

Jessamine County Detention Center

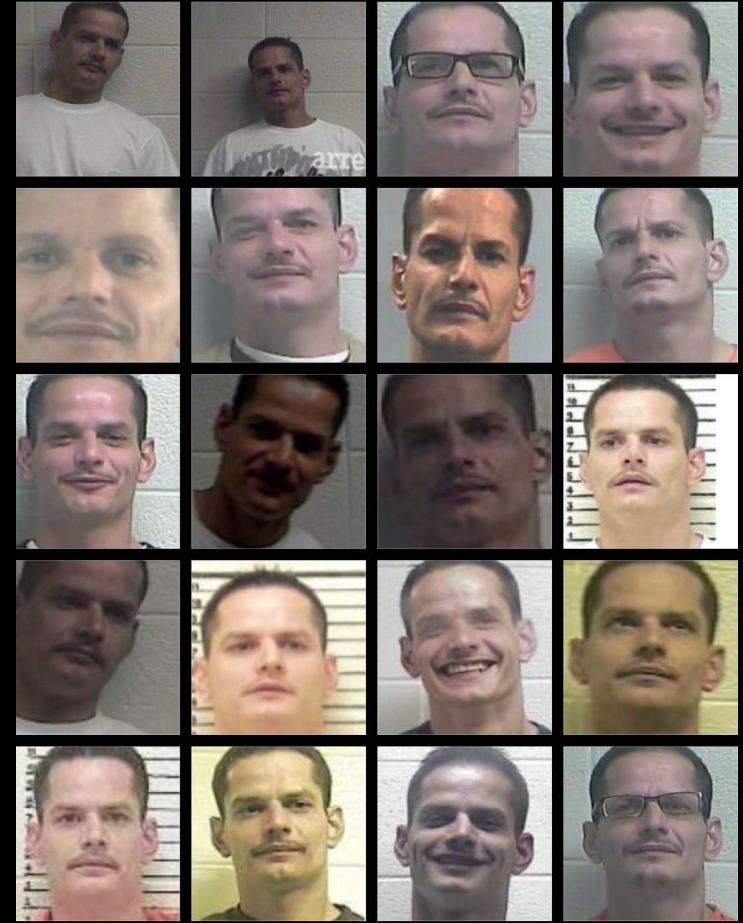


Re-Entry Program

Jessamine County Re-Entry Coordinator

Robert Barbosa

- Robert Barbosa was incarcerated in our facility approximately 35 times.
- In October 2017 Robert was released from our detention facility for the last time, he decided that he no longer wanted to live a life of addiction.
- Robert moved to Florida for 2 years and completed ministry school becoming an ordained minister.
- Upon his return to Kentucky in 2019 he began employment with Jubilee Jobs of Lexington where he was employed for 2 years.



Jessamine County Re-Entry Coordinator Robert Barbosa

- In April of 2025 the Jessamine County Fiscal Court voted to create a position called Re-Entry Coordinator utilizing Opioid Settlement Funds.
- In July of 2025 Robert began working full time at the Jessamine County Detention Center assisting inmates with their Re-Entry into society.



New Programs

- Since beginning employment Robert has created several programs including:
 - Fresh Start Initiative
 - 24:7 Dads Program
 - Moral Recognition Therapy & Anger Management
 - Rehabilitation Placement Assistance
 - Jubilee Jobs Re-Entry Academy
 - The Uncovering Program
 - Inside Out Dads Program
 - Genesis Process
 - Workforce Development & Barrier Removal
 - Documentation Assistance
 - Workforce Certifications
 - Peer Support Specialist Training

Fresh Start Initiative

- The Fresh Start Initiative is a five-week workforce readiness program designed to equip participants with practical job skills, career exploration opportunities, parenting tools, and personal vision planning.
- From July 1, 2025 to July 1, 2026
 - 28 participants successfully completed the program
 - 17 men
 - 11 women

