

# MEDIA RELEASE

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## **Prisoner Reentry—What is Being Done to Assist Returning Offenders?**

### **CSOSA to Use Video Link With a Federal Prison in North Carolina to Prepare Offenders for Return to DC**

Scheduled activities available at [www.csosa.gov](http://www.csosa.gov) at the top of the page.

**Who:** Approximately 200 adult offenders within three months of returning to the District of Columbia and representatives of the agencies listed below.

**What:** A daylong presentation of realities of reentry and overviews of services available to returnees.

**When:** Wednesday, July 20, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Where:** CSOSA headquarters at 633 Indiana Ave. NW. , Training Center Room 4A

**Why:** CSOSA is emerging as a national leader in the field of community supervision. The agency has pioneered the use of video technology to deliver information about community-based resources and services to returning offenders. The Community Resource Day videoconference complements the release preparation activities currently available to offenders returning from the Rivers Correctional Institution, in Winton, NC.

### **Editors Note**

Please note that confidentiality and privacy provisions, by federal law, must be protected. This will affect your ability to cover this event. Those interested in attending must discuss issues with public affairs staff before admittance.

## **Rivers Community Resource Day Videoconference**

**Wednesday, July 20, 2005, Training Center Room 4A**

### **USPC, BOP, CSOSA & DC on Release Preparation and Transition**

9:00 – 9:30 am

Parole Release & Supervised Release

Steve Brunson, Case Analyst, U.S. Parole Commission

9:30 – 10:00 am

Community Corrections Center Transition

Denise Hilliard, Bureau of Prisons CCM Office

10:00 – 10:20 am

Transitional Interventions for Parole Supervision (TIPS)

Keniti Pinkett, Supervisory Community Supervision Officer, CSOSA

10:20 – 10:40 am

Community Supervision Services

Trifari Williams, Community Supervision Officer, CSOSA

10:40 – 11:00 am

DC Government Services

Rahim Jenkins, Mayor's Senior Policy Advisor for Reentry Affairs

Curtis Staley, Asst. Attorney General, Legal Services Section, Child Support Services Division, OAG

### **Lunch Break**

11:00 am – 12:00 noon

## **Job Training, Development and Placement**

12:00 noon – 1:30 pm

Vocational Opportunities Training Education & Employment (VOTEE Program - CSOSA)

Donna Register, Vocational Development Specialist

D.C. Department of Employment Services

Bridgette Robinson James, Project Empowerment Plus (One Stop Re-Entry Center)

Jobs Partnership of Greater Washington & JOBS Coalition

Rev. Stephen Tucker, Pastor, New Commandment Baptist Church

Anacostia Men's Employment Network (AMEN)

Chester Hart and Wendell Poole

Jubilee Jobs, Inc.

TBD

Washington Strive

Carlton Bradshaw, Program Manager

## **Education**

1:30 – 2:30 pm

University of the District of Columbia

Gordon White and Darrell Williams, Community Outreach & Cooperative Extension Service

D.C. State Education Office

Ken Howard, Senior Manager, College Relations

Vocational Opportunities Training Education & Employment (VOTEE Program - CSOSA)

TBD, Educational Development Specialist

## **Health Care**

2:30 – 3:00 pm

### Unity Health Care

Brandon Armani, Director of Special Populations  
Janice Williams, Family Nurse Practitioner, Release Outreach Care Center

### The Community Coalition of Metropolitan Washington

Raymond Blanks, Director of Administration and Development

## **Housing**

3:00 – 3:30 pm

### D.C. Housing Authority

Reba Anderson-Graham, Program Manager, Client Placement Division

### Housing Counseling Services, Inc.

Harold Blackmon, Housing Trainer

### The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness

Cornell Chappelle, Chief of Operations

### University Legal Services

Sean Wallace, Housing Counselor

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