrollment, SSI applications, obtaining identification prior to release, and organizing Re-Entry Summits and Parole School programs. Staff also assist with birth certificate and Social Security replacement card applications, providing essential reentry support.

Leisure Time Services saw increased participation in FY24, offering fitness programs like Beginning Body Building and Yoga, which averaged 25–35 participants per class, with two to three weekly sessions. The Saints Ministry Organization led a softball tournament, and "Inside the Lines" facilitated a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, combining sports with spiritual and educational outreach. Additional recreational opportunities included volleyball, flag football, soccer, basketball, a runners-walk club, bags/cornhole, and pickleball. Gym equipment was reupholstered to address minor repairs, and movie channels were scheduled with educational and entertainment content.

Chaplaincy and Volunteer Services provided religious, substance abuse, reentry, and educational programs. Religious services were available for Catholic, Protestant, Muslim, Buddhist, and Neo-Pagan faiths. Community partnerships supported initiatives like the Backpack Program, which supplies core care items at release, and the Angel Tree Program, which provides gifts to children on behalf of their incarcerated parents to strengthen family bonds. Volunteers played an integral role by mentoring individuals, meeting religious needs, and offering programs such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Celebrate Recovery, and domestic violence seminars. They also assisted with Pell Grant applications, parenting classes, and creative activities like art, music, poetry, and literacy, enhancing reentry efforts.

SWICC was recognized in January with accreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA) for attainment of excellence in operations of an Adult Correctional Institution. SWICC also successfully completed the 2024 PREA external audit with 100 percent compliance. Substance abuse programming was further enhanced with a new evidence-based curricula by GEO Reentry Services. Programs included Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Substance Abuse, which emphasizes cognitive, social, emotional, and coping skill development, and Seeking Safety: Trauma Informed Care, a treatment model addressing trauma, PTSD, and substance misuse. A Methamphetamine Program based on the "Matrix Model for Correctional Settings" was introduced, offering therapy, recovery skills, relapse prevention, and reentry outcomes. SWICC also implemented Wellness and Psychoeducational Groups, teaching participants coping mechanisms to improve their quality of life.

Stateville Correctional Center

Stateville Correctional Center, a maximum-security male facility located in Crest Hill, spans 2,264 acres, with 64 acres secured behind a 33-foot wall. Stateville's Northern Reception and Classification Center (NRC), the largest of its kind in the state, began operations in July 2004 following the closure of Joliet Correctional Center. The facility includes six living units housing individuals in general population, restrictive housing, protective custody, and temporary writ status, as well as a 32-bed infirmary for medical care.

In March, the rebuild of Stateville CC was announced. By the end of FY24, preparations were underway to transfer individuals in custody to other facilities, except for those housed in the Health Care Unit, which maintains a 24-bed capacity for those requiring intensive medical care. NRC, with its 24 living units, 48 ADA-compliant cells, and an 18-bed healthcare unit, has an operational capacity of 1,784. Its Minimum-Security Unit (MSU) features two dormitory-style housing units, each accommodating 192 individuals, bringing NRC's total capacity to 2,186.

Stateville CC achieved significant progress in reducing operational costs and enhancing sustainability in FY24. The facility transitioned to paperless processes for clearance reviews and criminal history assessments, reducing paper usage and streamlining workflows. Collaboration between Rapid Results, the Records Office, and work assignment supervisors simplified the tracking and calculation of work assignment calendars, saving time and resources. Sustainability efforts included repurposing space for a greenhouse to support local food production and reduce costs, as well as upgrading to energy-efficient LED light fixtures, which reduced energy expenses and maintenance requirements.

Education programming at Stateville CC prepared students for the GED exam through Adult Basic Education, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education. In FY24, ten students graduated with their GED. The Barber College program provided hands-on experience and theory to 14 students, preparing them for the State Licensing Exam. Higher education opportunities expanded significantly. North Park Theological Seminary enrolled 30 students pursuing master's degrees in Christian Ministry/Restorative Justice, with graduates serving as teaching assistants and participating in professional seminars. Northwestern University offered courses in subjects such as Psychology, Math, Sociology, and Chemistry to 60 students, with 14 earning bachelor's degrees from the university. Some Northwestern graduates also completed the LSAT exam. Northeastern University continued its "University Without Walls" program, enabling participants to work toward bachelor's degrees in liberal arts. Additional programs from DePaul University and the University of Chicago provided college-level courses leading to completion certificates and up to four credits in areas such as Math, Spanish, Law & Policy, and Art.

Clinical Services and reentry programs at Stateville focused on substance use treatment, cognitive restructuring, anger management, and social skill development. Programs such as GRO Community, Inside Out Dads, and Civic Education Training supported the smooth transition of individuals back into society. Clinical staff also facilitated Medicaid applications, obtained necessary identification documents, and assisted with sentence reductions through Earned Program Sentence Credit (EPSC). Peer-led reentry summits held in October and May connected individuals with community services such as job opportunities, mental health support, housing assistance, and state ID programs. Ambassadors within the facility played a key role in sharing knowledge and assisting peers with policies and skill development.

The Chaplaincy Department provided diverse religious and spiritual programming, including weekly services led by Highpoint Church, Trinity United Church of Christ, and other ministries. Islamic services were held under the leadership of Volunteer Abdel Noureldin, and meditation sessions were offered via Zoom. Chaplaincy staff also collaborated with mental health professionals to combine pastoral care with clinical support, positively influencing the individuals' trajectory.

Leisure Time Services offered recreational and cultural activities throughout FY24. Monthly events included basketball tournaments, chess, and volleyball, as well as cultural celebrations such as Hispanic Heritage Fest and Black History Month essay and art contests. Weekly recreational therapy was provided to individuals in restrictive housing, and original poetry submissions were showcased during Poetry Month. These activities contributed to a sense of community and personal growth among the population.

The Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) remained active throughout FY24, providing mental health support through peer-to-peer conversations and maintaining Staff Wellness Rooms. Many employees also participated in community organizations and charitable events, including fundraisers for Special Olympics Illinois and suicide prevention awareness. Through its commitment to education, sustainability, reentry, and wellness, Stateville Correctional Center demonstrated a strong focus on fostering personal and professional growth for individuals in custody and staff alike.

Taylorville Correctional Center

Taylorville Correctional Center is a male minimum-security facility located southeast of Taylorville and focuses on sex offender rehabilitation. The facility consists of six living units, one restrictive housing unit, and one health care unit with a maximum population of 1,180. The facility sits on 118 acres total with 30 acres inside the perimeter fences.

Taylorville CC has eight large gardens measuring at approximately 5,000 square feet and harvesting 14,000 pounds of produce. Funds were saved by serving fresh fruit and incorporating fresh vegetables in the meals served to staff and the individuals in custody. Taylorville CC awarded 97 vocational certificates, including 45 in culinary arts and 52 in horticulture. 69 students were also provided career technology classes. The Custodial Maintenance teaching position was vacant most of the year while the Construction Occupations position was vacant all year. Vocational classes awarded a total of 6,130 Earned Program Service Credit Days.

Clinical Services offers evidence-based programs focused on behavioral modification and life skills that are essential to healthy reentry. Clinical Services offers Start Now and Anger Management, which are facilitated through Correctional Counselors and rostered/monitored by a Corrections Assessment Specialist (CAS). The CAS also conducts the Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS) assessments to determine risk level and create and update case plans as necessary. Clinical Services also offers additional curriculum-based programs including Civic Education, New Direction, and Money Smart. Clinical Services processes grievances at institutional-level and provides case management within the housing units.

Leisure Time Service (LTS) classes continue to be popular with the population. The music class has had over 150 students participate during its two-year existence. LTS completed tournaments in pickleball, bean bags toss, basketball, soccer, handball, and horseshoes. One of the newest tournaments was for 'Magic: The Gathering', which yielded nearly 60 participants for the three-day, five-round match.

