



# New Mexico'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 NEW MEXICO AVOID INCARCERATION COSTS

- From July 2019 through July 2020, 385 participants released from Guadalupe County and Lea County facilities volunteered to be engaged with Post Release Services. Those 385 participants received over 845 referrals to community partners.
- The Guadalupe County Correctional Facility provides programs and recreation, volunteer and religious programs, security, safety, education, work programs, counseling and mental health services.<sup>2</sup>

### ABOVE and BEYOND

The GEO Continuum of Care® goes ABOVE and BEYOND its annual contractual obligation by investing \$817,000 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 Guadalupe County & Lea County Correctional Facilities	Participation	Completions
Academic Programming	502	80 (66 GED)
Vocational Programming	247	13
Behavioral Programming	729	26
Substance Abuse Programming	271	240



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

### Brandon S., A New Mexico CoC Success Story

*"The interaction with my case worker every two weeks changed my thinking and allowed me to change my attitude and actions once I was released. They should have this program in every prison."*

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: Guadalupe County Correctional Facility