

Sixth Judicial District Department of Correctional Services FY'16 Annual Report



Serving Benton, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Linn, and Tama Counties

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Message from Director



Bruce Vander Sanden District Director

On behalf of the staff of the Sixth Judicial District Department of Correctional Services (DCS), I am pleased to present the 2016 Fiscal Year Annual Report.

The Sixth Judicial District Department of Correctional Services continues to provide an array of services: pretrial interviews and supervision, presentence investigations, probation and parole supervision, residential placement, and other specialized supervision services such as drug treatment court.

District Director Our staff strives to balance accountability and treatment in order to facilitate community safety. This is accomplished through the work of our High Risk Unit and numerous credentialed staff that provide treatment and educational services. Our Vision is "no more victims". We strive to do this in an evidence based and cost effective manner that allows us to maximize the use of available resources. This is evident by the most recent three year recidivism report released by IDOC. **The statewide recidivism rate was 31.5% while the 6th DCS rate was 23.1%.** It is the work of our staff that increases community safety and facilitates positive change in adult offenders.

Accomplishments this past year include:

- The initiation of seamless supervision in Johnson County. The professional relationship developed between the supervising officer and probationer/parolee has a tremendous impact on success. Research supports that if they focus on the right issues and have sufficient time to devote to criminogenic needs, recidivism will be reduced.
- > The final of our four residential facilities received a Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) audit and passed the established standards. Each of our four facilities has passed their first PREA review.
- Infrastructure improvements across the district have improved safety and working conditions while helping to reduce energy and repair costs.
- > Another year of maintaining a balanced budget while positioning the district for the future.

Future goals and strategies include:

- Create a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) plan to review, make improvements and shift resources as needed in order to fulfill our mission.
- Continue to provide opportunities for employee development and growth that will assist with our mission and succession planning efforts.
- > Continue to review our practices to ensure that they are evidenced based and improving probationer/parolee success while enhancing community safety.

This report is submitted for filing with the Board of Supervisors of each county in the Sixth District, per Iowa Code 905.4. This document reflects activities of the Sixth Judicial District Department of Correctional Services from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

I would like to thank and recognize the Board of Directors for placing their confidence in me as the Director; the work of our advisory committees; and most importantly, the staff of the Sixth Judicial District Department of Correctional Services. I am also grateful to our community partners who continually strive to improve our outcomes.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Vander Sanden, District Director Sixth Judicial District Department of Correctional Services

951 29th Avenue SW • Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404 • (Office) 319-398-3675 • (FAX) 319-398-3684 Visit our website at <u>www.iowa.cbc.org</u> Vision / Mission Statement / Strategic Plan

Our Vision

An Iowa with no more Victims

Our Mission

To enhance community safety and facilitate positive change in adult offenders

	Our Values & Beliefs (P.R.I.D.E.)
Professionalism:	Every person will be treated with dignity and respect
<u>Resourcefulness:</u>	People can change with the use of evidence based practices and interventions
Interdependence:	Collaboration is essential to success
<u>D</u> ialogue:	Teamwork is vital as evidenced through effective communication
Efficiency:	Staff is our greatest asset and through our efforts we make communities safe

The Five Year (2015-2020) Strategic Plan

Strategic Priority #1:

Focus resources toward individuals most likely to reoffend

Strategic Priority #2:

Focus on evidence based and research-informed practices for improved offender success

Strategic Priority #3:

Focus on staff professional development

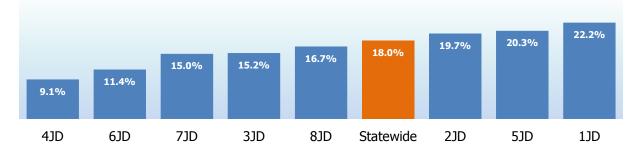
Recidivism

The following are statewide and individual district recidivism rates based on all high normal or intensive risk level probationers and parolees that entered supervision in 2013. Recidivism was measured as a prison admission within three years. They are also broken out by new conviction rates and technical violations (significant violations of the supervision agreement). The 6th DCS rate was significantly lower than the statewide average. These rates are reflective of our mission of enhancing community safety and facilitating positive change in adult offenders.



FY13 Rankings: Total Recidivism Rate

FY13 Rankings: New Conviction Rate **Combined Target Population**



FY13 Rankings: Technical Violation Rate **Combined Target Population**



District Overview

The Sixth Judicial District (6JD) covers a six county area in Iowa (Benton, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Linn and Tama). The 6JD had its early beginnings in March of 1973 with the Community Court Services Project, funded by a Law Enforcement Assistance Administration grant. The Project resulted in three integrated programs: pretrial release on recognizance, pretrial release with supervision, and probation services.

In July 1977 Chapter 905 of the Code of Iowa went into effect restructuring Iowa community-based corrections. Under the new law, a local Board of Directors supported by an Advisory Committee administered community-based corrections. In 1983 the legislature created a separate Iowa Department of Corrections, but transferred parole and work release administration to local control, under the 6JD.



ANCHOR Residential Facility opened April 20, 2015 and serves male offenders who have significant mental health and substance use disorders in Linn County

In FY'16, the 6JD served 7,511 clients. Four facilities are now in place in the 6JD, with a total bed capacity of approximately 250 clients. There were 81 employees in 1983; as of June 30, 2016 we had 183.91 FTE employees. While we continue to provide the services specifically required by the Code of Iowa, the 6JD also prides itself in keeping up with the research/evidence based practices, as well as being innovative in that service delivery.



William G. Faches Center • 951 29th Ave. SW, Cedar Rapids Dedicated in May 20, 1992 The Faches Center houses administrative offices along with pretrial, probation and parole services.

Locations

Sixth Judicial District DCS Offices

Anamosa Office

Jones County Courthouse Anamosa, IA 52205 319-480-5301 FAX: 319-730-1259

Belle Plaine Office

708 12th Street P.O. Box 122 Belle Plaine, IA 52208 319-444-3003

John R. Stratton Center 2501 Holiday Road Coralville, IA 52241 319-625-2650 FAX: 319-625-2659

Richard C. Wenzel Center 901 29th Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 319-398-3907 FAX: 319-730-1267

Lary A. Nelson Center 1001 29th Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 319-398-3600 FAX: 319-297-3590

Neighborhood Offices

Wellington Heights 392 15th Street SE Cedar Rapids, IA 52403 319-365-4303 or 319-365-4313

Mission of Hope 1700 B Ave NE, Room 207 Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 319-363-1147

Vinton Office

811 D Avenue #25 Vinton, IA 52349 319-222-2343

Toledo Office 105 E. Carleton Toledo, IA 52342 641-484-4822

FAX: 641-484-2683

Marengo Office

Iowa County Courthouse 150 W. Marion Street, PO Box 365 Marengo, IA 52301 319-642-3145 FAX: 319-642-5247

Coralville/Iowa City Offices

Hope House 2501 Holiday Road Coralville, IA 52241 319-625-2202 FAX: 319-625-2659 Kirkwood Office 509 Kirkwood Avenue Iowa City, IA 52240 319-351-3303 FAX: 319-337-0506

