



REENTRY

Welcome Reentry Case Managers!

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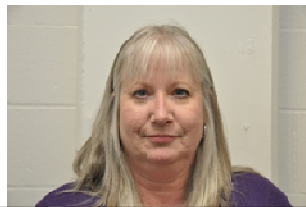
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SHERRY GILL

Sherry is a Lawrence native who graduated from Lawrence High School and Kansas University. She is also a Veteran of the United States Army and National Guard.

Sherry has experience with at-risk populations as well as having worked at Lansing Correctional Facility. She has worked in Lawrence in a variety of positions and is familiar with the wide array of services that Lawrence has to offer. She has been a certified Red Cross Instructor in the community for several years and enjoys interacting with all types of people. She is very excited about becoming a

member of the team at the Douglas County Sheriff's Office.



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Madeline graduated from the University of

Colorado in Boulder with a BA in Sociology with an emphasis in Criminology and a Minor in Business. She moved to Kansas City to live near her older sister and parents (who live in Arkansas). She worked as a Correctional Advisor at the Adult Residential Center in Johnson County's Correctional Department.

She recently got a Shetland Sheepdog puppy, who is full of energy and keeps her active. She is helping her to train for a half marathon. She, too, is very excited to become a Reentry Case Manager for Douglas County.

Program Spotlight: Gift Tree of Love

The **Ninth Street Baptist Church's Missionary Outreach Center** hosted the 3rd annual Gift Tree of Love in December. Ninth Street received 10 referrals from incarcerated parents wishing to ensure their children received gifts for the holiday season. Ninth Street parishioners purchased gifts for the children and held the exchange party at the church on December 18th. Three tables were full of

wrapped gifts of clothing and toys for the kiddos.

Many, MANY thanks to **Deborah Ferguson** and **Milton Scott** for organizing another successful event. And to **Pastor Delmar White** for his continued leadership and support in sponsoring the Gift Tree for children. Thank you, Ninth Street!



UNITED WAY OFFICE SPACE

THE REENTRY CASE MANAGERS HAVE SPENT THE INITIAL FEW WEEKS BECOMING ORIENTED TO CORRECTIONS, ON FEBRUARY 1ST, THEY WILL HIT THE GROUND RUNNING INTO REENTRY POST-RELEASE CASE MANAGEMENT.

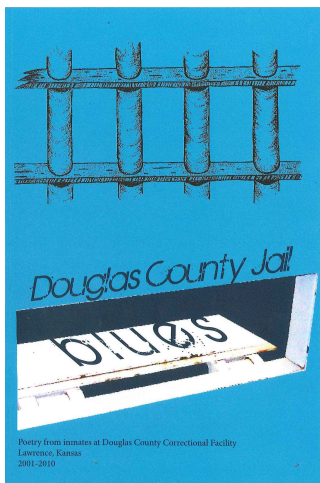
TO SUPPORT THEIR WORK INTO THE COMMUNITY, THE SHERIFF HAS LEASED OFFICE SPACE IN THE UNITED WAY SOCIAL SERVICES CENTER. THE SPACE WILL

GIVE THE REENTRY CASE MANAGERS AN OFFICE TO MEET WITH CLIENTS AFTER THEIR RELEASE: THE HIGHER THE ASSESSMENT LEVEL, THE MORE FREQUENT CONTACTS ARE MADE TO ASSIST IN MEETING CLIENT NEEDS.

THE UNITED WAY CENTER IS HOME TO OVER 18 AGENCIES, INCLUDING ECKAN, GA DU GI CENTER, SUCCESS BY 6, THE ROGER HILL VOLUNTEER CENTER, HOUSING AND CREDIT

COUNSELING SERVICES AND MORE. THEY HAVE AVAILABLE MEETING SPACES THAT WILL SERVE AS AREAS TO FACILITATE POST-RELEASE PROGRAM GROUPS. THE CENTER IS ACCESSIBLE, AND LOCATED ON THE BUS ROUTE, NEAR THE WORKFORCE CENTER.

IF YOU'RE IN THE AREA, STOP IN TO CHECK OUT THE NEW SPACE, WHICH IS LOCATED AT 2518 RIDGE COURT, ROOM 219.



