



INMATE RELEASE COURT PROGRAM & THE SECOND CHANCE CENTER

LJ COURTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN RECIDIVISM

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PRESENTERS

INMATE RELEASE COURT PROGRAM CREATION & VISION

- The creation of the Inmate Release Court began in 2021 after many years of observing and participating in other specialty courts such as Homeless Court and Veterans Court
 - The vision of the IRCP is to provide currently incarcerated inmates the ability and opportunity to have their Lower Jurisdiction cases adjudicated and closed before their released
 - This program provides the participant with the opportunity to be released without excessive fine balances, license suspensions or misdemeanor warrants- to truly have a “fresh start” or a “second chance”
 - Incarcerated individuals have an average of three (3) open LJ cases with an average balance owed \$1,047.50
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INMATE RELEASE COURT PROGRAM

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT FORM (PAF)

INMATE RELEASE COURT Participant Agreement Form

Defendant Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Please complete the following on all outstanding cases being approved for the IRC:

Municipal Court or JP Precinct	Case Number	A.R.S.	Pre-adjudicated Y/N	Release date	Holds released Y/N	Fine amounts owed	Fines suspended	Fines/Restitution remains owed

(This section is only needed if your court would like to set a video hearing while in the SCC)

The _____ Court requests defendant's appearance by video on: _____ By: _____
Date/Time _____ Virtual login information _____

COURT AGREES:

I agree to participate in the IRC Pilot. Any active warrants and/or suspensions will be immediately quashed and upon completion of the listed classes and criteria, all sanctions previously imposed on the defendant for the charge(s) listed above will be deemed satisfied by this court (Exception: Restitution, fines & fees not permitted to be mitigated or suspended). The listed classes will be completed as part of the SCC program for credit for outstanding eligible sentences: One (1) of the following job traits: Food Handlers, CDL. ALL listed soft skill courses: A Year from Now, THINK, Victims Eyes, Attitudes are Contagious, Behavior Chain, Confidence, Change, Discipline, Boundaries, Morals and Values, Brain Talk, Money Management, Advantage of Education, Approach Determines Response, Unhealthy Relationships, Love & Marriage, Habits, Real Change, New Level Thinking, Stress Management, Moral Fortitude, Perspective, Why We Do What We Do, Coping Skills, Finding Balance, Probation: Successful Reentry into Society, The New Parole, Now You're Hired, Healthy Relationships, Rescued Not Arrested, Drug Prevention, Treatment, and Addiction Courses - Team Building, Me in 30 Seconds, Expectation Vs Agreement, PAA Communication, Brain Waves, Parenting Techniques, Work Ethics, Soft Skills, Background Disclosure, FOCUS ON YOUR FUTURE (5 Day Future Preparation class) WOTC/ Federal Bonding - Employment, Cultural Competency, Best Possible Self 5 Part Series, Advanced Mock Interview, Realizing the Power of Your Potential, The Rematch, Making the Call, the 5 R's, the Intro, Fears to Face, Integrity, Addition Defined, Personal Relationships, Time Management General Men's Health, What's Your Program. Des mandatory job skills training (resume building, interviewing, benefits (both medical and food)).

Judicial Signature _____ Date _____

DEFENDANT AGREES:

I understand and agree to complete SCC Program and all listed classes. I understand that if I do not complete the program and/or any classes listed, fines/fees will remain outstanding and any warrants and/or suspensions will be reinstated as originally ordered. I further understand that any fines/fees/restitution outstanding, must be paid to conclude my case as indicated above.

