

## **Service Connect**

Innovation in Re-entry Services

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#### A Collaborative Interagency Partnership

- Goal work in collaboration with partner agencies to promote self-sufficiency and reduce recidivism
- Partner agencies: Probation, Correctional Health, Sheriff's office, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, Human Services, and non-profit partners







#### Service Connect Support Model





#### Service Connect – HSA's Team

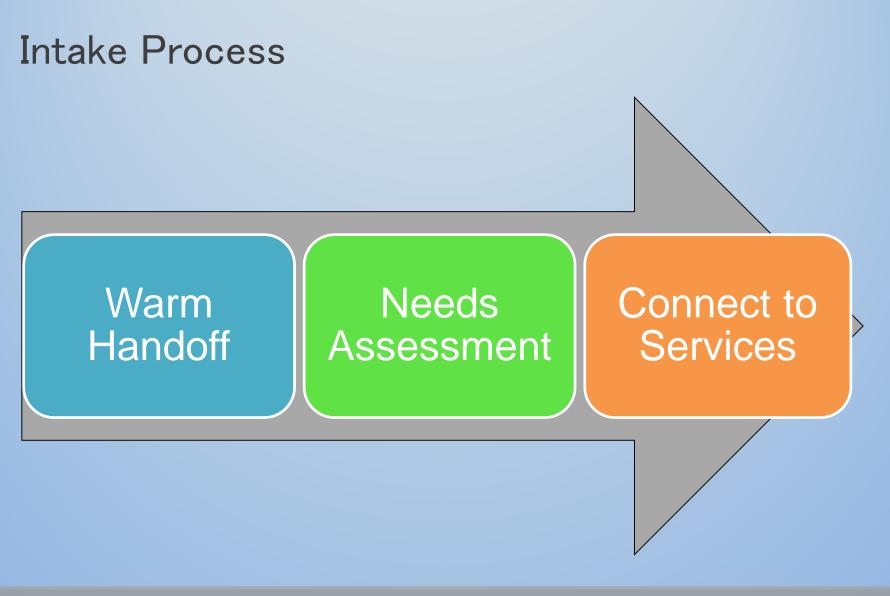


Service Connect Social Workers

#### **Current Staffing**

Social Work Supervisor	1
Social Workers	3
Benefits Analyst	1
Job Developer/Voc Rehab Counselor	3
Peer Mentor Coordinator	1
Peer Mentors	3







#### Key Strategies – One Stop model

- Multiple providers at one central location streamlines service provision
- Central location reduces travelrelated barriers



Service Connect office



#### Key Strategies – Building Trust

- Clients have direct contact and connection with staff, not the system
- Human Services and Probation work together
- Trust = Success



HSA Social Worker talking to a client



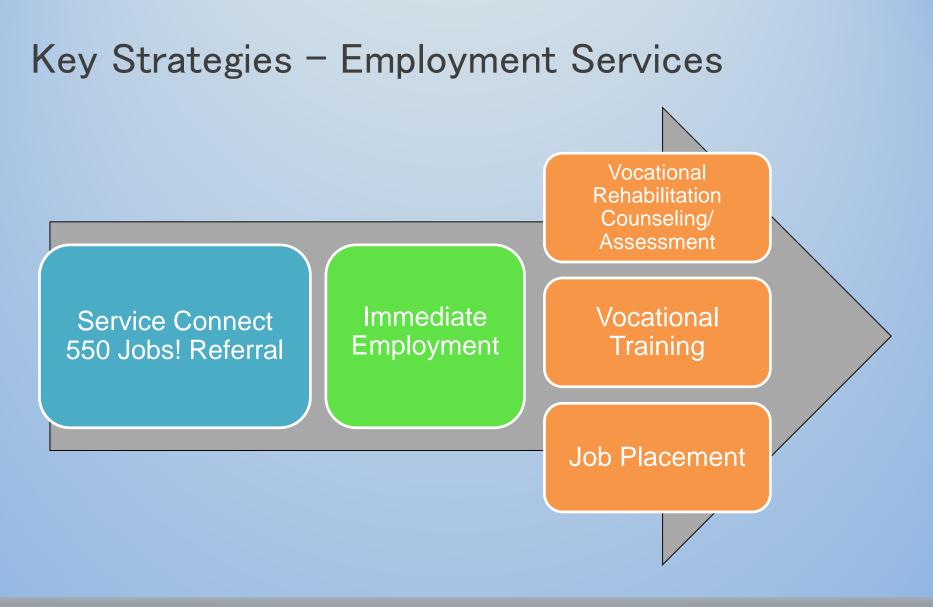
#### Key Strategies - 550 Jobs! Employment

- Learning soft skills
- Gaining employment history
- Subsidized employment to full time jobs
- Job referrals



AB 109 client working at the Catering Connection







#### Key Strategies – Peer Support/Groups



Peer support for re-entry clients

 Support groups offer a network of help during challenging times Peer support from
formerly incarcerated
individuals who
successfully re-enter the
community



Service Connect support group meeting



#### Key Strategies – Family Engagement

 Providing opportunities for clients to reconnect with their kids and family members



Sponsored family bowling night

Client re-engaging with his kids



#### Successful Re-entry!



AB 109 clients that completed their probation supervision



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