Taylorville CC was excited to invite outside volunteers with the ‘Saints Prison Fellowship Ministries’ back as they host their annual softball tournament with their traveling team, Taylorville CC’s ‘Inside the Lines Ministry’s’ three-on-three basketball tournament. This year, LTS reprised the Institutional Band, which performed its first concert in over five years. LTS is excited to be able to provide this service and entertainment to the population and plan to put on more shows in the future.



Chaplaincy Department programming has included responses to individuals in custody request forms as well as housing unit tours and rounds. Chaplaincy support is provided to individuals in custody related to live events, religious diet requests, change of religion requests, and religious item requests. Individuals in custody have led Wicca, Pagan, Odinist, Asatru, Muslim, and Jewish programming. Religious diversity of programming includes Catholic; Lutheran; Jewish; Buddhist; Jehovah’s Witnesses; Mennonite; Wicca/Pagan; Asatru/Odinist; and a variety of non-denominational Christian services. Celebrate Recovery Inside and Alcoholics Anonymous substance abuse/recovery programming is also provided to individuals in custody. Special Event religious programming has included DaVinci’s Last Supper Living Drama, Cathedral of Worship Black History Month, and sacramental services among other religious programming.

Clinical Services offers two Re-Entry summits and two Vital Documents Drives throughout the year. The summit includes city, county, state, federal, and community-based entities who present a service, resource, or aid to reentering individuals in custody and explain how it can assist upon released. The Vital Documents Drives are efforts to engage individuals in custody to acquire and retain information needed for state ID and/or other materials to enhance re-entry efforts. In addition, two Correction Counselor III staff work to further reentry efforts. One Correctional Counselor III focuses on the residential side of release, while the other focuses on the Re-Entry Resources Lab. The Re-Entry Lab has computers the individuals in custody use to create resumes, learn basic computer skills, and research the communities they are returning to for economic, housing, and employment opportunities. The Re-Entry Counselor also guides efforts to assist individuals in custody with applying for Medicaid and SNAP benefits.

Taylorville CC strives to enhance staff morale, supporting SWRT and wellness activities planned for staff. SWRT, with the support of AFSCME Local, have planned wellness programs/events, potlucks, and weight loss challenges for staff. They have also been called out to Taylorville and other facilities to assist with counseling during times of grief.

Taylorville CC schedules a blood mobile regularly that enables staff to give back. The individuals in custody work crews also assist the community with storm damage debris upon request and other projects two days per week.

The Taylorville Correctional Center Volunteer Sex Offender Treatment Program (VSOTP) is offered and currently has 150 individuals in custody actively participating in process groups and becoming part of a therapeutic community. VSOTP draws on a variety of contemporary treatment models including cognitive behavioral therapy, group therapy, relapse prevention, motivational interviewing and stages of change literature, and the Good Lives Model. Each of these models is applied within a risk/needs/responsivity framework utilizing evidence-based risk assessments and individualized treatment planning that defines measurable goals. Goals address clients' individual risk factors for recidivism and specific treatment need areas. VSOTP is a comprehensive treatment program where clients acquire skills through active participation in group therapy and are provided opportunities to demonstrate meaningful change through participation in psychoeducation classes, Adult Basic Education and Adult Secondary Education (GED) classes, obtaining and maintaining employment, managing finances, and demonstration of social skills with other program participants. VSOTP follows SOMB guidelines to include the appreciation that treatment for individuals who have sexually abused is an evolving science.

Vandalia Correctional Center

Vandalia Correctional Center, which opened in 1921, has 120 buildings comprised of 412,000 square feet. The total acreage is 1520 with eight acres contained within the perimeter fence. The main facility consists of 11 dorm style living units, one Restrictive Housing Unit, and a 10 bed Health Care Unit. The North Zone consists of two housing units, Administration Building, Gymnasium/School Building, and an Institutional Garage.

In FY24, Vandalia CC continued to focus on environmental dimensions and improvements. Flower beds were placed in several parts of Vandalia's campus including three upon entering the main gatehouse, which can be seen by visitors and staff alike. The flower beds are initiated by the Horticulture program and maintained by individuals in custody. Vandalia installed two bottled water hydration stations to encourage reusing water bottles and reduce waste. Vandalia CC also adhered to the State Entities Single-Use Plastic Reporting Act or "Foam Ban" by going obsolete with Styrofoam.

Educational programming at Vandalia CC included Adult Basic Education with 257 completers, Advanced Adult Basic Education with 77 completers, and Adult Secondary Education with 10 GED certificates in FY24. Lake Land College also provided contracted vocational courses. Students earned vocational certificates in Construction Occupations (40 certificates), Horticulture (43 certificates), and Welding (18 certificates). In FY24, a combination of 863 Earned Program Sentence Credit Contracts were started in both the academic and vocational programs and 22,595 days of earned program sentence credits were recommended for award in both the academic and vocational programs.

Clinical Services is responsible for providing programming and casework support to individuals in custody.

In FY24, programming included Thinking for a Change, Start Now, Inside Out Dads, Money Smart, Aim Higher, Anger Management, and Hazelden Drug Education. Inside Out Dads and Money Smart are life skills programs that are designed to assist individuals in custody with skills to obtain self-sufficiency upon release. Building Change, Anger Management, Thinking for a Change, Start Now, Aim Higher, and Hazelden are evidence based cognitive behavioral therapy programs to address domains that increase the likelihood of returning to custody. Vandalia CC also provides a 'Building Block' dorm that provides peer led programming to better prepare the residents to return to their communities and avoid criminal activity.

In FY24, Leisure Time Services provided softball, outdoor basketball, outdoor weightlifting, soccer, indoor pickleball, indoor basketball, dodgeball, chess, spades, 3-Point Contest, ping-pong, and indoor weightlifting. VCC also is still in the process of resurfacing of the gym floor in the main facility's gymnasium. LTS oversees the posting of all institutional memos to GTL tablets, as well as GTL kiosks in the institution.

In FY24, religious services were held in the Chapel. The Chapel Department held the following religious services on a regular basis: Muslim service, Catholic service, Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, Odinist/Asatru service, Celebrate Recovery meeting, Jewish service, Jehovah Witness, Catholic, and Christian service. The following programming was played on the institutional TV channel as part of the DEI (Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion) initiative: weekly videos for Deaf History, Jewish American Heritage, Hispanic Heritage, Disability Employment Awareness, Native American Heritage, Women's History, and Irish American History months. Chapel also held a Black History Month service in February 2024. In FY24, new programs implemented included: one new Christian service led by volunteers, and two Christian discussion groups called 'Entering God's Story' and 'Biblical Manhood'.

Individuals in custody were given an opportunity to send Christmas gifts to their children through the Angel Tree program. Willow Creek Christmas bags were distributed to the population. Chapel also made accommodations for men in custody to observe the following religious holidays: Ramadan, Eid al-Adha, Beltane/Walpurgisnacht, Passover, Winter Nights, Yule, Christmas, Good Friday, and Easter. In FY24, the Chapel's total number of regular volunteers was 38, the total number of volunteer visits was 605, the total number of volunteer hours donated was 924, and the total financial donations received was \$33,440.13.

Vandalia Illinois Correctional Industries (ICI) provides individuals in custody with vocational training in several areas including, recycling, forklift training, logistics (trucking), and gardening. Vandalia ICI also has a 12-week Hydraulic Excavator Simulator Course and a 12-week CDL (Commercial Driver's License) Simulator Course. The skills and training experienced and developed by the students at Vandalia ICI are directly related to real work experiences found in society. To qualify as an ICI worker, individuals must demonstrate good behavior, be approved by the facility, and have the time left on their sentence to successfully complete the programming. In FY24, Vandalia ICI provided beverages to all IDOC locations while affording educational opportunities and job skills for individuals to utilize upon their reentry into society.

