

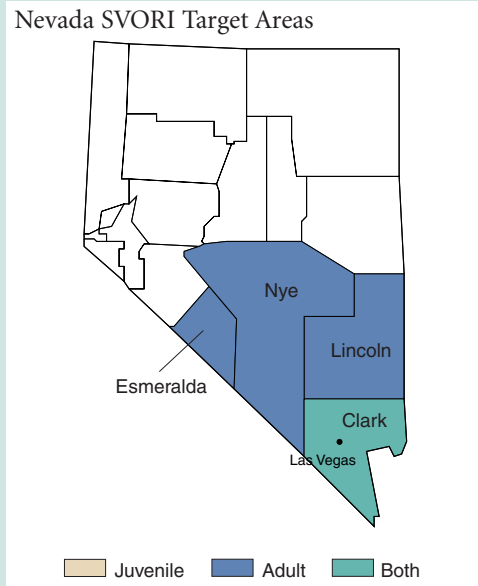
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Nevada has two SVORI grantees: one focused on adults and one focused on juveniles, all returning to Southern Nevada (Clark, Lincoln, Nye, and Esmeralda counties), depicted in the map below. Well over half of Nevada's prisoners return to these counties. The line chart below provides BJS statistics on adult prison admission and release trends in Nevada over a 24-year period.

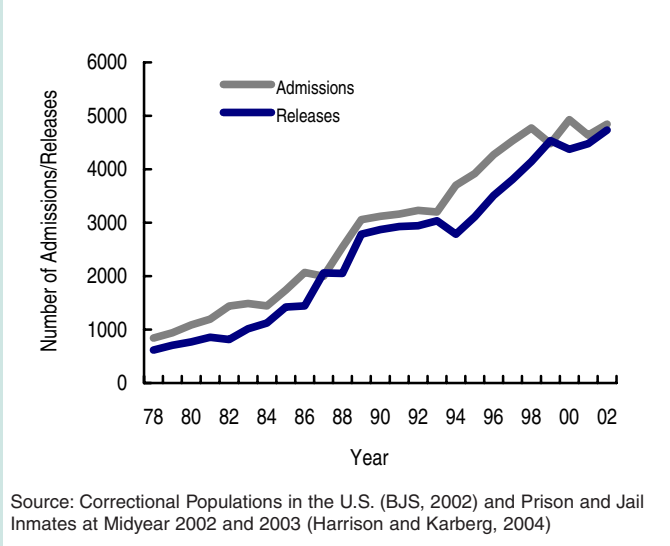
SVORI Grantees in Nevada

- Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC)
- Nevada Youth Correctional Services (NV YCS)

Nevada SVORI Target Areas



Nevada Adult Prison Admissions and Releases, 1978–2002



SVORI Grantee: Nevada Department of Corrections

SVORI website	http://www.doc.nv.gov/programs/ghp.php
Data management system	The site is in the process of creating a SVORI database/tracking system. Data from NDOC's Offender Management system and Parole and Probation's (P&P) OTIS system will be included to create a comprehensive database to be used throughout the program.
Local evaluation planned	A researcher from the University of Nevada Las Vegas is conducting the local evaluation
Program name	Going Home Prepared

NV DOC

Going Home Prepared

TARGET POPULATION

Population type	Male and female adults and juveniles
Number of targeted prisoners	201+
Inclusion criteria	Ages 14–35 at the time of release; convicted of category A or B felony OR repeat offender with a history of violence, weapon-related crime, and/or gang activity (drug offenders included if offender also has criminal history, sex offenders included if victim is adult of opposite sex); eligible for parole between November 2003 and June 2006; eligible for parole on last and final sentence; and no INS detainers or felony holds from other States
Exclusion criteria	Sex offenders

TARGET POPULATION

Pre-release facilities	All State prisons (any of the State’s prisons, 10 conservation camps, or the State restitution center)
Post-release locations	Southern Nevada (Clark, Lincoln, Nye, and Esmeralda counties)
Participation	Mandatory once enrolled
Legal release status	All participants are under parole supervision

PROGRAM ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES

Steering committee	Advisory Board
Post-release reentry authority	NV DOC
Number of phases	3

Phase 1: Institutional Services

Duration: 6–12 months

Assessments: LSI-R

Components/services offered within phase:

- Selection Committee meets monthly to decide which prisoners who meet the eligibility criteria to include in the program through file reviews
- Enrolled male participants transfer to Southern Desert Correctional Facility to receive SVORI programming
- Female participants receive SVORI services at two of three participating female facilities
- Individual treatment plans for institutional programming developed
- SVORI-specific curricula provided
- Reentry plan developed with assistance from Reentry Planning Committee (composed of the Reentry Coordinator, Reentry Case Managers, NDOC psychologists, representatives of partner agencies, and P&P officer)
- Participant and family members included in reentry planning
- Mandatory classes include Victim Empathy, Criminal Thinking Errors, Project Metamorphosis, Life Skills, Personal Growth, Change Plan, and Relapse Prevention
- Specific targeted services include, as

needed, education, mental health, individual and group counseling, medical and dental services, job training, substance abuse treatment, registration for Selective Service, development of child support payment plans, assistance with obtaining identification documents, anger management, health education, money management, parenting skills training, and interactive journaling

