

Reentry Planning Checklist

DO YOU HAVE:

- Approved Home Plan
- Photo/State ID
- Social Security Card
- Copy of your medical record/history/prescriptions
- Know and understand any special parole conditions
- Employment and/or Education Plan
- Safe, affordable, age appropriate child care if needed
- Medical Assistance application complete
- If a Veteran, information on services you qualify for
- Community Intakes/appointments set
 - Mental Health
 - Drug and Alcohol
 - Medical
 - Employment
 - Housing

Your first 90 days out are critical. Taking time now to map out your first days and months after your release will help determine whether you return to jail in the future.

Everyone has different needs, this guide is a basic summary of information and phone numbers/contacts for common services needed upon release from jail. If you have more specialized needs please discuss them with your case manager or probation officer.



Reentry Guide

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY ADULT PROBATION 105 S. Union St. Easton 18042, 610-559-6800

COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES
2801 Emrick Blvd. Bethlehem 18020
Mental Health: 610-829-4840
Drug and Alcohol: 610-829-4725
Veterans Services: 610-829-4877
Children, Youth and Family: 610-829-4890
Information and Referral: 610-559-3270
Crisis Intervention: 610-252-9060 (24/7line)

COUNTY ASSISTANCE OFFICE
(Welfare) 201 Larry Holmes Dr. Easton, 18042. 610-250-1700

DOMESTIC RELATIONS (child support)
126 S. Union St. Easton, 18042. 610-253-3566

PA REENTRY WEBSITE
<http://reentrymap.cor.state.pa.us/>

EMPLOYMENT

You will have financial obligations when you are released and you will need to plan for income.

The Jail has a partnership with CareerLink Lehigh Valley and they work hard to help people with a criminal record find employment. Please contact your case manager for more information. You may be eligible for the LEAP program while you are incarcerated.

YOU CAN GO TO CAREERLINK while you are SEEKING at work release.
CareerLink 555 W. Union Blvd. Allentown 18109. 610-437-5627.

CareerLink has a satellite office in Bethlehem at the Hispanic Center of the Lehigh Valley, 520 E. 4th St. Bethlehem, 18015

The **Office for Vocational Rehabilitation** works with people who have experienced challenges in getting and keeping a job because of any type of disability, if this describes you, please speak with your case manager about applying for assistance. 45 N. 4th St. Allentown, 18101, 610-821-6441

If you have a serious persistent (not going away) medical or mental health diagnosis that limits your ability to work please contact your medical provider to ask whether disability (social security) could be an option for you.

HOUSING

Having a home plan, (a place to live) is critical to parole. You will not be paroled without a valid home plan. If you were homeless at the time of booking, or your living situation has fallen apart since you have been in the jail notify your case manager. Staff at the jail can help you identify and apply for housing assistance.

If you are already in the community and you are homeless or fear you might become homeless here are some agencies you can contact:

SHELTERS/TRANSITIONAL

FOR MEN ONLY:

Victory House: 610-691-3373 Bethlehem
Casa Refugio: 610-868-3188 Bethlehem
Stephen's Place: 610-861-7677 Bethlehem
Cherokee House:
cherokeeclean@gmail.com Bethlehem
Ferry St. House:
cherokeeclean@gmail.com Easton
Men's Community: 610-905-2386 Easton

FOR WOMEN ONLY:

Third St. Alliance: 610-258-6271 Easton
Trinity House: Allentown
info@trinityhouseforwomen.org
Bloom Bangor: Bangor,
carol@bloomcreativestudio.org

FOR MEN AND WOMEN:

Safe Harbor: 610-258-5540 Easton
New Bethany: 610-691-5602 Bethlehem
6th St. Shelter: 610-435-1490 Allentown

MENTAL HEALTH

If you have a history of mental health treatment in or out of jail it is important to set up services for ASAP after your release. The first few weeks after your release will be busy and probably stressful, do not forget to take care of yourself.

Setting Up **Community Treatment**

1. Apply for medical assistance, do not wait until you are out to fill out a form, ask for a copy now and complete it while you are in jail.
2. Ask for assistance from the county mental health division. A Forensic Mental Health Worker will meet with you in the jail and will explain your options for treatment in the community. **610-829-4840**
3. Ask what your current diagnosis is and for a list of your current medications that you can take with you when you leave.

