

# **COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL CENTER TRANSITIONAL HOUSING DIRECTORY**



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## What are Community Residential Centers?

- A transitional housing initiative, formerly identified as independent housing, launched by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction in January 2004.
- The Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS) has licensed contractors in the following cities: Akron, Canton, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Greenville, Hamilton, Lima, Mansfield, Sidney and Toledo. The facilities provide temporary, transitional housing and some limited case management for offenders under Adult Parole Authority and Common Pleas Court supervision.
- The Department will pay for residence in these facilities for up to 90 days for eligible offenders
  - If the agency and parole/probation officer request an extension of the 90-days due to extenuating circumstances, i.e. applying for SSI, etc. the BCS Assistant Chief or designee will review that request and may grant an extension as appropriate.

## Which offenders are eligible for Community Residential Centers?

- TC offenders eligible for step-down to electronic monitoring and Adult Parole Authority and Common Pleas Court supervised offenders with no viable home placement that are at risk of being homeless. This includes offenders residing in homeless shelters.
- Moderate to low risk/lower need offenders with little or no programming needs other than housing.
- Higher risk/higher need offenders who have successfully completed adequate programming in prison, a halfway house, or through a community agency (or are currently involved in programming in the community) **and** are stabilized, but would still benefit from housing assistance due to not having a home placement. TC offenders must be continuously monitored via GPS.

## Then how does a Community Residential Center help?

- Transitional housing frees up valuable, limited, and more costly halfway house beds for higher risk/higher need offenders in immediate need of residential programming.
- Recent evaluations conducted by the University of Cincinnati clearly demonstrate that halfway houses reduce recidivism for high risk/high need offenders and increase recidivism for moderate to low risk/low need offenders.

## What is the difference between a Community Residential Center and a Halfway House?

- The Department of Rehabilitation and Correction contracts with the **Community Residential Center** to provide housing, some limited monitoring and basic case management services.
  - Agencies are not expected to provide meals, but a facility for food preparation and storage.
  - The supervising authority is responsible for linking offenders with any additional programming they may require, however, if informed of the supervising officer's requirements, the staff at the Community Residential Center may assist in monitoring the offender's demeanor and attendance at required appointments, meetings, etc.
  - Residence is voluntary. If the offender walks away, he or she is subject to a sanction for failing to notify the supervising officer of a change of address. TC offenders are still subject to escape charges.
  - A referral is **not** a sanction or treatment alternative.
  - No additional certification or licensure, beyond being licensed by the Division of Parole and Community Services is required.
- The Department of Rehabilitation and Correction contracts with **Halfway House** agencies to provide housing, food, case management services, residential programming and in some cases, intensive treatment services.
  - Halfway houses are required to provide and prepare meals for offenders.
  - Halfway houses are required to more closely monitor the movements of offenders through itineraries, sign-out sheets, visitor records, search logs, etc.
  - While the supervising authority may sometimes need to assist halfway houses in locating services for offenders that are outside the agency's contracted requirements, halfway houses are generally required by contract to provide residential programming or community referrals for offenders placed within their agency.
  - Residence in and successful completion of a halfway house is mandatory. If the offender walks away, he or she may be charged with Escape under the Ohio Revised Code.
  - Halfway house placement **is** a sanction, condition, or treatment alternative.
  - Halfway houses are required to obtain and continuously maintain American Correctional Association (ACA) accreditation.

## How does an offender get referred to a Community Residential Center?

- Institution referral
  - Parent institution staff shall list, as a placement plan, a Community Residential Center.
  - BCS Parole Program Specialists will review the packet and assist in placing the offender in the most appropriate Community Residential Center by area and admission criteria.
- Field Referral
  - **APA Supervised Sex Offenders**
    - APA supervising officer shall complete a referral form and forward it to the APA Region's Sex Offender Specialist where the Community Residential Center is located. The APA Sex Offender Specialist shall determine if the offender is appropriate for referral, and if so, make the referral to the Community Residential Center.
  - **All Other APA Supervised Offenders**
    - Supervising officer shall complete a referral form and forward it to the BCS, who shall determine if the offender is appropriate for referral, and if so, make the referral to the Community Residential Center.
  - **Court Supervised Offenders**
    - Probation Officer shall complete a referral form and forward it to the Community Residential Center Intake Coordinator to determine if the offender is appropriate for admission. If so, the Intake Coordinator will establish a date of admission.
  - **Referral Requirements**
    - In order to complete appropriate intake on field referrals, Community Residential Centers will require completion of the Community Residential Center referral form and attach a copy of a current investigation report (i.e., pre-sentence investigation).