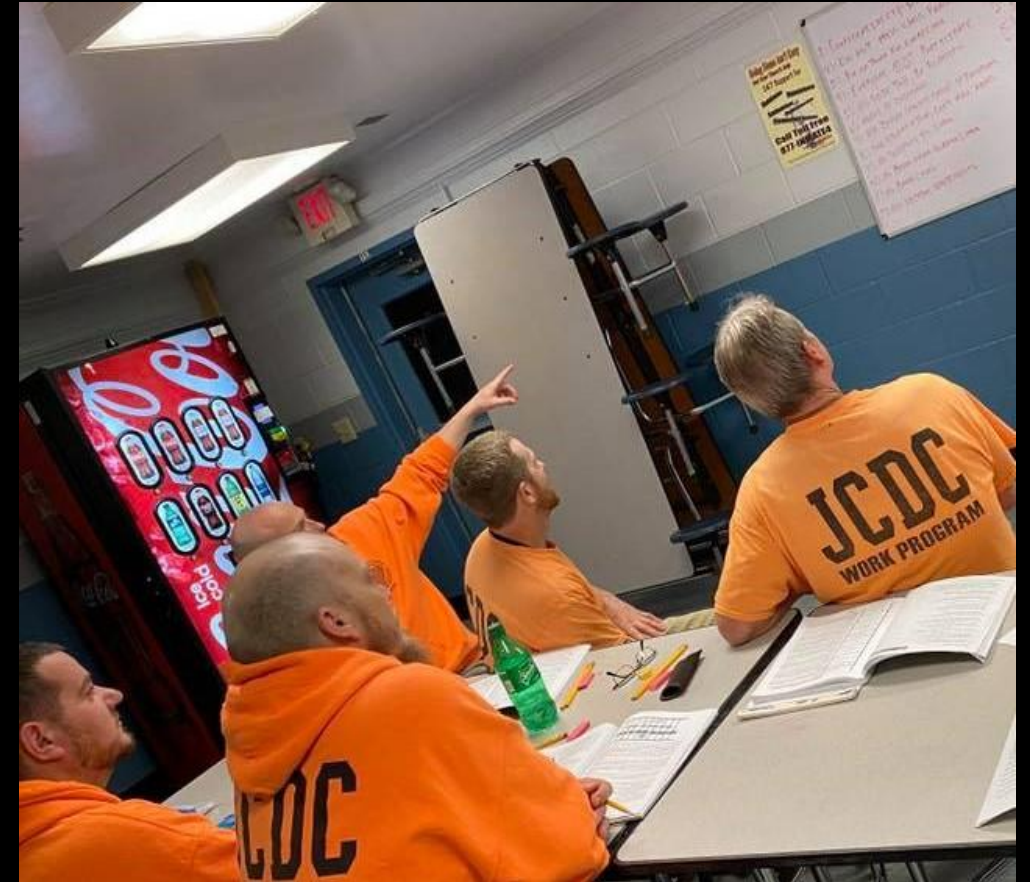
24:7 Dads Program

- The 24:7 Dads Program is a twelve-week fatherhood curriculum focused on strengthening parenting skills, healthy relationships, and personal responsibility.
- Since 2026 - 25 men enrolled
- 10 participants completed the program while incarcerated
- 2 participants completed the program after release
- The program continues to help fathers reconnect with their children and develop the skills necessary to become more engaged and responsible parents.



Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT) & Anger Management

- MRT and Anger Management provide participants with structured cognitive-behavioral programming aimed at improving decision-making, accountability, and emotional regulation.
 - 29 state inmates enrolled
 - 24 participants completed Anger Management
 - 15 participants completed the program



Rehabilitation Placement Assistance

- Addressing substance use disorders remains a key component of successful reentry.
 - 62 inmates were assisted in obtaining placement into residential treatment and rehabilitation programs



Jubilee Jobs Reentry Academy

- In partnership with Commonwealth Center for Fathers and Families and Jubilee Jobs of Lexington, the Reentry Academy provides career readiness training and practical employment preparation. Participants received instruction in workforce readiness, conflict resolution, communication skills, goal setting, and employment preparation.
- 60 county inmates enrolled
- 48 participants successfully completed the six-session academy



The Uncovering Program

- The Uncovering is a five-week program designed specifically for women, focusing on identity, self-worth, trauma awareness, addiction recovery tools, healthy relationships, boundaries, and future planning. The class continues to provide a safe environment for women to address underlying issues and build a foundation for long-term recovery and personal growth.
 - 45 women enrolled
 - 30 women successfully completed the program



InsideOut Dads Program

- InsideOut Dads is a specialized fatherhood curriculum designed for incarcerated fathers seeking to strengthen relationships with their children. Participants gained practical tools for improving communication, accountability, and family relationships.
 - 25 men enrolled
 - 13 participants completed the full twelve-week curriculum



Genesis Process

- Through a partnership with Lexington Rescue Mission, participants engage in The Genesis Process, a program designed to help individuals identify and overcome barriers that contribute to addiction, incarceration, and destructive life patterns. The program equips participants with strategies for lasting freedom, healthy decision-making, and purposeful living.
 - 28 men enrolled



Workforce Development and Barrier Removal

- One of the most significant accomplishments this year has been our partnership with Kentucky Adult Education and the Kentucky Labor Cabinet. Through this collaboration, participants who complete designated programming can obtain essential identification documents prior to release, eliminating two of the most common barriers to employment and housing.



