



COMMUNITY PARTNERS IN ACTION
LIST OF CURRENT PROGRAMS
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PRISON ARTS PROGRAM – Professional artists, volunteers and community organizations offer seminars and workshops in a variety of artistic media and present musical events to inmates in several state correctional facilities. Community Partners in Action sponsors an annual exhibition of inmate art, and publishes an annual journal. Inmates request admittance to the program through institutional counselors. **(1978)**

ALTERNATIVE INCARCERATION CENTER - A program which monitors individuals referred by the criminal justice system to community supervision. It restricts the offender's freedom without incarceration to protect public safety and, at the same time, establishes positive ties between the community and the offender. Clients attend self-help groups, informational workshops, perform community service, and work with staff to effect positive change. The CPA, which created the state's first AIC in 1986, now runs AIC programs in Hartford, and Manchester. **(1986)**

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM - Thirty-three beds are available to men who are referred by Court Support Services Division to the Alternative Incarceration network with a stipulation of transitional housing for at least the first 30 days of their program commitment. Clients participate in day programming at the Hartford Alternative Incarceration Center. **(1989)**

YOUNG OFFENDER PROGRAM – Approximately 350 clients are assigned annually by the Court to this program while they await disposition of their cases. Clients are also referred to the program as part of their probation. The students attend class at the Alternative Learning Center during the morning five days per week, or are monitored in public high schools. Classes are led by certified Hartford Board of Education teachers. In the afternoon, activities are supervised by CPA staff, who also follow up on any other problems or needs the students may have until the disposition of their case. Curfew checks and family interventions comprise a large part of the program. **(1991)**

WORK RELEASE PROGRAM – Provides a transitional residence to clients released from DOC institutions on Community Release status. Clients learn about risk reduction, relapse prevention, and financial & life skills, while rejoining the workforce as part of their release stipulations. Clients pay rent and enter a savings program in order to more fully understand their responsibilities. Clients are referred by the Department of Correction Community Enforcement office after having been approved by the facility wardens. **(1991)**

RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM - This program is designed to assist offenders in preparing for and accomplishing a successful return to the community. Operating statewide, the Resettlement Program has developed liaisons with service providers in the community and is able to provide on-going assistance in locating and accessing resources responsive to the needs, including food, shelter, clothing, education, medical services, as well as emotional support and encouragement. Staff begin working with clients while they are incarcerated so that support systems are in place upon release. Clients request admission to the program through their institutional counselor. **(1992)**

HARTFORD AREA MEDIATION PROGRAM - Initiated in 1984 as a pro-bono contribution by Aetna Life & Casualty attorneys (management) and employees (volunteer mediators), the program chose the CPA as its permanent not-for-profit location. HAMP mediates in cases designated by the Superior Court and/or Community Court as eligible for out-of-court dispute resolution. Participation in the process is a voluntary option offered by the court and clients benefit by having their cases resolved in a way that provides personal satisfaction and/or restoration. If the clients or victims refuse to participate, the case is referred back to the court. **(1993)**

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BEYOND FEAR (HIV/AIDS EDUCATION & TRAINING PROGRAM) - A coordinator and educators work together to establish a peer education program within Connecticut's Correctional Facilities, and to develop informational materials for inmates. Inmates receive intake and/or discharge packets containing resource information. (1994)

HARTFORD COMMUNITY COURT – Community Service Program. Upon receiving a citation from the police, this project requires offenders to give back to the neighborhoods in which their quality of life offenses occurred by providing case specific community service projects. CPA staff works closely with the Judge, States Attorney, and Human Services Staff to insure that clients receive any assistance deemed necessary. They must successfully complete community service prior to disposition of their case. (1998)

HARTFORD SECURE COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM FOR GIRLS – This program provides state of the art community based residential supervision and programming for young women up to age 16 in a secured detention facility. Girls in the program receive supportive counseling, medical and psychiatric services, recreation, and family interventions. Referrals come from the Juvenile Court system and provider network. (1998)

PROBATION TRANSITION PROGRAM (PTP) – Once funded by CSSD as the split sentence notification program, this program provides five staff who work in tandem with probation officers to insure that persons returning to the community from incarceration have no lapse in services, such as case management, substance abuse counseling and job development. (2004)

TECHNICAL VIOLATION UNIT (TVU) – Funded by Court Support Services Division, this program provides intensive case management and supportive services to clients who have violated terms of probation, but have been committed to the program in lieu of incarceration. (2004)

GRACE COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM FOR GIRLS – Funded by Court Support Services Division, this program provides a group residential setting for juvenile girls as an alternative to state or community-based detention. CPA operates one eight bed program for girls in Hartford. (2005)

PRISONER RE-ENTRY PROGRAM (PREP) – Funded by a Federal DOL grant, this is a multi-agency Hartford based collaboration led by CPA. The program is designed to help ex-offenders find and retain employment in order to reduce recidivism. (2005)

HAMDEN SECURE COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM FOR BOYS (SAGE)-This is a CSSD-funded community-based residential program for young men up to age 16. Boys in the program receive medical and psychiatric services, education, and supportive counseling in a secure, gender sensitive setting. This program started as a program for girls but it transitioned into a boys program in 2009. (2006)

HAMDEN COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM FOR BOYS (BRAVE)-Funded by Court Support Services Division, this program provides group residential setting for juveniles as an alternative to state community-based detention. CPA operates one 6-bed program located in Hamden. (2008)