Vandalia CC hosts bi-annual re-entry summits aimed at assisting individuals with successful reentry. The summits invite vendors and community resource providers to the facility to connect with those who are nearing their release dates.

Vandalia's Correctional Assessment Specialists focus on setting goals and objectives for individuals to work on while they are in custody. Correctional Assessment Specialists also complete parole board orders and parole board case plans. This discharge planning process involves linking them with outside resources to smooth the transition back to community living such as mental health, financial assistance, employment services, substance abuse services, housing and more. Individuals meet with the Reentry Counselor prior to release to apply for Illinois Medicaid and SNAP Benefits as well accessing the Reentry Resource room to assist in a smooth transition back into the community.

Vandalia CC's Staff Wellness Response Team (SWRT) currently has five members, four members are certified for Canvass, and one is certified for Canvass and CISM Debriefings. Members have responded to critical incidents and canvasses in the last year at various locations throughout the central and southern regions. Vandalia CC is currently accepting applications to fill vacancies. SWRT attempts to meet with staff as often as possible and encourage them to reach out to others. When SWRT presentation is conducted in Cycle Training, resources are discussed, handed out, and accessed online to provide all options. New employees are made aware of SWRT, PSP, and EAP during day one of orientation.

Vandalia CC staff members participate in numerous charitable events and activities to raise money for Shop-With-A-Cop, and Veterans' organizations. Many employees are involved with the local Moose, which contributes monetary donations and volunteer hours to several community organizations. Employees donate items to Fayette County's Caring and Sharing Christmas program. Staff members also volunteer their time as coaches for several athletic teams sponsored by the local YMCA.

Vienna Correctional Center

Vienna Correctional Center maintained its role as a leader in reintegration throughout FY24, advancing reintegration-focused initiatives and offering a variety of new programming for individuals in custody.

Clinical Services introduced several new programs and events to support reentry efforts. In September, the facility launched Project Phoenix, a peer-led, prosocial programming wing grounded in therapeutic community principles. With six mentors and 34 participants, the program provides training in cognitive-behavioral theory concepts and requires participants to complete work, educational, vocational, and clinical assignments. A social worker provides mentorship training, and participants choose group activities based on their assignments and interests. Behavioral progress is closely monitored through progress notes, while suggestions and feedback are encouraged through a feedback box. Monthly Project Phoenix townhalls celebrate achievements and address concerns. In February, the program hosted its first interactive exhibit for Black History Month, featuring displays about influential Black Illinoisans, which was open to individuals in general population.

Leisure Time Services experienced significant growth and operational improvements in FY24. Institution-wide cable upgrades enhanced leisure television opportunities, while new gym equipment expanded fitness options. Regular tournaments now include new events like volleyball and art competitions. LTS also collaborated with Project Phoenix to enrich its programming appeal.

The vocational school's new construction program gained momentum, involving individuals in building replacement zone shacks for Zone Escort Officers. These new structures provide improved safety and shelter while showcasing the tangible outcomes of vocational training. In FY24, more than 80 individuals were approved for correspondence education, the Blackstone Paralegal certification, or participation in programs such as the Northwestern Prison Education Program, and the Augustana Prison Education Program.

The Chaplaincy Department received donations from over 40 ministries and donors, valued at over \$42,000. These resources were distributed during tours, through individual requests, and made available in the Chapel for broader access. Vienna CC's continued focus on reintegration, education, and wellness demonstrates its dedication to preparing individuals in custody for successful reentry into their communities.

Western Illinois Correctional Center / Clayton Work Camp

Western Illinois Correctional Center (WICC) is a medium security male facility that houses general population individuals in custody. Opening in April of 1989, the facility has been operating for 35 years. Western sits on 95.2 acres south of Mount Sterling and consists of 21 buildings covering a total of 393,461 square feet inside a perimeter fence surrounding 32 acres. The buildings include four x-house living units with 1,970 beds, administration building, health care unit, a receiving and restrictive housing unit, dietary, a warehouse and maintenance complex, a multi-purpose building housing academic, vocational and gymnasium, training facility, and Correctional Industries.

Clayton Work Camp opened in 1993 as a minimum-security satellite facility of Western Illinois Correctional Center, located 12 miles from the facility in Adams County. This facility sits on 7.4 acres with a 22,568 square foot structure that includes a shift office, control center, visiting area, property room, dietary kitchen, chapel/classroom, dormitory area that can house 150 individuals, and a gymnasium that is also used as a dining area for individuals in custody. Clayton Work Camp's individuals in custody assist the main facility with grounds maintenance, recycling programs, employee commissary, and as administration building janitors.

Western Illinois Correctional Center and Clayton Work Camp have taken a proactive approach towards its operational needs and activities related to individuals in custody and staff. The main objective is emphasizing positive interaction and promoting safety and security of individuals in custody and staff alike.

WICC replaced two freezer doors and one cooler door in Dietary for storage of cold commodities. Maintenance replaced four boiler pumps in Housing Units 1 and 2. Housing Unit 1's boiler tubes were also replaced with new burner tubes for better efficiency and maintenance of the heating system. WICC underground fuel tank, lines, and dispenser were removed to meet the guidelines provided by the Illinois State Fire Marshal.

Dietary oversees the production of approximately 4500 meals per day, including Therapeutic and Religious diets. This task is carried out by Correctional Food Service Supervisors and 90 individuals in custody assigned to Dietary who assist with meal preparation, serving, and sanitation needs. Individuals assigned to Dietary are tracked for the earned program credit determination program while they learn skills for future employment. Dietary provides special holiday meals for Thanksgiving and Christmas and recognizes monthly D.E.I. events, making special meals once a month. WICC's Dietary also supports Clayton Work Camp's Dietary with supplies and food products, which are prepared in the Dietary Kitchen on location for individuals and staff, under the supervision of Correctional Food Service Supervisors and individuals in custody workers housed at that location.

The Education Department at WICC includes Adult Basic Education mandatory and voluntary, Advanced Adult Basic Education, and Adult Secondary Education classes. Vocational staff, contracted through Lake Land College, provide courses with the goal of obtaining skills necessary to enter the civilian work force including Construction Occupations, Culinary Arts, Career Technology, and Horticulture. Culinary Arts and Horticulture are two certificate programs, and Construction Occupations awards three certificates. In FY24, 18 students earned the first Construction Occupation certificate, 9 students earned the second certificate, and 15 students earned the third certificate. In FY24, 27 students earned the first Culinary Arts certificate, and 14 students earned the second certificate. In FY24, 23 students earned the first Horticulture program certificate 23 students, and 11 students earned the second certificate. The Career Technologies Program teaches two classes, TEC 092 Career and Academic Exploration and TEC 093 Strategies for Career Success. Both are non-certificate classes, awarding 3 college credit hours to students who successfully complete them. In FY24, 123 students successfully completed a class in Career Technologies.

Industries is utilized as a home for the CAT Simulator Class and Garden Program. In FY24, 28 individuals completed the CAT Simulator Class earning a certificate accompanied by a 45-day good time contract. There are currently two individuals assigned to the Garden program, where they are learning garden up-keep while earning 90-day good time contracts. There are two recyclers with 90-day good time contracts.

Clinical Services continued to provide peer led self-improvement programming on the Making Strides wing. This wing continues to be a sought-after housing placement for individuals that have been in A grade for two years with no 100 series tickets for five years. Correctional Assessment Specialists provide initial and annual risk and needs assessments that drive the development of a case plan with recommendations for rehabilitation programming for every individual. Clinical Services were allocated 3 new Program Counselors responsible for facilitating the various rehabilitation programs that include Drug Education, Drug Awareness, Thinking for a Change, Start Now, Anger Management, Aim Higher, Implicit Bias, Building Change, Inside Out Dads, and Money Smart. Housing Unit Counselors provide Facility Orientation to individuals upon arrival and structured rehabilitation programming for individuals placed in restrictive housing, in addition to initiating annual security reclassification for every individual in custody, the transfer process to other facilities, reviews of earned discretionary sentence credit, screening for electronic detention/substance use treatment/work release programs/work camp programs, outside clearance reviews, and legal call facilitation.

