

Reentry Roundtable Session (Virtual)

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

2:00 PM

Attendance:

Lou Grillo
Kelly Hundley
Desiree Brooks
Anita Bennett
Melissa Elliott
Dawn Michelle Tucker
Durwood Hunter
Carolyn Perry
Monica Satterwhite
Kyle Burwell
Tanesha Kelly – State Reentry Specialist (for our area)
James Johnson
Hal Muetzel

OLD BUSINESS:

- Plan what the Reentry Roundtable will be doing as we move forward.
- Submit names and contact information for resource partners in our region.
- Connect with local sheriffs for resources in the area such as the Vance County sheriff and the Henderson Police Department.
- Reach out to local city and/or county manager(s) or elected official(s) to be a part of this task force.
- James – reach out to faith based communities for those that have programs for reentry population.
- Reminder from Anita to let her know each organization represented in the Reentry Roundtable and to email what services their organization provides for reentry customers and if your organization would like to be listed as a provider.
- Being listed as a provider means your organization will commit to making connections for services to the reentry population. By the next meeting date, January 20, 2021 those organizations that provide their information to be listed as a provider and partners will be identified and confirmed. Once confirmed, the providers will be included on the January 20, 2021 meeting.
- Lou – The 2021 goal - to move the Reentry Roundtable to a Reentry Council with assistance from State Reentry Specialist, Tanesha Kelly.

HIGHLIGHTS

- A kerrtarworks.com website will be used to house our information. The COG Engagement Specialist will be “polishing up” the site. Services are in place for referrals. Referrals for reentry assistance may come from any surrounding area. There is a “contact us” button on the website and Durwood Hunter is the contact person for Reentry. The homepage will have virtual events, files, employers, housing, etc.
- Lou - Hold a virtual resource fair through Zoom and use a job fair platform. Customers would be able to move from “booth to booth” virtually. Capital Area and Durham have a license to use the program for virtual job fairs and it may be possible to partner with Durham to hold an event.
- Tentative date for the virtual resource fair is sometime in April - 3 more meetings to plan before the event.

REMINDER:

If you have not already done so, please email your titles of organizations and what resources are provided for our customers we serve **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** to Anita Bennett.

NEXT MEETING

Meetings are held every third Wednesday of each month at 2 PM. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 20, 2021.