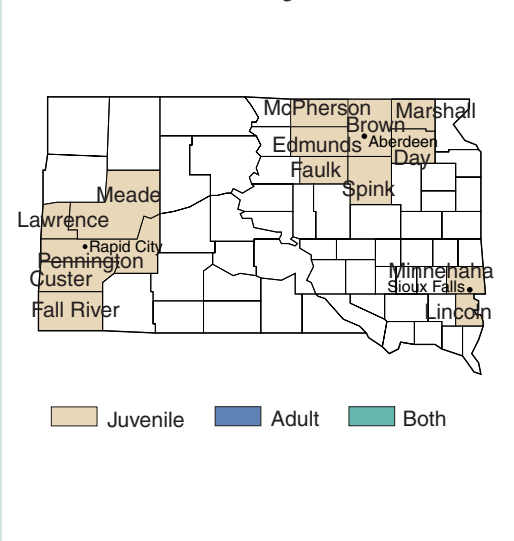


SOUTH DAKOTA

SVORI Grantees in South Dakota

- South Dakota Department of Corrections (SD DOC)

South Dakota SVORI Target Areas



South Dakota has one SVORI grantee focused on juveniles returning to Brown, Marshall, McPherson, Edmunds, Spink, Faulk, Day, Minnehaha, Lincoln, Pennington, Lawrence, Meade, Custer, and Fall River counties (depicted in the map at left).

SVORI Grantee: South Dakota Department of Corrections

SVORI website	None
Data management system	Using a SVORI-specific MIS
Local evaluation planned	Yes
Program name	Going Home–Intensive Aftercare Program

SD DOC

Going Home–Intensive Aftercare Program

TARGET POPULATION

Population type	Male and female juveniles
Number of targeted prisoners	151–200
Inclusion criteria	Ages 14–20, above threshold score on the Youth Level of Service Case Management Inventory
Exclusion criteria	None
Pre-release facilities	The majority (60%) of youth reside in facilities operated by the SD DOC. The remainder (40%) reside in private or State-operated group homes, residential treatment facilities, in-patient mental health and substance abuse facilities, and mental health/developmental disability treatment facilities.
Post-release locations	Brown, Marshall, McPherson, Edmunds, Spink, Faulk, Day, Minnehaha, Lincoln, Pennington, Lawrence, Meade, Custer, and Fall River counties
Participation	Unknown
Legal release status	Participants are under SD DOC supervision

PROGRAM ORGANIZATION AND SERVICES

Steering committee	Yes
Post-release reentry authority	SD DOC and Independent Parole Board
Number of phases	3

Phase 1: Institutional Phase

Duration: 30 days

Assessments: Strategies for Youth Supervision, MAYSI-2, YSL/CMI (assesses risk and needs), and mental health, substance abuse, education, vocational, and medical assessments

Components/services offered within phase:

- Develop a multi-disciplinary reintegration plan
- Provide case management
- Solicit input from youth and parents once reintegration plan is developed

Coordination of services:

- A Juvenile Corrections Agent (JCA) manages the reintegration planning and implementation with assistance from an Intensive Aftercare Specialist

Phase 2: Coming Home

Duration: 7–9 months

Assessments: Reassess as needed

Components/services offered within phase:

- Continue case management
 - Facilitate access to mental health services
 - Fund sex-offender treatment if needed
 - Develop educational options for those youth who cannot return to public school
 - Provide brief transitional housing, batterer prevention groups, parental support groups, and substance abuse treatment
 - Offer employment assistance and support through “One-Stop” career centers
 - Lead Aftercare Groups in the community to provide cognitive-behavioral support
 - Perform random drug testing
 - Enforce compliance with curfew, school, and work requirements, and victim and community restitution responsibilities
 - Implement incentive programs
- Coordination of services:**
- A JCA manages the reintegration implementation with the assistance of an Intensive Aftercare Specialist

Phase 3: Staying Home

Duration: Until the end of SD DOC supervision

Assessments: No specific assessments are used in this phase

Components/services offered within phase:

- Assist youth in developing a personal support network among local religious organizations, ministerial associations, ethnic and cultural organizations, and other community groups
- Continue case management by the Intensive Aftercare Specialist as needed

Coordination of services:

- The Intensive Aftercare Specialist will meet any remaining coordination needs

CHANGES AS A RESULT OF SVORI FUNDING

System-level changes

- Funding from grants is available to pay for mental health services, substance abuse treatment, sex offender treatment, employment services, and transitional housing for those youth without access to an alternative funding source such as Medicaid
- A new method of assessing risk and needs is being implemented to better capture dynamic factors in addition to static ones
- Ten Intensive Aftercare Specialist positions and three Residential Transition Specialist positions were created and funded to fill gaps in the existing service delivery system

Individual-level changes

- There is a new focus on the need for building long-term personal support networks within youths’ home communities
- Options for meeting educational and employment needs have been expanded
- Independent living skills training and transitional housing are available for those youth who are transitioning to independent living