Defendant Signature _____ Date _____

SECOND CHANCE CENTER COMPLETION CERTIFICATION (above listed classes)

Date completed: _____ SCC Signature: _____

FINAL ORDER/ BALANCE UPDATES

Fines/fees suspended: \$ _____ Fines/fees/Restitution remaining: \$ _____
Date: _____ Judicial Signature: _____

PLEASE RETURN THE FORM TO: InmateReleaseCourt@courts.az.gov Manzanita/Tucson SCC

Manzanita

IRC PILOT Court Participant Agreement Form

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Approving Judge's Signature _____ Date _____

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FINAL ORDER/ BALANCE UPDATES

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PLEASE RETURN THE FORM TO: InmateReleaseCourt@courts.az.gov Phoenix West SCC

Phoenix West

INMATE RELEASE COURT Participant Agreement Form

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Piestewa/Women SCC

Piestewa

WHAT THE IRCP IS ASKING THE COURT TO DO

- Review the participants open cases
 - Determine if their case is eligible for fine mitigation
 - Determine if their case is eligible for Community Restitution
 - Fill out the form, sign and return it to the IRC coordinator
 - Make financial adjustments upon participants completion of the SCC
 - Fines/ Fees/ Assessments may be eligible for Community Restitution, Mitigation and/or Credit for Time Served
 - Participant can complete Community Restitution while in the SCC
 - Outstanding balances set up on a payment plan after release date
 - Unadjudicated matters can be held virtually while at the SCC or scheduled after release
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GRADUATION = COMPLETION

- PAF returned to court signed by the defendant and the SCC coordinator
- Court indicates what fines/fees/assessments will remain due
- Payment plan set up for any remaining monetary obligations- to be due 60* days from release
- Financial adjustments made on the case

* 60 days is an ask of the program, to allow the participant to get established before having to make payments

- Phoenix West- Previously Eagle Point
 - 271 participants have gone through IRC
 - 572 cases have been closed- over all of Arizona Courts
 - \$385,293.86 eligible fines have been suspended/waived

STATS- IRCP PILOT

September 2021- December 2022

- **Phoenix West**
 - 182 participants
 - 553 open cases with total balance of \$568,638.26
 - Average balance owed \$1,074.93
 - \$95,987.52 has been suspended
- **Piestewa**
 - 66 participants
 - 177 open cases with a total balance of \$170,055.82
 - Average balance \$1,103.56
 - \$35,313.94 has been suspended
- **Manzanita**
 - 45 participants
 - 179 open cases with a total balance of \$156,171.34
 - Average balance owed \$964.02
 - \$43,462.92 has been suspended

STATS- IRCP PILOT

January 2023- August 2023

- Partnership with AZ Department of Corrections, Second Chance Center to bring LJ court cases into their already successful programs for GJ courts
- The SCC was an excellent opportunity to Pilot the IRC- the program is offered to those that have the greatest risk to recidivate upon their release, offering a hand-up instead of a hand-out

AZ DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS SECOND CHANCE CENTERS

Phoenix West- Phoenix 100+

Piestewa- Women 50+

Manzanita- Tucson 50+

SECOND CHANCE CENTER PROGRAM & ENVIRONMENT

**CREATED TO MIRROR SOCIETY AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE
IN AN INSTITUTIONAL ENVIRONMENT**

SECOND CHANCE CENTER ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility Requirements

- No pending disciplinary action
- Custody status = minimum or medium
- Not in Protective Segregation
- No Felony holds
- No sex offender or sex offense status
- Completely voluntary

