

**Grant Funded Entity Name:** Hendricks County Community Corrections

**Grant Funded Counties Included:** Hendricks

**Grant Funded Entity Vision Statement:** The vision is to reduce recidivism by holding offenders accountable and requiring them to contribute to the recovery of the community through cognitive behavioral self-change programming.

**Grant Funded Entity Mission Statement:** The mission is to provide alternative sentencing options for felons and misdemeanants through the use of Evidence Based Practices that will provide economical, educational and vocational re-entry initiatives for reintegration to the community as a law-abiding citizen.

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**Advisory Board Chair Name:** Honorable Judge Rhett M. Stuard

FY 2022 Total Grant Funding Received:	\$1,098,449.04	FY 2021 Total Grant Funding Expended:	\$1,092,587.42
FY 2022 Total Project Income Budgeted:	\$611,177.89	FY 2021 Total Project Income Expended:	\$315,484.97
FY 2022 Total CTP Funds Received:	\$8,650.00	FY 2021 Total CTP Funds Expended:	\$12,828.98

**Agency Brief Narrative Description**

Hendricks County Work Release began in August of 2008 as a 200-bed co-ed facility (160 males/40 females). In 2010, it became a Community Corrections Agency due to accepting a grant from the Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC). Currently there are 27 full time staff including administration, case management and custodial staff.

The work release building houses offices for Home Detention, Drug Court and Parole. All trainings and educational courses offered to the staff and residents of the work release are also offered to the clients and staff in the previously mentioned departments.

The work release provides courtesy supervision for all Indiana Counties as requested at no cost to the sentencing County if they qualify, and beds are available.

IDOC offenders placed in the Community Transition Program (CTP) are afforded all the resources and privileges provided to residents of the work release who were sentenced directly from the courts. Continuing education (GED, College, Vocational, and Technical), Substance Abuse Counseling, Cognitive Behavioral Self Change programs and access to community medical care are some of the programs offered.

Levels of Supervision	Annual Operating Cost	Avg. Per Diem Rate	Est. Tax Savings	Max. Daily Cap.
Work Release	\$1,408,072.39	\$19.28	\$2,432,457.61*	200

\*IN.gov website states the average cost is \$52.61 per day (\$19,202.65 per year) to keep an adult inmate incarcerated in the State of Indiana.

Calendar Year 2022 was one of much change, advancement, and growth. Because the number of residents serving sentences with Dual Diagnosis has increased over the years, the ability to provide more support not only within the facility but also with community partners aided in the positive transitions. Residents are now able to be accepted into in-patient programming for stabilization and then return to the facility to gain employment and move forward with their lives. These changes allow those with mental illness to maintain their independence and be successful.

Work Release has always had a strong relationship with employers in Hendricks County and this has continued to be true. On average, a resident who enters the facility unemployed has gainful employment within the first week of their arrival. This is attributed to the facility's goal of keeping the employers needs first and not allow facility situations to impact those relationships. Furthermore, employers get a tax credit for hiring "High-Risk" employees, which anyone being monitored by the courts may qualify as such.

The underlying focus of the institution is rehabilitation, not incarceration. Therefore, new programs are being introduced regularly to increase the amount of dosage to pro-social stimuli the residents have while serving a sentence. They are not sitting idle, counting the days, they are working on self-improvement cognitively, emotionally, financially, and physically. It is important to offer many different programs because people have different learning styles, beliefs, and values.

Currently residents have access to substance abuse counseling, individual therapy, mental health counseling, group therapy, EMDR, healthy relationships, parenting, anger management, leadership programming, peer coaching, religious studies, NA/AA, Moral Reconation Therapy as well as intensive substance abuse counseling. These services are offered through Cummins Behavioral Health, The Journey, Care to Change, Geans Management, Danville Christian Church, Willow Center and facilitator certified work release staff, just to name a few.

Many of the people we serve have participated in substance abuse counseling a plethora of times, but it has not had the impact on their lives that is expected. Because of this, the facility is working towards having options for more trauma therapies offered and provided so that the root of the addiction can be addressed, not just the symptomology of it. The use of illegal substances and the abuse of prescription meds and alcohol are how people have learned to cope with life and it is taking a toll on our society.

