



Webinar Announcement

Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe's Re-Entry Program *From Incarceration to Hope*



Date: September 30, 2014; 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm (Eastern Time)

“By Supporting these employment training programs, we are fulfilling a core promise to our justice system: those who do wrong and serve their time deserve a second chance to make a positive contribution to their families and communities.”

–Secretary of Labor, Hilda L. Solis

In an effort to help reduce recidivism and assist with job and life skills to offenders, the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe was given funds in 2013 from Public Law 102-477 to develop a Re-Entry Program. The 477 funds compiled with hard dollars from the Tribe helped us gain national recognition. On October 13, 2013 we received the Public Law 102-477 AOTR Award for Innovative Model Serving Offender Program.

Our Re-Entry program addresses the significant Tribal and Community need for job and life skills for those with a criminal background. Although we can't minimize their history, we can work with them to move in a direction of hope.

Our program uses a holistic strength based model approach. We believe treating the whole person is more effective versus simply finding employment.

The goal of this webinar is to provide information on how we successfully run our Re-Entry Program dealing with job and life skills for those who have a criminal background.

Objectives:

- Discuss job training options and services for individuals with a criminal background.
- Understand the link between culture, self worth and recidivism.
- The importance of intensive case management with goal setting.
- Discuss the Correctional Assessment and Intervention System assessment tool and Moral Reconciliation Therapy as agents of change.
- Emphasize the importance of employment and discuss research in regards to increase salary and reduction in crime and re-arrest.
- Understand how to work with addicts moving into the work force.
- Talk about the importance of a monetary barrier to employment.
- Understand the significance for education with this population.
- Importance for random drug testing and compliance.

Moderator:

Kimberly Cobb, Project Director, American Probation & Parole Association

Faculty/Presenters:

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Cheryl Miller, Community Services Division Director

Regina Avery, Re-Entry Case Manager, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

Valarie Jones, Re-Entry Participant, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

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