

# **Reentry & Community Resource Center**

Helping men and women with criminal justice involvement build productive paths back into the community.

### **The Program**

Volunteers of America's residential reentry programs provide evidence-based programming and treatment to help men and women become contributing members of the community. As the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction's (ODRC) largest provider of halfway house beds in the State of Ohio, Volunteers of America operates community corrections facilities in Toledo, Cincinnati, Dayton, and Mansfield.

Residential services are provided in a supervised, structured, group living environment with residential and treatment services teams. Outpatient and electronic monitoring services are also provided.

Across the state, more than 400 individuals are served and return to their home communities with tools they need to thrive.



#### **Services**

- Full range of assessment services including the Ohio Risk Assessment System
- Alcohol and Drug Dependency Treatment using University of Cincinnati's Cognitively Based Curriculum
- Cognitive behavioral programming using the National Institute for Corrections Thinking for a Change
- Evidence-based treatment using University of Cincinnati's Cognitive-Behavioral Interventions for Sexual Offending
- Anger Management using the Aggression Replacement Training Curriculum
- Employment Readiness Training
- Family Reunification
- Connections to community services

#### **Innovative & Evidence-Based Model**

All programming is guided by evidence-based curricula provided by the National Institute of Corrections, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the University of Cincinnati. A treatment team made up of clinical and case management staff works in collaboration with each resident in developing an individual treatment and goal plan.

#### **External Review and Certification**

- Reentry programs maintain bi-annual certification by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS), as criteria for obtaining funding from community mental health boards
- Our reentry programs are audited annually by the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction
- Every three years, programs are audited by the American Correctional Association (ACA)

## Returning home and helping communities thrive.

Residents are able to work, volunteer, obtain educational goals, and establish pro-social relationships, while participating in treatment services necessary to maintain long-term sobriety.

### More Expansion on the Horizon:

### A New Reentry & Community Resource Center

Volunteers of America will build a new Reentry & Community Resource Center in Cincinnati with a \$900K capital investment from Humana. The new Resource Center will be operational in 2023 and provide services for individuals referred by local courts, community members from Cincinnati and Hamilton County, as well as individuals receiving residential services at Volunteers of America's reentry program.

#### **Improved Coordination of Existing Resources**

The new centrally located Reentry & Community Resource Center campus will offer a comprehensive range of services in partnership with community providers. Services will be centralized and coordinated to increase individual engagement, long-term recovery from mental illness and substance use disorder, employment, and family reunification.

- GED preparation and testing services
- Employment readiness and training (CDL training, Culinary, Skilled Trades, etc.)
- Financial literacy (ONIONomics)
- Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) Partnership
- Food pantry
- Assistance with legal aid / child support
- Basic needs assistance (birth certificates, social security cards, licenses, state IDs, housing assistance, etc.)
- Family education and support
- Comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) treatment
- Full range of recovery services

#### **About Volunteers of America**

#### A History of Reentry Work

Maud Booth, co-founder of Volunteers of America, was a national leader and pioneer in the prison reform movement. Maud and Volunteers of America opened and operated the first halfway houses in the country in the late 1800s.

#### **Our Mission**

Volunteers of America's mission is to transform lives and help people reach their full potential by offering hope and restoring dignity. Our vision is a world where all people live in safety, with social, emotional, and physical well-being, spiritual fulfillment, justice and hope.