1 Montpelier Community Justice Center Circle of Support and Accountability (COSA)/ Restorative Reentry Program The Restorative Reentry Program helps former prisoners successfully reenter their communities and become responsible citizens. Participants are matched with a group of 3-4 trained citizen volunteers to form a Circle of Support and Accountability (COSA).


Montpelier Community Justice 39, Main St. City Hall, Ste. 12 (LL), Montpelier, VT 05602

2 Mercy Connections Vermont Women’s Mentoring Program (VWMP) The Vermont Women’s Mentoring Program (VWMP) is a collaborative partnership among Mercy Connections, Vermont Works for Women and the Vermont Department of Corrections. Based on national best practices, this collaboration engages community volunteers, promotes meaningful and supportive relationships, and significantly contributes to the reduction of recidivism. It also improves women’s lives and strengthens the community.

(802) 846-7063, http://mercyconnections.org/index.html, info@mercyconnections.org

Mercy Connections, 255 South Champlain St., Ste.8, Burlington, VT 05401

3 Newport Community Justice Center Offender Re-entry Resource navigating and case management support for incarcerated offenders re-entering their communities. CoSA – Circles of Support and Accountability are groups of 3-4 community volunteers who “walk with” the offender to ensure adjustment and to avoid re-incarceration.

(802) 487-9327, http://www.kingdomjustice.org/, contactncjc@kingdomjustice.org

Orleans County Restorative Justice Center, 55 Seymour Ln., Newport, VT 05855

4 Brattleboro Community Justice Center Prisoner Re-entry/COSA An offender reentry program designed to address and repair the harm done to the community and the offender's victims while reducing the barriers to successful reentry of offenders back into the community as citizens. Case coordinators help offenders establish links to employment, housing, transportation, and benefit programs. The reentry program includes a Circle of Support and Accountability (COSA) made up of community volunteers that maintain regular and frequent contact with offenders, pre and post release.

(802) 251-8141, http://www.brattleborocjc.org/, director@brattleborocjc.org

Brattleboro Community Justice Center, 230 Main St., Ste. 302, Brattleboro, VT 05301

5 Parallel Justice-Restorative Justice Process You may have heard the term Restorative Justice before. The central idea is that crime and conflict are a problem that affects the entire community, and the community needs to have a say in how to repair the harm that has been caused. Here in Burlington, that often means having the person who committed the offense, the victims if they want to participate, and trained community volunteers sit down and talk. Together, the group creates a binding contract which addresses the needs of the victim and the community and includes ways to avoid future problems, with everyone having an equal say in what goes into the final agreement.

(802) 264-0764, http://www.pjburlington.org/home.htm, rbanbury@ci.Burlington.vt.us

Parallel Justice, 179 South Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401

6 RUNCJC Offender Reentry RUNCJC has been awarded a grant from the Agency of Human Services to establish a reentry navigator position that will assist offenders returning to the community to be successful
in their efforts to stay out of jail. RUNCJC will also be coordinating the Rutland City Reentry Task force. This task force is a collaborative effort between the city, the Police department, Corrections, RCHC and RUNCJC. This effort will also utilized restorative justice principles by establishing volunteer panels to address infractions/violations committed while on release.

(802) 770-5364, http://www.runcjc.org/, runcjclw@comcast.net

Rutland's United Neighborhoods Community Justice Center, 128 Merchant's Row, Ste. 401, Rutland, VT 05701

7 SB CJC Offender Reentry The South Burlington Community Justice Center (SB CJC) and community volunteers provide support and accountability to offenders who are returning to our community from jail via Circles of Support and Accountability (CoSAs).

(802) 846-4215, http://www.sburl.com/cjc, lbedinger@sbpdvt.org

South Burlington Community Justice Center, 19 Gregory Dr., South Burlington, VT 05403

8 Greater Barre Community Justice Center It is the mission of the Greater Barre Community Justice Center to address the issues of conflict and crime by promoting shared responsibility for a safe and healthy community. The GBCJC engages citizens in restoring relationships, repairing past harms, and building community connections through education and involvement.

(802) 476-0276, http://www.gbcjc.org/, barrecjc@gbcjc.org

Greater Barre Community Justice Center, 20 Auditorium Hill, Barre, VT 05641

9 Saint Albans Community Justice Center The Mission of the Saint Albans Community Justice Center is to build a safe and inclusive community where all residents are accountable to each other. The Justice Center listens to victims and offenders, facilitates meaningful amends and change, and addresses conflict through community education, shared power, and respectful dialogue.

