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Transitional Living Program (TLP) Implementation

Offender Eligibility Criteria

- Have no federal, felony, or misdemeanor warrants or detainers that could increase custody level or show risk to public safety.
- Have served at least 90 days, or 270 days if an extended stay resident, as a prerelease program resident at the time of application.
- Have no positive drug tests within the 60 days prior to application.
- Have at least 30 days of clear conduct without a major disciplinary infraction.
- Have started or completed all treatment and programming identified in the offender's case plan.
- Be financially able to support themselves.
- Have shown stability in employment for the 60 days prior to application.
- Have a defined restitution payment plan and have been making consistent payments for at least 2 months prior to the application in accordance with the defined payment plan.
- If offender has a Substance Use Disorder diagnosis, they must have an established recovery plan (for example, support groups, sponsor, outpatient treatment, peer mentor, etc.) and be actively participating in it.
- If offender is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Pardons and Parole (BOPP), the BOPP has no objection to the offender's participation in TLP.

Anticipated implementation date at all facilities on or before March 1, 2024.

Helena Prerelease Center - Located in Helena, MT. Operated by Boyd Andrew Community Services.

- 8 program spots
- They will have a designated case manager for the Transitional Living Program. They are also planning to utilize their security staff for other program requirements, i.e. daily checks ins, substance use testing, etc. Currently, all their positions are filled.
- Offenders will work closely with their staff to utilize community contacts they have to find housing in the community around 90-120 days in the program.
- Daily check-ins will occur at the prerelease center or at Boyd Andrew's ETSS location in downtown Helena to ease the transportation needs of offenders who are located on the west side of Helena.
- Boyd Andrew will be eligible to start submitting applications by January 31, 2024.

Great Falls Prerelease Center – Located in Great Falls, MT. Operated by Great Falls Prerelease Services Inc.

- 16 program spots.
- They will continue their process of assigning an offender a case manager (CTS) when they arrive at the center, then having their CTS continue to work with them during their time in the Transitional Living Program.
- Great Falls PRC will utilize their security staff for community visuals, agenda checks, random cell phone audits, and other random checks, such as for passes and appointments.

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Great Falls Prerelease will be eligible to start submitting applications by January 31, 2024.



The center currently has 2 staff members that assist offenders in securing a place to live. This will occur
around 170 days in the program.

Alpha House Prerelease Center & Passages Prerelease Center – Located in Billings, MT. Operated by Alternatives, Inc.

- 20 program spots (6 for female offenders at Passages Prerelease Center and 14 for male offenders at Alpha House).
- Alternatives Inc. will add an additional case manager and security staff to help with the implementation of their Transitional Living Program. They are prepared to offer services while hiring for these new positions.
- Alternatives Inc. owns a quadraplex of 2-bedroom apartments that they plan to utilize for the Transitional Living Program as needed.
- The Department is anticipating that Alternatives, Inc. will be eligible to begin submitting applications by February 15, 2024

Gallatin County Reentry Program – Located in Bozeman, MT. Operated by Community, Counseling, and Correctional Services, Inc (CCCS).

- 4 program spots.
- They are planning to have a designated case manager for the Transitional Living Program.
- CCCS keeps a master list of all housing opportunities for their residents in Bozeman but will explore other long-term housing opportunities in the next several years.
- Anticipated eligibility date for Gallatin County Reentry Program to begin submitting applications is February 15, 2024.

Butte Prerelease Center & Women's Transition Center – Located in Butte, MT. Operated by Community, Counseling, and Correctional Services, Inc (CCCS).

- 14 program spots.
- CCCS has designated 2 primary case managers for their Transitional Living Program, with 2 additional case managers for backup and additional support.
- CCCS keeps a master list of all housing opportunities for their residents in Butte but will explore other long-term housing opportunities in the next several years.

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 Anticipated eligibility date for Butte Prerelease and Women's Transition Center to begin submitting applications is February 15, 2024.