Cedar Rapids Offices

William G. Faches Center 951 29th Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 319-398-3675 FAX: 319-398-3684 or 319-730-1259 ANCHOR Center 3115 12th Street SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 319-297-3500 FAX: 319-297-3533

Gerald R. Hinzman Center 1051 29th Avenue SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 319-398-3668 FAX: 319-398-3671

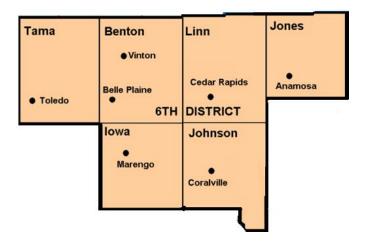
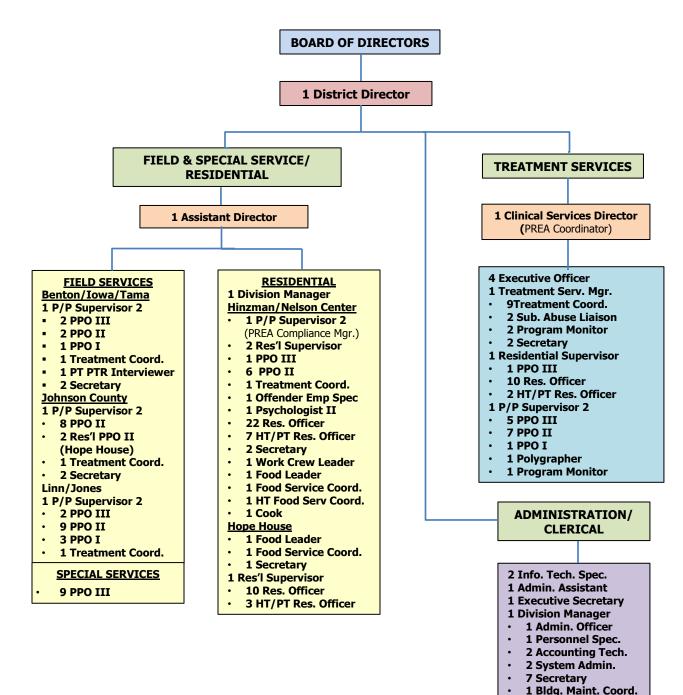


Table of Organization

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Management Team

Bruce Vander Sanden, District Director

• Angela Brubaker, Administrative Assistant

Malinda Lamb, Clinical Services Director

- Rob Metzger, Treatment Service Manager
- Kelly Schultz, P/P Supervisor
- Jerri Allen, Executive Officer
- Kim McIrvin, Executive Officer
- Shari Miller, Executive Officer
- Todd Roberts, Executive Officer
- Melanie Steffens, Residential Supervisor

Greg Fitzpatrick, Assistant Director

- Sam Black, Division Manager
 - Cynthia Dennis, P/P Supervisor
 - Dave Garner, Residential Supervisor
 - Brian Mullinnix, Residential Supervisor
 - o Damon Robinson, Residential Supervisor
- Bob Anderson, P/P Supervisor
- Cathy Franzenburg, P/P Supervisor
- Laura Strait, P/P Supervisor

Kevin Posekany, Administrative Division Manager

- Mark Achey, Systems Administrator
- Michelle Azevedo, Personnel Specialist

Board of Directors

As of June 30, 2016

Allan Thoms, Chair * Judicial Appointment Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52411

Ken Popenhagen, 1st Vice Chair * Northern Advisory Atkins, Iowa 52206

Terry Hertle Benton County Board of Supervisors Benton County Courthouse Vinton, Iowa 52349

Ray Garringer Iowa County Board of Supervisors P.O. Box 960 Williamsburg, Iowa 52361

Janelle Rettig * Johnson County Board of Supervisors 913 S. Dubuque Street Iowa City, Iowa 52240

Joe Oswald Jones County Board of Supervisors 935 Deer Run Drive Monticello, Iowa 52310

Ben Rogers, 2nd Vice Chair * Linn County Board of Supervisors 930 1st Street SW Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404 **Dan Anderson** Tama County Board of Supervisors 1640 370th Street Tama, IA 52339

Jan Kazimour * Judicial Appointment Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403

W.F. (Fred) Mims * Judicial Appointment Iowa City, Iowa 52242

Ryan Schnackel Southern Advisory Iowa City, Iowa 52240

Dwayne Daniels Cultural Competency Advisory Iowa City, IA 52245

Barry Bedford Law Enforcement Advisory Iowa City, Iowa 52244

Shelby Humbles, Jr. Judicial Appointment Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

Jessica Peckover Client Services Advisory Iowa City, IA 52240

* Executive Committee member

NORTHERN SOUTHERN (Established in 1978) (Established in 1978) Ken Popenhagen, Chair **Tracey Mulcahey, Chair** Liaison to Board of Directors Ryan Schnackel, Vice Chair Liaison to Board of Directors Jim Unzetig, Vice Chair Steve Dolezal Michele Canfield **Bob Dvorsky** Leland Freie **Dale Helling Jan Kazimour** Steve Rackis **Teel Salaun Janelle Rettig Susan Spivey CLIENT SERVICES** LAW ENFORCEMENT (Established in 1995) (Established in 2001) Jessica Peckover, Chair **Barry Bedford** Liaison to Board of Directors Liaison to Board of Directors Kim Burlage **Brian Gardner Kristie Clark Wayne Jerman Heather Claussen** Lonny Pulkrabek **Barb Gay Kenneth Runde Christry Glidden Doug Slagle** Ben Kahn **Chris Wyatt** Marcel Kielkucki **Shelly Kramer** Laura Martin **Cassie Mitvalsky Kathy Stone Mary Thoms** Melissa Wickham CULTURAL COMPETENCY (Established in 2009) **Dwayne Daniels** Shelby Humbles, Jr., Chair Liaison to Board of Directors Audra Burns Shar Jones **Monica Challenger Orville Townsend**

Advisory Committees

Award Recipients

Iowa Corrections Association "Outstanding Correctional Worker" Award



On May 12, 2016, Michelle Reese received the Iowa Corrections Association "Outstanding Correctional Worker" award at the Radisson Quad City Plaza.

Department of Justice LECC Law Enforcement Cooperation Award



Congratulations to HRU Officer Tracy Weems who received the Department of Justice LECC Law Enforcement Cooperation Award. The award ceremony was held during their conference on Thursday May 19, 2016.

The award identifies an "individual or group that deserves recognition for their contribution to cooperative law enforcement."

This award is well deserved and Tracy has been a valuable member of HRU since its inception.

