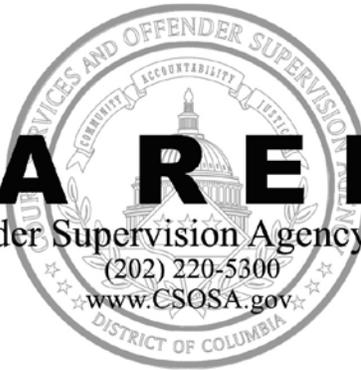


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Men and Women Returning From Prison Focus of Upcoming *Reentry Reflection* Events

First Event this Sunday — January 19th

See <http://www.csosa.gov> for details and updates regarding all events.

A television show documenting the Citywide Reentry Assembly is available at <http://media.csosa.gov/podcast/video/2012/09/faith-based-initiatives-for-offender-reentry-dc-public-safety-television/>.

Additional television and radio interviews addressing reentry, employment and interviews with current and former offenders are available at <http://media.csosa.gov>.

Event Highlights:

Justice Sunday - This Sunday, January 19th, at 10:45 am, CSOSA will join with the National Alliance of Faith and Justice (NAFJ) to launch our annual *Reentry Reflection* observance and NAFJ's annual volunteer recruiting effort with a special presentation to be held during the worship service at Greater Mt. Calvary Holy Church, 610 Rhode Island Ave, NE.

Women's Reentry Forum – On Saturday, February 8th, women from the Fairview Residential Reentry Center and on community supervision will receive assistance with workforce readiness and family strengthening from CSOSA and its law enforcement and faith community partners. Event takes place at Temple of Praise, 700 Southern Avenue, SE.

Citywide Reentry Assembly – On Thursday, February 20th, mentors and mentees celebrate and share stories about their life transforming accomplishments. Event takes place at St. Luke Center, 4923 E. Capitol Street, SE.

Background

(Washington, D.C.)- The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (a federal executive branch agency) provides probation and post-incarceration supervision to approximately 14,000 men and women in D.C. CSOSA provides comprehensive, public safety oriented programming and treatment services combining accountability with meaningful opportunity.

Each year, approximately 2,300 men and women return from federal correctional institutions to the District of Columbia. Approximately 700,000 offenders return from federal and state prisons throughout the country each year. Many need supervision, services and support to remain drug and crime free.

Events Details

Sunday, January 19, 2014	10: 45 am.	Greater Mt. Calvary Holy 610 Rhode Is. Ave., NE	<i>Justice Sunday.</i> CSOSA will join with the National Alliance of Faith and Justice (NAFJ) to launch our annual Reentry Reflection observance and NAFJ's annual volunteer recruiting effort with a special presentation to be held during the worship services at Greater Mt. Calvary Holy Church.
Tuesday, February 4, 2014	10:00 am – 3:00 pm	One Judiciary Square, 441 Fourth St., NW, Conf. Rm. 1107	<i>Gender Specific Reentry Conference.</i> The DC Office on Returning Citizen Affairs will host this event, which will focus on understanding the differences between the reintegration of men and women.
Saturday, February 8, 2014	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Temple of Praise, 700 Southern Ave., SE	<i>Women's Re-Entry Forum – "Lifetime Makeover."</i> CSOSA will join with other agencies to host this annual event that includes speakers and creative activities geared toward enlightening, empowering and motivating the women at the Fairview Residential Re-Entry Center and others women on community supervision.
Thursday, February 20, 2014	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	St. Luke Church Center, 4923 E. Capitol St., SE	<i>Citywide Re-Entry Assembly.</i> CSOSA will recognize the accomplishments of our Faith Based Initiative and our mentors and mentees of the year.
Thursday, February 27, 2014	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Union Temple Baptist Church, 1225 W St., SE	<i>Reentry Forum – "The Breakdown of the Black Family as a Result of Incarcerating Mothers."</i> The W.I.R.E and the DC Office on Returning Citizen Affairs will host this event.

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