Poetry from inmates at Douglas County Correctional Facility
Lawrence, Kansas
2001-2010

WRITING PROGRAMS

Thus far, over 275 gold key envelopes have been distributed to the women's housing unit as a return from their published writings in "Women of Color". These "Zine's" are published quarterly and are just \$2. Proceeds from the sales go to the Gold Key Envelope program, mailing packets for the women's housing unit.

The Men's Writing Group has published "Douglas County Jail Blues", a compilation of poetry from the male inmates in our facility. Volunteer group facilitator Brian Daldorph, who was the 2010's Volunteer of the Year, has been widely published, including his poems, stories, reviews and articles.

Both publications are sold at The Raven bookstore, 8 E 7th Street in Lawrence.

WHERE DO YOU VOLUNTEER?

We work, live and play in our communities, but how do you extend your reach to connect to the broader community?

I started volunteering as a class requirement, and, honestly, a way to pad my resume. Little did I know that I would maintain a desire for continued community service 16 years later. For the past 3 years, I've read the Kansas City Star Sports section for Audio-Reader at the wee-hour of 6 AM on Wednesdays. Its rewarding to know those who are visually impaired won't miss their mid-week morning sports fix (and neither do I !!). I also "bank" something I hope I never need: I regularly donate a pint of whole blood.

Folks here reach out, too:

For more information on volunteering in Douglas County, contact the Roger Hill Volunteer Center at 785.865.5030, or www.rhvc.org.

Sheriff McGovern: Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center & Big Brother/Big Sister Board Member.

Undersheriff Massey: Link Kitchen, Eudora School Board President, Douglas County Senior Services Board, Eudora Library Board

Lt. Houk: Safe Kids Coalition, Lawrence Helmet fair, Walk-Your-Kid-To-School day, Eudora Pedestrian Committee and KU's Kansas Kids Fitness Day.

Lt. Woods: Breakfast Optimist Club, Big Brothers Big Sisters Hawks, Cops & Kids, Special Olympics

Kim Smoots: American Cancer Society Relay for Life, International Association of Administrative Professionals, Community Blood Ctr, Toys-4-Tots, Coat Drive, Food Pantry collections.

Mike Caron: USD 497 Wetland Learners Program, KS Herpetological Society, Save the Wakarusa Wetlands, Haskell Cultural Ctr, Four Winds, Neighborhood Assoc.

Eric Sader, MSW Intern: Just-Food-Pantry, Black Law Student Association Food Drive, Guardianship Assistance Program

Academy classes: Social service League, Jubilee Café.

Let me know: **Where do YOU volunteer?**

Progress Reports



Judges, prosecuting and defense attorneys, and court probation officers may request inmate progress reports from Reentry for post-sentence modification

of sentence and motion for parole hearings. Progress reports are designed to provide an overall picture of the past, present and future risks and needs of the inmate, from performance and participation while incarcerated, to transition needs and services post-release.

Progress reports will cover the following information this latest incarceration period:

- ✓ Classification information and status
- ✓ Current court status and other court

cases/detainers, if applicable

- ✓ Proxy screening score for community risk to reoffend
- ✓ Program attendance and participation
- ✓ Disciplinary incident report and/or tickets received
- ✓ Reentry program engagement, including release plans related to housing, employment, substance abuse and/or mental health, and other community-based needs, services and resources.

Progress reports are not issued based on an inmate's request alone. They must be requested through approved Court personnel.

Should you request a progress report, it is helpful to provide the names and contact information of all parties involved in the matter pending before the Court (Court, attorneys, probation officers, etc).

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COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE

Check out the new community Resource Guide, a project of the Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority, the Douglas County Community Foundation, the City of Lawrence and Headquarter's. The guide features over 90 available community resources, overlaid upon the bus route.

Printed maps will be available at the Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority, or through Reentry at the jail.

<http://www2.ljworld.com/kansas/lawrence/maps/emergency-resources/>

REENTRY MISSION

**TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY BY BRINGING TO-
GETHER THE PUBLIC & PRIVATE RESOURCES OF
DOUGLAS COUNTY TO HELP EX-OFFENDERS
SUCCESSFULLY RE-ENTER THEIR NEIGHBOR-
HOODS AS ACCOUNTABLE, SELF-SUFFICIENT &
LAW-ABIDING CITIZENS.**