Current Unit/Facility: _____ Release Date: _____

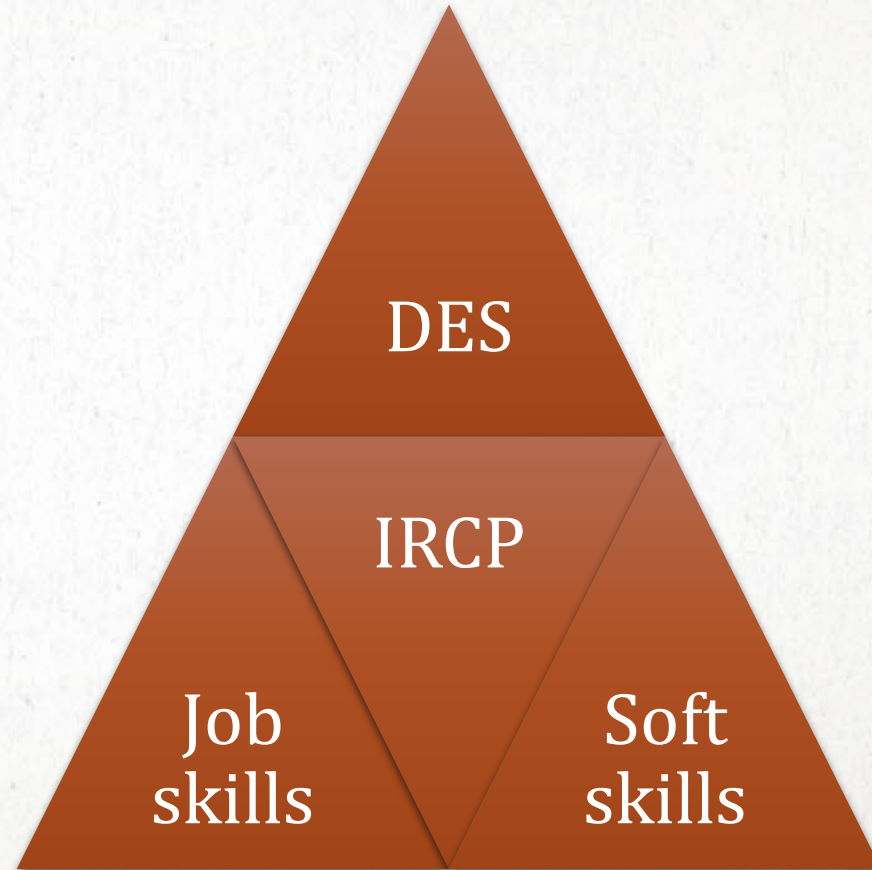
Staff Member Completing Checklist: _____ Date: _____

Instructions for completing this checklist: Research and answer each question "Yes" or "No." If you identify a "No" response, then you do not need to go any further and inmate is not eligible for SCC placement. If all items result in "Yes" responses, then inmate is eligible for SCC.

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Inmate's earliest release date is within 68-76 days of release as of next Monday.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Inmate IS NOT pending disciplinary violation action.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Inmate DOES NOT have a pending custody or internal risk classification action.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Current Custody Classification: If inmate is male :
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • and is releasing to Pima County, he is minimum or medium custody. • and is releasing to Maricopa County, he is minimum custody, or; is medium custody and eligible for an override to minimum custody.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Current Custody Classification: If inmate is female and releasing anywhere in Arizona , she is minimum or; is medium custody and eligible for an override to minimum custody.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	MH (mental health) level is 1, 2, or 3.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	M (medical) level is 1, 2, or 3.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Is not assigned to a detention unit.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Is not in Protective Segregation or is in Protective Segregation status.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	If male sex offender , has declared he can live in general population setting.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	If female sex offender , IS NOT a sex offense status A, B, C, or D.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Does NOT have a felony hold or detainer .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Is U.S. Citizen (Citizenship=1) or is non-U.S. Citizen but ICE has declared inmate "No Deport" status (Citizenship = 5).
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Inmate has earned Mandatory Literacy standard or, if not, has a valid exemption (D, L, M, or T).
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Has never previously been assigned to Lewis Eagle Point SCC , Tucson Manzanita SCC , or Perryville Piastewa SCC .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Is NOT assigned as a Firefighter .
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Is NOT currently enrolled in any of the following programs:
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTE (any programming beginning with "W" code) • academic education (E001, E003, E009, or E998 codes) • substance abuse treatment (any programming beginning with "A" code – except A222 enrollment is okay) • sex offender treatment (S044 or S045 codes)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Are all above items are checked "Yes?" If, so, inmate is eligible for SCC. Have inmate sign Declaration and scan into ACIS. Then scan this completed form and email to: lviramontes@azadc.gov (Trujillo)

