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DATA OVERVIEW

NOVEMBER 2018 MONTHLY DATA: OVERALL PARTICIPATION AND COMPLETIONS

OVERVIEW

Grantees use an online data management system to submit data on participants served under their Vocational and Life Skills programming. This data is due monthly and reflects all services provided during the previous month to participants. Evaluators at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research work with grantees directly to manage data entry errors on an ongoing basis during monthly update calls and regular site visits.

The current data derives from an active database, with live data being entered and updated daily. Data values, including previously submitted information, may fluctuate depending on changes made from data entry oversight. One common example of this is when participants begin programming near the end of the month and program staff do not yet have intake information to enter for participants before the next data pull date. These changes will be reflected in future monthly reports.

NOTES ON DATA

- Individuals participating in multiple programs are counted as a unique individual for each program.
- Some participants will leave programming and then return to either finish programming they previously started or to receive additional services. These participations are not reported separately in this monthly report. The participant data reflects only the first participation in each program for completions and numbers served. Program areas are reported for all participant participations.
- Program areas with an end date past the end of the current month are switched to in progress instead of complete or incomplete. Any completions past the date will be reported in the next monthly data report.
- Questions on data presented below can be directed to Katelynn Towne at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research (ktowne@unomaha.edu).

CONTENT AND DEFINITIONS

PARTICIPANTS SERVED

New Participants: The number of participants beginning programming in the specified month who were not served by the program in previous months of the grant cycle.

Total Served: The number of unique individuals served during the month by programs. This is determined by calculating the number of participants that completed programming during the month and those who have not yet completed, but who are receiving services and are listed as active during the month.

Successfully Completed: Participants who have completed overall programming during the month and programs have determined they have successfully completed. Successful completions vary widely both within programs and across programs. Most programs develop individualized plans for each participant. Therefore, successful completion does not mean the same thing for every individual.

Grant Cycle 3 Receiving Programming: The cumulative total of unique participants served by VLS through Grant Cycle 3.

Grant Cycle 3 Successful Completions: The cumulative total of participants who have successfully completed overall programming through Grant Cycle 3.

PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM

This table provides information on the exit status of participants who ended their participation in the overall program during the month. The exit status selected by programs for each participant are displayed.

PROGRAM AREAS

Program areas were developed for each program this grant cycle to be able to provide a more complete picture of program participation for each participant. Each program divides their programming into different areas where participants receive services. Some participants only need one service while others may receive a multitude of services which may affect their program length. Beyond successfully completing the entire program, program areas show how participants are still actively participating in programming. They may complete one program area while still being actively involved in other program areas. They will not be shown as successfully completing the program until they have completed their program plan established by the program. In these monthly reports, a cumulative count of participants served in each program area is presented along with the status of those in that program area (completed, in progress, incomplete). Participants can be served in multiple program areas. These reports will show changes over time in how participants are moving through programming. Quarterly reports will explain program areas for each program in more detail.

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PARTICIPANTS SERVED¹

Program	New Participants in November	Total Served in November	Successfully Completed in November	Received Programming through Grant Cycle 3	Successful Completions through Grant Cycle 3
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	5	91	23	816	652
Bristol Station	5	25	3	207	116
Center for People in Need-TRADE	10	88	3	609	408
Mental Health Association (MHA)	27	266	33	1,026	658
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	41	337	45	1,533	955
Mid-Plains Community College	15	0	15	31	32
ReConnect	55	241	19	1,260	945
York College	0	11	0	12	0
Total	158	1,059	141	5,494	3,766

¹ All participant data is on participants unique to each program. Some participants are active in multiple programs.

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PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM IN NOVEMBER 2018 BY EXIT STATUS

Program	Successful Completion	Terminated by Self	Terminated by Program	Other²	Total Exited
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	23	3	0	1	27
Bristol Station	3	1	1	0	5
Center for People in Need-TRADE	3	0	1	0	4
Mental Health Association (MHA)	33	6	0	4	43
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	45	2	0	0	47
Mid-Plains Community College (MPCC)	15	0	0	0	15
ReConnect	19	5	0	0	24
York College	0	0	0	0	0
Total	141	17	2	5	165

² **Other** category includes terminated due to employment, referred to other agency, moved or cases that do not fall into category options.

GRANT CYCLE 3 PROGRAM AREAS THROUGH NOVEMBER 2018

Note: Some programs have evolved since last reporting to include new program areas. Program updates are included above each program area table. Program area data are not available for Mid-Plains Community College because they are in the process of developing program areas with NCJR evaluators. Program area tables for these grantees will be included in future reports.

ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS (ABC)

Electrical was added as a program area in January '17. In July '17, two participants began Construction Technology 2 at NSP. In November '17, there were participants starting in Construction Technology 1 and Plumbing. In December '17, participants began Construction Technology 3. Virtual welding began in March '18.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Applied Construction Math	38	16	29	83
Construction Technology 1	21	0	15	36
Construction Technology 2	14	1	0	15
Construction Technology 3	5	10	0	15
Core	197	27	64	288
Electrical	1	2	1	4
Electrical 1	1	0	0	1
OSHA 10 Hour Construction	647	0	15	662
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	615	0	13	628
Plumbing	0	1	1	2
Plumbing 1	0	1	0	1
Virtual Electrical	26	13	7	46
Virtual Welding	9	0	2	11
Total	1,574	71	147	1,792

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BRISTOL STATION

Bristol Station program areas changed in January to reflect the services they provide underneath their vocational, life skills and residential reentry programming. February '17 was the first month someone participated in anger management. Bristol Station added a Relapse Prevention Group in January '18. In March '18, Parenting Skills was added as a program area.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Anger Management	10	0	8	18
Conflict Resolution	119	19	55	193
Dress for Success	118	18	56	192
Family Reunification	13	2	6	21
Interviewing Skills	117	18	56	191
Job Coaching	119	18	56	193
Job Readiness	118	0	41	159
Managing Mental/Medical	6	0	2	8
Money Management	18	0	13	31
MRT	19	3	37	59
Parenting Skills	0	0	5	5
Problem Solving	3	1	1	5
Relapse Prevention Group	7	5	7	19
Residential Reentry	169	19	29	217
Resume Development	56	0	22	78
Time Management	2	0	1	3
Transitional Skills	58	1	29	88
Transportation Independence	72	3	62	137
Total	1,024	107	486	1,617

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CENTER FOR PEOPLE IN NEED (TRADE)

Center for People in Need added a Welding Module where participation began in December '17.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Core Classes	227	25	16	268
Core Classes - In Facility	296	0	40	336
Family Support	1	0	0	1
Forklift & Warehouse Operations Module	86	27	14	127
Office Professional Module	39	24	26	89
Residential Construction & Building Maintenance	16	4	7	27
Residential Construction & Building Maintenance Module	12	4	4	20
Welding Module	26	18	6	50
Total	703	102	113	918

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA)

Rent Wise was added as a program area and participation began in February '17. A new program area for Wrap Mentor was also added in February for participants who finished the Wrap program area and then returned as a Wrap Mentor for others during this month. A Day Guest program area was added in November '17 for participants who utilize Honu or Keya for day support. Peer Prevention Group was added to programming in March '18.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Benefits	27	5	6	38
Day Guest	1	0	0	1
Honu	68	13	19	100
Hope	317	57	67	441
Inmate Support	12	2	0	14
Intentional Peer Support	0	1	0	1
Keya	3	0	0	3
Peer Prevention Group	30	167	1	198
Real	293	29	0	322
Rent Wise	6	0	1	7
Wrap	352	14	15	381
Wrap Mentor	2	3	1	6
Total	1,111	291	110	1,512

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METRO COMMUNITY COLLEGE (MCC)

Metro Community College added a National Career Readiness Certificate program area in March '17. MCC classes were not offered for the 2017 summer quarter due to grant funding. Many of the incomplete program areas below (3 MCC Core Courses, Career Certification) are due to the break in programming in those areas. These participants were closed out and MCC will add in another program participation if they continue these programs in the future. Trauma Informed Peer Support began in February '18. Always Growing was added as a new program area in March '18. A continuation of Always Growing, Always Growing II, was started in April '18. Job Readiness and Orientation were also added as new program areas in April '18.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
3 MCC Core Courses	216	78	520	814
Always Growing	14	0	0	14
Always Growing II	12	0	1	13
Always Growing III	12	0	0	12
Associate's Degree	3	30	12	45
Career Certification	0	38	62	100
CDL	1	2	0	3
Fiber Optics Certification Course	10	0	0	10
Forklift Certification	285	0	0	285
Foundation Classes	369	7	47	423
Four-Week Workshop	348	38	46	432
GED	3	19	6	28
Initial Communication	418	130	12	560
Job Readiness	39	1	0	40
Long-Term Relief Group	42	36	0	78
MCC Certificate of Completion	16	0	10	26
National Career Readiness Certificate	87	0	1	88
National Certification	17	26	42	85
Non-Credit ESL	9	2	0	11
Non-Credit Workshop	284	0	7	291
Orientation	184	0	0	184
OSHA	17	0	0	17
Total	2,386	407	766	3,559

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RECONNECT

Reconnect offered a one-day Success Prep workshop in WEC that is a separate program area. Reentry support is now two separate program areas for Pre-Release and Post-Release support beginning in January '17. Right Start, an employment interest assessment and job search program, started in August '17. Pass It On, a personal development program targeting men serving lengthy sentences, began in September '17.

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Construction Tool Box Credentials	106	0	0	106
Final Number	757	212	4	973
One-Day Success Prep Workshop	231	64	3	298
Orientation	546	55	53	654
Pass It On	29	0	0	29
Post-Release Reentry Support	255	4	17	276
Pre-Release Reentry Support	317	0	0	317
Ready for Work	94	3	11	108
Right Start	28	0	2	30
Success Prep	23	0	0	23
Total	2,386	338	90	2,814

YORK COLLEGE

Program Area	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Communication Skills	0	11	0	11
Critical Thinking	0	11	0	11
Ethical Inquiry	0	11	0	11
Social Responsibility	0	11	0	11
Spiritual Formation	11	0	1	12
Total	11	44	1	56