Financial Information

Expenditure Report/Expenditures by Cost Center

EXPEN	DITURE DETAIL	1
101	Personnel	16,351,257
202	Personnel Travel – State	18,823
203	Vehicle Operation	37,794
205	Out of State Travel	23,963
301	Office Supplies	38,010
302	Facility Maintenance Supplies	6,971
304	Professional & Scientific Supplies	22,288
306	Housing & Subsistence Supplies	43,158
308	Other Supplies	84,994
311	Food	408,196
401	Communication	93,881
402	Rentals	74,791
403	Utilities	182,170
405	Professional & Scientific Services	476,458
406	Outside Services	64,451
407	Intra-State Transfers	
408	Advertising & Publicity	452
409	Outside Repairs	52,740
412	Auditor of State	390
414	Reimbursement to Other Agencies	135,506
416	ITS Reimbursements	54,140
417	Workers Comp	
501	Equipment Inventory	22,794
502	Office Equipment	
503	Equipment Non-Inventory	74,074
510	IT Equipment/Software/Leases/Supplies	164,557
602	Other Expenses & Obligations	34,848
901	Plant Improvements	
TOTAL	EXPENSES	\$18,466,706

Expenditures by Major Cost Center/Special Projects by Revenue Source

TOTAL EXPEN		
1110	ADMINISTRATION	1,470,712
1120	T-T	30,467
1140	PROBATION/PAROLE	6,251,478
1160	RESIDENTIAL	9,058,946
1210	DRUG COURT	403,554
1260	SEX OFFENDER	851,781
1270	IDAP (DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/BEP)	107,430
1330	NEIGHBORHOOD BASED SUPERVISION	292,338
TOTAL		\$18,466,706

NOTE: Financial information is unaudited

Offender Fees Collected

REVEN	NUE	TOTAL GF (POS)	TOTAL LOCAL FED OTHER	GRAND TOTAL
04B	Balance Forward	280,467	81,307	361,774
05A	Appropriation	14,863,623		14,863,623
201	Federal Grants		248,407	248,407
205	Federal Pass-Through (Federal Rent & Grants)		293,099	293,099
301	Interest		8,089	8,089
401	Enrollment Fees (Supervision Fees)		722,144	722,144
402	Fees & Licenses			
501	Miscellaneous Revenue (Residential Rent)		2,866,117	2,866,117
704	Other Revenue (Program Fees)		154,754	154,754
Total	Revenue	\$15,144,090	\$4,373,917	\$19,518,007

Average Daily Costs

FIELD SERVICES				
	Total Amount			
Grand Total Field Services Expenditures	\$7,532,294.34			
	Dollars Allocated	Number of Offenders	Cost per Offender	
Pretrial Interviews %	\$111,839.89	991	\$112.86	
Presentence Investigations %	\$596,560.64	736	\$810.54	
	Dollars Allocated	Average # Offenders	Divided by 365 days	Cost Per Offender
Pretrial Release with Supervision %	\$512,886.97	262	÷ 365 days	\$5.36
Probation/Parole Supervision %	\$3,810,768.35	1437	÷ 365 days	\$7.27
SPECIALTIES (deducted from probation/parole)	Dollars Allocated	Average # Offenders	Divided by 365 days	Cost Per Offender
Probation/Parole Intensive Services %	\$457,228.74	79	÷ 365 days	\$15.86
Low Risk Probation	\$237,321.83	1249	÷ 365 days	\$0.52
Minimum Risk Probation	\$169,995.89	343	÷ 365 days	\$1.36
Intensive Supervision - Sex Offenders	\$955,005.19	172	÷ 365 days	\$15.21
Drug Court	\$680,686.84	60	÷ 365 days	\$31.08
INTERVENTION PROGRAMS (not deducted from probation/parole)	Dollars Allocated	Average # Offenders	Divided by 365 days	Cost Per Offender
Iowa Domestic Abuse Program	\$299,295.12	748	÷ 365 days	\$1.10
RESIDENTIAL SERVICES				
	Dollars Allocated	Average # Offenders	Divided by 365 days	Cost Per Offender
Total Residential	\$8,236,452.54	255.43	÷ 365 days	\$88.34

NOTE: Enhanced services provided to Drug Court clients funded through Federal grants Financial information is unaudited

Iowa Department of Corrections FY 2016 Financial Status Report

	E I	Y 2016 Financial Status Report				
		Department Revised Budget	Actual Revenues and Expenditures	Encumbrances	Actual Revenues and Expenditures	Percent (Actual of Budget)
	FTE Positions					
	Residential Officer	40.01				
	Total Staffing	49.01 183.91				
		105.91				
	Resources Available					
04B	Balance Brought Forward - Local Funds	250,000.00	331,306.80	-	331,306.80	132.529
04B	Balance Brought Forward - General Fund	30,467.00	30,466.60	-	30,466.60	100.009
05A	Appropriation Appropriation Re-Allocation	14,863,623.00	14,863,623.00	-	14,863,623.00	100.009
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201R	Federal Support	252,478.00	248,407.10	-	248,407.10	98.39
205R	Local Governments	207,996.00	207,996.00	-	207,996.00	100.00
204R 205R	Intra-State Receipts Grants (includes Federal pass-through)	- 79,940.00	85,103.32	-	- 85,103.32	106.469
205R 234R	Transfers - Other Agencies	-	-		-	
301R	Interest	4,000.00	8,088.74	-	8,088.74	202.22
401R	Enrollment / Supervision Fees	537,382.00	526,666.91	-	526,666.91	98.019
401R	Sex Offender Fees	65,000.00	89,058.04	-	89,058.04	137.01
401R	IDAP / BEP Fees	95,000.00	105,614.22	-	105,614.22	111.179
401R	Other Client / Group Fees	1,000.00	805.00	-	805.00	80.50
501R	State Offender Rent	906,875.00	1,075,014.55	-	1,075,014.55	118.549
501R	Federal Bed Rent/Med/Mandays	1,450,000.00	1,728,213.27	-	1,728,213.27	119.19
501R	Federal UA Contract Reimbursements	54,100.00	62,889.00	-	62,889.00	116.259
704R	Miscellaneous	117,900.00	154,753.56	-	154,753.56	131.269
	Total Resources Available	18,915,761.00	19,518,006.11	-	19,518,006.11	104.159
	Funds Expended					
101	Personal Services	16,676,517.00	16,351,256.76	-	16,351,256.76	98.05
202	Personal Travel In-State	15,600.00	18,822.58	-	18,822.58	120.669
203	State Vehicle Operation	61,848.00	37,793.75	-	37,793.75	61.11
205	Personal Travel Out-of-State	20,923.00	23,962.65	-	23,962.65	114.539
301	Office Supplies	55,089.00	38,010.23	-	38,010.23	69.00
302	Facility Maintenance Supplies	4,000.00	6,970.81	-	6,970.81	174.27
304	Professional & Scientific Supplies	41,700.00	22,288.21	-	22,288.21	53.459
306 308	Housing & Subsistence Supplies Other Supplies	51,000.00 55,000.00	43,158.23 84,994.33	-	43,158.23 84,994.33	84.629
311	Food	404,792.00	408,195.68	-	408.195.68	100.84
312	Uniforms & Related Items	-			-	
401	Communications	98,396.00	93,880.73	-	93,880.73	95.41
402	Rentals	74,862.00	74,790.72	-	74,790.72	99.90
403	Utilities	253,675.00	182,170.21	-	182,170.21	71.81
405	Professional & Scientific Services	461,447.00	476,458.45	-	476,458.45	103.25
406	Outside Services	70,577.00	64,450.94	-	64,450.94	91.32
407	Intra-State Transfers	-	-	-	-	
408	Advertising & Publicity	1,500.00	452.20	-	452.20	30.15
409	Outside Repairs/Service	40,000.00	52,740.28	-	52,740.28	131.85
412 414	Auditor of State Reimbursements Reimbursement to Other Agencies	1,000.00 133,377.00	390.00 135,505.92		390.00 135,505.92	39.00
414	ITS Reimbursements	53,339.00	54,139.74	-	54,139.74	101.50
501	Equipment	5,000.00	22,794.11		22,794.11	455.88
502	Office Equipment	-	-	-	-	
503	Equipment (Non-Inventory)	35,467.00	74,073.57	-	74,073.57	208.85
510	IT Equipment	145,881.00	164,557.02	-	164,557.02	112.80
601	Claims	-	-	-	-	
602	Other Expense & Obligations	64,771.00	34,848.00	-	34,848.00	53.80
901	Capitals	90,000.00	-	-	-	0.00
91B	Balance Carry Forward - Local Funds	-	-	-	1,051,300.99	
91B	Balance Carry Forward - General Fund	-	-	-	-	
93R	Reversion Appropriation Re Allocation	-	-	-	-	
	Appropriation Re-Allocation De-appropriation	-	-	-		
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	Total Expenses	18,915,761.00	18,466,705.12	-	19,518,006.11	98.54

