



RE:ENTRY MENTORSHIP | PROJECT |

Thank you for your interest! Here are some qualifications and expectations set by our participants and our organization to make sure you and the participant are a success in this program.

Qualifications for RE:entry Mentorship Project Community Mentors:

- Must be 21 years or older.
- Must have a personal vehicle and provide a copy of driver's license and vehicle insurance policy.
- Ability to commit as a volunteer for one year.
- Volunteers will need to submit to a criminal background check with the understanding that it is acceptable to have a criminal record.
- It is a requirement that mentors are off community supervision for two years and have two years of sobriety.
- Must attend a live Community Mentor training.

Expectations for RE:entry Mentorship Project Community Mentors:

- Submit Community Mentor application and complete Community Mentor training if accepted.
- Responsive communication with your participant by returning calls, texts, and emails in a timely manner.
- Responsive communication with staff by returning email, phone, and text messages in a timely manner. This includes concerns (i.e. loss of contact) you have with your participant.
- Attend 6 of 12 monthly Community Mentor Support meetings.
- Participate in the mentor texting program if available.
- Become a member of the Community Mentor Facebook Group (if you are a Facebook member).
- Access the resource manual links on the Navajo County RE:entry Project website and familiarize yourself with the resources provided. It is your responsibility to understand the Navajo County resources so you can provide the needed support and guidance.
- When matched with a participant, a three to six month commitment is expected.
- Submit the online Community Mentor Check-In Report at the end of each month if you are matched with a participant.
- Report any changes to your address, phone number, and email as soon as possible to staff.
- Complete all required readings and trainings as requested.
- Abide by the Confidentiality and Mandatory Reporting Statement which you agreed to with your signature.
- Regular in person meetings with your participant.
- Complete Community Mentor surveys as requested.

RE:entry Mentorship Project (RMP) retains the right to screen and select volunteers based on the principles and objectives of the project. RMP may terminate the volunteer relationship at any time for any reason, including, without limitation, if false or misleading information has been provided on an application or if there is misrepresentation of our program or services.



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COMMUNITY MENTORS

BRIDGE THE GAP | CULTIVATE HEALTHY COMMUNITY | OFFER HOPE

MISSION: RE:entry Mentorship Project is a regional support system that promotes successful reintegration of formerly incarcerated individuals in a way that improves community safety by reducing criminal behavior .

VISION: We believe all formerly incarcerated individuals returning to Navajo County should have every opportunity for community support, healthy relationships, and a hopeful future.

We do this through community partnerships and mentors. Mentors come alongside a participant to help them complete the program, navigate community resources, and be an emotional support: you are their coach and cheerleader. Ultimately, the mentors offer the accountability and friendship needed to pull a drowning person out of the water.

WHAT IS A "COMMUNITY MENTOR?"

- **Motivator and Cheerleader:** Believes in capacity for change, motivates, encourages and celebrates
- **Ally and Confidant:** Loyal, cares for the participant, actively listens, trustworthy, stable and consistent, provides honest and helpful information, offers suggestions, helps to identify patterns of behavior and does not sugar coat things
- **Model and Mentor:** Offers their own life as an example of healthy living, shows how to "walk the talk"
- **Advisor:** Identifies potential problem areas, assists participant to problem solve, does not tell the person the right way but helps person explore options, nonjudgmental
- **Resource Broker:** Provides linkages to reentry community, treatment and other supports, knows system of care and how to navigate the system and has established contacts and recovery partnerships in the community
- **Referral Advocate:** Advocate for the reentry community and for the participant, assists participant to protect their rights, acts as a representative for the participant when requested and appropriate

A mentor does not mean you assume the role of a therapist, doctor, banker, law enforcement, etc. You befriend someone and coach them towards success.

One the goals of the RE:center is to address community barriers. These barriers increase recidivism and keep people in poverty. Community barriers prevent integration into a healthy community group. As a mentor, you have valuable insight into the challenges your participant faces. You will be a part of addressing community changes as you report your experiences with your participant.

For more information contact us today! Or, follow us on Facebook @recenterreentry.