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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.

MARCH 2022 DATA

PARTICIPANTS SERVED¹

Program	Total Served in March	Received Programming through Grant Cycle Four
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	55	679
Black Men United (BMU)	0	3
Community Justice Center (CJC)	53	147
Community Alliance Rehabilitation Services	26	26
Mental Health Association (MHA)	161	1,469
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	289	2,406
Midland University	0	43
Opening Doors	183	642
Project Reset	65	299
RISE	125	325
ReConnect, Inc.	119	1,313
(WAC) Bristol Station	28	191
York College	11	11
Total	1,158	7,554

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

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MARCH 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	345	18	3	366
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	0	332	16	10	358
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	978	192	39	1,250

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	154	0	0	154
RJI/Key Reentry Support (RS)	0	8	0	0	8
Victim Empathy	0	111	0	0	111
Total	0	273	0	0	273

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MARCH 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	1	0	0	0	1
Housing Assistance	11	0	0	0	11
Integrated Health	9	0	0	0	9
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	70	2	1	2	75

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	4	0	0	0	4
Peer Prevention Group	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
Real	6	150	1	3	160
Total	109	1,855	69	27	2,060

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MARCH 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	8	30	9	1	48
Career Certification	0	1	2	2	5
Employment Readiness	0	76	4	0	80
Forklift Certification	0	118	0	0	118
Four-Week Workshop	15	141	2	1	159
GED	0	2	0	1	3
Initial Communication	0	71	2	0	73
Job Readiness	0	145	0	2	147
Long-Term Relief Group	15	8	1	0	24
MCC Credit Course	165	1,071	69	53	1,358
National Career Readiness Certificate	0	18	0	0	18
National Certification	0	15	0	2	17
Non-Credit ESL	1	0	0	0	1
Non-Credit Workshop	7	416	5	1	429
OSHA	0	3	0	0	3
Orientation	1	1,952	0	0	1,953
Other Services	0	95	0	1	96
Trauma Informed Peer Support	23	28	0	1	52
Total	235	4,232	97	74	4,638

MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Code 101	0	11	0	32	43
Total	0	11	0	32	43

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MARCH 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	14	0	3	17
Core Classes	1	268	22	28	319
Core Classes-In Facility	1	65	14	25	105
Family Support	1	27	0	0	28
Forklift and Warehouse Operations Module	4	95	4	17	120
Job Seek	10	201	1	2	214
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	91	5	21	118
Total	154	1,012	77	121	1,364

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	26	89	2	4	121
Transitional Employment	22	115	13	9	159
Total	181	1,207	92	67	1,547

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MARCH 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	91	128	92	5	316
Total	120	258	156	9	543

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	113	0	17	144
GPS (self-paced)	0	239	1	0	240
KEYS 1	24	450	22	98	594
KEYS 2	2	217	3	4	226
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	64	4	9	92
Total	112	1,846	33	140	2,131

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MARCH 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	17	106	38	28	189
Dress for Success	17	105	38	28	188
Employment Readiness	0	87	1	0	88
Family Reunification	17	105	38	28	188
Interviewing Skills	17	105	38	28	188
Job Coaching	5	5	3	11	24
Money Management	0	3	1	3	7
MRT	1	45	4	5	55
Relapse Prevention Group	1	32	8	10	51
Residential Reentry	17	143	30	3	193
Transitional Skills	3	71	15	15	104
Transportation Independence	0	42	0	0	42
Total	95	857	217	159	1,328

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