Field Services Representatives work closely with parole, the Parole Re-Entry Group, and other outside agencies to ensure housing placement for individuals releasing into the community and requests for interstate compact. Clinical Services serves as the direct link to address family concerns and contact through visitation and correspondence.

Leisure Time Services hosted 24 different events and programs in FY24, including a 50-and-over workout class, 40-and-over basketball tournament, debate club, jeopardy game, trivia contest and chess tournament. A soccer tournament and art class were held for Hispanic Heritage Month in addition to an art contest and trivia for Black History Month. The March Madness 5-on-5 basketball tournament had 39 teams participate. The St. Jude 5k (13-track laps) raised \$530 for the Heller Center for Kids with Cancer in Peoria. Hoops for Kids allowed individuals to compete in various basketball skill challenges to raise \$1,103 for the United Way in Quincy to purchase Christmas gifts for less fortunate children.

The Chaplaincy Department provides religious activities and programs that assist the individuals in custody in meeting their diverse spiritual needs, offering 15 different services that meet regularly, along with various weekend retreats and religious holiday meals throughout the year. Many religious services are conducted by outside volunteers and are trained by the Volunteer Coordinator. In FY24, WICC added new services and baptized 42 individuals in custody.

Re-Entry services included a bi-annual Re-Entry Summit in November 2023 with 68 individual attendees and April 2024 with 63 attendees. The Summit was comprised 14 different vendors presenting services to the individuals. Re-Entry Services provide a link to various outside services that support an individual's re-entry including Child Support Services, Veterans Services, Illinois Prison Project, Live Free Illinois, Secretary of State Driver's License Department, Social Security Administration, and Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES). They provide a weekly Re-Entry Resource Webex with outside agencies that target the geographical areas in which individuals are returning. Re-Entry Services hold monthly Vital Document Drives that assist individuals in obtaining birth certificates and social security cards, which are essential for employment and applying for various services and housing upon release. They also provide monthly Re-Entry Prep classes, monthly virtual job fairs hosted by IDES, weekly Medicaid/SNAP applications, weekly peer led civics classes, and assistance obtaining an Illinois ID card before release.



Statistical Reports



Illinois Department of Corrections Adult Individuals in Custody on June 30, 2024

3-Year Recidivism Rates ¹	%	% Minus Gate Violators ¹
FY17 Exits	41.3%	35.1%
FY18 Exits	38.5%	32.8%
FY19 Exits	36.7%	31.7%

Holding Offense Category ²	N	%
Homicide	7,744	26.6%
Sexual Assault / Rape	4,333	14.9%
Weapons	3,955	13.6%
Assault / Battery / Force / Harm	3,484	12.0%
Controlled Substance Violation	2,559	8.8%
Armed Robbery	1,322	4.5%
DUI	670	2.3%
Burglary	646	2.2%
Sex Related Offense	645	2.2%
Residential Burglary	640	2.2%
Robbery	545	1.9%
Motor Vehicle Theft	412	1.4%
Kidnapping / Restraint / Abduction	283	1.0%
Armed Violence	211	0.7%
Home / Vehicular Invasion	209	0.7%
Vehicle Code Violation	197	0.7%
Theft	177	0.6%
Retail Theft	172	0.6%
Escape	168	0.6%
Arson	154	0.5%
Forgery / Deception / Fraud	149	0.5%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	137	0.5%
Criminal Trespass / Damage to Property	89	0.3%
Government Offenses	86	0.3%
Cannabis	75	0.3%
Disorderly Conduct / Mob Action	19	0.1%
Bail Bond Violation	2	0.0%
Habitual Offender	0	0.0%
Total	29,083	100.0%

FY24 Deaths			
Type of Death	N	Race	N
Natural	60	Black	42
Suicide	9	White	41
Homicide	1	Hispanic	6
Justifiable Homicide	0	Asian	0
Accidental	3	Total	89
Pending	16		
Undetermined	0	Average Age	55 Years
Total	89		

Admission History ⁵	Court ⁶	New Offense Violation ⁷	Technical Violation ⁸	Total
FY09	24,139	3,326	9,372	36,837
FY10	22,960	3,179	10,656	36,795
FY11	19,805	1,930	10,155	31,890
FY12	20,577	1,692	8,433	30,702
FY13	22,235	1,819	7,071	31,125
FY14	21,184	1,922	6,942	30,048
FY15	19,445	1,723	7,316	28,484
FY16	17,388	1,783	6,974	26,145
FY17	16,641	1,775	6,905	25,321
FY18	15,495	1,229	6,964	23,688
FY19	14,397	1,285	6,678	22,360
FY20	10,461	905	5,244	16,610
FY21	8,164	316	4,102	16,610
FY22	13,745	467	4,159	18,371
FY23	13,171	450	4,292	17,913
FY24	11,919	323	4,224	16,466

FY23 Admissions by Region ⁵	Total Admissions	Prison Turn-arounds ¹³
Cook	6,909	1,027
Collar	2,095	193
Downstate	7,454	103
Out of State	8	0
Total	16,466	1,323

Race	N	%
Black	15,828	54.4%
White	9,256	31.8%
Hispanic	3,710	12.8%
Asian	105	0.4%
Bi-Racial	89	0.3%
Native American	40	0.1%
Unknown/Missing	55	0.2%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Average Age	40.3 Years
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Sex ³	N	%
Male	27,587	94.9%
Female	1,496	5.1%

Sentencing County ⁴	N	%
Cook County	11,769	40.5%
Collar Counties ³	3,391	11.7%
Downstate Counties ³	13,854	47.6%
Out of State	69	0.2%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Holding Offense Class ²	N	%
Murder (20-60 years)	6,055	20.8%
Class X (6-30 years)	9,596	33.0%
Class 1 (4-15 years)	3,698	12.7%
Class 2 (3-7 years)	5,695	19.6%
Class 3 (2-5 years)	2,201	7.6%
Class 4 (1-3 years)	1,701	5.8%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	137	0.5%
Contempt of Court	0	0.0%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Holding Offense Type ²	N	%
Person	18,118	62.3%
Drug	5,115	17.6%
Property	3,163	10.9%
Sex	2,530	8.7%
Other	157	0.5%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Miscellaneous	N	%
Sex Offender Registrants ¹⁰	5,399	18.6%
Life Sentences	1,503	5.2%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP) ¹¹	138	0.5%
Murderers ¹²	6,111	21.0%
Indeterminate Sentences	35	0.1%

Admission Type*	N	%
Court ⁶	25,306	87.0%
New Offense Violation ⁷	1,255	4.3%
Technical Violation ⁸	2,367	8.1%
Other ⁹	155	0.5%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Historical Population - End of FY*	
FY	**Population
FY75	7,437
FY76	9,182
FY77	10,650
FY78	10,944
FY79	11,263
FY80	12,102
FY81	13,141
FY82	13,967
FY83	13,735
FY84	16,549
FY85	17,649
FY86	19,184
FY87	19,928
FY88	20,554
FY89	22,576
FY90	27,295
FY91	28,941
FY92	30,432
FY93	33,072
FY94	35,614
FY95	37,790
FY96	38,373
FY97	40,425
FY98	42,140
FY99	44,355
FY00	44,819
FY01	45,629
FY02	43,142
FY03	43,186
FY04	44,379
FY05	44,669
FY06	45,440
FY07	45,565
FY08	45,548
FY09	45,545
FY10	47,504
FY11	48,978
FY12	48,324
***FY13	48,877
FY14	48,921
FY15	47,165
**FY16	44,817
FY17	43,075
FY18	40,872
FY19	39,306
FY20	32,167
FY21	27,413
FY22	29,366
FY23	30,062
FY24	29,083

