

S.T.A.R.T. Program Staff

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START HOURS

Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 5:00 pm
Orientation – every Tuesday 9:00 am

S.T.A.R.T.

*Successful Transition
Through Accountability, Resources & Training*



“A Time For Change, S.T.A.R.T. now”

Vision

The S.T.A.R.T. program will create an environment in which offenders have the opportunity to acquire skills necessary to succeed.

Mission

The S.T.A.R.T. team provides effective re-entry programs which assist offenders in making better choices, while holding them accountable and reducing patterns of criminal behavior.

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Goals:

- Provide resources to enhance life skills, family relationships and employability and their ability to become an integral part of the community.
- Encourage positive behavior through expectations and accountability and involvement in restorative justice projects.

Expectations:

- Report to the program daily by not later than 8:30am.
- Program as directed by the CCO or the hearing unit.
- Perform Community Service
- Provide random urinalysis
- Complete daily itineraries
- Appropriate dress and conduct at all times

Eligibility Criteria:

- Currently under active supervision by DOC
- Resident of Pierce County
- Agree to follow START Program rules
- Ability to perform Community Service
- No outstanding warrants

Partners:

- CiviGenics
- Community Service Providers
- Work Source
- TCC
- Other Agencies

Reporting:

- The CCO, Hearings Officer or Court will determine the offender's initial reporting date and the length of required programming.
- Reporting/programming requirements will be determined by START CCO's if not specified by referring CCO/hearing officer.

Transportation:

- The offender has the responsibility to arrange their transportation to and from programming.
- The offender may utilize the Work Crew transportation opportunities that leave from Lakewood and Parkland daily.

Urinalysis Testing:

- Random UA's will be part of the program.

Community Service:

- Every offender assigned to START is expected to complete a minimum of 8 hours Community Restitution Crew.
- If the offender is medically unable to perform work crew they will be assigned to community service at a non-profit or government agency site.

Sanctions:

- The offender is expected to follow all programming requirements as outlined on their hearing paperwork.
- Sanctions should be used as an opportunity to redirect or improve behavior.

Offender Programs:

Offender's risk and need areas, CCO request and hearing officer sanctions will be used to determine program assignment.

- Moral Reconciliation Therapy
- Stress / Anger Management
- Outpatient Treatment
- Intensive Outpatient Treatment
- Relapse Education Treatment
- Life Skills to Work
- GED Preparation
- Financial Literacy
- HOPE Program
- Getting it Right
- Strengthening Families
- Child Support
- HIV / AIDS Education
- Environmental Mgmt. Training
- Nutrition Program

Offenders may be referred to additional groups not offered within the confines of the START office.

Work Crew:

- Work Crew Orientation is held weekly on Mondays from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. ALL referrals need to be in prior to the orientation date.