



Executive Summary

Wisconsin Community Services, Inc. (WCS)

When **Wisconsin Community Services, Inc. (WCS)** was founded in 1912, services focused on those who were incarcerated and their families. Today, in addition to serving persons returning to the community after incarceration, WCS serves individuals with severe and persistent mental health needs, those with alcohol and drug addictions, and those at high risk for involvement in the criminal justice system. WCS is committed to providing evidence-based services that are strength-based, culturally competent, and outcome-focused.

WCS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

- **WCS Outpatient Mental Health Clinic** provides low-income individuals with mental health treatment and ancillary services such as medication monitoring, housing assistance, benefit acquisition and an on-site pharmacy. Clinic programs include: **Community Support Program**, **Targeted Case Management Program**, and **Comprehensive Community Services** (*Milwaukee County and United Way funding*).
- **WCS Forensic Services programs**, such as **Conditional Release** and **Opening Avenues to Re-entry Success**, coordinate community-based rehabilitation and treatment services for individuals with severe mental illness so they can successfully return to the community after serving time in a mental health institution or prison (*State of Wisconsin funding*).
- **Unlimited Potential** is an Outpatient Mental Health and AODA Treatment Program for Milwaukee County residents (*U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services, Milwaukee County and United Way funding*).
- **WCS Recovery Services** - WCS operates the Central Intake Unit to screen and admit people into AODA treatment in Milwaukee County; the **WCS Recovery Support Coordination Unit** which coordinates many essential services for people involved in AODA treatment; and, the **Prisoner Reintegration Program** which provides pre- and post-release treatment services for individuals returning to the community after confinement in the Milwaukee County House of Corrections (*Milwaukee County and United Way funding*).
- **Thurgood Marshall Apartments** - WCS offers on-site social service support 24/7/365 for those who are chronically homeless and have prolonged AODA needs (*Milwaukee County funding*).

WCS COMMUNITY AND REINTEGRATION PROGRAMS

- **Parsons House** (*Federal BOP funding*) and the **Joshua Glover Residential Reentry Center** (*State of Wisconsin DOC funding*) provide residential services to inmates nearing completion of their sentence.

- **Center for Driver's License Recovery and Employability** works with low-income Milwaukee County residents to obtain a valid driver's license (*City of Milwaukee and United Way funding with support from private foundations*).
- **Community Improvement and Job Training Program** works to prevent or stop young adults from participating in negative behaviors, such as crime and alcohol or drug use. (*State of Wisconsin funding*).

WCS COURT SERVICES AND COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES PROGRAMS help individuals fulfill their legal obligations and PROVIDES the opportunity for them to make life changes. WCS currently runs the **Jefferson** and **Waukesha County Alcohol and Drug Treatment Courts; Milwaukee** and **Waukesha County Day Reporting Centers**; and, several other court-related programs.

WCS YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS work with youth who are involved, or at risk of becoming involved, in the juvenile justice system. Programs include: **Youth Shelter Care, Alternative Sanction Program, Evening Reporting Center** and **Community Service & Restitution Coordination Program** (*Milwaukee County funding*), and **Behavioral Support for MPS Students** (*Milwaukee Public Schools funding*).

Mission Statement

Wisconsin Community Services (WCS) advocates for justice and community safety, providing innovative opportunities for individuals to overcome adversity.

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