***The highest population was 49,401 on February 9, 2013.

¹ Recidivism rate indicates the percentage of individuals who return to IDOC within three years after release. The data represent those individuals released from IDOC in FY2017, FY2018, and FY2019. Gate violators indicate individuals who fail to release due to the inability to identify an approvable host site per statute. The recidivism rate will be updated when programming issues are resolved. ² 'Holding' indicates the current offense the individual is serving time on, the offense is not necessarily the individuals most serious offense. ³ For the purpose of this fact sheet, "Sex" is the gender recorded in the tracking system of record at the individuals admission to IDOC custody. "Sex" does not determine an individual's location. ⁴ Sentencing County: County from which an individual was convicted and sentenced. It will not always be the county in which the crime occurred. Collar Counties (5): DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will. Downstate Counties (96): Illinois counties other than Cook County and collar counties. ⁵ Admission to IDOC during each fiscal year (July 1 - June 30). FY19 Admission History has been updated/corrected and will differ from the older versions of the FY19 Admission History on previous versions of Fact Sheets. ⁶ Court admission is defined as an adult admitted from criminal court who was not on MSR or parole at the time the offense occurred. ⁷ A new offense violation is defined as an adult readmitted from criminal court for a felony committed while on MSR or parole. ⁸ A technical violation is defined as an adult on MSR or parole readmitted because of an MSR or parole rule violation. ⁹ Other is defined as an adult who is admitted to IDOC from another custody or who has been returned to custody without having been sentenced. ¹⁰ Sex offender registrants are defined as individuals required to register under guidelines determined by statute, excludes prostitution. ¹¹ Murderers are individuals that have a murder offense on any active mittimus, holding or non-holding. Murders total includes individuals who are in custody, on writ, on medical furlough, or temporarily out. ¹² Turnarounds are individuals that were in reception 48 hours or less before being released to MSR, parole, discharge or other custody.

* End of FY population is the population on the last day of the Fiscal Year, June 30th.

** As the Department continues to validate data some data elements are subject to change. Contact the Planning & Research Unit with any questions.

Race by Facility on June 30, 2024

Facility ¹	Race								Total
	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Asian	African American or Black	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	White	Other	Two or More Races	
Big Muddy River Correctional Center	1	3	668	182	0	633	4	4	1,495
Centralia Correctional Center	0	3	603	150	0	358	4	4	1,122
Danville Correctional Center	3	6	973	320	0	379	6	2	1,689
Decatur Correctional Center (female)	0	1	68	15	0	249	0	8	341
Dixon Correctional Center	4	12	596	129	0	246	2	1	990
East Moline Correctional Center	1	5	266	89	0	121	0	0	482
Graham Correctional Center	3	4	641	75	0	850	0	5	1,578
Hill Correctional Center	0	4	765	187	0	226	4	3	1,189
Illinois River Correctional Center	2	5	992	292	0	374	4	5	1,674
Jacksonville Correctional Center	1	1	267	22	0	258	1	1	551
Joliet Treatment Center	0	1	95	12	0	28	0	0	136
Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center ²	0	0	44	4	0	24	0	0	72
Kewanee Life Skills Reentry Center	0	0	103	33	0	56	0	0	192
Lawrence Correctional Center	1	3	556	153	0	162	3	1	879
Lincoln Correctional Center	2	3	429	93	0	267	1	3	798
Logan Correctional Center (female)	7	5	379	93	0	524	9	17	1,034
Menard Correctional Center	1	4	1,210	201	0	504	3	3	1,926
Murphysboro Life Skills Reentry Center	0	0	40	0	0	69	0	0	109
Pinckneyville Correctional Center	1	3	1,183	217	0	398	0	3	1,805
Pontiac Correctional Center	1	2	324	97	0	138	0	0	562
Robinson Correctional Center	2	9	618	133	0	366	1	4	1,133
Shawnee Correctional Center	1	2	768	185	0	435	1	5	1,397
Sheridan Correctional Center	1	5	705	125	0	367	1	6	1,210
Southwestern Correctional Center	1	3	207	20	0	275	0	1	507
Stateville Correctional Center	3	6	1,046	210	0	290	2	3	1,560
Taylorville Correctional Center	2	8	298	197	0	633	0	2	1,140
Vandalia Correctional Center	0	2	246	65	0	201	3	2	519
Vienna Correctional Center	1	1	374	95	0	240	1	1	713
Western Illinois Correctional Center	0	1	966	192	0	314	2	2	1,477
Total	39	102	15,430	3,586	0	8,985	52	86	28,280

Adult Transition Center (ATC)	Race								ATC Total
	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Asian	African American or Black	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	White	Other	Two or More Races	
Crossroads Male ATC	0	1	102	44	0	74	2	1	224
Fox Valley ATC	0	0	29	9	0	78	0	1	117
North Lawndale ATC	0	2	109	34	0	18	1	0	164
Peoria ATC	0	0	136	22	0	82	0	1	241
Total	0	3	376	109	0	252	3	3	746

Other	Race								Other Total
	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Asian	African American or Black	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	White	Other	Two or More Races	
Electronic Detention	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Fed/State/Trans Other State	1	1	21	15	0	18	0	0	56
Total	1	1	21	15	0	19	0	0	57

Total IDOC Population	Race								IDOC Total Population
	American Indian or Alaskan Native	Asian	African American or Black	Hispanic or Latino	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	White	Other	Two or More Races	
Total IDOC Population	40	106	15,827	3,710	0	9,256	55	89	29,083

¹Impact Programs (IP), Work Camps, Specialty Treatment Units, Farms, Medium Security Units, and Reception Centers are reported under their parent facilities.

Prison Population on June 30, 2024

Marital Status ¹	Number	%
Single	21,106	72.6%
Married	3,923	13.5%
Separated / Divorced	2,820	9.7%
Widowed	245	0.8%
Common-Law Marriage	49	0.2%
Missing / Unknown	940	3.2%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Number of Children ¹	Number	%
No Children/Unknown	10,354	35.6%
1 Child	5,848	20.1%
2 Children	5,070	17.4%
3 Children	3,324	11.4%
4 Children	1,975	6.8%
5 Children	1,131	3.9%
6 Children	620	2.1%
7 Children	293	1.0%
8 Children	183	0.6%
9 Children	100	0.3%
10 or More Children	185	0.6%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Veteran Status ^{1,2}	Number	%
Non-Veteran	18,977	65.3%
Veteran	813	2.8%
Missing / Unknown	9,293	32.0%
Total	29,083	100.0%

Age ³	Number	%
17	0	0.0%
18	25	0.1%
19	114	0.4%
20	291	1.0%
21	345	1.2%
22	473	1.6%
23	515	1.8%
24	552	1.9%
25	647	2.2%
26	670	2.3%
27	715	2.5%
28	799	2.7%
29	903	3.1%
30	910	3.1%
31	985	3.4%
32	1,005	3.5%
33	986	3.4%
34	975	3.4%
35	953	3.3%
36	889	3.1%
37	879	3.0%
38	865	3.0%
39	859	3.0%
40	846	2.9%
41	849	2.9%
42	864	3.0%
43	820	2.8%
44	806	2.8%
45	740	2.5%
46	620	2.1%
47	611	2.1%
48	527	1.8%
49	523	1.8%
50	478	1.6%
51	456	1.6%
52	452	1.6%
53	462	1.6%
54	421	1.4%
55	392	1.3%
56	354	1.2%

Age ³	Number	%
57	303	1.0%
58	339	1.2%
59	293	1.0%
60	294	1.0%
61	287	1.0%
62	280	1.0%
63	262	0.9%
64	198	0.7%
65	193	0.7%
66	154	0.5%
67	131	0.5%
68	133	0.5%
69	107	0.4%
70	88	0.3%
71	69	0.2%
72	66	0.2%
73	60	0.2%
74	44	0.2%
75	39	0.1%
76	38	0.1%
77	28	0.1%
78	24	0.1%
79	22	0.1%
80	12	0.0%
81	14	0.0%
82	5	0.0%
83	6	0.0%
84	5	0.0%
85	5	0.0%
86	3	0.0%
87	2	0.0%
88	0	0.0%
89	2	0.0%
90	1	0.0%
91	0	0.0%
92	0	0.0%
93	0	0.0%
94	0	0.0%
95	0	0.0%
Total	29,083	100.0%

¹ Marital status, number of children, and educational level are self-reported by the individual at admission.

