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DATA OVERVIEW AND NOTES

OVERVIEW

Grantees use the Nebraska Inmate Case Management System (NICaMS) to submit data on participants served under their Vocational and Life Skills funding. This data is due monthly by grantees and reflects all services provided during the previous month to participants. NDCS staff and evaluators at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research work with grantees to manage data entry errors on an ongoing basis using email, phone, and site visit communications.

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 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”.
- Data was migrated from QuickBase into NICaMS starting December 2022 and completed in March 2022. Thus, reporting has been delayed waiting for this process to be completed.
- New reentry programs have recently been awarded additional VLS funding. Some of these programs are currently in the onboarding process, and their numbers served data may not be ready for observation.
- Questions on data presented below may be directed to the Research Coordinator, Katelynn Towne, at the Nebraska Center for Justice Research (ktowne@unomaha.edu).

CONTENT AND DEFINITIONS

PARTICIPANTS SERVED

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.

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

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. The program offering status describes how participants are or have participated in programming. Participants may complete one program offered while being actively involved in other program offerings. 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. VLS quarterly reports provide more detailed descriptions of program offerings.

APRIL 2022 DATA

PARTICIPANTS SERVED¹

Program	Total Served in April	Received Programming through Grant Cycle Four
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	97	714
Black Men United (BMU)	0	3
Community Justice Center (CJC)	52	175
Community Alliance Rehabilitation Services	28	28
Mental Health Association (MHA)	144	1,510
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	332	2,496
Midland University	13	51
Opening Doors	221	677
Project Reset	56	299
RISE	131	328
ReConnect, Inc.	105	1,314
(WAC) Bristol Station	28	195
York College	11	11
Total	1,218	7,801

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

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2022

ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Applied Construction Math	0	103	58	2	163
Carpentry 1	0	0	1	0	1
Construction Technology 2	0	2	0	0	2
Core	15	82	43	14	154
Electrical 1	27	16	22	6	71
Electrical 2	6	10	4	0	20
Electrical 3	5	0	1	0	6
HVAC 1	0	1	13	2	16
HVAC 2	0	0	1	0	1
HVAC 3	0	0	1	0	1
OSHA 10 Hour Construction	0	376	18	3	397
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	0	360	17	10	387
OSHA 30 Hour Construction	0	68	4	1	73
Plumbing 1	4	2	4	1	11
Plumbing 3	0	1	0	0	1
Virtual Electrical	0	16	6	0	22
Total	57	1,037	193	39	1,326

BLACK MEN UNITED

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Reentry Navigation	0	3	0	0	3
Total	0	3	0	0	3

COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Circles of Support	0	189	0	0	189
RJI/Key Reentry Support (RS)	0	8	0	0	8
Victim Empathy	0	137	0	0	137
Total	0	334	0	0	334

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2022

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Care Coordination	10	0	0	0	10
Charting a New Course	15	0	0	0	15
Employment Assistance	6	0	0	0	6
Financial Literacy	2	0	0	0	2
Housing Assistance	11	0	0	0	11
Integrated Health	11	0	0	0	11
Peer Support/Mentoring	7	0	1	1	9
Seeking Safety	0	2	0	0	2
Substance Use Support Group	3	0	0	1	4
Transportation Assistance	8	0	0	0	8
Total	73	2	1	2	78

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Benefits	0	8	0	0	8
HONU	14	174	30	13	231
Hope	84	518	38	11	651
Other Services	1	5	0	0	6
Outreach	6	0	0	0	6
Peer Prevention Group	0	1,042	0	0	1,042
Real	6	150	1	3	160
Total	111	1,897	69	27	2,104