SECOND CHANCE CENTER CURRICULUM

- The program has mandatory training put on by Dept. of Economic Security (DES) that includes: *benefits, housing, health insurance, resume building, interview training*
- Job skill training offered
- Mandatory soft skill classes
- *Inmate Release Court Program*



PEER-LED SKILLS TRAINING

SOFT SKILL CLASSES

- Family Ties
 - Substance/Opioid Abuse- assist licensed counselors
 - Anger Management
 - Money Management
 - Behavior Chain
 - Advantage of Education
 - Socialization
 - Victims Eyes
 - Realizing the Power of Your Potential
 - Triple P Parenting- assist licensed counselors
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Facilitated by CHEERS Recovery (Community Partner)

- Parenting to assist fathers and mothers how to interact with their children.
- This program provides a safe environment for the participants to open up their hearts and help one another work out their issues and to learn how to effectively parent.
- Certificates are awarded upon completion.
- There are two classes: one geared toward toddlers to pre-teens and another for teenagers.
- These classes is recognized by DCS and family court. The topics are as follows:
 - Behavior Modification
 - Rewarding Good Behavior
 - Time Out
 - Quit Time
 - Ask Say Do

TRIPLE P PARENTING

(NOT AN INMATE LED CLASS)

- In partnership with Community Medical Services, providing evidenced-based practices for these with an opioid or other dangerous drug addiction/abuse.
- Covers Medication Assisted treatment
- Harm reduction
- Resources
- Forms of Recovery
- Provides Naloxone kits and education
- Overdose prevention

Taught by licensed therapists – classroom and group therapy

OPIOID ABUSE/ ADDICTION *(NOT AN INMATE LED CLASS)*

- COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE (CDL)
- COMMUNITY KITCHEN
- GRAPHIC DESIGN
- COMPUTER CODING
- HVAC

****JOB PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

JOB SKILLS



COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSE “CDL”

- This class was developed in partnership with the Governor’s Office, A.D.C.R.R., A.D.O.T., and D.E.S. Arizona@Work. The class will cover general knowledge, air brakes, combination vehicles, pre-trip inspections, and equipment familiarization.
 - Upon completion of this class, students will be prepared to pass the C.L.P. written test.
 - Furthermore, those who qualify will be allowed to complete their medical card exam and take the official written test, at no cost, possibly obtaining their C.L.P. before leaving prison.
 - Onsite employment counselors will link new license holders with employers or assist them in getting into a driving school.
 - This is a 12-session class
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COMMUNITY KITCHEN/ CULINARY SKILLS

- This class will teach life skills, the importance of food safety and proper food service industry practices. Upon successful completion of the food handler's component, participants will receive their food handler's card. Furthermore, those who want to continue culinary training will receive 3-weeks credit and possibly qualify for a paid training program.
 - Community Kitchen holds a 98% job placement and 2% recidivism rate. This is a 20-session class.
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- Experience working for the Second Chance Center
 - Length of time
 - What it takes to become an employee of the SCC
- Peer-led classes taught while @ SCC
 - Family Ties
 - Opioid Abuse- assistant
 - Triple P- assistant
 - Community Kitchen/ Culinary & Life Skills
- How the SCC has impacted your life
 - Career – owning his own business
- IRC program participation
 - Impact of being released with no LJ fines & DL
 - Family & career

RICKY “RC” BROWN
SECOND CHANCE CENTER
GRADUATE/ PEER
FACILITATOR/ IRC PROGRAM
PARTICIPANT

- Participation in the SCC
- Impact on your life & release
- What you are doing now?

**DELONNE
ESCOFFERY**

Second Chance Center Graduate

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE IRCP

INMATE RELEASE COURT PROGRAM

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