Pretrial Services

PRETRIAL INTERVIEWS

This program was established as an alternative to the traditional bail bond system. As a service to the court, arrestees are objectively assessed for likelihood to appear for court. A standardized interview that looks at issues related to stability (residence, employment/support, family ties, criminal record, community protection, etc.) is conducted at the jail on the weekend. Information is verified and a recommendation is made to the court regarding release.

Release recommendations are not made when the information cannot be verified, with the exception of offenders whose backgrounds include records of failure to appear, absconding from supervision, and escape. For those offenders and certain others designated by policy, a bond recommendation is made.



PRETRIAL RELEASE WITH SERVICES

Release With Services (RWS) provides supervision to offenders who are released to the supervision of the Department while awaiting trial, rather than released on their own recognizance or held in jail on cash bond. Probation/Parole Officers supervise RWS offenders to help ensure that offenders meet all court appearances and to inform the Court of any actions that violate their release agreement during the pretrial period.

⇒ New Admissions:	680
➡ Closures:	711
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	213
➡ Offenders Served:	921

PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION

Presentence investigations are prepared as mandated by the Code of Iowa and as ordered by the Court. The purpose of the report is:

- 1) To provide background information on defendants to assist the judiciary with determining appropriate sentences; and
- 2) To provide information to probation officers/institutional personnel to assist them in determining appropriate case planning/correctional programming for defendants.

Presentence Investigations contain the following information:

- official and defendant's version of offense;
- victim and restitution information (to include victim comments and statement of pecuniary damages);
- criminal record (to include juvenile and adult placements);
- family history;
- educational background;
- employment history;
- marital status and living arrangement;
- medical/psychiatric history;
- drug/alcohol usage;
- defendant's attitude;
- an evaluation of the defendant's needs, capabilities, and resources available to meet these needs;
- sentencing recommendation with reasons to support the recommendation

Additionally, in reports completed on persons convicted of sex offenses, the defendant's sexual history and relevant evaluations/assessments are included.

Presentence Investigations - 736						
<u>Johnson County</u> = 46 Long: 40	Pre Plea: 1	Post-Conviction: 5				
<u>Linn County</u> = 690 Long 596	Pre Plea: 16	Post-Conviction: 78				

NOTE: If the associated PSI charge was modified after the PSI was submitted, the table below reflects the modified charge.

Offense Type	Total	Percent	Offense Class	Total	Percent
Violent	105	14.3%	A Felony = 2 B Felony = 15	17	2.3%
Property	335	45.5%	C Felony	164	22.3%
Drug	149	20.2%	D Felony	531	72.1%
Public Order	136	18.5%	Felony–Enhancement to Orig.	2	0.3%
Other	11	1.5%	Misdemeanor (AG=19; SE=2; SI=1)	22	3.0%
Total/%	736	100%	Total/%	736	100%

Field Services

PROBATION/PAROLE

As the largest program in Community Corrections, probation serves as a major alternative to prison and jail incarceration. Offenders released from prison, or from residential facilities to parole are done so on conditional release. The average daily cost of supervising a probation/parole offender in the community is \$4.88 versus \$93.61 (FY 2015) for an incarcerated offender.

Probation			<u>Parole</u>	
 ⇒ New Admissions: ⇒ Closures: ⇒ Active on 6/30/16: ⇒ Offenders Served: 	2,020 1,876 2,775 4,723		 ⇒ New Admissions: ⇒ Closures: ⇒ Active on 6/30/16: ⇒ Offenders Served: 	247 223 320 538

NOTE: Totals above include all probation cases (sex offenders, low-risk probationers, intensive supervision, etc.). Each section below has the individual totals for the supervision status.

Offenders on probation and parole undergo:

- Risk Assessments Iowa Risk Revised (IRR) assessment and Dynamic Risk Assessment for Offender Reentry (DRAOR) to determine the appropriate level of supervision; may include placement in the Intensive Supervision Program (ISP)
- Needs Assessments to identify offender needs
- Reentry Case Planning developed with active offender participation to confront factors contributing to criminal behavior and to enhance offender strengths
- Referral to local treatment agencies
- Employment counseling and community placements
- Payment plan monitoring (i.e.: victim restitution, court costs, attorney fees. etc.)

INTERSTATE COMPACT

The Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision (ICAOS) is a formal agreement between the 50 states and 3 territories that seeks to promote public safety and victims' rights by systematically controlling the interstate movement of certain adult probationers and parolees. The Interstate Compact Offender Tracking System (ICOTS) is a web-based system that facilitates the transfer of supervision. ICOTS also serves as a conduit for miscellaneous communication exchanges and helps to promote effective supervision strategies for offenders under supervision in another state. Each state is responsible for implementing and administering ICOTS in their jurisdiction.

73
56
114
169

NOTE: Totals above include all parole cases (sex offenders, intensive supervision, special sentences, etc.). Each section below has the individual totals for the supervision status.

MONITORING AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (MMP)

The program began in May 2004 for low risk and minimum supervision cases. The probationers are selected for this program as a result of risk scores identified by the Iowa Risk Revised (IRR) assessment. Probationers are required to meet with the supervising agent as required and complete monthly reports. Probationers are monitored for completion of financial obligations, court-ordered requirements, and law violations.

⇒ New Admissions:	274
⇒ Closures:	235
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	343
Offenders Served:	578
Specialties	

SELF-SUPERVISED PROBATION (LOW RISK PROBATION)

The Sixth Judicial District developed a program to divert low-risk offenders from traditional supervised probation in response to a legislative mandate to reduce services to misdemeanant offenders. The self-supervised offender must fulfill court-ordered obligations just as offenders on supervised probation; however, the offender is responsible for completing these obligations on their own. The Department of Correctional Services staff are responsible for preparing probationary compliance reports, which are sent to the judge to determine closure.

