

# IRACS Impact Report

*Integrated Reentry and Correctional Support Program*

*Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center*

*1Voice Recovery Community Organization*

*Data Range: 7/6/22-10/1/25*

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## Program Overview

The Integrated Reentry and Correctional Support (IRACS) program has made a measurable impact on the recovery and reintegration outcomes of justice-involved individuals within the Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center. IRACS is a peer-facilitated initiative created in collaboration with Mental Health America of Indiana (MHA), Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA), and the Governor's office. IRACS is staffed by seven Certified Peer Support Professionals, each accredited through the Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA). The program operates under 1Voice, a Certified Recovery Community Organization and one of ten designated Regional Recovery Hubs identified by DMHA.

Through its integrated model, IRACS connects participants to community-based peer support services, recovery planning, and local resource navigation, promoting sustained recovery and reducing the likelihood of reoffending. Participants also engage in structured programs such as MATRIX Criminal Justice Model and WRAP (Wellness Recovery Action Planning), which reinforce accountability and personal growth. The measurable outcomes from all data collected are provided below, demonstrating the program's success in fostering hope, stability, and long-term community reintegration.

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## Program Reach and Participant Outcomes

### Total Participants Served

- **1,575 intakes** completed since program launch on **July 6, 2022**.
- Participants receive peer support, goal planning, reentry coordination and support, source navigation and community-based referrals and access to evidence-based group programming.

## Overall Program Impact

- **342 participants returned to incarceration**, resulting in a **21.6% recidivism rate**.
- **78.4 of IRACS participants have not reoffended**, demonstrating strong recovery and reintegration outcomes.
- **Of the 1575 program participants, 1189** had referrals completed to community-based peer support services through Choices Emergency Response Team, INcompass Health, Indiana Regional Recovery Hub's and 1Voice.

## Key Drivers of Success

- Evidence Based Peer-led support increases trust, engagement, and retention in community-based treatment and service referrals.
- Structured programs (MATRIX, WRAP) reinforce sustainable behavior change.
- Resource navigation ensures continuity of care post-release.

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## Matrix Criminal Justice Model Impact

The Matrix Criminal Justice Model, facilitated by IRACS, is an evidence-based, 20-25 week peer-facilitated program designed to promote sustained recovery and behavioral change among justice-involved participants. The program is organized into three structured modules **Early Recovery Skills, Relapse Prevention, and Adjustment Skills** which progressively guide participants through the foundational, maintenance, and reintegration phases of recovery.

A defining strength of this model is its peer-led approach, which leverages the lived experience of facilitators who have successfully navigated similar recovery and reentry challenges. This peer connection fosters trust, relatability, and accountability, creating a supportive learning environment where participants can openly engage and apply practical strategies to their own recovery journeys. The shared experience between facilitators and participants helps break down stigma and reinforces the belief that long-term change is achievable.

## Matrix Program Outcomes

- **207 program completions** to date.
- **37 individuals returned to incarceration**, yielding a **17.8% recidivism rate**.

- The data underscores the program's effectiveness in reducing reoffending and promoting long-term recovery stability.
- **17 participants have completed MATRIX post release** within the community. This is facilitated in the community on Monday and Thursday at the 1Voice Recovery Community Center. This is in alignment with the material facilitated weekly within the Law Enforcement Center to ensure a seamless continuum of the program post release.

### **Inpatient Treatment Collaboration**

Through a coordinated partnership among 1Voice, the Dearborn County Court System, defense attorneys, and local treatment providers, 229 participants have been connected to inpatient substance use treatment programs through pre-release furloughs or sentencing agreements.

This proactive, collaborative approach ensures individuals are given the opportunity to begin their recovery journey in a supportive, clinically guided environment before fully reentering the community. Of those referred, the vast majority successfully completed their treatment programs, demonstrating meaningful engagement and commitment to recovery. Importantly, 145 participants (approximately 63.3%) have not returned to incarceration since their release to treatment — a powerful indicator of lasting stability, resilience, and personal growth. While 84 participants (36.7%) did experience a return to the Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center, many of these individuals achieved sustained recovery for varying periods during the three-year review window, reflecting that recovery is often a nonlinear process marked by progress and renewed effort. Collectively, these outcomes highlight the IRACS program's strength in fostering collaboration, promoting access to treatment, and creating pathways for long-term recovery and successful reintegration.