Coordination of services:

- Reentry Case Managers coordinate service provision for individual participants; Reentry Planning Committee includes institutional and community service providers; and Reentry Coordinator oversees and promotes coordination of services throughout the duration of the program (pre- and post-release)

Phase 2: Community-Based Transitional Services

Duration: 12 months

Assessments: LSI-R reassessment at approximately 9 months post-release; Division of Parole and Probation’s instrument may be administered to determine risk to the community and necessary supervision level

Components/services offered within phase:

- Release to the community and utilization of services identified in reentry plan
- Reentry Court appearance at least once a

month for first 6 months

- Intensive supervision by P&P Officer and Reentry Coordinator (for at least 6 months; longer if necessary)
- Intermediate sanctions
- Random drug testing
- Case management provided by P&P Reentry Social Worker
- Victim Impact Panel (mandatory)
- Community Accountability and Support Committee (composed of members of the Advisory Board) reviews participants’ progress and conducts a reassessment 9–12 months post-release
- Monitoring and tracking provided by Reentry Coordinator for a total of 12 months post-release
- Continued case management and service coordination by P&P Reentry Social Worker for up to 12 months post-release
- Specific targeted services include, as needed, education; job training and employment services; substance abuse and mental health treatment; mentoring; violence intervention; anger management; life skills training; short-term transitional housing; medical and dental services; basic needs (e.g., transportation, clothing, food); parenting skills training; child care; child support; faith-based services; and family counseling

PROGRAM ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES

Coordination of services:

- Case management and service coordination provided by P&P Reentry Social Worker, who works closely with the participant's P&P Officer; 16 state-level and 31 local community partners offer participants a comprehensive, wraparound system of services, support, and criminal justice supervision. Five protocols (education, mental health, law enforcement and victims, substance abuse, and workforce development) guide service provision and coordination. Reentry Coordinator oversees and promotes coordination of services throughout duration of program.

- P&P Reentry Social Worker and P&P Officer continue to work together while participant is in program (up to 12 months post-release) and with service providers; the Reentry Coordinator continues to monitor the participant through the end of official program participation

Phase 3: Community-Based Long-Term Support

Duration: Indefinitely (official program participation ends 12 months post-release; however, community partners continue to provide follow-up and services for as long as the client requires services)

Assessments: No specific assessments used in this phase

Components/services offered within phase:

- Transition to normal parole
- Specific targeted services include, as needed, education; job training and employment services; substance abuse and mental health treatment; mentoring; violence intervention; anger management; life skills training; housing assistance; medical and dental services; basic needs (e.g., transportation, clothing, food); parenting skills training; child care; child support; faith-based services; and family counseling

Coordination of services:

- None

CHANGES EXPECTED AS A RESULT OF SVORI FUNDING

System-level changes

- Increased cooperation and connections between the prisons and the community
- P&P Reentry Social Workers on staff
- Special prison unit to provide SVORI programming
- Establishment of a Reentry Court
- The Reentry Coordinator promotes partnerships and service linkage among community service providers
- “One-stop shop” model that brings services to the participant prior to release and provides assistance navigating a complicated service system

Individual-level changes

- Introduction of SVORI-specific classes increases participants’ chances of success
- Reentry plan tailored to participant’s individual needs
- Institutional program staff to provide case management and connections to community services prior to release
- Intensive supervision that utilizes intermediate sanctions
- P&P Reentry Social Worker to provide case management during parole in collaboration with P&P Officer and service providers
- Financial support to pay for services, so that participants receive the services they need
- Obtainment of identification for participants to facilitate release

SVORI Grantee: Nevada Youth Correctional Services, Nevada Youth Parole Bureau (Department of Human Resources, Division of Child and Family Services)

SVORI website	None
Data management system	Nevada Youth Parole Bureau uses UNITY data management system. The Reentry Program maintains a supplemental data collection system designed specifically for collecting reentry data.
Local evaluation planned	No
Program name	Going Home Reentry Program

NV YCS

Going Home Reentry Program

TARGET POPULATION

Population type	Male and female juveniles
Number of targeted prisoners	151–200
Inclusion criteria	Ages 14–17; three main criteria will be used to identify eligible participants through the use of an assessment instrument: (1) age at first referral, (2) number of adjudicated offenses at the time of commitment, and (3) number of adjudicated violent and serious offenses. In some cases where an offender does not meet all three criteria, an override will qualify the offender as eligible.
Exclusion criteria	Offenders 18 years of age or older, juveniles under interstate compact (committed crime in another state but serving parole sentence in Nevada), or with serious mental health issues will be excluded from participation. Other exclusions are youth who have been convicted of sexual crimes and youth who are seriously mentally ill.
Pre-release facilities	Any of the State's three youth correctional centers
Post-release locations	Clark County/Las Vegas
Participation	Mandatory
Legal release status	All participants are on active parole supervision

PROGRAM ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES

Steering committee	Community Provider Reentry Network
Post-release reentry authority	Nevada Youth Parole Bureau
Number of phases	3

Phase 1: Institutionally Based Programs

Duration: 7–9 months (total pre-release, including Phases 2 and 3)

Assessments: Risk/needs assessment, LSI-R, self-report substance abuse assessment, criminal history, mental health, family history, etc.