Emergency Mental Health Services

1. Call 911 if you feel suicidal or homicidal.
2. Call Northampton County Crisis 610-252-9060

Walk-in (no appointment needed)

Assessments are available through Orchard Behavioral Health- Monday-Friday 9-5 at two locations: 801 E. Green St. Allentown, PA 18109, 610-799-8910 and 450 Chew St, Suite 203 Allentown, 18102, 610-776-5465. You must be eligible for medical assistance, but don't need to have the cards yet to be assessed and start treatment

DRUG & ALCOHOL TREATMENT

If you have a history of substance abuse, you may need treatment, and at least an assessment for services. You can access this through the County's Drug and Alcohol Division. If an assessment is court ordered it can be conducted while you are inside the jail. If you are already out, contact the **County's Drug and Alcohol Division 610-829-4725**. To receive treatment in the community there are limited county funds to pay for services so you will need to apply for medical assistance, see your case manager for an application. Do not wait to get the application started. If you are in the jail consider attending any **NA, AA or "Positive Change"** groups that are available on your housing unit.

Treatment Providers:

NET Bethlehem. 44 E. Broad St. Suite 20, 610-868-0435

Recovery Revolution, 109 Broadway, Bangor, 610-599-7700

Lehigh Valley Drug and Alcohol Intake, 6 S. 3rd St. Easton, 610-923-0394; 44 E. Broad St. Bethlehem, 610-866-4088

DRIVER'S LICENSE

Each individual's process to reinstate a license may be slightly different. PENNDOT has a site that you can request a letter outlining the steps you need to take to have it reinstated. <http://www.dot3.state.pa.us/centers/OnlineServicesCenter.shtml> North Penn Legal can assist you with this process: 559 Main St. Bethlehem, 610-317-8757. Lehigh Conference of Churches can also assist, 534 Chew St. Allentown, 610-433-6421

EDUCATION

If there is one thing you could do while you are incarcerated that would reduce your chances of returning it is to get your **GED**. Contact the Education Department for more information. To continue GED classes in the community contact **Northampton Community College South Side Bethlehem campus 610-332-8650**. If you started GED classes in the jail the NCC classes will be free to you- but there is a fee to take the GED test at NCC.

MEDICAL

Three **FREE** clinics exist in the Lehigh Valley:

1. **Safe Harbor Medical Clinic,** Every Tuesday 6-10 p.m. 536 Bushkill Dr. Easton, Call or stop by to make an appointment 610-258-5540.
2. **6th St. Shelter** Every 4th Wednesday, must be in line by 4:30 p.m., 1st come 1st serve, limit 15. 219 N. 6th St. Allentown 18102
3. **Northampton County Dental Initiative:** 1101 Northampton St. Easton, call 866-903-9104 to see if you qualify.
4. **Neighborhood Health Centers of the Lehigh Valley,** Bethlehem 1201 E. 4th St, 610-849-9157. Allentown 218 N. 2nd St. 610-841-8400

FOOD

Many places across the county offer food pantries (groceries) and soup kitchens (meals). There is a list of places at http://www.shfblv.org/county_northampton.php **SNAP (Food Stamps)** Contact the County Assistance Office 610-250-1700 or go to 201 Larry Holmes Dr. Easton for an application.

VETERAN SERVICES

If you are a veteran, there are a number of supports for you and your family. The two main entry points for these services are:

1. Northampton County Veterans Services: 610-829-4877
2. HOPE for Veterans: 1-855-483-8466. Allentown Drop In Center: 2895 Hamilton Blvd, Allentown (Monday –Friday 8:30-4:30)
3. VA Homeless line 1-877-4AIDVET

CHILD CARE

Affordable safe childcare is a big concern for parents. **Child Care Information Services** can provide you with information on child care subsidies (Title 20) and child care providers. 610-419-4500.

WHERE CAN I GET ONLINE?

Easton Public Library
Bethlehem Public Library
CareerLink

**If you have more questions or need further guidance, call the Jail's treatment staff:
610-923-4300**