⇒ New Admissions:	1,294
⇒ Closures:	1,229
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	1,184
⇒ Offenders Served:	2,412



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Residential Services

RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES:

The District has four residential facilities that offer the highest structure and control; therefore, designed for higher-risk offenders who require such enhanced supervision. The residential facilities also offer short-term placements for offenders under supervision in the community in an effort to "stabilize" the offender, thus avoiding possible revocation. Residential facilities in the Sixth Judicial District provide housing for male and female offenders on probation, parole, work release from an adult institution, and Federal offenders.

Gerald R. Hinzman Center (capacity – 86)



Hope House (capacity – 58)

In Linn County provides services to male and female offenders.

<u>Male offenders include</u>: Probationers and Federal clients

Women offenders include: State Work Release, 2nd and 3rd Offense drunk drivers, Probationers, Parolees and Federal clients



In Johnson County provides services to male offenders which include:

- State Work Release
- 2nd and 3rd Offense drunk drivers
- Probationers

Lary A. Nelson Center (capacity - 93)



In Linn County provides services to male offenders which include:

- State Work Release (returning to the community from a State institution as ordered by the Iowa Board of Parole)
- Male 2nd and 3rd Offense drunk drivers as ordered by District Court
- Probationers

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ANCHOR Center (capacity - 26)



In Linn County provides services to male offenders which include:

- Work Release, Parole, Probation
- Significant mental health and substance use disorders
- Those interested in intensive, holistic treatment services

ANCHOR Residential Facility opened April 20, 2015

The number of individuals with mental health disorders being released on parole into the correctional services districts ranges from 22.5% and 36.0%. Various districts have set up community based programs to address the needs of these individuals. However, very few residential settings are available to these individuals. The ANCHOR Center aims to fill this critical gap in services.

ANCHOR Center has been operational on a field/outpatient basis for several years and opened for residential programming on April 20, 2015. Therapeutic services are provided by licensed and certified staff housed at the ANCHOR Center. Available programming includes a range of outpatient and residential services with the collective goal of reducing recidivism amongst clients with serious mental health and substance use problems.

Programming in the Facilities

Each facility resident is involved in a treatment program designed for that individual. The goal is to enhance that resident's ability to be a success.

Accountability is stressed and enforced at a high standard. In addition, there are numerous program and treatment opportunities for each resident based upon their assessed need including:

- Education Hi-Set, High School, College opportunities
- Sex Offender Programming
- Substance Abuse Counseling and Treatment (individual and group settings)
- In-house AA
- Cognitive Restructuring
- Mental Health Counseling/Intervention and Referral
- Iowa Domestic Abuse Program (IDAP) formerly Batterer's Education Program
- Recreational activities
- Community Service opportunities
- Job Development
- Money Management
- Life Skills

Residential Statistics

- ⇒ New Admissions: 566
- ⇒ Closures:
- ⇒ Active on 6/30/16: 253

448

⇒ Offenders Served: 835

Special Services

HIGH RISK UNIT



- Provides support services to both field and residential units
- Conduct checks in all six counties of the district
- Ensure clients are complying with the conditions of supervision
- Detect violations and allow for interventions before new victims are created
- Collaborate with local law enforcement (i.e.: information sharing, special projects)
- Execute warrants and apprehend absconders

⇒ Arrest New Charge:	42
Arrest Violation:	324
⇒ Furlough:	156
⇒ Home Visit:	2,570
Home Visit Attempted:	1,091
⇒ Other Agency Assist:	55
⇒ Public Field Check:	68
Transport Courtesy:	69
Transport Medical:	8
Transport Security:	419
Warrant Absconder	36
Warrant Violation:	75
Warrant New Charge:	52
Warrant Check Attempted:	194

ELECTRONIC MONITORING

Electronic monitoring equipment is used to augment supervision of offenders who require daily monitoring of their activities or are required by law to be monitored by this system. There are three different types:

- 1. Radio Frequency
- 2. SCRAM Remote Alcohol
- 3. Global Positioning

New Admissions - 14	3
➡ GPS: ➡ Radio/Video Frequency:	121 6
 ⇒ SCRAM (Alcohol Monitor) ⇒ Federal Home Confinement: 	1 15
Specialties	

Treatment Services

SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM

The District provides treatment programs and surveillance (including GPS) to those offenders who commit sex crimes. Treatment is enhanced by the use of polygraph and psychological assessment. Offenders are responsible for paying for their own treatment.

We had 85 new sex offender intake enrollments into the SOP Unit. We had 90 sex offenders serving their special sentence parole at the end of the fiscal year.

Intensive Supervision – Sex Offenders



Special Sentence – Sex Offenders

- ⇒ New Admissions: 15
 ⇒ Closures: 22
 ⇒ Active on 6/30/16: 90
 - ⇒ Offenders Served: 105

The SOP Unit conducts ongoing treatment groups, which include primary sex offender treatment, aftercare and treatment opportunities for lower functioning/MR/DD offenders. The treatment track for offenders in the SOP Unit is determined by validated sex offender specific risk assessment scores.

During this fiscal year there were:

- 151 sex offenders on electronic monitoring
- 144 polygraph exams completed (35 were Federal offenders)
- 25 psycho-sexual exams completed



Human Resource Center (HRC) 901 29th Ave. SW, Cedar Rapids Dedicated on May 20, 1992

HRC was renamed/rededicated to the Richard C. Wenzel Center on June 24, 2011

This Wenzel Center has several conference rooms which are used for group facilitation.

IOWA DOMESTIC ABUSE PROGRAM (IDAP) (formerly Batterer's Education Program)

Iowa Domestic Abuse Program (IDAP) is provided for individuals who are convicted of a Domestic Assault within the Judicial District.

Men's Programming:

The curriculum being used in the men's domestic assault treatment program is titled Achieving Change Through Value-based Behavior (ACTV). The 24-week ACTV curriculum has incorporated the essential components of Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT). In contrast with other models, the facilitator stance is collaborative, and focuses on the participants' ability to shift from ineffective to effective behavior. The curriculum is experiential in nature. Results from studies done by researchers at the University of Iowa show this program have significantly better results than the previously utilized curriculum.

The 24-week program consists of an hourlong Intake/Orientation appointment, which is offered twice monthly. During that appointment participants are asked to select the day and time of their class. Classes are offered in the morning, afternoon and evening and are two hours in length.

⇒ New Admissions:	336
⇒ Closures:	263
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	729
Offenders Served:	1,027

Women's Programming:

We also provide groups for women ordered to complete IDAP, using the Moving On Curriculum. All participants complete an individual Intake/Orientation, followed by 24 weekly, two-hour group sessions.

Alternative Programming:

When severe mental disorders, medical concerns, or other uncommon factors preclude an individual from participating in the ACTV or Moving On groups, offenders are either referred to a local provider for individual work or are provided the opportunity to work individually with District staff. Fees are the same regardless of which curriculum or delivery method is utilized.

