



ADULT REDEPLOY ILLINOIS

Madison County-Adult Redeploy Illinois

Goals and background: *Adult Redeploy Illinois (ARI) provides financial incentives to local jurisdictions that design evidence-based services to supervise and treat non-violent offenders in the community instead of sending them to state prisons. ARI is based on the premise that local jurisdictions can reduce crime and the costs of the criminal justice system by understanding and addressing the reasons why people commit crimes. Results expected with ARI include reduced prison overcrowding, lowered cost to taxpayers, and an end to the expensive and vicious cycle of crime and incarceration.*

Start date: July 2011; First enrollment: December 2011

Grant amount: \$250,000

Program model: Alternative/specialty court enhancement

Need for ARI in Madison County: Recent funding cuts to the local probation department, a 75% increase in probation department caseloads, and a demand for residential substance abuse treatment beds exceeding the supply, all highlight needs in Madison County addressed by ARI. Additionally, the probation department faced an inability to conduct curfew checks and issue warrants for non-compliance of probationers. Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities (TASC) budget cuts have decreased outreach, pretreatment and engagement services.

Evidence-based/promising practices in use: LSI-R assessment, Texas Christian University (TCU) assessment, cognitive behavioral therapy, trauma-informed therapy, recovery coaching, drug court, mental health court, veterans court

Target population and reduction goals: Madison County’s ARI program’s target population consists of Class 3 and 4 felony offenders committed to IDOC who otherwise would have been eligible for processing through the county’s alternative courts. Of the 167 eligible offenders committed in 2010, planners estimated half had multiple prior convictions rendering them ineligible for alternative court/diversion. Based on the remaining 83 offenders committed to IDOC eligible for diversion, Madison County’s 25% reduction goal is 20 offenders diverted from prison within 12 months.

Overview of jurisdiction: Madison County, located in the northeast part of the St. Louis, Missouri Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area and bordered to the west by the Mississippi River, is a mix of inner-city urban areas, suburban areas, and small farming communities. Comprised of 29 municipalities where the largest population is approximately 30,000, Madison County is divided into relatively affluent suburban communities with new housing stock and solid infrastructure, and less affluent communities facing job loss, poverty, deteriorating housing stock, a declining tax base, racial segregation, and increased substance abuse.

Madison county characteristics

Characteristics	Total
Population (2010)	269,282
Adults (ages 18 and over)	77% of population
Unemployment rate (2012)	10%
Percent of population below poverty line (2010)	13%
Percent of population with high school diploma (2010)	89%
Percent of population with a bachelor’s degree or higher (2010)	23%
Adult felony probation caseload (2010)	1,367
Court imposed sentences to felony probation (2010)	973
IDOC commitments (excluding technical parole violators, 2010)	510
Average daily jail population (2009)	254 (2008 capacity: 296)

Program model:

Alternative/specialty court enhancement:

Madison County's ARI program provides enhancements to the local drug, mental health, and veterans courts including increases in screening and assessment, supervision/monitoring, and urinalysis. The program also provides recovery coaching, employment support services, and interdisciplinary training to all justice personnel on issues of substance abuse, behavioral health, and criminal offending.

The probation specialist provides risk/needs assessments (LSI-R) and enhanced case supervision to all offenders admitted to the ARI program while a recovery coach/employment specialist provides services through Chestnut Health Systems. The recovery coach meets weekly with ARI offenders to implement an individual recovery plan, including connections to local self-help groups and ongoing employment assistance or connections to GED programming. In addition to substance abuse treatment at the appropriate level, Chestnut Health Systems provides trauma-informed group and individual counseling, as well as other outpatient mental health treatment for offenders in need. Transportation assistance, meal vouchers, and gift cards are utilized to enhance compliance.

Pathways into program:

1. Identification at court proceedings:
Placement following an agreement between the state's attorney and public defender/defense attorney where offender is under consideration for an IDOC sentence.
 2. Petition-to-revoke hearings
 3. Presentence investigation report recommendation
 4. Review of criminal history:
Placement following pretrial records check where an offender with multiple prior convictions faces a new Class 3 or Class 4 felony.
- TASC conducts initial substance abuse and needs assessment utilizing alternative court eligibility criteria to screen offenders for ARI
 - Current charge must be a Class 3 or Class 4 felony
 - Violent offenders are ineligible for ARI consideration
 - Only offenders under consideration for IDOC commitment are eligible

Key partners:

Lead agency and fiscal agent: Madison County Probation and Court Services Department

Key partners/stakeholders: Madison County Probation and Court Services; Madison County Public Defender's Office; Data/Evaluation Consultant; Treatment Provider

Contracting social service/treatment providers and consultants: Chestnut Health Systems; TASC; Jewell Psychological Services