Sources of Reentry Services and Support for Returning Citizens

**Inside Out Network** - Interactive Networking Resource Connecting Returning Citizens with Services Of All Kinds – [https://insideoutnetwork.net/welcome](https://insideoutnetwork.net/welcome)

Website for people returning home from prison, at [https://reentryillinois.net/#/?step=1](https://reentryillinois.net/#/?step=1), created by Education Justice Project and Chi Hack Night.

New Texting Resource to facilitate communication between returning citizens and service providers see more information about the pilot program available at [https://www.tiltas.co/](https://www.tiltas.co/); see also the discussion at: [http://www.chicagobusiness.com/article/20180524/ISSUE01/180529974/chicago-startup-tiltasconnects-ex-offenders-to-nonprofit-services](http://www.chicagobusiness.com/article/20180524/ISSUE01/180529974/chicago-startup-tiltasconnects-ex-offenders-to-nonprofit-services)


Chicago Jobs Council Member Directory - [http://www.cjc.net/member_dir.php](http://www.cjc.net/member_dir.php)

**Green Reentry** – A project run by the Inner-City Muslim Action Network. They rehab foreclosed and vandalized property in Chicago Lawn. These are then used for transitional housing for ex-offenders during their reentry - [https://www.imancentral.org/project-green-reentry/](https://www.imancentral.org/project-green-reentry/)

**Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES)** offers insurance to high-risk workers including excriminals who need insurance to get certain types of jobs, through a Federal Bonding program -

**Illinois Department of Employment Security / Chicago Jobs Council Website**: Workforce Resources for those who Assist Ex-offenders - [www.ides.state.il.us/exoffenders](http://www.ides.state.il.us/exoffenders)

**Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI)** – Focuses on ex-offenders building and/or maintaining relationships with their children, employment and life skills - [https://www.lssi.org/services-prisonerfamily.php](https://www.lssi.org/services-prisonerfamily.php)

**MPOWR** – A reentry network that connects many different people and organizations involved in the criminal justice system.

**National H.I.R.E. Network / Legal Action Center** - Services to ex-felons to help them in areas such as listing of agencies that help ex-felons with job placement - [http://www.hirenetwork.org/](http://www.hirenetwork.org/)

**Positive Pathways of Chicago** - Provides a unique training program works to re-develop the relationship and employability skills of formerly incarcerated and underemployed adults to prepare for and obtain meaningful and lifelong employment -for more information contact com [www.positivepathwayschicago.org](http://www.positivepathwayschicago.org)

**Re-Entry Illinois** – A directory of services and reentry housing for ex-offenders in Illinois - [http://www.reentryillinois.net/](http://www.reentryillinois.net/)

**Reentry Source** – A large organization that has branches in multiple states, offering free reentry services for people with criminal records looking for a better life

**Resource Directory of Reentry Friendly Services and Housing** - developed by the Corporation for Supportive Housing and Chicago Metropolis 2020 - [www.reentryillinois.net/](http://www.reentryillinois.net/)

**Safer Foundation** – Education, employment services, other services - [http://www.saferfoundation.org/](http://www.saferfoundation.org/)
7-70 Re-entry Services – A faith-based organization that provides coaching, mentoring, and counseling - http://70x7liferecovery.org/re-entry/

St Leonard’s House – Provides transitional housing, job training and placement, and other support services - http://slministries.org/

Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities (TASC) — advocacy and case management services - http://www2.tasc.org/

Teamwork Englewood – Serving the South Side of Chicago, supporting ex-offenders connect with partners at their headquarters in Englewood - http://www.teamworkenglewood.org/index.html

Thresholds –helping ex-offenders create better lives and stay out of prison - http://www.thresholds.org/

Sources of Legal Aid for Accused and Those Released from Prison

Cook County Public Defender – https://www.cookcountyil.gov/agency/public-defender-1 call 1(844) 81RIGHT i.e. 1(844) 817- 4448 24 hours a day / 7 days a week

Cabrini Green Legal Aid - www.cgla.net

Lawndale Christian Legal Center - http://lclc.net/

Illinois Legal Aid Online - http://www.illinoislegalaidonline.org/

Juvenile Expungement Help Desk - in the Juvenile Court Building at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, IL 60612; call for more information: 312.347.8373

CGLA Expungement Help Desk, in room 1006 at the Daley Center, 312.850.4783