



ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS DIRECTORS

Community Corrections: Helping Oregon Save Money, and Promote Public Safety

The partnership between the state and counties delivering community supervision and program services to people on parole and probation promotes public safety by holding offenders accountable. Community Corrections also helps them secure employment and stable housing, and complete treatment or other appropriate programs. These services and programs improve their lives, and help keep our communities safe. As the state and counties work to manage the public safety system through tough economic times, Community Corrections provides a *less expensive, more effective* vehicle to change offender's behavior, and reduce crime.

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- **Sound Public Safety Outcomes:** Of the 34,000 people we supervise, seven out of 10 people managed in the community *do not reoffend*, and 7 out of 10 people managed in the community *successfully complete their supervision*. Community Corrections is demonstrating compliance with implementation of Evidence Based Practices outlined in SB 267 as evidenced by the stringent program assessment: Corrections Program Checklist (CPC).
- **The Least Expensive, Most Effective Correctional Approach:** By managing people in the community rather than prison or a jail cell, Community Corrections systems help the state and counties save money. Community supervision costs 1/8th (\$9.95 a day). Compared to the cost of a prison bed (\$77.78 per day '07-'09).
- **Helping Oregon Balance Public Safety Spending:** In the 2009-11 budget, big cuts to policing, the courts, domestic violence services and District Attorneys were averted by developing policies to manage the appropriate people in Community Corrections system.
- **Targeting Supervision of Violent Offenders:** As the state and counties collaborate to identify the appropriate level of supervision for everyone leaving prison, Community Corrections departments are ensuring that the public safety system is focused on sex offenders, violent offenders and others who pose the biggest threat to our communities.
- **Helping People, and Helping Build Oregon Communities:** Community Corrections is geared towards helping offenders complete treatment, get a job, get housing, along with helping them stay out of trouble. Every year, people under community supervision complete hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of community service projects. Community Corrections provides restoration to the community through emphasis on enforcing restitution collection, court fines, and services to victims. When appropriate, Community Corrections allows people to return to their families as parents, caregivers and members of the community.