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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 2023. Reports were then built in NICaMS – OAC from April 2023 until January 2024. Thus, reporting has been delayed while waiting for this process to be completed.
- The present report has been conducted 10 months retrospectively and the in-progress numbers are not current as a result. Additionally, data discrepancies were found and reduced when moving data tracking systems. Lastly, the columns criteria and definitions have been modified to better adhere to the NICaMS data system.
- 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

Currently Enrolled: A summation of individuals who were actively participating in VLS funded programming during the specified month.

Total Completed: A summation of individuals who completed VLS funded programming during the specified month.

Completed Programming through GC4: A running total of participants who completed programming during Grant Cycle Four (GC4) through the specified month.

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.

MAY 2023 DATA

PARTICIPANTS SERVED¹

Program	Currently Enrolled	Total Completed	Completed Programming through GC4
Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC)	0	48	752
Black Men United (BMU)	0	0	3
Community Justice Center (CJC)	0	59	216
Community Alliance Rehabilitation Services	7	5	8
Mental Health Association (MHA)	14	76	1,567
Metropolitan Community College (MCC)	0	365	2,668
Midland University	0	1	53
Opening Doors	0	48	579
Project Reset	6	27	333
RISE	63	7	295
ReConnect, Inc.	0	15	1,329
(WAC) Bristol Station	2	18	196
York College	0	0	6
Total	92	626	5,620

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

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MAY 2023

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	0	96	44	14	154
Electrical 1	0	26	23	6	55
Electrical 2	0	16	4	0	20
Electrical 3	0	5	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	387	18	3	408
OSHA 10 Hour General Industry	0	403	20	10	433
OSHA 30 Hour Construction	0	68	4	1	73
Plumbing 1	0	6	4	1	11
Plumbing 3	0	1	0	0	1
Virtual Electrical	0	16	6	0	22
Total	0	1,130	198	39	1,367

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	229	0	0	229
RJI/Key Reentry Support (RS)	0	32	0	0	32
Victim Empathy	0	160	0	0	160
Total	0	421	0	0	421

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MAY 2023

COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Care Coordination	7	2	0	0	9
Charting a New Course	0	0	0	0	0
Employment Assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Financial Literacy	0	0	0	0	0
Housing Assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Integrated Health	7	1	1	0	9
Peer Support/Mentoring	5	1	1	1	8
Seeking Safety	0	2	0	0	0
Substance Use Support Group	0	4	0	2	0
Transportation Assistance	0	0	0	0	0
Total	19	10	2	3	26

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Benefits	0	8	0	0	8
CARES	6	5	0	1	6
HONU	0	187	30	13	230
Hope	8	554	38	11	603
Other Services	0	5	0	0	5
Outreach	0	0	0	0	0
Peer Prevention Group	0	1,110	0	0	1,110
Real	0	156	1	3	160
Total	14	2,025	69	28	2,136

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MAY 2023

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	0	36	10	2	48
Career Certification	0	1	2	2	5
Employment Readiness	0	245	4	0	249
Forklift Certification	0	136	0	0	136
Four-Week Workshop	0	158	2	1	161
GED	0	2	0	1	3
Initial Communication	0	71	2	0	73
Job Readiness	0	146	0	2	148
Long-Term Relief Group	0	23	1	0	24
MCC Certificate of Completion	0	32	0	0	32
MCC Credit Course	0	1,248	69	54	1,371
National Career Readiness Certificate	0	18	0	0	18
National Certification	0	17	0	2	19
Non-Credit ESL	0	1	0	0	1
Non-Credit Workshop	0	478	5	1	484
OSHA	0	3	0	0	3
Orientation	0	2176	0	0	2,176
Other Services	0	114	0	1	115
Trauma Informed Peer Support	0	52	0	1	53
Total	0	4,999	98	76	5,173

MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Code 101	0	19	0	32	51
Info Session	0	14		0	14
Reentry Code Academy	0	0	0	5	5
Total	0	33	0	37	70

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MAY 2023

PROJECT RESET

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Apprenticeship Employment	1	8	3	1	12
Core Foundations Workshop	4	271	6	18	295
Financial Wellness Workshop	1	92	2	4	98
Job Coaching and Development	4	205	39	17	261
Orientation Workshop	0	370	0	0	370
Pre-Apprenticeship Employment	0	5	7	0	12
Resume and Interview Workshop	4	203	5	15	223
Trade Based Employment	0	52	15	2	69
Trade Preparation Workshop	3	111	2	6	119
Transitional Employment	1	147	15	11	173
Total	18	1,464	94	74	1,650

RISE

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Post-release Reentry Support	13	146	64	5	215
Pre-release Reentry Support	50	178	92	5	275
Total	63	324	156	10	553

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MAY 2023

RECONNECT, INC

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Career Prep	0	31	0	0	31
Construction Tool Box Credentials	0	10	0	0	10
Final Number	0	29	0	0	29
Final Number 2.0 Independent Learning	0	130	0	18	148
GPS (self-paced)	0	238	1	0	239
KEYS 1	0	473	22	93	588
KEYS 2	0	220	3	4	227
Other Services	0	8	0	0	8
Post-Release Reentry Support	0	127	1	1	129
Pre-Release Reentry Support	0	314	1	3	318
Ready for Work	0	52	1	4	57
Right Start	0	50	0	4	54
Right Start 2.0	0	210	0	0	210
Success Prep	0	81	4	9	94
Total	0	1973	33	136	2,142

GRANT CYCLE FOUR PROGRAM OFFERINGS THROUGH MAY 2023

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	1	110	39	30	179
Dress for Success	1	109	39	30	178
Employment Readiness	0	97	1	0	98
Family Reunification	1	109	39	30	178
Interviewing Skills	1	109	39	30	178
Job Coaching	1	5	3	13	21
Money Management	0	3	1	3	7
MRT	0	49	4	5	58
Relapse Prevention Group	0	33	9	10	52
Residential Reentry	1	147	31	5	183
Transitional Skills	0	78	15	15	108
Transportation Independence	0	42	0	0	42
Total	6	899	223	171	1,299

YORK UNIVERSITY

Program Offering	In Progress	Satisfactory Completion	Terminated from Program	Withdrawn from Program	Total
Associate Degree	0	6	0	0	6
Total	0	6	0	0	6