## Who do I contact for assistance?

- Bureau of Community Sanctions  
[DRCBCS.Placement@odrc.state.oh.us](mailto:DRCBCS.Placement@odrc.state.oh.us)  
Ph: (614) 752-1188  
Fax: (614) 728-9946

## Links:

Ohio Reentry Resource Center – [http://www.drc.ohio.gov/web/reentry\\_resource.htm](http://www.drc.ohio.gov/web/reentry_resource.htm)

## **Agency /Contacts**

### Alvis House

40 West Long Street (20 male beds)  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

*Denise Robinson, President/CEO*

### Intake:

2100 Stella Court  
Columbus, Ohio 43215  
Ph: (614) 252-0295  
Fax: (614) 252-6527

Email: [Jeffery.barga@alvishouse.org](mailto:Jeffery.barga@alvishouse.org)  
[Corrine.Pugh@alvishouse.org](mailto:Corrine.Pugh@alvishouse.org)

*Jeff Barga*

*Corrine Pugh*

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders or arsonists

## **Agency/Contacts**

### Community Treatment and Correction Center

1413 Second Street SE (5 male beds)  
Canton, Ohio 44707

*Chandra Bryant – Executive Director*

#### **Intake:**

1432 Tuscarawas Street E.  
Canton, Ohio 44707

Ph: (330) 453-8401

Fax: (330) 453-8430

Email: [ctccintake@rr.biznet.com](mailto:ctccintake@rr.biznet.com)

*George Long*

#### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders or arsonists

## Agency/Contacts

### Good Samaritan Home

449 E. Third Street (4 male beds)  
451 E. Third Street (5 male beds)  
615 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street (4 male beds)  
116 Ludlow Street (6 female beds)  
Greenville, OH 45331

### LOCATIONS IN DARKE, MONTGOMERY AND SHELBY COUNTIES

*John Graham - Director*

*Kathleen Graham – Admin. Assistant*

2916 Main Street (55 male beds)  
2654 N. Main Street  
231 E. Hillcrest Ave.  
22 & 24 Woodcrest Ave.  
329 Ernst St. (8 male beds)  
610 & 612 Fairview (9 male beds)  
Dayton, OH 45405

Intake:

PO Box 382

Greenville, OH 45331

Ph: (937) 547-6337

Fax: (937) 548-5415

Email: [jgraham19@woh.rr.com](mailto:jgraham19@woh.rr.com)

#### **Admission/Rejection Criteria for Darke County (Greenville) facilities:**

- Male offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history
- OFFENDERS ARE TO REPORT TO 442 E. THIRD STREET, GREENVILLE FOR INTAKE, PRIOR TO ADMISSION

#### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

If offenders are traveling to the facility via public transportation, provide the offender the above listed phone number to call the Good Samaritan Home staff. Staff will ensure the offender is transported from the bus stop to the facility.

#### **Admission/Rejection Criteria for Montgomery County (Dayton) facility:**

- Male offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history

#### **Admission/Rejection Criteria for Shelby County (Sidney) facility:**

- Male offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history

## Agency/Contacts

### Mary Alice's House

*Andrea Guice – Director  
Eric Rossin – Office Manager*

524 W. Elm Street (5 **female** beds)  
Lima, OH 45801

543 W. Elm Street (5 male beds)  
Lima, OH 45801

549 W. Elm Street (5 male beds)  
Lima, OH 45801

#### Intake:

543 W. Elm Street

Lima, OH 45801

Ph: (419) 225-9830

Fax: (419) 227-9830

Email: [maryaliceshouse@woh.rr.com](mailto:maryaliceshouse@woh.rr.com)

#### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male and female offenders
- No restrictions regarding criminal offense history
- **Preferred Catchment Area for CRC Sex Offenders**
  - Allen County
  - Auglaize County
  - Hancock County
  - Harding County
  - Mercer County
  - Paulding County
  - Putnam County
  - Shelby County
  - Van Wert County



## Agency/Contacts

NISRE, Inc. – The EXIT Program

**LOCATIONS IN FRANKLIN, HAMILTON,  
RICHLAND, ROSS and SUMMIT COUNTIES**

### **EXIT Columbus (24 male / 8 female beds)**

*Michele Johnson – Director*

984/984 ½ Oakwood Avenue (8 male beds)  
897 Oakwood (4 male beds)  
1049 Forest (4 male beds)  
1249-1251 S. Ohio Street (8 female beds)  
Columbus, OH 43206

**Report to 897 Oakwood for intake**

### **EXIT Cincinnati (20 male beds)**

2640 Vera Avenue, Apt. 1 & Apt. 2 (4 males SO beds)  
**Reporting Facility**  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45205

**Cincinnati Intake**

### **EXIT Mansfield (15 male beds)**

232 W. Fifth Street (10 male beds)  
244 W. Fifth Street (5 male beds)  
Mansfield, Ohio 44903

**Mansfield Intake Reporting Facility**

### **EXIT Chillicothe (20 male beds)**

395 ½/397 ½ & 395 E Second Street  
66 N. Sugar Street (4 male beds)  
399 E. Second Street  
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