TREATMENT ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SAFER COMMUNITIES (TASC)

The Treatment and Accountability for Safe Communities program began in 1987 as part of a five-year federally funded grant. The TASC program has one certified alcohol and drug counselor who provides these services in Linn and Johnson Counties. The TASC staff performs a substance abuse evaluation for offenders who are currently under correctional supervision. From the evaluation, offenders are referred to the most appropriate clinical intervention to address their needs. The offender is then responsible for attending and completing the treatment that is recommended as part of their correctional supervision. This position also completes intakes for the 321.J program, participates in monthly staff meetings with referring agents, and facilitates the 21 weeks of treatment groups and 6 weeks of aftercare.

106 TASC evaluations were completed

MENTAL HEALTH JAIL DIVERSION/PRETRIAL RELEASE

The Mental Health Pretrial Release Jail Diversion Program is available for clients residing in Linn, Jones, and Benton Counties. Similar programs not facilitated by our district exist in other counties within our district. This program was established to provide jail diversion and reentry services for people who have been diagnosed or are thought to have a serious mental illness. This program has historically been available only in Linn County. In partnership with the East Central Region (ECR) Mental Health and Disabilities Services office, both corrections involved and non-corrections involved jail diversion programs are now an available service throughout our judicial district. The numbers below reflect the number of defendants served in the corrections-involved program only which serves Linn, Benton and Jones Counties.

Potential defendants seeking admission to the program typically meet the following criteria:

- Arrested for felony, aggravated or serious misdemeanor offense(s). Simple misdemeanor cases are considered on case by case basis.
- Agree to participate in all aspects of the program, including signing all applicable releases of information.

Jail Diversion staff provide services including but not limited to:

- Review mental health quick screen forms completed with all inmates booked into each jail served.
- Conduct in-person mental health screenings on defendants referred or who indicate need
- Schedule the defendant for a full mental health evaluation completed by a community provider
- Develop and coordinate release plan from jail to meet most imminent needs
- Act as the primary case manager/pretrial agent for the defendant until their final Court disposition, including coordination of all services necessary to meet client needs.
- Oversee and enforce defendant's compliance with the Department of Correctional Services Pretrial Release agreement.

⇒ Released from jail to the program:	67
⇒ Successful discharged:	44
⇒ Revoked and returned to jail:	7
⇒ Mental Health Assessments completed:	118
Mental Health Evaluations completed:	102
⇒ Jail inmates who received services:	30
⇒ Total jail days saved in FY'16:	6,341
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DRUG TREATMENT COURT (DTC)

The Drug Treatment Court was established in 2007 within the Sixth Judicial District from funding appropriated by the state legislature.

The Sixth Judicial District Drug Treatment Court Program is designed to provide intensive community supervision to probation offenders who would be sent to prison if the program did not exist. This program follows the evidence based practice of targeting high-risk, high-need offenders. The offenders served in this program have abuse and dependency issues related to one or more substances, and are sentenced to probation on an Aggravated Misdemeanor or Felony charge. Many of the offenders served in this program also have mental health issues of varying levels of severity.

Drug Treatment Court offenders attend regular court hearings where they are expected to update the Drug Treatment Court Team and their peers on their progress towards their case plan goals. The team consists of a judge, prosecuting attorney, defense attorney, drug treatment court coordinator, drug treatment court supervising agent, community substance abuse agency representative, and a mental health professional. The team rewards positive behavior as much as possible and utilizes immediate, progressive sanctions when offenders struggle with program expectations. The program has been the beneficiary of grants awards from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and Bureau of Justice Assistance. These grants have afforded additional opportunities for offenders that include access to employment support via Goodwill and additional mental health and substance abuse services. Employment services are now funded through state appropriation and other enhancements will end grant funding in September, 2016.

The Drug Treatment Court program is a phase-based program, consisting of 5 phases. The minimum amount of time needed to complete all 5 phases is 12 months, and many individuals will likely require more time than this to complete the program. The phases begin with assessment and evaluation, referral for appropriate level of service, and case plan development. These 5 phases are followed by a minimum of 6 months in Aftercare Supervision. As individuals progress through the phases, based on their individual case plan, the requirements and expectations are also increased. Failure to meet the outlined expectations are addressed during hearings with a variety of incremental sanctions.

 ⇒ New Admissions: ⇒ Closures: 	37 52
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	52 52
Offenders Served: Specialities	102

MENTAL HEALTH REENTRY PROGRAM

The Mental Health Reentry Program was established in 2001 as a collaborative effort with Linn County Mental Health and Developmental Disability Services (MHDD) and the Sixth Judicial District to provide targeted services for people who have been diagnosed or thought to have a mental illness and who are involved in the criminal justice system.

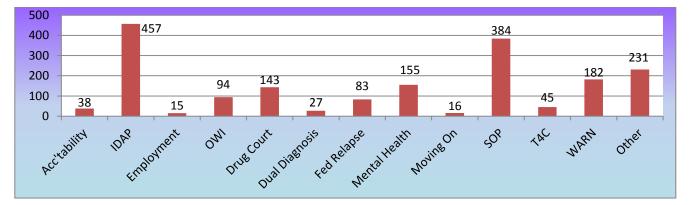
The program is designed to provide a high level of service and intensive supervision for individuals returning from prison and who are entering the community from jail and have been diagnosed with chronic mental illness. Common diagnoses seen in this program include schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders, personality disorders, mood disorders (depression, anxiety, panic), and bipolar disorder. Of those offenders admitted to the program, many also have had a significant history of substance use and/or abuse.

During the critical period of transition from the institution back to the community, MHRP staff are sensitive to the special needs of these offenders and are focused on making appropriate referrals and monitoring follow through and compliance with treatment objectives. Without extra services, supervision, and support, offenders with co-occurring disorders often fall through the cracks of helping agencies and the criminal justice system. They can get caught in the complexities of both the treatment delivery system and the criminal justice system. Therefore, this program is designed to provide specialized supervision, partnered with a connection to community resources that works to positively impact the successful re-integration of offenders with co-occurring disorders into their communities.

⇒ New Admissions:	171
⇒ Closures:	172
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	103
⇒ Offenders Served:	273
Specialties	

Interventions

The District provides groups to assist offender needs. The following shows the number of offenders that participated in groups:



^{*} Other includes - Outpatient Substance Abuse, Cognitive Aftercare, Mentoring, Family Team Meetings, Circles, Grief Counseling; Individualized Sessions, STEPPS, Toastmasters

** IDAP = Actual number of offenders that attended out of 1,027 served

Other Services

COMMUNITY ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

The Community Accountability Board (CAB) is a model of community collaboration. CAB was initially only a component of the Mental Health Reentry Program, however due to successful outcomes; CAB was expanded to include other parole and probation offenders who have a mental health diagnosis and the need for connection to community resources. The CAB model is also the foundation for the Veteran's Independence Project (VIP) that is specific for assisting veterans on supervision.

The CAB assists our offenders in reintegrating into their respective communities. Members of the CAB represent agencies in areas such as: mental health treatment; family and individual therapy; vocational services; education; employment; housing; law enforcement; veteran services; mental health advocacy; and neighborhood and faith-based organizational support.

