



Fact Sheet



Vision for Minnesota

Upon release, every offender will have access to the services, support, and resources they need to succeed in the community.

What is MNSIRR?

The Minnesota Statewide Initiative to Reduce Recidivism (MNSIRR) is a statewide collaboration to reduce recidivism. It spans state and county systems, community service providers, and other stakeholders. The Minnesota Department of Corrections began the planning for MNSIRR in October 2013.

Issues and goals

Offenders designated as high risk at release, were 61% more likely to commit a new crime within 3 years. By changing the way these offenders are supervised and the services they receive, this number is projected to plummet to 35% within only 5 years. The overall state-wide recidivism rate will also see a significant reduction.

These goals will be accomplished by:

- Focusing on the people most likely to commit more crimes
- Targeting places where crime and recidivism rates are highest
- Using programs proven to work and ensuring the services are well-delivered

Community corrections will:

- Train agents to better work with resistant offenders
- Focus supervision on high-risk offenders
- Communicate between facilities and the community regarding case plans

Community service providers will:

- Connect service providers with offenders' case plans
- Help offenders change misguided thinking
- Provide training and assessments to improve success rates
- Ensure offenders have access to treatment and programs

Targeted resources

Over half of the releases from Minnesota correctional facilities return to these 11 counties: Hennepin, Ramsey, Anoka, Dakota, Washington, Wright, Stearns, Olmsted, Carlton, St. Louis, and Beltrami. Supervision resources will focus on high-risk offenders from these areas.

State-wide recidivism rate: **34%**

High-Risk offender recidivism rate: **61%**



5 - year goal:



State-wide recidivism rate: **31%**

High-Risk offender recidivism rate: **35%**

Through targeted interventions and working with these high-risk offenders, MNSIRR will change the outcome for the State of Minnesota.

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