

# Facility Tours

Facility tours will be scheduled on Sunday, Aug. 1, Monday, Aug. 2 and Tuesday, Aug. 3. Please consult your program book for final schedule. Sign up for tours at the booth in the registration area. The tours fill up quickly, so sign up early!

## Cook County – Department of Corrections

One of the largest, single site, pre-trial facilities in the U.S., it employs more than 3,000 correctional officers, administrators and other line staff. The Cook County Jail has an average daily population of 9,000 inmates more than 90 percent of which are held on a pre-trial basis. Each day the Sheriff's Office transports more than 1,000 inmates to and from their court appearances at the Criminal Courts Building, the county's suburban district courts and several Chicago police district courts.

## Cook County – Department of Women's Justice Services

The Department of Women's Justice Services was created to serve the unique needs of female inmates in the Cook County Jail by utilizing gender-responsive treatment. This is achieved through:

- Female Furlough Program – A program that allows hundreds of female inmates to leave the jail on electronic monitoring, and return to their homes each evening to care for their families. Those assigned to the program must report to the jail early each morning and participate in drug rehabilitation, job training and effective parenting classes.
- Residential Drug Treatment – A 100-bed comprehensive therapeutic substance abuse treatment program for pre-trial detainees within the Cook County Jail. The women participate in a modified therapeutic community setting utilizing a 12-step program developed for women, which emphasizes group and individual counseling, relationship skill building, parenting classes and sober living skills.
- MOMs – A therapeutic community drug treatment program designed to accommodate 16 pregnant and/or postpartum offenders and their pre-school aged children. This off-site program treats the women with gender- and culturally-responsive programming aimed at helping them and their children lead healthy lives.

## Crossroads Adult Transition Center

The Safer Foundation's Crossroads Adult Transition Center is a 330-bed male community correctional facility with 81 employees. The facility is a 5-story former YMCA and includes a Level I/II Basic Outpatient Treatment component. Various programs are designed to provide skills, education opportunities and resources in an attempt to reduce recidivism and promote positive reentry. The facility, which opened in 1983, houses general population offenders.

## Illinois Youth Center (IYC) - Chicago

The youth center is located on the west side of the city in a leased property that occupies the third floor of a rehabbed warehouse building. The facility houses approximately 100 male youth per day and employs approximately 97 staff. The institution also serves as a drop-off center for all juvenile parole violators in District 1. Transitional programming has been supplemented by federal grants that allow the facility to contract for reentry services. These services assist youth in their return and progress back into the community. Violence intervention programs have included Schwab "In My Shoes" presentations that discuss the impact of gang activity. Former gang members confined to wheelchairs as a result of gang-related gunfire talk to youth about their lives before and after tragic life-altering incidents in an effort to warn youth about their high-risk lifestyles.

## IYC-Joliet

The youth center is focused on providing a safe and secure working and living environment for all staff and youth. As today's society experiences increases in violent behavior, chemical dependency and a failure of our traditional institutions to adequately guide young people, youths come to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice with a greater history of violence and an increased need for intervention. Youth are enrolled in school immediately upon arrival to the facility and those who obtain their GED are given specific job assignments.

# Facility Tours

## IYC-Warrenville

The youth center serves a juvenile female population with multi-service needs. The center provides GED and high school diploma academic services, an inpatient substance abuse treatment program, vocational programs, mental health services, medical services, clinical services, leisure time activities, parenting education, assessments, and family reunification programming. The average age of the juvenile females at the center is 16.3 years.

## Metropolitan Correctional Center

The Metropolitan Correctional Center in Chicago is an administrative facility designed to house federal prisoners of all security levels, including both male and female offenders appearing before federal courts in the Northern District of Illinois.

## Salvation Army Correctional Services

Provides reentry programming for 200 residents on federal pre-release or federal probation, emphasizing employment, housing, family reunification, life skills, and mental health or substance abuse treatment.

## Sheridan Correctional Center

An adult, male, medium-security prison totally dedicated to substance abuse treatment. When at capacity, it will be the largest substance abuse treatment program in the nation. Sheridan Correctional Center was reopened on Jan. 2, 2004, to reduce the high recidivism rates of released Illinois offenders by providing offenders with state-of-the-art substance abuse treatment services, and using a holistic approach to equip them to return to drug-free, crime-free lives upon release. The center's staff collaborates with other organizations to integrate job preparation programming, clinical reentry management services and community reintegration, including continuing care provided by community-based substance abuse treatment providers. The center consists of a total of 75 buildings, which comprise more than 600,000 square feet. There are 13 housing units and a 9-bed health care unit. The facility sits on 270 acres with 80 acres inside the perimeter fencing. The facility houses general population offenders.

## Stateville Correctional Center

An adult, male, maximum-security facility that began operations in 1925. The center is comprised of the B House and Round House. The B House is the longest cell house in the world, rectangular in shape and split into four living units with armed catwalk observation capabilities. The Round House is panopticon, or circular in design, with a guard tower in the center. The Round House is the only panopticon unit in the United States. Stateville encourages and promotes a climate of safe and secure conditions in which offenders and staff can develop positive attitudes and encourage work, and program opportunities and experiences that guide offenders toward reintegration into the community. The facility consists of a 22-bed infirmary in the health care unit and three living units that house general population, segregation, protective custody and temporary writ inmates. The Northern Reception and Classification Center (NRC) functions as the major adult male intake and processing unit for the entire state. The NRC contains 1,800 beds in 24 housing units. Within the NRC is the minimum-security unit, that can house up to 400 offenders in two units.

## Southside Spotlight Reentry Center

Located in the Chicago Englewood community, is the original day reporting program that the Illinois Department of Corrections opened in 1998. Due to its success in reducing recidivism among the at-risk parole population, additional centers were added throughout the state in 2005. It is now one of eight Illinois Department of Corrections Reentry Centers providing individually-tailored, evidence-based programming used as an intermediate sanction or as a tool for reentry for referred parolees. Each client is assessed to determine his or her criminogenic needs and uses an individualized Behavior Change Plan to work through appropriate levels of intensive supervision and treatment. Progress is based on behavioral improvements (monitored and measured through group attendance and participation, drug and alcohol abstinence, verifiable employment and/or income, stable housing, and compliance with parole board orders). Additionally, the program offers a separate element, entitled Community Connections, which provides support and resources for the general parole population to establish needed linkages to the community to reduce barriers and increase success.

*\*Tours Subject To Change*