Components/services offered within phase:

- Reentry orientation; participant handbook

- SVORI-specific institutional programming provided in addition to the established institutional services
- 16-week gender-specific curriculum for females between the ages of 15 and 17. This program design focuses on sexual victimization, prostitution relapse prevention, and mild mental health and substance abuse issues.
- Using a reentry court model that is mandatory and convenes monthly
- Case management provided by Reentry Social Worker
- Designated facility staff person serves as liaison between participant and Reentry Social Worker
- Monthly in-person meetings between participant and Reentry Social Worker at institution
- Specific targeted services include, as needed, substance abuse and mental health assessment and treatment, educa-

tion, employment/vocational training, anger management, life skills training, medical/dental services, domestic violence prevention and intervention, family dynamics, anger management, values clarification, social awareness, parenting skills training, programming for parents, gender-specific programming, mentoring, and athletic programs

Coordination of services:

- Reentry Social Worker and facility liaisons hold telephone conferences each month to discuss participants' needs and progress; Reentry Social Worker meets with participant in institution once monthly and begins to establish the link between institution and community.

Phase 2: Community-Based Transition

Duration: 7–9 months (total pre-release, including Phase 1)

Assessments: Risk/needs assessment and LSI-R

Components/services offered within phase:

- Transition team works with each participant to develop release, treatment, and educational plans
- Group sessions conducted by Reentry Social Worker, who prepares for the participant to reenter the community
- Mentoring provided by faith-based organizations
- Family and Reentry Social Worker meetings
- The Reentry Social Worker and Reentry Parole Officers (POs) meet with partici-

pants prior to release and establish the link between institution and community

- Referrals made to appropriate community-based services
- Reintegration Aftercare Program used by one facility for reentry planning
- Reentry-specific curricula provided (e.g., alternatives to violence, victim awareness, and life skills training) at each institution and in the community at a Community Reentry Center
- Existing parole recommendation process used by each of the correctional facilities

Coordination of services:

- Reentry Social Worker matches participants to services depending on the availability of the service and the result of each participant's assessment and treatment plan

Phase 3: Community-Based Parole

Duration: 6–11 months total; Three sub-phases: 1—Structured transition (30–60 days), 2—Community-based parole phase I (60–90 days), and 3—Community-based parole phase II (90–180 days)

Assessments: Risk/needs assessment, LSI-R, self-report substance abuse assessment

Components/services offered within phase:

- Within 72 hours of release, the participant and his/her parents meet with members of the Reentry Authority, the Transition Team, and the Educational Liaison at the Community Resource and Reentry Center to review the treatment and educational plans and initiate programming and services

- Community Resource and Reentry Center established to provide SVORI-specific programming by community service providers (“family nights,” GED tutoring, Day Treatment Program to provide classes in anger management, drug/alcohol use/education, job skills, social skills, victim awareness, self-sufficiency planning, and individual counseling, as needed)
- Three dedicated Reentry Parole Officers with small caseloads
- Reentry Social Worker provides case management in collaboration with three Reentry Parole Officers
- Intensive supervision
- Graduated sanctions
- Graduation ceremony upon successful program completion
- Use of a component on Gang Intervention and alternatives to gangs. Parole counselors assigned to the Reentry Program have also become certified as instructors in developing an anti-gang curriculum. These parole officers work closely with correctional center staff in training and conducting workshops for the staff and institutionalized youth.

Coordination of services:

- The Reentry Social Worker provides case management and oversees referrals and provision of services. The Social Worker and the three Reentry Parole Officers collaborate closely. Monthly staff meetings facilitate good communication and the sharing of information within the 4-person team.

CHANGES AS A RESULT OF SVORI FUNDING

System-level changes

- Addition of a social worker to parole for the first time (case management and link from community to institution are new facets)
- Reentry curricula developed by parole officers to use in Day Treatment program
- New office space serves as Reentry office space and a classroom for the Day Treatment program
- Critical link between the institution and the community established through Reentry Social Worker and Reentry Parole Officers that work with participant throughout pre- and post-release phases
- Increased communication among Reentry Parole Officers, institutions, offenders' families, and community agencies
- Shared agency protocols
- Feedback mechanism among agencies to ensure that collaboration is working
- Informational materials for youth and their families

Individual-level changes

- Intensive supervision with graduated sanctions
- Connection to community while in institution through Reentry Social Worker and Reentry Parole Officers
- Active family involvement in reentry planning processes
- Assistance from Transition Team to develop release, treatment, and education plans
- Integrated case management
- Specific SVORI programming both pre- and post-release
- Gang intervention component