The CAB operates in Linn County and meets as frequent as necessary each month for a two hour sessions. Offenders are seen as frequently as their need requires. CAB members make their expertise, experience and support available to the offenders they see in these meetings. Many CAB members also make themselves available to offenders outside the board meeting, via phone contact or visits at their respective agencies. This additional support is especially valuable to offenders with mental health needs, who often experience difficulty accessing and following through with therapeutic services. This also allows offenders the chance to meaningfully connect with community providers who can continue to help after discharge from supervision.

⇒ New Admissions:	11
⇒ Closures:	7
⇒ Active on 6/30/16:	16
Offenders Served:	23
Interventions	

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM / WORK CREWS

Guiding Principles:

The Community Service Program provides both individual community service placements as well as group community service opportunities. The program embraces the following guiding principles:

- Individual community service placements provide meaningful service to non-profit entities.
- Group community service projects involve staff and/or placement staff working with clients to complete projects vital to community enrichment.
- Community service builds healthy relationships in the community and promotes positive staff/client relationships.
- Community service promotes healthy alternative leisure time activities.
- Community service offers skill-building opportunities, vocational exploration opportunities and promotes self-confidence in these endeavors, and models appropriate work-related behaviors.

Types of Community Service:

During fiscal year 2016 community service crews (consisting of correctional residents) assisted many local agencies by providing over 2,841 hours of needed services. The following list indicates some of the agencies served:

Local Nonprofits

- o 1105 Project
- ARC of SE Iowa
- Cedar River Project
- Cedar Valley Nature Trail
- Community Resource Connections
- Habitat for Humanity Restore
- Green Square Meals / Horizons
- Humane Society
- Indian Creek Nature Center
- Iowa City Bike Library
- IC Children's Museum
- IC Free Lunch / Free Medical Clinic
- Iowa City Shelter House
- Kiwanis / Optimist / Sertoma Clubs
- Leukemia Society
- Mayors Youth Empowerment (MYEP)
- Palisades / Pleasant Creek Parks
- Salvation Army Toys for Tots
- Ushers Ferry Parks
- Successful Living

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Community Volunteers

• Food Pantries

• Coralville, Foundation 2, HACAP, Iowa City, North Liberty

• Local Festivals

- o 319 Music Festival
- Cedar Rapids Freedom Festival
- Coralville 4th of July
- Fry Fest
- Hoover Hometown Days
- Iowa City Fireworks
- o Juneteenth
- Martin Luther King Day
- North Liberty BBQ & Blues Festival
- Oktoberfest
- o RAGBRAI
- Solon Beef Days
- o Summer of Arts
- Tiffin Fest

Each year volunteers contribute to the success of community-based corrections by assisting the District in delivering quality programs and services. The volunteers come from diverse backgrounds and skill sets, and their involvement is highly valued by the District. The process for becoming a volunteer begins with background and reference checks, followed by identifying an area of interest within the District, training, and then placement. The District is committed to providing the volunteers with a meaningful, positive experience and volunteers are supported throughout their volunteer process. While corrections professionals can and do provide basic supervision of clients, they have neither the resources nor time to provide everything clients need to re-integrate successfully back into their communities. The support of community volunteers allows us to successfully work towards creating the safe and peaceable communities we all desire.

In the 2016 fiscal year, in Linn County alone, 10 community volunteers provided ongoing assistance to the District in a variety of capacities and 8 students did their internships within the District for a total of 1560 hours of support. Volunteers assisted with providing the residents of ANCHOR Center with enriching activities such as participating in arts and library experiences. Interns assisted in both residential and field services, as well as with Thinking for a Change and ACTV groups.

Academic Internships

Academic internships are three-way partnerships between the District, an institution of higher education and the student. They provide hands-on learning opportunities for the students while providing the District with the students' labor and opportunity for recruitment. The District works with interns on both the undergraduate and graduate levels from a variety of institutions of higher learning. This year, the District worked with 8 interns representing the University of Iowa, Coe College and Mt. Mercy University.

Academic internships are an example of the District's key values and beliefs:

Professionalism: We have the opportunity to share our professionalism with students who are often entering the workforce for the first time.

Resourcefulness: Student interns provide additional personnel at no cost to help meet the needs of the offender and community.

Interdependence: The partnership between the District and institutions of higher education is an example of the importance of sharing resources to meet community needs.

Dialogue: Student interns learn about the importance of the mission and programming of the District and share that message with others in the community.

Efficiency: Student interns often come with unique skillsets that can assist the District staff with efficiently meeting the needs of the clients.

There are many benefits associated with developing an active internship program, which include:

- Internships can help to select and develop future staff.
- Internships can provide the opportunity to evaluate and screen prospective employees before offering employment.
- Interns can provide professional staff with the time to pursue extra projects.
- A well-designed internship can provide value to the organization through the investment of the students' talent, intelligence and time.

Federal College Work-Study (FWS) Students

Students from both Kirkwood Community College and Mt. Mercy University that have been approved for federal work study dollars as part of their educational financial aid packet enhance the work of the District through providing additional personnel at no or minimal cost. The Federal Work Study program is based on need, with preference given to those students with the highest financial need. Therefore, the student gains valuable real world career experience and financial assistance, while the District gains a helping hand. This fiscal year we had one FWS student from Mt. Mercy University Criminal Justice B.A. Program who assisted with a variety of support activities.

ADULT MENTORING PROGRAM

The Adult Mentoring Program has been sustained through the use of AmeriCorps members to coordinate the program and provide direct service to participants. With the loss of our AmeriCorps grant, the future of the program was uncertain. In order to provide a continuity of service, as well as to provide sustainability, the Adult Mentoring Program was transferred to the RISE Program. RISE is a community-based jail re-entry program that serves offenders on supervision in addition to those leaving the Linn County Jail. Through the efforts of RISE volunteers, mentors and Circles of Support and Accountability continue to be offered to offenders needing these services.

VICTIM SERVICES PROGRAM

The District is dedicated to serving victims and survivors through infusing victim sensitive practices in all areas of community-based corrections.

In the 2016 fiscal year, the Victim Coordinator provided assistance to 93 victims, who were referred by the County Attorney's office, self-referred or referred internally by probation and parole officers. Some of the types of support offered include:

- Referral to services in the community.
- Emotional support and an opportunity to for victims' to express themselves.
- Victim registration and updates in the DOC database.
- Assisting with victim restitution issues.
- Educating victims about how the correctional system works.
- Providing victims with updates on an offenders' status.
- Family reunification and connection.
- Representing victim interests/rights within the criminal justice system.
- Offering victims a voice in community-based corrections.

In addition, the District sends out notification of change of GPS status to all registered victims' of sex offenders. Those contacts are not included in the 93 total victims served noted above.

Victim Notification, Support and Referral

The District ensures that victims are informed of changes in offender supervision through registering them in the DOC database and sending out notification letters about changes in status. In addition, victims are referred by probation/parole staff for support and referral to community resources as needed. Contacts are by phone, mail, or in person. Many victims are struggling with the ongoing consequences of being victimized and need the opportunity to vent, referral to more extensive support services and help with navigating the criminal justice system. In the many situations, the immediate and extended families of the direct victim are also affected by the crime and need support.