² Veteran status is self-reported by the individual, no verification is done by IDOC to confirm their veteran status.

³ Age is the age of the individual at the time of this report, June 30th.

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**Illinois Department of Corrections
Operational and Rated Capacity Table**

Facility	Operational Bed Capacity ¹	Rated Capacity ²	Operational Bed Capacity (Parent Facilities) ³	Rated Capacity (Parent Facilities) ³
Big Muddy	1,865	1,784	1,865	1,784
Centralia	1,520	1,448	1,520	1,448
Danville	1,784	1,711	1,784	1,711
Decatur	707	676	707	676
Decatur Nursery Program	8	8	8	8
Dixon	1,244	1,113	1,915	1,765
Dixon STU	458	450		
Dixon (Psych)	213	202		
East Moline	925	858	925	858
Graham	1,594	1,516	2,027	1,941
Graham R&C	433	425		
Hill	1,415	1,336	1,415	1,336
Illinois River	1,965	1,881	2,023	1,921
Illinois River Maximum Security	58	40		
Jacksonville	1,020	1,000	1,628	1,600
Greene County Work Camp	200	200		
Pittsfield Work Camp	408	400		
Joliet Treatment Center	299	233	331	265
Joliet Gen Pop	32	32		
Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center	226	168	226	168
Kewanee LSRC	682	656	682	656
Lawrence	1,229	1,058	1,229	1,058
Lincoln	919	900	919	900
Logan	1,226	1,226	1,717	1,553
Logan R&C	328	164		
Logan RTU	163	163		
Menard	1,849	1,308	2,389	1,848
Menard Medium Security Unit	442	442		
Menard R&C	98	98		
Pinckneyville	2,375	2,346	2,815	2,786
DuQuoin IP	200	200		
Murphysboro LSRC	240	240		
Pontiac	790	778	1,132	1,120
Pontiac Mental Health	188	188		
Pontiac Medium Security Unit5	154	154		
Robinson	1,181	1,159	1,181	1,159
Shawnee	1,860	1,782	1,860	1,782
Sheridan	1,349	1,286	1,839	1,776
Sheridan General Pop	490	490		
Southwestern Illinois	631	616	731	716
Southwestern Illinois Work Camp	100	100		
Stateville	972	850	3,058	2,796
Stateville Farm (Minimum)	192	192		
Northern Reception Center	1,894	1,754		
Taylorville	1,201	1,180	1,201	1,180
Vandalia	1,004	932	1,004	932
Vienna	774	752	1,076	1,054
Dixon Springs IP	302	302		
Western Illinois	1,973	1,894	2,123	2,044
Clayton Work Camp	150	150		
Crossroads ATC	330	330	330	330
Fox Valley ATC	123	123	123	123
North Lawndale ATC	208	200	208	200
Peoria ATC	248	248	248	248
Totals	42,239	39,742	42,239	39,742

* Data is based off of the Planning & Research CY23 Bed Census. ¹ Operational capacity is the maximum amount of beds a facility has; to include all health care, crisis, segregation, protective custody, isolation, R&Cs, and future beds that are down for repair. ² Rated Capacity is the total number of usable beds for the general population; this excludes: healthcare, crisis, segregation, administrative detention, protective custody, isolation, and any specialty bed that cannot be used by the general population. ³ Parent facility beds include all work camps, IPs, MSUs, RTUs, R&Cs or LSRCs in the parents facilities totals.

Facility Characteristics on June 30, 2024

Institution ¹	Security Level	County	Year Opened	Gender	June 30, 2024 Population	FY24 Expenditures ²	FY24 Average Daily Population ³	Per Capita ³
Big Muddy Correctional Center	Medium	Jefferson	1993	Male	1,495	\$46,942,521	1,315	\$35,697
Centralia Correctional Center	Medium	Clinton	1980	Male	1,122	\$50,664,590	1,204	\$42,097
Crossroads Adult Transition Center (ATC)	Minimum	Cook	1983	Male	224	\$8,851,192	191	\$46,364
Danville Correctional Center	Medium	Vermilion	1985	Male	1,689	\$43,995,352	1,621	\$27,136
Decatur Correctional Center	Minimum			Female	341	\$23,712,093	296	\$80,180
General Population	Minimum	Macon	2000	Female	336		292	
Decatur Nursery Program	Minimum	Macon	2007	Female	5		4	
Dixon Correctional Center	Multi			Male	990	\$77,859,048	1,096	\$71,071
General Population	Medium	Lee	1983	Male	569		650	
Dixon Psychiatric Unit	Maximum	Lee	1997	Male	157		162	
Dixon Special Treatment Center (STC)	Medium	Lee	1983	Male	264		283	
East Moline Correctional Center	Minimum			Male	482	\$35,554,064	490	\$72,503
General Population	Minimum	Rock Island	1980	Male	482		490	
Work Camp (East Moline)	Minimum	Rock Island	1980	Male	0		0	
Fox Valley Adult Transition Center (ATC)	Minimum	Kane	1972	Female	117	\$2,812,135	114	\$24,605
Graham Correctional Center	Medium			Male	1,578	\$61,660,644	1,664	\$37,067
General Population	Medium	Montgomery	1980	Male	1,341		1,336	
Reception & Classification Center (R & C)	Medium	Montgomery	1997	Male	237		327	
Hill Correctional Center	Medium	Knox	1986	Male	1,189	\$47,317,107	1,181	\$40,071
Illinois River Correctional Center		Fulton			1,674	\$52,849,148	1,770	\$29,852
General Population	Medium	Fulton	1989	Male	1,674		1,757	
Maximum Unit	Maximum	Fulton	2018	Male	0		14	
Jacksonville Correctional Center	Minimum			Male	551	\$46,272,462	782	\$59,203
General Population	Minimum	Morgan	1984	Male	460		644	
Work Camp (Pittsfield)	Minimum	Pike	1996	Male	91		137	
Work Camp (Greene County)	Minimum	Greene	1993	Male	0		0	
Joliet Treatment Center	Multi		2017	Male	208	\$53,718,805	205	\$261,763
General Population	Multi	Will	2017	Male	32		31	
Joliet Treatment Center	Multi	Will	2017	Male	104		138	
Joliet Inpatient Treatment Center	Multi	Will	2022	Both	72		36	
Kewanee Life Skills Re-Entry Center	Multi	Henry	2017	Male	192	\$19,598,349	166	\$117,711
Lawrence Correctional Center	Maximum	Lawrence	2001	Male	879	\$58,553,303	826	\$70,861
Lincoln Correctional Center	Minimum	Logan	1984	Male	798	\$29,647,753	698	\$42,481
Logan Correctional Center	Multi			Female	1,034	\$67,388,715	1,109	\$60,771
General Population	Multi	Logan	1978	Female	957		1,023	
Reception & Classification Center (R & C)	Multi	Logan	1978	Female	77		86	
Menard Correctional Center				Male	1,926	\$98,055,218	1,878	\$52,216
General Population	Maximum	Randolph	1878	Male	1,539		1,519	
Reception & Classification Center (R & C)	Maximum	Randolph	2004	Male	67		50	
Medium-Security Unit	Medium	Randolph	1996	Male	320		309	
Murphysboro Life Skills Re-Entry Center	Minimum	Cook	2018	Male	109	\$10,611,909	111	\$96,026
North Lawndale Adult Transition Center (ATC)	Minimum	Cook	2000	Male	164	\$3,751,728	150	\$24,981