Workforce Development and Barrier Removal



Employability Training



Forklift Training

Workforce Development and Barrier Removal



CPR & First Aid Training



OSHA 10 Standards

Workforce Development and Barrier Removal



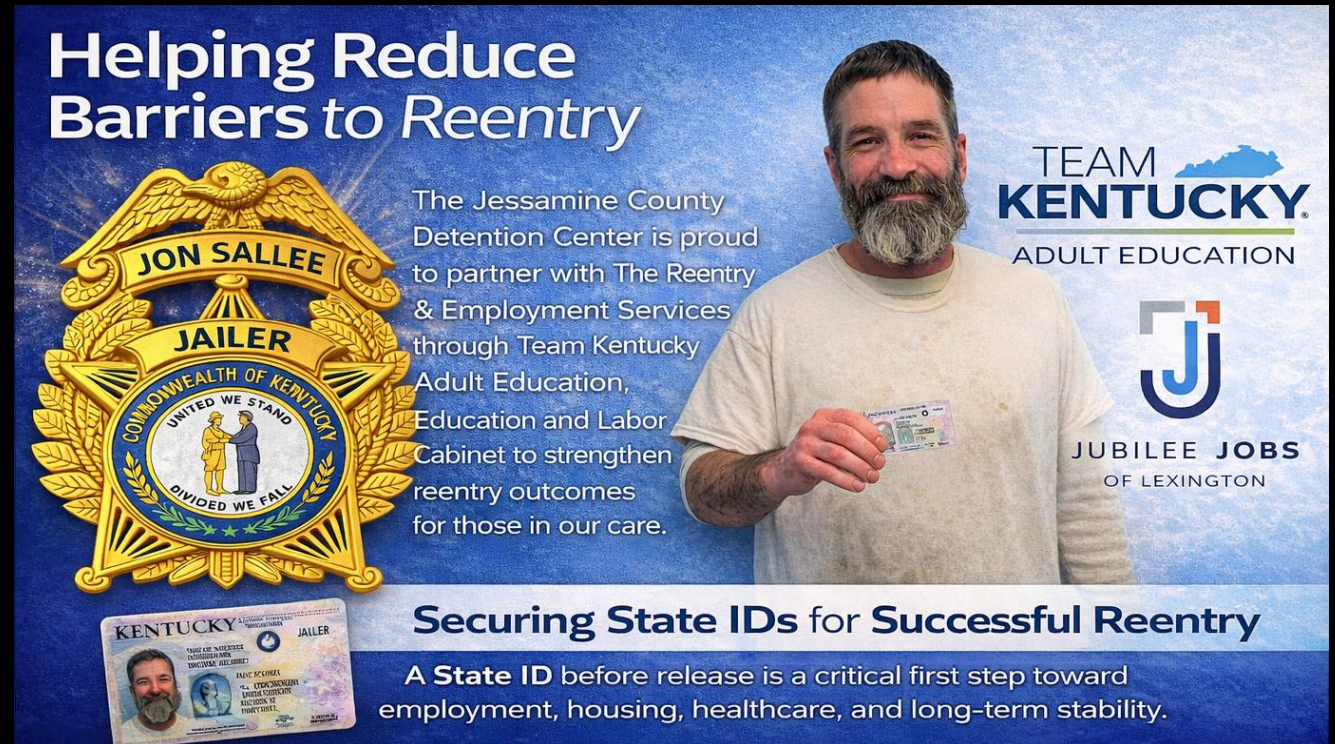
Financial Literacy Training



GED Training

Documentation Assistance

- 34 participants have received State IDs and birth certificates. Providing these documents before release significantly increases an individual's ability to secure employment, housing, healthcare, and other critical services.



Helping Reduce Barriers to Reentry

The Jessamine County Detention Center is proud to partner with The Reentry & Employment Services through Team Kentucky Adult Education, Education and Labor Cabinet to strengthen reentry outcomes for those in our care.

