



Eastern Ohio Correctional Center
Wintersville OH
Belmont, Carroll, Columbiana, Guemsey,
Harrison, Jefferson, Monroe, Noble

Franklin County CBCF
Columbus OH
Franklin

Lucas County Correctional
Treatment Facility
Toledo OH
Lucas

MonDay Community Correctional
Institution, Dayton OH
Darke, Green, Miami, Montgomery,
Preble, Fayette

Northwest Community Corrections Center
Defiance, Fulton, Henry,
Williams, Wood

S.T.A.R. Community Justice Center
Portsmouth OH
Adams, Brown, Clinton, Highland,
Lawrence, Pickaway, Pike, Ross,
Scioto

Stark Regional Community
Correction Center, Louisville OH
Holmes, Stark, Tuscarawas, Wayne

West Central Community Correctional Facility
Champaign, Clark, Delaware, Logan,
Madison, Marion, Morrow, Union

W.O.R.T.H. Center, Lima OH
Allen, Auglaize, Hancock, Hardin, Mercer,
Putnam, Paulding, Shelby, Van Wert

May 15, 2014

Bureau of Justice Assistance/ Office of Justice Programs/ Department of Justice
1810 Seventh Street NW
Washington, DC 20531

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of CorJus Inc. an association of Publicly operated Community Based Correctional Facilities (CBCF) I am writing to express our support to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Grant application: Justice Reinvestment Initiative: Maximizing State Reforms.

Our organization consists of nine (9) publicly operated CBCF's who serve 52 counties in Ohio. We are prison diversion programs who deal with felony offenders. Our mission along with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections is to reduce recidivism, as well as work with our Community partners to build effective criminal justice systems locally. As a result of the 2010 "Justice Reinvestment in Ohio: Summary Report of Analysis" by the Council of State Governments (CSG), CBCFs and local probation departments and criminal justice programs have implemented the ORAS assessment tool, are working to develop sanctioning grids, and implementing evidenced based programming more effectively. Specifically, to create an effective approach to systemic care for our clients.

Currently, most data collected by criminal justice departments are fragmented and outside agencies may only have limited access to the data. The ODRC statewide repository will allow our local communities to look at community supervision, sentencing policies and evidence based practices. Having a system such as this, will not only allow our communities to become more efficient, but will allow Ohio's communities to learn from each other.

CBCF's have found that programming and recidivism reduction is a community wide task and responsibility. The repository will allow us to not only share, but utilize all available resources and evidence based strategies being used to effectively reduce recidivism.

Sincerely,

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