Because the front-line staff are truly the ones who have the most impact with the population, they are trained to understand mental illness, suicide, dementia, and crisis responses. They are equipped to de-escalate, get help and do their best to keep the resident calm all while avoiding confrontation and physical restraining.

Residents are urged to take care of their physical health by getting in the routine of finding a primary care provider and doing check ups as needed. They are also encouraged to be tested for communicable diseases that commonly affect people in their situation such as HIV and Hep C. Many of them suffer from Traumatic Brain Injuries, so the facility works in conjunction with the Indiana Rehabilitation Hospital to get them connected to services dealing with any cognitive deficiencies that may contribute to their quality of life not being as they would like.

In 2022, the facility was given the task of identifying one goal in the form of a performance measure to accomplish during that grant period. In 2021, COVID was still at the height of concern and the facility was not set up for quarantining when needed. The goal was to find alternative options for the quarantine process that did not involve the person being remanded to the jail or released into the community. After much research, the decision was to build a modular on the grounds of the work release. It will be an 8 bed, 4 pod construct that will allow for quarantining, medical healing, detox, behavioral separation, and other needs not currently met by the original building. It is set to potentially be completed by end of calendar year 2023.

Prior to the requirement for Annual Performance Measure, there had always been a Strategic Plan. The best way to describe the difference between the two is that a performance measure is for short term goals and strategic plans are for long term goals. Performance measures are items that can be accomplished in less than 1 year and strategic plans may be an ongoing process that contains multiple phases or levels to reach completion.

A major grant requirement is that facilities are audited regularly and often. Each cycle, it is expected for a residential facility to be audited based on the standards as written by the American Correctional Association (ACA) to ensure that residents rights are not being violated, that they are being properly cared for and that conditions are suitable for living. During COVID, these audits ceased but now they are back in rotation and the facility is expected to have their next one in September of 2023. One of the goals for the strategic plan was preparation for this audit.

Another goal was to increase the availability of technology for everyday use with the residents. So many previous in-person processes are now conducted regularly through virtual formats, including doctors appointments, therapy, groups, meetings etc. The use of technology will remove the transportation barrier that plagues most of the residents housed within the facility, but you must be able to provide them a space with privacy for confidentiality and HIPPA to conduct these meetings. IPADS have been purchased and are being set up for this purpose so that residents can take advantage of all the community has to offer.

There is no duplication of services between the Probation and Community Corrections Department. Each agency accounts for attendance of staff or clients respectively to have availability in any training, education, or treatment programming as applicable.

## Statistical Data

In the work release facility, residents are sentenced by County courts and may be incarcerated as a sanction for probation violations, a direct commitment, or a re-entry through the Community Transition Program. The least amount of time that can be served is 24 hours and the longest in the 15-year history has been 3 years and 2 months. These are the demographics for CY2022 (January 1, 2022, through December 31,2022).

<b>Supervision Type</b>	<b>Number of Residents</b>	<b>Average Length of Stay</b>
Work Release	361	117 days
Weekenders	80	7 days
CTP	5	101 days
<b>Total</b>	<b>446</b>	

It is important to understand that one person can serve multiple sentences concurrently or consecutively, therefore the number of residents and number of releases can be different. Successful releases include modifications of sentence, successful release to probation, parole or other community corrections agency or released from custody at the facility on their calculated earliest possible release dates. Unsuccessful releases include absconders/failure to return to lawful detention, new charges or remands to the jail or prison. CY 2022 (January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022) had a success rate of 85%.

<b>Release Type</b>	<b>Number of Releases</b>
Absconded	23
New Charges	5
Remand	47
Successful Completion	412
Sentence Modification	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>491</b>

Upon entry to the work release facility, all specific demographic information regarding the case is entered into a case management program that separates charges by categories. Below is a table of the basic categories that convictions can fall into. This information is specific to CY 2022 (January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022)

<b>Offense Types</b>	<b>Conviction Percentages</b>
Burglary/Theft/Property	19%
Against Persons	12%
Public Health	5%
Drugs	29%
Alcohol	15%
Traffic	15%
Others Not Specified	3%

Please be aware that the majority of offenses that include burglary/theft/property were a means to fund an addiction.

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