

JailBrakers

Ministry of Tree of Life Unitarian Universalist Congregation
McHenry II

History of JailBrakers

2011 Non Profit Organization

Currently Ministry of Tree of Life

- Mother and Social Work Experience
- Incarceration of my son at the age of 18
- Family Resource Developer and Wraparound Facilitator
- System of Care Grant, mean to be transformative
- No Resources in McHenry County or nearby



Programs

Monthly Support Group

- Safe and Compassion Space to share
- Stabilizing support network for family crisis
- Empowerment and Hope

Gas Card Program in support of family visits

- Address financial Barrier
- Promote family cohesion
- Support more successful reentry process

Advocacy and Breaking the Stigma

Community Presentations to humanize, correct myths and increase support:

A Day at Stateville

Our Story

Mental Health Board Hearing

Family Violence Committee

Resources

Services

ReEntry

Monthly support group

Linkage to and Advocacy for Resources

Limited Financial Assistance, examples:

- Landline
- Transportation
- Hotel, housing
- Tattoo removal
- Recreational Outlets

One on one support

Prerelease support at McHenry County Jail

Other Initiatives and Organizations

Northwestern Prison Education Program

$\frac{2}{3}$ rearrested in 3 years

More than $\frac{3}{4}$ in 5 years

Education is Key- 43% reduction in recidivism rates for those with access to educational programs

9% Have Access

Other initiative and Organizations

Northwestern Prison Education Program

Northwestern.edu

Stateville Voices, Goodman Theatre

www.goodmantheatre.org

Other Initiatives Continued

Ink 180

No Cost Tattoo Removal

- Donations Accepted

27 Stonehill Rd Oswego Il., 60543

630-554-1404

Bee Love

Founder, Brenda Palms Barber

Transitional Jobs

Bee Keepers

Skin Care Products

Operations

Beelovebuzz.com

McHenry County Workforce Network

Reentry Services

Work Readiness

Career Counseling

WIOA, Work Investment Opportunity Act, funding for certification, education and training

500 Russel Ct Woodstock Il., 815-338-7100 x2771

Thank you

Monthly Support first Thursday of the Month at Unity Spiritual Center of Woodstock

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