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Institution ¹	Security Level	County	Year Opened	Gender	June 30, 2024 Population	FY24 Expenditures ²	FY24 Average Daily Population ³	Per Capita ³
Peoria Adult Transition Center (ATC)	Minimum	Peoria	1972	Male	241	\$6,197,024	226	\$27,388
Pinckneyville Correctional Center				Male	1,805	\$57,188,343	1,833	\$31,201
General Population	Medium	Perry	1998	Male	1,756		1,778	
Impact Program (DuQuoin IP)	Minimum	Perry	1994	Male	49		55	
Pontiac Correctional Center				Male	562	\$68,715,265	598	\$114,921
General Population	Maximum	Livingston	1871	Male	529		565	
Mental Health Unit	Maximum	Livingston	2001	Male	33		33	
Medium-Security Unit	Medium	Livingston	1937	Male	0		0	
Robinson Correctional Center	Minimum	Crawford	1991	Male	1,133	\$34,011,172	1,066	\$31,905
Shawnee Correctional Center	Medium	Johnson	1984	Male	1,397	\$46,096,769	1,460	\$31,566
Sheridan Correctional Center	Medium	LaSalle	1973	Male	1,210	\$52,936,433	1,347	\$39,309
General Population	Medium	LaSalle	1973	Male	296		379	
Sheridan	Medium	LaSalle	1973	Male	914		968	
Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center	Minimum			Male	507	\$31,094,319	569	\$54,611
General Population	Minimum	St. Clair	1995	Male	507		569	
Work Camp (Southwestern Illinois)	Minimum	St. Clair	1995	Male	0		1	
Stateville Correctional Center				Male	1,560	\$142,805,023	1,704	\$83,830
General Population	Maximum	Will	1920	Male	422		443	
Northern Reception & Classification Center (R & C)	Maximum	Will	2004	Male	992		1,096	
Minimum-Security Unit (Stateville-Farm)	Minimum	Will	2003	Male	146		164	
Taylorville Correctional Center	Minimum	Christian	1990	Male	1,140	\$37,423,364	1,090	\$34,339
Vandalia Correctional Center	Minimum	Fayette	1921	Male	519	\$42,430,495	529	\$80,221
Vienna Correctional Center	Minimum			Both	713	\$40,984,305	721	\$56,850
General Population	Minimum	Johnson	1965	Male	713		721	
Impact Program (Dixon Springs IP)	Minimum	Pope	1990	Both	0		0	
Western Illinois Correctional Center				Male	1,477	\$50,783,307	1,672	\$30,368
General Population	Medium	Brown	1989	Male	1,442		1,623	
Work Camp (Clayton)	Minimum	Adams	1993	Male	35		49	

	June 30, 2024 Population	Total Expenditures	FY24 Average Daily Population ³	Per Capita Average ³
FACILITY TOTALS (includes Adult Institutions and ATCs.)	29,026	\$1,450,481,956	29,717	\$48,810
DEPARTMENT TOTALS (includes Federal, other states' individuals, in-transit individuals, furlough, ED.)	29,083		29,778	

¹Historical intra-institution comparisons are affected by how the functional use of the institution has changed over time (i.e., security level is different, population may have juveniles or a different gender, primary role of the facility regarding program services has been altered, etc.)

²Expenditures among satellite facilities cannot be extracted from parent facilities as administrative, dietary, medical, staffing, service costs, etc. are shared. Also, the expenditures here only include correctional facilities; some expenditures such as parole, general office, and shared services, etc. are not included. The FY23 GRF total expenditures for the Department of Corrections were \$1,376,215,390.

³Per capita costs are calculated as expenditures divided by average daily population (ADP). For the same reasons listed in footnote #1, the historical intra- and inter-institution comparisons are affected. Further, per capita costs are a function of economies of scale which further limits an objective comparison between correctional sites; especially higher security level sites or sites with a small number of individuals.

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Statistics for FY24

Average Daily Prison Population	29,778
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Persons released to electronic monitoring prior to Mandatory Supervised Release/Parole:	2
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FY24 Prison Admissions ¹	
Court ²	11,919
New Offense Violation ³	323
Technical Violation ⁴	4,224
Total Admissions	16,466

FY24 Prison Exits	
Mandatory Supervised Release	14,342
Parole	1
Discharges	2,998
Death	89
Court Ordered Release	12
Total Exits	17,442

FY24 Sentence Credits			
Type of Credit	Exits ⁵	Total Days Awarded	Average Days Awarded Per Exit
Earned Discretionary Sentence Credit (EDSC)	1,419	269,344	189.8
Educational	4,440	307,397	69.2
GED Completion	165	13,496	81.8
Substance Abuse	2,178	381,180	175.0
Behavior Modification	1,427	27,608	19.3
Life Skills	4,179	45,911	11.0
Re-Entry Planning	1,507	139,827	92.8
Correctional Industries	223	67,679	303.5

¹ Admission to IDOC during each fiscal year (July 1 - June 30).

Admission data exclude those admitted from other custody or returned from conditional release.

² Court admission is defined as an adult admitted from criminal court who is not on MSR or parole.

³ A new offense violation is defined as an adult readmitted from criminal court for a felony committed while on MSR or parole.

⁴ A technical violation is defined as an adult on MSR or parole readmitted because of an MSR or parole rule violation.

⁵ Exits do not include Technical Violators.



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Adult Parole Population on June 30, 2024

Holding Offense Category ¹²	N	%
Weapons	2,765	16.8%
Assault / Battery / Force / Harm	2,572	15.6%
Sexual Assault	2,160	13.1%
Controlled Substance Violation	2,085	12.6%
Homicide	961	5.8%
Armed Robbery	884	5.4%
Burglary	637	3.9%
DUI	486	2.9%
Robbery	390	2.4%
Motor Vehicle Theft	346	2.1%
Residential Burglary	333	2.0%
Home/Vehicle Invasion	232	1.4%
Motor Vehicle Offenses	183	1.1%
Retail Theft	182	1.1%
Forgery / Deception / Fraud	144	0.9%
Theft	144	0.9%
Escape	113	0.7%
Kidnapping	112	0.7%
Damage to Property	84	0.5%
Arson	83	0.5%
Armed Violence	79	0.5%
Government Offenses	79	0.5%
Cannabis	73	0.4%
Disorderly Conduct / Mob Action	36	0.2%
Sexually Dangerous Person (SDP)	29	0.2%
Bail Bond Violation	1	0.0%
Habitual Criminal	1	0.0%
Missing Data/Out of State ¹¹	1,297	7.9%
Total	16,491	100.0%

Race	N	%
Black	8,570	52.0%
White	5,630	34.1%
Hispanic	2,142	13.0%
Asian	58	0.4%
Bi-Racial	0	0.0%
Native American	29	0.2%
Unknown/Missing ¹¹	62	0.4%
Total	16,491	100.0%

Average Age	40.1 Years
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Sex ¹³	N	%
Male	15,501	94.0%
Female	990	6.0%

Holding Offense Type ¹²	N	%
Person	8,082	49.0%
Drug	2,613	15.8%
Sex	2,189	13.3%
Property	2,178	13.2%
Other	132	0.8%
Missing Data/Out of State ¹¹	1,297	7.9%
Total	16,491	100.0%