(802) 524-7006, http://stalbansvt.com, m.wennberg@stalbansvt.com

Saint Albans Community Justice Center, 26 Catherine St., Saint Albans, VT 05478

10 Community Restorative Justice Center Offender Reentry The Offender Reentry Program serves individuals from Caledonia County and southern Essex Counties reentering the community after incarceration. Restorative Justice is where individuals are encouraged to take responsibility for their actions, repair damage to victims and community, and make plans to not re-offend.

(802) 748-2977, http://www.communityrjc.org/, office@communityrjc.org

Community Restorative Justice Center, Inc., 108 Cherry St., St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

11 Springfield Restorative Justice Center Community Re-entry A support program providing guidance for offenders who are re-entering the community.

(802) 885-8707, http://www.springfieldrjc.org/, Springfieldrjc@vermontel.net

Springfield Restorative Justice Center–Historic Bank Block, 56 Main St., Ste. 208, Springfield, VT, 05156

12 Essex Community Justice Center Community Transition Program (CJC) The Essex CJC Community Transition Program is designed to support offenders who are leaving incarceration and reentering their VERMONT (CONT.)
communities. This program serves Offenders in their first 90 days of community living after being incarcerated. Staff at the CJC are trained to provide resource navigation, individual support and community connections to folks trying to be successful in their lives.

(802) 662-0001, http://www.essexcjc.org/index.html, Kate@essexcjc.org

Essex Community Justice Center, 137 Iroquois Ave., Ste. 101, Essex Junction, VT 05452

13 Dismas of House Vermont Dismas House is a supportive community for former prisoners transitioning from incarceration and university/college students who are also in transition with their lives. Living in community accomplishes the Dismas mission of reconciliation. Community is fundamentally about relationship and it is precisely the relationship between the offender and their community that is broken, first by the crime committed and subsequently by the resulting incarceration. In reconciliation, wholeness is restored to the former prisoner and to society.

(603) 795-2770, http://www.dismasofvermont.org/, jan@dismasofvermont.org

Dismas of Vermont, Inc., 103 E. Allen St., Winooski, VT 05404

14 Northern Lights Northern Lights is a supportive home for women returning from prison. Residents continue under the supervision of the Department of Corrections, and the goal is to assist each woman to build a safe, healthy, and productive life in the community.

(802) 488-6000, http://www.howardcenter.org/index.php, bobb@howardcenter.org

Howard Center, 208 Flynn Ave., Ste. 3J, Burlington, VT 05401

15 Circles of Support and Accountability (COSA) Burlington’s COSA program provides a restorative approach to offender reentry by supporting, building and maintaining healthy patterns of living for offenders as they reenter the community. Collaborative case planning, job and housing search help, life skills classes, counseling and other services are provided to the core member, and they are teamed with a group of community volunteers who meet with them regularly. This circle represents a bond of mutual respect, understanding, and ownership in the process.

(802) 865-7589, https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/, jdubuque@burlingtonvt.gov

Burlington Community Justice Center, 200 Church St., Burlington, VT 05401

16 Judd Reentry Transitional Housing Provides community-based congregate living arrangements and a wide variety of counseling and supportive services for ex-offenders who recently have been released from a correctional facility but who require a gradual transition from that highly structured and supervised way of a life to a relatively free and normal existence in the community.

(802) 334-8224, http://www.nekcavt.org/index.php/community-and-justice-programs, srbowen@nekcavt.org

NEKCA Community & Justice Programs, 273 Main St., Newport, VT 05855

17 Lamoille Restorative Center Reentry Program Males and females returning to the community from incarceration receive support services from a program coordinator and a team of volunteers. Higher risk participants become part of a Circle of Support and Accountability (COSA). The coordinator screens all participants using Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS) and develops a service plan that reduces risk to reoffend. Participants focus on repairing relationships and develop a plan to reintegrate back into their community successfully.

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(802) 888-0657, http://www.lrcvt.org, bpenberthy@lrcvt.org

Lamoille Restorative Center, 221 Main St., P.O. Box 148, Hyde Park, VT 05655