

History

MAP Reintegration was started in Ottawa in May 2000 by a drop-in director, a Catholic Deacon, a social service worker, and two former inmates who all had a common vision: to see those finishing their sentence take a new direction in their lives when they are released.

Who We Serve

- Federal and Provincial Offenders
- Male and Female

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An Independent Organization

We are not funded by the Federal or Provincial Government

Our Mission

Volunteers providing a supportive presence to released prisoners to assist their successful reintegration into the community, thus minimizing their risk of reoffending.

Our Vision

Enhancing community safety by guiding released prisoners to live productive lives.

Register Charity

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The Training

In the MAP training workshop, coaches learn about the purpose and results of MAP's help, and how a team functions. Coaches will be required to undergo a police security clearance. They will learn about the needs of offender clients and such topics as boundaries, confidentiality, resources and providing support without instilling dependence.

Security

A MAP Reintegration team is built on trust. However, the security of coaches is paramount at all times. Training and ongoing support are geared to keeping coaches safe as they assist in working toward their offender client's goals.

The Problem

Many people leaving prison have very little help in charting a new direction for their lives. As a result, it may be difficult for them to stay on the right side of the law. The reasons are complex, but we do know that they rarely have good role models to follow.

As well, they are often in need of practical help to obtain the basic necessities of life, with little social or spiritual support. People leaving prison often struggle alone with burdensome personal problems.

The Solution

There is a valuable support available for released prisoners through MAP Reintegration, Ottawa. A volunteer-based organization designed to support released prisoners.

The Process

MAP Reintegration trains volunteers and forms them into teams of 3-4, matching them with someone released from prison or detention centre who has requested support. Meeting regularly in a public place, the individual thus acquires *mentors* to guide him or her and to support the person in achieving his or her goals. The team provides *aftercare* by assisting temporal needs (e.g. connecting with health and social services and job opportunities) as well as social needs and spiritual ones if the client so desires. By meeting these needs the team becomes a *presence* in their lives.



Mentorship

AfterCare

Presence

*Support for people
leaving the criminal
justice system*