Holding Offense Class ¹²	N	%
Murder (20-60 years)	599	3.6%
Class X (6-30 years)	3,681	22.3%
Class 1 (4-15 years)	2,406	14.6%
Class 2 (3-7 years)	4,819	29.2%
Class 3 (2-5 years)	1,538	9.3%
Class 4 (1-3 years)	2,122	12.9%
Unclassified	29	0.2%
Missing Data/Out of State ¹¹	1,297	7.9%
Total	16,491	100.0%

Miscellaneous	N	%
Sex Offender Registrants ⁸	2,323	14.1%
Indeterminate Sentences	32	0.2%
Sexually Dangerous Persons (SDP)	29	0.2%
Life Sentences	25	0.2%

Illinois Offenders Residing Out of State	1,410
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FY24 Average Daily Parole Population	17,235
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Admission Type	N	%
Court ⁴	12,468	75.6%
New Offense Violation ⁵	660	4.0%
Technical Violation ⁶	1,989	12.1%
Other ⁷	77	0.5%
Out of State ¹¹	1,297	7.9%
Total	16,491	100.0%

Parole Population by County of Residence ⁹		
County	N	%
Adams	144	0.95%
Alexander	16	0.11%
Bond	31	0.21%
Boone	35	0.23%
Brown	6	0.04%
Bureau	30	0.20%
Calhoun	6	0.04%
Carroll	17	0.11%
Cass	16	0.11%
Champaign	286	1.90%
Christian	45	0.30%
Clark	25	0.17%
Clay	12	0.08%
Clinton	30	0.20%
Coles	66	0.44%
Cook	6,694	44.39%
Crawford	46	0.31%
Cumberland	9	0.06%
DeKalb	57	0.38%
DeWitt	20	0.13%
Douglas	13	0.09%
DuPage	247	1.64%
Edgar	23	0.15%
Edwards	8	0.05%
Effingham	24	0.16%
Fayette	29	0.19%
Ford	14	0.09%
Franklin	69	0.46%
Fulton	41	0.27%
Gallatin	6	0.04%
Greene	18	0.12%
Grundy	32	0.21%
Hamilton	6	0.04%
Hancock	14	0.09%
Hardin	4	0.03%
Henderson	5	0.03%
Henry	61	0.40%
Iroquois	24	0.16%
Jackson	64	0.42%
Jasper	11	0.07%
Jefferson	91	0.60%
Jersey	28	0.19%
Jo Daviess	11	0.07%
Johnson	10	0.07%
Kane	377	2.50%
Kankakee	220	1.46%
Kendall	81	0.54%
Knox	73	0.48%
Lake	549	3.64%
Lasalle	117	0.78%
Lawrence	20	0.13%

Sentencing County ¹	N	%
Cook County	6,156	37.3%
Collar Counties ²	2,103	12.8%
Downstate Counties ³	6,935	42.1%
Out of State ¹¹	1,297	7.9%
Total	16,491	100.0%

Parole Population by County (Cont.)		
County	N	%
Lee	29	0.19%
Livingston	37	0.25%
Logan	41	0.27%
McDonough	24	0.16%
McHenry	178	1.18%
McLean	234	1.55%
Macon	481	3.19%
Macoupin	50	0.33%
Madison	368	2.44%
Marion	58	0.38%
Marshall	10	0.07%
Mason	22	0.15%
Massac	20	0.13%
Menard	10	0.07%
Mercer	10	0.07%
Monroe	14	0.09%
Montgomery	30	0.20%
Morgan	41	0.27%
Moultrie	9	0.06%
Ogle	36	0.24%
Peoria	450	2.98%
Perry	20	0.13%
Piatt	17	0.11%
Pike	30	0.20%
Pope	8	0.05%
Pulaski	25	0.17%
Putnam	3	0.02%
Randolph	45	0.30%
Richland	16	0.11%
Rock Island	179	1.19%
St Clair	453	3.00%
Saline	47	0.31%
Sangamon	360	2.39%
Schuyler	154	1.02%
Scott	2	0.01%
Shelby	19	0.13%
Stark	9	0.06%
Stephenson	64	0.42%
Tazewell	153	1.01%
Union	24	0.16%
Vermilion	124	0.82%
Wabash	10	0.07%
Warren	9	0.06%
Washington	5	0.03%
Wayne	16	0.11%
White	31	0.21%
Whiteside	51	0.34%
Will	431	2.86%
Williamson	59	0.39%
Winnebago	655	4.34%
Woodford	29	0.19%
Total¹⁰	15,081	100.0%

¹ Sentencing County: County from which parolee was convicted and sentenced, it is not necessarily the county where the crime occurred.

² Collar Counties (5): DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will.

³ Downstate Counties (96): Illinois counties other than Cook County and collar counties.

⁴ Court admission is defined as an adult admitted from criminal court who was not on MSR or parole at the time the offense occurred.

⁵ A new offense violation is defined as an adult readmitted from criminal court for a felony committed while on MSR or parole.

⁶ A technical violation is defined as an adult on MSR or parole readmitted because of an MSR or parole rule violation.

⁷ Other is defined as an adult who is admitted to IDOC from another custody or who has been returned to custody without having been sentenced.

⁸ Sex offender registrants are defined as individuals required to register as a sex offender for having a sex offense on the sentencing order; excluding prostitution.

⁹ County of Residence is defined as the county the parolee resides in as of the date of this report, it is not necessarily the county where the parolee is released to nor the county where the parolee was convicted and sentenced.

¹⁰ Total does not include parolees residing in other states.

¹¹ Out of State describes parolees transferred to Illinois through the Interstate Compact.

¹² Holding indicates the current offense the individual is serving time on, the offense is not necessarily the individuals most serious offense.

¹³ Sex is the gender recorded in the tracking system of record at the individuals admission to IDOC custody.

Parole Population on June 30, 2024

Age ¹	Number	%
16	1	0.0%
17	0	0.0%
18	6	0.0%
19	50	0.3%
20	81	0.5%
21	154	0.9%
22	192	1.2%
23	243	1.5%
24	292	1.8%
25	342	2.1%
26	395	2.4%
27	445	2.7%
28	487	3.0%
29	535	3.2%
30	594	3.6%
31	637	3.9%
32	640	3.9%
33	582	3.5%
34	611	3.7%
35	592	3.6%
36	511	3.1%
37	557	3.4%
38	504	3.1%
39	481	2.9%
40	457	2.8%
41	468	2.8%
42	468	2.8%
43	461	2.8%
44	452	2.7%
45	407	2.5%
46	368	2.2%
47	338	2.0%
48	321	1.9%
49	317	1.9%
50	307	1.9%
51	292	1.8%
52	266	1.6%
53	276	1.7%
54	240	1.5%
55	198	1.2%
56	211	1.3%
57	178	1.1%
58	178	1.1%
59	134	0.8%
60	160	1.0%
61	146	0.9%
62	110	0.7%
63	112	0.7%
64	93	0.6%
65	89	0.5%
66	70	0.4%
67	59	0.4%
68	70	0.4%

Age ¹	Number	%
69	50	0.3%
70	39	0.2%
71	38	0.2%
72	39	0.2%
73	22	0.1%
74	26	0.2%
75	16	0.1%
76	19	0.1%
77	11	0.1%
78	5	0.0%
79	6	0.0%
80	7	0.0%
81	4	0.0%
82	6	0.0%
83	4	0.0%
84	7	0.0%
85	6	0.0%
86	1	0.0%
87	0	0.0%
88	1	0.0%
89	2	0.0%
90	2	0.0%
91	0	0.0%
92	1	0.0%
93	1	0.0%
Missing	0	0.0%
Total	16,491	100.0%

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