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2022

METRO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
3 MCC Core Courses	0	6	1	4	11
Associate Degree	8	30	9	1	48
CDL Preparation	0	1	2	2	5
Career Certification	0	76	4	0	80
Employment Readiness	0	126	0	0	126
Forklift Certification	15	141	2	1	159
Four-Week Workshop	0	2	0	1	3
GED	0	71	2	0	73
Initial Communication	0	145	0	2	147
Job Readiness	15	8	1	0	24
Long-Term Relief Group	0	32	0	0	32
MCC Certificate of Completion	165	1,071	69	53	1,358
MCC Credit Course	0	18	0	0	18
National Career Readiness Certificate	0	17	0	2	19
National Certification	1	0	0	0	1
Non-Credit ESL	9	440	5	1	455
Non-Credit Workshop	0	3	0	0	3
OSHA	1	2,036	0	0	2,037
Orientation	0	95	0	1	96
Other Services	27	28	0	1	56
Trauma Informed Peer Support	23	28	0	1	52
Total	241	4,382	97	74	4,794

MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Code 101	0	19	0	32	51
Reentry Code Academy	11	0	0	2	13
Total	11	19	0	34	64

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2022

OPENING DOORS (CENTER FOR PEOPLE IN NEED)

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Basic Computers	0	14	5	1	20
Computer Aided Drafting	0	9	1	2	12
Computer Essentials	5	9	1	2	17
Computer Essentials Module	2	14	0	4	20
Core Classes	12	268	22	28	330
Core Classes-In Facility	10	65	14	25	114
Family Support	1	30	0	0	31
Forklift and Warehouse Operations Module	9	95	4	18	126
Job Seek	21	213	1	5	240
Office Professional Module	3	5	0	0	8
Other Services	130	255	9	11	405
People Obtaining Prosperity	0	7	9	2	18
Seeking Safety Course	1	8	3	2	14
Tooling-USNE	2	24	3	5	34
Welding	5	91	5	21	122
Total	201	1,107	77	126	1,511

PROJECT RESET

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Apprenticeship Employment	0	8	3	1	12
Core Foundations Workshop	16	237	6	17	276
Financial Wellness Workshop	15	75	2	4	96
Job Coaching and Development	52	152	39	15	258
Orientation Workshop	0	328	0	0	328
Pre-Apprenticeship Employment	1	5	7	0	13
Resume and Interview Workshop	39	161	5	15	220
Trade Based Employment	10	37	15	2	64
Trade Preparation Workshop	28	89	2	4	123
Transitional Employment	23	115	13	9	160
Total	184	1,207	92	67	1,550

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2022

RISE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Post-release Reentry Support	29	130	64	4	227
Pre-release Reentry Support	96	128	92	5	321
Total	125	258	156	9	548

RECONNECT, INC

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Career Prep	0	32	0	0	32
Construction Tool Box Credentials	0	10	0	0	10
Final Number	0	29	0	0	29
Final Number 2.0 Independent Learning	14	115	0	17	146
GPS (self-paced)	0	239	1	0	240
KEYS 1	24	451	22	98	595
KEYS 2	2	218	3	4	227
Other Services	41	6	0	0	47
Post-Release Reentry Support	3	90	1	1	95
Pre-Release Reentry Support	7	304	1	3	315
Ready for Work	0	52	1	4	57
Right Start	0	50	0	4	54
Right Start 2.0	6	190	0	0	196
Success Prep	15	68	4	9	96
Total	112	1,854	33	140	2,139

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH APRIL 2022

WESTERN ALTERNATIVE CORRECTIONS @ BRISTOL STATION

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Anger Management	0	8	3	0	11
Conflict Resolution	22	106	38	28	194
Dress for Success	22	105	38	28	193
Employment Readiness	0	93	1	0	94
Family Reunification	22	105	38	28	193
Interviewing Skills	22	105	38	28	193
Job Coaching	5	5	3	11	24
Money Management	0	3	1	3	7
MRT	4	45	4	5	58
Relapse Prevention Group	2	32	8	10	52
Residential Reentry	22	143	30	3	198
Transitional Skills	8	71	15	15	109
Transportation Independence	0	42	0	0	42
Total	129	863	217	159	1,368

YORK UNIVERSITY

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Associate Degree	11	0	0	0	11
Total	11	0	0	0	11