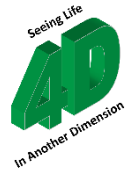


# Community Care Team



## Community Companion Care Team Abstract

Serves men and women, over 18 years old, who have a criminal background. On Pre-Release or Post-Release status.

The U.S. Department of Justice says released persons from prison who had the benefit of being assisted by a “Companion” were 39% less likely to return to prison, twice as likely to become re-employed and more likely to stay in recovery or post-secondary education program. Every year, about 3600 formerly incarcerated men and women to King County from state prisons. Over half of these adults are re-incarcerated within 3-years. Approximately 50% of these adults are re-employed at or soon after release. About 40% of these adults have a high school diploma. Over 70% of these adults suffer from drug or alcohol addiction.

Our Solution: Provide those being released from prison and jail with the assistance of the inter-faith communities to connect to Justice Involved Solutions is partnering with processes like; Tzu Chi Foundation, One Parish One Prisoner, St. Vincent De Paul Companions, Breaking Free & 4D to create relationships with the men and women on release. Within this process the team aims to be inclusive while promoting a “We and Us” attitude within the community, specifically with those that these Teams have worked with on the Inside.

The Community Care Team will provide a transition kit. This kit will include but is not limited to: a 30-day supply hygiene planner, and essential needs placed in a back pack that can be reused.

## Qualifications to Serve: **Priority – ALL DOC Background Checks & Required Training!!**

Be at least 32 years old, mature and very interested in assisting this adult population, be emotionally stable, dependable, compassionate and committed to 2<sup>nd</sup> chance opportunities. CCC Team members are role models, have a listening ear, a point of accountability and an advocate for those we serve. Committed to a Team member with assigned DOC Transition Specialists, Community Corrections Officers, SSC’s assigned faculty, Life Navigators/Coaches and community partners.

Focus on Greet & Meet at Release; housing, transportation, clothing, connecting to community partners for post-secondary education, re-employment opportunities, & LFO Solutions.

## Community Care Teams

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