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ADULT EDUCATION

JUBILEE JOBS
OF LEXINGTON

Securing State IDs for Successful Reentry

A State ID before release is a critical first step toward employment, housing, healthcare, and long-term stability.

JON SALLEE
JAILER
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
UNITED WE STAND
DIVIDED WE FALL

KENTUCKY
JAILER

Peer Support Specialist Training

- The Jessamine County Detention Center partnered with Best Train KY to launch Peer Support Specialist Training for incarcerated individuals interested in helping others navigate recovery and life challenges. This innovative initiative provides training in recovery principles, ethical engagement, communication skills, and peer support techniques.

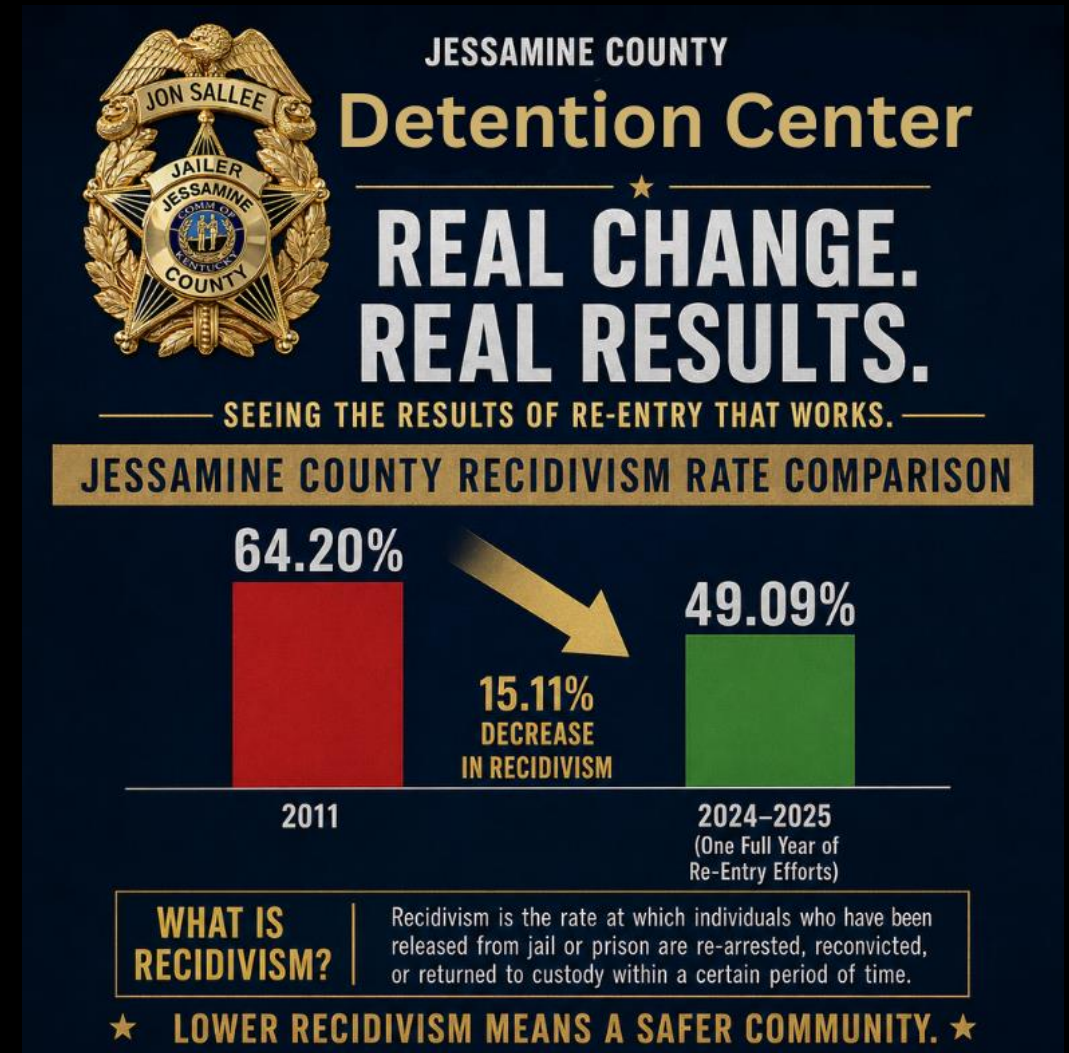


Impact at a Glance

- More than 130 individuals served
- 62 rehabilitation placements secured
- 48 graduates of the Jubilee Jobs Reentry Academy
- 28 Fresh Start Initiative graduates
- 30 women completed The Uncovering
- 24 Anger Management graduates
- 15 MRT graduates
- 34 participants received State IDs and birth certificates
- 11 participants earned workforce certifications
- 5 certified Peer Support Specialists