### **IRACS facilitates treatment access through coordination with:**

- The Dearborn County Court System
- Local treatment providers
- Defense attorneys
- SIEOC Health Insurance Navigators
- 1Voice Community-based peer support staff

### **Inpatient Treatment Outcomes**

- **229 participants referred** to inpatient programs.
- **145 participants (63.3%) have not returned to incarceration** following treatment placement.
- **84 participants (36.7%) did return**, though many maintained periods of recovery during the three-year review window.
- **35 participants left treatment, was removed or never completed admission.**

### **Inpatient Treatment Center Referral Outcomes**

Through this collaborative process IRACS participants have been connected to over 20 different inpatient treatment centers for mental health and substance use. Through review of all collected data here are some of the outcomes.

#### **Hickory Treatment Centers: 55 Referrals**

- 32 have not returned to incarceration at Dearborn County LEC.
- 23 have returned to incarceration at Dearborn County LEC.

#### **Unity House: 38 Referrals**

- 18 have not returned to incarceration at Dearborn County LEC.
- 20 have returned to incarceration at Dearborn County LEC.

#### **Salvation Army ARC: 32 Referrals**

- 18 have not returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.
- 14 have returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.

#### **Volunteers of America VOA: 10 Referrals**

- 9 have not returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.
- 1 has returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.

#### **Transitions: 11 Referrals**

- 10 have not returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.
- 1 has returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.

#### **Progress House: 12 Referrals**

- 8 have not returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.
- 4 have returned to incarceration at the Dearborn County LEC.

## **Community Reentry and Support**

A key component of the IRACS model is ensuring that participants receive comprehensive assistance as they transition from incarceration back into the community. Through ongoing collaboration with regional service providers and the 1Voice Recovery Community Organization, participants are supported in navigating essential systems and securing resources that promote long-term stability and recovery.

Upon release, IRACS participants receive coordinated support that includes:

- **Insurance navigation** to facilitate access to medical, mental health, and substance use disorder services.
- **Access to Mental health and SUD assessments**, with referrals to appropriate treatment providers
- **Food and clothing resources** assistance for immediate basic needs
- **Employment resources**, including job search assistance and workforce readiness support.
- **Housing navigation**, connecting participants with temporary and long-term housing options
- **Ongoing community-based peer recovery support provided by 1Voice**
- **Assistance obtaining essential identification documents**, including:
  - **State-issued identification cards.**
  - **Birth certificates**
  - **Social Security cards**

These supports remove critical barriers that often hinder reentry, improve access to treatment, and strengthen participants' ability to secure employment, housing, and healthcare.

## **Community-Based Peer Support Referrals**

To extend care beyond incarceration, IRACS partners with a network of peer recovery organizations. Through these partnerships:

- 1,189 participants received referrals to community-based peer support services through:
  - **Choices Emergency Response Team**

- **INcompass Health**
- **Indiana Regional Recovery Hubs**
- **1Voice Recovery Community Organization**

These connections ensure ongoing access to peer mentorship, crisis support, and recovery coaching, providing each participant with a dependable support network during reentry.

### **Recidivism and Return to Incarceration**

**1,575 participants** have enrolled. Of these individuals, **342 participants** have returned to the Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center for several reasons. A detailed breakdown of return-to-incarceration causes provides important context for understanding participant outcomes and the complexities of recovery and reentry.

#### **Overall Returns**

- **1,575 total IRACS participants**
- **342 individuals (21.7%) returned to incarceration.**

#### **Probation Violations**

A sizable portion of those who returned to incarceration, **177 participants** were due to **probation violations only**, rather than new criminal charges.

These violations are, but not limited to:

- Failed or missed drug screens.
- Non-compliance with terms of probation

This reflects the challenges many participants face in meeting strict supervision conditions while navigating early recovery. It also reflects the reality of the long-term struggle for those who are affected by substance use disorders.

