



# Arizona's Investment in Prison Rehabilitation



**Did you know?** 77% of released returning citizens are re-arrested within five years.<sup>1</sup>

**Did you know?** 43% are re-arrested within the first year.<sup>1</sup>

## What is the GEO Continuum of Care®?

The GEO Continuum of Care® is enhanced in-custody offender rehabilitation programming, including cognitive behavioral treatment, integrated with post-release support services. GEO's Continuum of Care® provides individuals the tools, resources, and access to community partners through referrals to assist in their smooth transition into their community. Today the GEO CoC headquarters team includes 53 staff with subject matter experts in education, cognitive behavioral treatment, substance abuse treatment, post-release services, training, and quality assurance.

## CoC IMPROVES LIVES + CAN HELP ARIZONA AVOID INCARCERATION COSTS

- From July 2019 through July 2020, 122 participants released from Florence West volunteered to be engaged with Post Release Services. Those 122 participants received over 262 referrals to community partners.
- The GEO Group, Inc. (GEO) offers employability skills, parenting, substance abuse education and counseling, nutrition/diet education, GED classes, Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes, case management, individual/group counseling, stress management, facility work programs, and job placement.<sup>2</sup>

### ABOVE and BEYOND

The GEO Continuum of Care® goes ABOVE and BEYOND its annual contractual obligation by investing \$1,475,000 in offender rehabilitation. In most cases, this includes additional full time staff, post release support services, substance abuse treatment, 12 step programming, parenting classes, domestic violence prevention, and anger management education.

### The Evidence is in the Data

July 2019 - July 2020

Programming in Florence West Central Arizona	Participation	Completions
Academic Programming	1520	135
Vocational Programming	409	409
Behavioral Programming	1688	1610
Substance Abuse Programming	1392	1219



### Dakota J., An Arizona CoC Success Story

*"I took the time to participate in voluntary CoC program. It helped me realize that I had a substance abuse problem. Then the program built me up and I learned coping skills to deal with my triggers once they appear. Today I'm three years clean. I'm now focused on being a better person."*

**"INDIVIDUAL COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL TREATMENT (ICBT) sessions are designed to target specific criminogenic needs to reduce an individual's risk for reoffending when released"**

To learn more visit, [WeAreGEO.com/Continuum-Of-Care](http://WeAreGEO.com/Continuum-Of-Care).

<sup>1</sup> The Hamilton Project - Recidivism of Prisoners, by Prior Arrest History (2016)

<sup>2</sup> The GEO Group: Florence West Correctional and Rehabilitation Facility