Recidivism

In 2011 without any efforts to lower recidivism rates our jail's rate was 64.2% and this past year after implementing our Re-Entry Program our recidivism rate dropped to 49.09%



Results

Wally Brown was incarcerated in our facility for 18 months and was able to get his GED, get certified in forklift, CPR, and First Aid. When he was released, he was able to gain immediate full-time employment.



Results

Charles Duncan was incarcerated in our facility for several months. Upon his release our Re-Entry Coordinator worked to locate a job for him upon release where is an intern for a local IT consultant. Charles went from working the window at McDonalds and is now an intern to become an IT Specialist.



Results

Following his release from our facility, Austin made the decision to pursue a new path by entering Journey to Heal Rehab. Through his faith, determination, and commitment to recovery, Austin learned the tools necessary to maintain his sobriety and build a strong foundation for his future. Today, Austin is thriving. He is a devoted father, recently married to his beautiful wife, and continues to be a positive example of what is possible when hard work and faith come together. Austin now serves as a Site Supervisor for Pathways, helping oversee a Drop-In Center that provides services and support for children in our community.



Results

Over the past several years, Chassity has remained committed to her sobriety, rebuilding and strengthening her family, and walking faithfully in her relationship with Christ. She faithfully gives of her time each Saturday by coming into the Jessamine County Detention Center to share her testimony with incarcerated women, offering hope, encouragement, and proof that freedom from addiction is possible. Chassity and her husband have also built a successful business together, Integrity Painting, while continuing to faithfully serve their church and community.



Results

Amber has remained committed to her recovery journey while focusing on what matters most; faith, family, and giving back to others. Since her release, Amber has worked hard to build a new life rooted in purpose and restoration. She recently married the father of her children, her best friend, and together they are building a strong foundation for their family. Amber now spends her Saturdays coming into the jail alongside two other ladies, sharing the love of Christ and encouraging those who are still struggling. One of Amber's newest achievements is opening her own business, Tula Laser Spa, where she helps individuals remove unwanted tattoos and move forward with confidence and a fresh start. Amber has even offered her services to men and women completing programs in our facility after their release.



Results

Since her release in 2019 and achieving sobriety in 2023, Carroll has become a true beacon of light in the recovery community here in Jessamine County. Her journey is a powerful testimony that change is possible and that recovery opens the door to restoration and purpose. Carroll currently serves at ClearView Behavioral Health as an Administrative Assistant, but anyone who knows her understands that she wears many hats. She is a source of encouragement, hope, and support to countless individuals walking their own path to recovery. We have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the restoration of Carroll's marriage and the rebuilding of her relationships with both of her daughters.



Results

After his release from our facility, Dustin decided to change and he's followed through on that decision every single day since. Dustin joined Revive Lifehouse, where he has faithfully served and poured into the lives of others. Today, he stands as a light to so many men who are still battling addiction, showing them what's possible through perseverance, faith, and hard work. Dustin's story is a powerful reminder that transformation is real and that a life once broken can be rebuilt into something meaningful and impactful



Results

Since his release, Chris has continued to walk out his transformation with purpose and commitment. He has successfully completed Jessamine County Drug Court, taken the next step in life by getting married, and is actively rebuilding a strong and meaningful relationship with his son. Chris is faithfully serving in his church, maintaining full-time employment, and living out the values he's worked so hard to establish. What makes Chris's journey even more powerful is his heart to give back. On Sunday mornings, he returns to the Jessamine County Detention Center to help facilitate devotionals with our state inmates, pouring into others the same hope and encouragement that helped change his life.



Results

While in our care, Will took full advantage of every opportunity, completing both Anger Management and MRT programs. Today, he is reunited with his beautiful family, maintaining full-time employment, and living out the promises of recovery.



Our Future

- It is our vision to construct a trade school that would be utilized to teach inmates and recovering addicts a trade. Our proposal would include training in forklift, HVAC, Welding, Electrical, CPR and First Aid.

