VOCATIONAL AND LIFE SKILLS MONTHLY DATA UPDATE

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DATA OVERVIEW

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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 update calls and site visits.

The current data derives from an active database, from which data is being entered and updated daily. Data values, including previously submitted information, may fluctuate depending on the duration of lag between service delivery and data entry. One common example of this is when participants begin programming near the end of the month and grantee 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 per grantee.

- Program offerings with an end date past the end of the current month are considered "in progress".

- Questions on data presented below may be directed to the Research Coordinator, Katelynn Towne, at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research (ktowne@unomaha.edu).

- Project Reset with Nebraska Center for Workforce Development and Education (NCWDE) is in the onboarding evaluation process, and program offering data for this program will be reported starting May 2021.

CONTENT AND DEFINITIONS

PARTICIPANTS SERVED

New Participants: Participants beginning programming in the specified month.

Total Served: Unique individuals served by grantee during the specified month. This is the summation of 1) participants that completed programming during the month with 2) those who have not yet completed, but who are receiving services and were listed as active during the month.

Successfully Completed: Participants who have completed overall programming during the month. Completion status is determined by grantee. Successful completions vary widely both within grantees and across grantees. Most grantees develop individualized programming plans for each participant. Therefore, curricula that results in a successful completion are not comprised of the same program offerings for every individual.

Grant Cycle Four Receiving Programming: Unique participants served by VLS through Grant Cycle Four.

Grant Cycle Four Successful Completions: Participants who have successfully completed overall programming through Grant Cycle Four.

PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM

This table provides information on the exit status of participants who ended their participation with a grantee during the month. The exit status totals by grantee are presented.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Program offerings were developed for each grantee so the evaluation may describe programming components. Each grantee provides different services, thus each has a unique catalogue of offerings. Some participants only need one offering while others may receive multiple, which may affect their total length of programming. Beyond successful completion, program offering status describes how participants are or have participated in programming. Participants may complete one program offered while actively involved in other program offerings. They will not be shown as successfully completing the grantee's program until they have completed their program plan (which includes an indeterminate number of offerings, based on need) established by the grantee. In these monthly reports, a cumulative count of participants served through Grant Cycle Four in each program offering is presented along with the status of those in that program offering (completed, in progress, incomplete). VLS quarterly reports provide more detailed descriptions of program offerings.

PARTICIPANTS SERVED[1]

Program	New Participants in April	Total Served in April	Successfully Completed in April	Received Programming through Grant Cycle Four	Successful Completions through Grant Cycle Four
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	1	351	0	413	55
Bristol Station	4	23	0	74	29
Mental Health Association (MHA)	46	358	4	504	134
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	30	307	45	1,054	747
Project Reset	22	40	0	51	0
ReConnect, Inc.	87	196	67	723	513
Rise[2]	18	92	9	189	56
TRADE at Center for People in Need	13	36	8	95	45
York College	0	11	0	11	0
Total	**221**	**1,414**	**133**	**3,114**	**1,579**

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

PARTICIPANTS EXITING PROGRAM IN APRIL 2021 BY EXIT STATUS

Program	Successful Completion	Terminated by Program	Terminated by Self	Other[3]	Total Exited
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	0	0	0	0	0
Bristol Station	0	1	0	0	1
Mental Health Association (MHA)	4	0	0	0	4
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	45	0	0	0	45
Project Reset	0	1	2	1	6
ReConnect, Inc.	67	0	0	0	68
RISE	9	2	6	1	18
TRADE: Center for People in Need	8	2	8	0	20
York College	0	0	0	0	0
Total	**133**	**6**	**16**	**2**	**162**

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

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2021

ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS (ABC)

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Applied Construction Math	26	16	0	42
Construction Technology 1	0	0	0	0
Construction Technology 2	0	0	0	0
Construction Technology 3	0	0	0	0
Core	19	23	0	42
Electrical 1	0	1	0	1
Electrical 2	0	0	0	0
HVAC 1	0	1	0	1
HVAC 3	0	0	0	0
OSHA 10 Hour Construction	35	17	0	52
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	12	28	0	40
OSHA 30 Hour Construction	17	0	1	18
Plumbing 1	0	0	0	0
Plumbing 2	0	0	0	0
Virtual Electrical	11	0	0	11
Total	**120**	**86**	**1**	**207**

BRISTOL STATION

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Anger Management	2	1	0	3
Conflict Resolution	15	19	13	47
Dress for Success	15	19	13	47
Employment Readiness	36	0	0	36
Family Reunification	14	4	2	20
Interviewing Skills	15	18	13	46
Job Coaching	15	19	13	47
Money Management	1	0	3	4
MRT	2	2	2	6
Relapse Prevention Group	8	0	4	12
Residential Reentry	35	19	0	54
Transitional Skills	23	0	11	34
Transportation Independence	20	0	0	20
Total	**201**	**101**	**74**	**376**

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA)

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Benefits	0	3	0	3
Honu	39	16	4	59
Hope	17	111	1	129
Other Services	0	0	0	0
Peer Prevention Group	197	55	0	252
Real	7	14	0	21
Total	**260**	**199**	**5**	**464**

METRO COMMUNITY COLLEGE (MCC)

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
3 MCC Core Courses	3	0	0	3
Associate's Degree	0	1	1	2
Career Certification	1	1	0	2
CDL	2	0	0	2
Employment Readiness	55	0	0	55
Forklift Certification	38	0	0	38
GED	2	4	1	7
Initial Communication	56	0	0	56
Job Readiness	147	0	0	147
MCC Credit Course	129	78	1	208
National Career Readiness Certificate	18	0	0	18
National Certification	3	0	0	3
Orientation	602	0	0	602
OSHA	1	0	0	1
Other Services	63	0	0	63
Total	**1,120**	**84**	**3**	**1,207**

RECONNECT, INC

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Career Prep	20	1	0	21
Final Number	13	8	0	21
GPS (self-paced)	60	11	0	71
KEYS 1 (self-paced)	115	54	47	216
KEYS 2 (self-paced)	53	16	2	71
Other Services	0	2	0	2
Post-Release Reentry Support	27	18	1	46
Pre-Release Reentry Support	39	13	1	53
Ready for Work	51	0	3	54
Right Start	48	0	4	52
Right Start 2.0	2	0	0	2
Success Prep	11	5	5	21
Total	**439**	**128**	**63**	**630**

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2021

RISE

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Post-release Reentry Support	21	20	0	41
Pre-release Reentry Support	6	45	0	52
Total	**27**	**66**	**0**	**93**

CENTER FOR PEOPLE IN NEED (TRADE)

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
Computer Aided Drafting	3	2	0	5
Core Classes	49	0	6	55
Core Classes – In Facility	5	3	0	8
Family Support	1	0	0	1
Forklift & Warehouse Operations Module	14	2	2	18
Other Services	12	11	0	23
Welding Module	11	1	4	16
Total	**95**	**19**	**12**	**126**

YORK COLLEGE

Program Offering	Completed	In Progress	Incomplete	Total
A.A. General Studies	0	11	0	11
Total	**0**	**11**	**0**	**11**