**Report to Terry Collins ReEntry Center for intake**

### **EXIT Akron (18 male beds)**

923 Delia Avenue (12 male beds)  
709 Upson St (10 male beds)  
Akron, OH 44305  
Ph: (330) 867-1362

**Report to 923 Delia Avenue for intake**

889-891 Delia Avenue  
Akron, Ohio 44305

### **Intake (Main Office):**

897 Oakwood Avenue  
Columbus, OH 43206  
Ph: (614) 253-8969  
Fax: (614) 824-1143

*Charles McLemore – VP of Operations*

Email: [charles.mclemore@theexitprogram.com](mailto:charles.mclemore@theexitprogram.com)  
[michele.johnson@theexitprogram.com](mailto:michele.johnson@theexitprogram.com)

**Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Sex offenders permitted at all locations with the exception of Mansfield
- No other restrictions regarding criminal offense history

## Agency/Contacts

### Oriana House

25 Frederick Ave (16 M/F beds avail)  
Akron, Ohio 44310

65 E. Glenwood Ave  
Akron, OH 44304

**LOCATIONS IN CUYAHOGA  
AND SUMMIT COUNTIES**  
**\*(indicate which county on referral)\***

*James Lawrence, President & CEO*

Intake:

P. O. Box 1501

Akron, Ohio 44309

Ph: (330) 996-2222 x 2670

Fax: (330) 761-9021

Email: [Admissions@orianahouse.org](mailto:Admissions@orianahouse.org) or

[Juliehowe@orianahouse.org](mailto:Juliehowe@orianahouse.org)

*Julie Howe*

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No Tier III sex offenders (Cuyahoga and Summit)
- No Tier I and II that require community notification (Cuyahoga only)
- No convictions for Murder, Rape or a felony against a minor (Cuyahoga only)
- Arsonists reviewed on a case-by-case basis

## **Agency/Contacts**

Salvation Army – Harbor Light  
1710 Prospect Avenue (12 male beds)  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

*Beau Hill, Executive Director*

Intake:  
1710 Prospect Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115  
Ph: 216-619-4668  
Fax: 216-781-2265  
Email: [deb.jones@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:deb.jones@use.salvationarmy.org)

*Deb Jones*

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders
- Arson convictions reviewed on a case-by-case basis

## Agency/Contacts

### Talbert House

538 Front Street (7 male beds) (SH)  
Hamilton, Ohio 45011

### LOCATIONS IN BUTLER AND HAMILTON COUNTY

*Neil Tilow – President/CEO*

960 Grand Ave. (4 male beds)  
Building A  
Cincinnati, OH 45205  
{Units 8 and 10 (4 beds in each unit)}

1609 Pelham Place (4 female beds)  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45237

\*\* Contract for 15 beds – 7 at Front Street and 8 at Grand \*\*

#### Intake:

5234 State Route 63  
Lebanon, Ohio 45036  
Ph: (513) 933-9304  
Fax: (513) 933-9305  
Email: [hwhintake@talberthouse.org](mailto:hwhintake@talberthouse.org)

*Veronica Hand*

#### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Serves counties in southwest Ohio
- If discharged previously for a medical condition, offender must be stable medically
- If discharged previously for violation of program rules, must agree to behavioral contract
- No sex offenders, arsonists or offenders with a serious pattern of violence

## Agency/Contacts

*Ro-Ellen Sinkewich, Vice President of Program Operations – Southwest Region*

*Email: [Roellen.sinkewich@voago.org](mailto:Roellen.sinkewich@voago.org)*

*Webb Site: [www.voago.org](http://www.voago.org)*

### Volunteers of America of Greater Ohio

1201 Champlain St. (8 male beds)  
Toledo, Ohio 43604

*Darlene Mitchell-Sylak, Program Director*

115 W. McMicken Avenue  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

### **Intake:**

1201 Champlain Street  
Toledo, Ohio 43604  
Ph: (419) 241-7191 x1010  
Fax: (419) 248-1488  
Email: [mary.herkert@voago.org](mailto:mary.herkert@voago.org)

*Mary Herkert*

### **VOAGO-Contact Information:**

**(Accepts SO @ both their CRC/HWH)**

Mary Herkert  
Central Intake Manager  
Volunteers of America of Greater Ohio  
Residential Reentry Programs  
700 W. Pete Rose Way  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45203  
Office: 513-381-1954 x3009  
FAX: 513-381-2171  
Email: [mary.herkert@voago.org](mailto:mary.herkert@voago.org)

### **Admission/Rejection Criteria:**

- Male offenders
- No sex offenders, arsonists and offenders with a serious or long history of violence
- No severe medical needs (psychological or physical disorders)
- No criminal history which indicates a potential threat to the local community
- No history of poor institution adjustment