



POLK COUNTY JAIL ST. VINCENT de PAUL

REENTRY KIOSK

PURPOSE

The Reentry Kiosk is a collaboration between St. Vincent de Paul and the Polk County Sheriff's office. Its purpose is to serve those who are exiting the Polk County Jail and may not have had the opportunity to participate in structured in-jail programs such as discharge planning or community navigation. The goal is to reduce barriers to reentry, address immediate needs, and prevent future incarceration. Services are available for anyone in need, not just for those being released from custody.

SERVICES PROVIDED

LOBBY ENGAGEMENT – SVdP staff connect with recently released individuals and their family or supporters in the jail lobby to promote continuity of care.

EDUCATION & OUTREACH – Information on community resources and services, including reentry program, employment preparation and training, individualized coaching, and food/clothing/hygiene pantries. SVdP focuses on direct referrals to community resources that will benefit the individual and/or the family.

APPLICATION ASSISTANCE – Support completing applications for SNAP, rental or utility vouchers, Medicaid, and other benefits. Appointment scheduling to take the Department of Transportation Knowledge (written) test with a Community Navigator at SVdP.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE NAVIGATION

– Referrals to local partners for housing, transportation, and other social service needs.

HEALTH & HARM REDUCTION SUPPORT

– Direct Referrals to behavioral health/substance use assessments and treatment referrals. Naloxone (Narcan) distribution. Enrollment in SafenetRX, and connections with Your Life Iowa.

If the service you need is not listed, please let the Reentry Navigator know and they can assist you.

IMPACT

By meeting people where they are, the Reentry Kiosk strengthens community partnerships, reduces recidivism, and promotes long-term stability. Together, we're building a bridge between incarceration and opportunity one connection at a time.

CONTACT

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