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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.

FEBRUARY 2022 DATA

PARTICIPANTS SERVED¹

Program	Total Served in February	Received Programming through Grant Cycle Four
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	60	655
Black Men United (BMU)	0	3
Community Justice Center (CJC)	48	119
Community Alliance Rehabilitation Services	8	8
Mental Health Association (MHA)	155	1,415
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	177	2,292
Midland University	0	0
Opening Doors	159	613
Project Reset	59	281
RISE	110	311
ReConnect, Inc.	112	1,299
(WAC) Bristol Station	19	185
York College	11	11
Total	918	7,192

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

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH FEBRUARY 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	11	16	22	6	55
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	318	17	3	338
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	0	320	15	9	344
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	41	939	190	38	1,208

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	112	0	0	112
RJI/Key Reentry Support (RS)	0	3	0	0	3
Victim Empathy	0	88	0	0	88
Total	0	203	0	0	203

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH FEBRUARY 2022

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Care Coordination	8	0	0	0	8
Employment Assistance	6	0	0	0	6
Financial Literacy	1	0	0	0	1
Housing Assistance	8	0	0	0	8
Integrated Health	7	0	0	0	7
Peer Support/Mentoring	5	0	1	1	7
Seeking Safety	0	2	0	0	2
Substance Use Support Group	3	0	0	1	4
Transportation Assistance	6	0	0	0	6
Total	44	2	1	2	49

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	67	518	38	11	634
Other Services	1	5	0	0	6
Outreach	2	0	0	0	2
Peer Prevention Group	0	950	0	0	950
Real	6	150	1	3	160
Total	90	1,805	69	27	1,991

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH FEBRUARY 2022

METRO COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
3 MCC Core Courses	0	36	2	5	43
Associate Degree	0	6	1	4	11
CDL Preparation	2	30	9	1	42
Career Certification	0	1	2	2	5
Employment Readiness	0	76	4	0	80
Forklift Certification	0	118	0	0	118
Four-Week Workshop	0	140	2	1	143
GED	0	2	0	1	3
Initial Communication	0	71	2	0	73
Job Readiness	0	145	0	2	147
Long-Term Relief Group	8	8	1	0	17
MCC Credit Course	5	1,066	69	50	1,190
National Career Readiness Certificate	0	18	0	0	18
National Certification	0	15	0	2	17
Non-Credit Workshop	7	399	5	1	412
OSHA	0	1	0	0	1
Orientation	0	1,863	0	0	1,863
Other Services	0	95	0	1	96
Trauma Informed Peer Support	3	28	0	1	32
Total	25	4,118	97	71	4,311

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH FEBRUARY 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	0	9	1	2	12
Computer Essentials Module	0	7	0	3	10
Core Classes	1	258	22	25	306
Core Classes-In Facility	1	58	14	25	98
Family Support	1	26	0	0	27
Forklift and Warehouse Operations Module	4	93	4	15	116
Job Seek	9	181	1	1	192
Office Professional Module	3	5	0	0	8
Other Services	130	175	9	11	325
People Obtaining Prosperity	0	7	9	2	18
Seeking Safety Course	1	8	3	2	14
Tooling-USNE	2	24	3	5	34
Welding	1	89	5	19	114
Total	153	963	77	113	1,306

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	7	233	6	17	263
Financial Wellness Workshop	12	73	2	4	91
Job Coaching and Development	40	150	39	15	244
Orientation Workshop	0	309	0	0	309
Pre-Apprenticeship Employment	1	5	7	0	13
Resume and Interview Workshop	28	159	5	15	207
Trade Based Employment	10	37	15	2	64
Trade Preparation Workshop	21	87	2	4	114
Transitional Employment	16	114	13	8	151
Total	135	1,175	92	66	1,468

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH FEBRUARY 2022

RISE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Post-release Reentry Support	22	130	64	4	220
Pre-release Reentry Support	72	127	92	5	296
Total	94	257	156	9	516

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	28	0	0	28
Final Number 2.0 Independent Learning	14	107	0	17	138
GPS (self-paced)	0	237	1	0	238
KEYS 1	24	440	22	98	584
KEYS 2	2	215	3	4	224
Other Services	40	5	0	0	45
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	188	0	0	194
Success Prep	15	64	4	9	92
Total	111	1,822	33	140	2,106

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH FEBRUARY 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	11	106	38	28	183
Dress for Success	11	105	38	28	182
Employment Readiness	0	82	0	0	82
Family Reunification	11	105	38	28	182
Interviewing Skills	11	105	38	28	182
Job Coaching	4	5	3	11	23
Money Management	0	3	1	3	7
MRT	1	45	3	5	54
Relapse Prevention Group	0	31	8	9	48
Residential Reentry	11	143	30	3	187
Transitional Skills	3	71	15	15	104
Transportation Independence	0	42	0	0	42
Total	63	851	215	158	1,287

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