#### **New Criminal Charges**

Among those who returned due to new criminal charges (**not probation violations**), the breakdown is as follows:

#### **Substance-Related Charges**

- **42 participants** returned solely for **substance-related offenses**  
(Excludes OWI/DUI offenses)

## **Driving-Related Charges**

- **11 participants** returned for **driving without license offenses**
- **32 participants** returned for **Violent/Sexual offenses**.

## **Total Engagements**

The IRACS program provides a wide range of peer-led supports, recovery services, and reentry coordination. The total documented engagements include direct support, planning services, and linkage to community-based resources. These interactions represent the core of IRACS' ongoing commitment to individualized recovery and stability for justice-involved participants.

## **Engagement Totals**

- **11,373 One-on-One Peer Recovery Sessions**  
Individualized recovery coaching, accountability support, and mentorship.
- **4,517 Care Coordination Sessions**  
Resource navigation, reentry planning, treatment linkage, and service coordination.
- **3,912 Referrals Completed**  
Connections to treatment providers, community-based recovery networks, social service agencies, and local support organizations.
- **1,575 Intake Sessions**  
Comprehensive assessments and service onboarding for new participants.
- **2,383 Recovery Planning Sessions**  
Collaborative development of recovery goals, stabilization strategies, and long-term support plans.

## **Group Session Engagements**

Group-based programming remains a foundational component of the IRACS model, offering structured, evidence-based curriculum facilitated by Certified Peer Support Professionals. These sessions promote accountability, skill-building, emotional regulation, and long-term recovery readiness.

## Group Engagement Totals

- **8,204 MATRIX Program Engagements**  
Focused on early recovery skills, relapse prevention strategies, and adjustment skills to support sustained behavioral change.
- **4,301 WRAP Program Engagements**  
Centered on Wellness Recovery Action Planning, crisis management, emotional wellness, and personal empowerment.

## Program Impact Summary

IRACS has proven to be a transformative model at the intersection of recovery and reentry and continues to demonstrate meaningful and measurable positive outcomes for justice involved individuals. By combining peer-led recovery support with structured, evidence-based programming and coordinated reentry planning, the program:

- **Reduces return to incarceration rates** across both general IRACS participants and Matrix program graduates.
- **Improved treatment engagement**, with strong completion and stability rates.
- **Enhanced community reintegration**, supported through peer-led planning and navigation.
- **Stronger collaboration** between correctional facilities, courts, and community treatment providers.
- **Reduces critical incidents** within the Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center.
- **Reduces justice-system involvement** and Law Enforcement Center populations.

## Conclusion

The data and outcomes presented demonstrate the profound and continuing impact of the IRACS program within the Dearborn County Law Enforcement Center. By combining peer-led recovery support, structured evidence-based programming, and coordinated reentry planning, IRACS has significantly reduced recidivism, improved treatment engagement, and enhanced overall participant well-being. The collaboration between 1Voice, local courts, and community treatment partners ensures that individuals leaving incarceration are equipped with the tools, resources, and peer connections necessary for lasting recovery. As the program continues to grow, IRACS remains a vital model for bridging the gap between correctional environments and community-based recovery, fostering hope, stability, and transformation for those seeking a new path forward.



## Disclaimer

This report was compiled using multiple verified data sources to ensure accuracy and consistency in evaluating program impact and participant outcomes. Data included in this report was obtained from:

- IRACS team documentation entered in the electronic records system Recovery Link.
- DCLEC Inmate rosters and release lists.
- Information provided by Mental Health America (MHA) and the Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction (DMHA)
- Publicly accessible legal records, including participant case information reviewed through Indiana MyCase.

The data reflects IRACS program activity from July 6, 2022 through October 1, 2025. All information was compiled, prepared, and reviewed by Aaron Spaulding and shared with independent partners within the justice-involved and court systems to support transparent evaluation and individual case review.

This report is intended for informational and evaluation purposes only. Data accuracy is reliant on the completeness and integrity of the contributing sources.

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