Many offenders have had their own victimization issues that need to be addressed. At the request of the offender's supervising agent, the Victim Coordinator meets with the offender and helps to meet their needs through referral to appropriate community services.

Victim Offender Dialogue Services

If the victim requests communication with their offender, the Victim Coordinator connects the victim to the Office of Victim and Restorative Justice Programs at the state office. The state office offers participation in Victim/Offender Dialogue Services (VOIS). VOIS offers face-to-face dialogue between and offender and a victim after careful planning and preparation. Another option is indirect communication through the use of the Apology Letter Bank, where apology letters that offenders write are screened for appropriateness and deposited into a Letter Bank where victims can choose to access them if wanted.

National Crime Victims' Rights Week 2016

Every April, National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) is held to promote victims' rights and to honor crime victims and those who advocate on their behalf. This year's NCVRW was held April 10-16 and the theme, "*Serving Victims. Building Trust. Restoring Hope*" presented the opportunity to highlight the diversity of our communities, expand partnerships to serve victims of crime, enhance efforts to meet victims where they are, and empower crime victims as they pursue justice and recovery.



The 6th Judicial District Department of Correctional Services partnered with the U.S. Attorney's Office, Horizons - A Family Service Alliance, Unity Point Health Child Protection Center, Waypoint, Riverview Center, Cedar Rapids Police Department, Deaf Iowans Against Abuse, Cedar Valley Friends of the Family, Marion Police Department, and the Linn County Attorney's Office to host events in the Cedar Rapids area throughout the week.

Nearly 100 people attended the *Opening Ceremony* which was held on Sunday, April 10 at the Marion Police Department. Denise Stapley, winner of the reality show *Survivor: Philippines* and a Licensed Mental Health Therapist in Cedar Rapids was the keynote speaker.

The United States Attorneys' Offices for the Northern and Southern Districts of Iowa presented the annual Victim Service Awards. Kyle Paxton, a Medicaid Fraud Unit Investigator with the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals, received the **2016 Law Enforcement Victim Service Award** for his work involving a case of abuse in an elder group home. The 2**016 Award of Excellence in Victim Service** was presented to Holly Elliott, a Victim-Witness Coordinator with the Dubuque County Attorney's Office, for her work with crime victims and in developing training and standards for victim service providers.

Also, at the event, the Linn County Attorney's Office presented the **Jennifer Clinton Domestic Violence Service Award** to Officer Nicole Hotz with the Marion Police Department. Officer Hotz went above and beyond the call of duty to assist a victim of domestic abuse providing support, concern and compassion in a professional manner.



On Tuesday, April 12, over 60 sex offender clients and several staff participated in a Native American Healing Circle at the Faches Center. The focus of the event was to honor victims and assist the clients' in developing empathy for the harm their actions have

caused to their victims and the community. It was apparent by the clients' sharing that many were moved by the experience. Many shared heartfelt feelings and thoughts as the talking stick was passed around. One client spontaneously broke into a spiritual song.



Rod Courtney and Kerry Batoe lead the circle. Kerry sang Native American songs of healing and gratitude and also shared his own story of being victimized with the group. A group of staff created origami swans to circle the medicine wheel and the clients each took a swan at the end of the event to share with someone who was in need of healing. The message of the swans was one of hope and transformation despite dark and ugly choices made in the past. The clients were educated about the purpose and mission of Victims' Rights Week and the Victim Memorial Garden. The event ended with a shared meal and social time.

On Friday, April 15, a Candlelight Vigil for Victims of Homicide was held at Horizons – A Family Service Alliance. Families and friends gathered to honor the lives of local residents lost to homicide over the last 20 years. Each victim was honored individually in a PowerPoint and then families lit a candle in remembrance of their loved one.



On Saturday, April 16th the 10th Annual *Go the Distance for Crime Victims* 5K Run/Walk took place at Thomas Park in Marion with over 200 people participating. The funds raised from this event are used to reimburse victims for financial losses as a result of a crime.

National Crime Victims' Rights Week honors and celebrates the achievements of the past 30 years in securing rights, protections, and services for victims. The bipartisan Victims of Crime Act (VOCA), passed by Congress in 1984, created a national fund to ease victims' suffering. Financed by fines and penalties paid by offenders, the Crime Victims Fund supports services for victims of all types of crime, including assistance for homicide survivors, survivors of child sexual abuse, and victims of human trafficking as well as rape crisis centers and domestic violence programs among others. VOCA also funds victim compensation programs that pay victims' out-of-pocket expenses such as counseling, funeral expenses, and lost wages.

Quality Assurance

The 6th District implements a variety of quality assurance practices to improve processes that ultimately lead to greater offender success. The district, as part of a large federal recidivism reduction grant received by the State of Iowa, is currently working to improve the agency outcomes by moving to a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) model. As part of this, our staff developed an audit database which will be utilized to compile audit data and produce individual and aggregate performance reports. There is cross section of management team members who continue to review internal quality improvement processes and seek ways to enhance them.

Current practices include:

- Audits of risk and need instruments such as the Iowa Risk Revised (IRR) and the Dynamic Risk Assessment for Offender Reentry (DRAOR) to ensure accurate scoring and documentation.
- Audits of case plans to ensure that need areas are appropriately identified and addressed on an ongoing basis.
- Scheduled feedback sessions with agents and auditors to include what strengths and challenges were noted in the audits. Coaching is utilized as appropriate.
- Satisfaction surveys completed by offenders are compiled to determine how they perceive the effectiveness of supervision strategies.

Ongoing development:

- Use of technology to distribute the Offender Satisfaction Surveys. This will provide increased efficiency and rate of return.
- Implementation of the audit database on a statewide level.
- Provide training for staff on assessment audits, case management reviews and use of the database.
- Provide training for staff to increase the knowledge and application of evidence based practices.

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Training



Training staff to be competent in the requisite knowledge, skills, and competencies is directly related to our ability to achieve successful results with offenders.

FY 2016 Training focus was on the DRAOR, Evidence Based Practices, ALICE, and Corrections Fatigue to Fulfillment

Benchmark: 180 (99%) employees complete mandatory training per policy

Benchmark: 5000 Total Training Hours

Internal training included:

- Safety Training Boosters sessions were held in each unit
- Corrections Fatigue to Fulfillment
- CPR/AED
- STEPPS
- 180 employees successfully completed 1245 E-learning training modules and 2030 E-learning hours and 5221 total training hours.

Other initiatives included:

- Racial Disparity Charter Committee (RDCC) Dr. Loes from Mt. Mercy University, RDCC Survey identify issues that pertain to racial disparity, data collection completed, data is being calculated for research with Urban Institute
- ACTV curriculum implementation for IDAP groups
- Moving On Training
- Collaborative trainings with community partners (Firearms, ALICE, Mental Health)
- PREA Audit for Anchor Center (Passed/met all requirements of audit)

Priorities for fiscal 2016-2017 include:

- A.L.I.C.E. training for residential and field services units (Lockdown/Barricade will be focus)
- E-learning Benchmarks
- Evidence Based Practices
- AA/EEO Diverse Cultures in the Sixth Judicial District
- PREA Audit for Hope House
- Corrections Fatigue to Fulfillment