

# Oklahoma Department of Corrections

## Volunteer Services

**You can make a difference.** Serving as a volunteer with the Oklahoma Department of Corrections will provide you with an opportunity to impact the lives of those incarcerated, their families, and our state as a whole.

The vision and mission of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections can be summed up in the phrase we have adopted as vision statement: ***WE CHANGE LIVES***. Volunteers play an essential role in our efforts to achieve this mission. Oklahoma DOC Volunteers change lives in many different ways, including by:

- *Making possible services & programs that provide offenders the opportunities to change their way of life*
- *Reducing recidivism (the number of offenders committing new crimes or violations after release) and therefore contributing to safer communities*
- *Playing a vital role in reentry efforts*
- *Providing much needed support for other agency operations.*

As a volunteer you may serve in many different settings, including:

- *State Operated & Private Prisons*
- *Community Corrections Centers*
- *Probation & Parole Offices*
- *Administrative Offices*
- *Reentry Programs & Services Within the Community*

Volunteers also serve in a multitude of ways, such as:

- *Religious Services*
- *Faith-Based Programs*
- *Non-Faith-Based Programs*
- *Recovery Support Groups*
- *Family & Relationship Skill Building*
- *Tutors*
- *Recreational Activities*
- *Arts and Crafts*
- *Student Internship*
- *Administrative Assistance*
- *Mentoring*

The Inmate Programs that Volunteers can be trained to facilitate include:

- *Character First*
- *Victim Impact*
- *Anger Management*
- *Parenting*
- *TCU Brief Interventions that address peer relationships, motivation to change, and communication*

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