



COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION

COURT ORDER NUMBER 144878
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DATE: 3/11/2025

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY, D/B/A TARRANT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND TOSERVE RE-ENTRY FOR THE PROVISION OF PATHWAY WITH PURPOSE REENTRY PROGRAM SERVICES TO TARRANT COUNTY INMATES

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Tarrant County, d/b/a and toServe Re-entry (toServe) for the provision of Pathway With Purpose Reentry Program services to Tarrant County inmates reentering the community.

BACKGROUND

toServe is a faith-based nonprofit that helps formerly incarcerated individuals successfully reintegrate into society. Through its Pathway With Purpose Reentry Program (PWPRP), toServe provides case management, mentorship, and connections to essential services like housing, employment, and healthcare. Serving Erath, Hood, Palo Pinto, Parker, Stephens, Tarrant, and Wise Counties, the program aims to reduce recidivism, enhance public safety, and bridge gaps in reentry services by partnering with corrections and community organizations.

With approval, toServe will provide a range of services to support successful reintegration, including correctional oversight, training, support groups, and access to medical and mental health services. Additional resources include chemical dependency treatment, job training and placement, family reunification assistance, housing support, and other essential services to address the diverse needs of participants.

The term of this MOU is one (1) year from the date signed unless terminated earlier by either party with a 60-day notice. The MOU will be renewed annually.

The MOU has been approved as to form by the Criminal District Attorney's office.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact for this item.

SUBMITTED BY	Sheriff	PREPARED BY:	Jessica Redding
		APPROVED BY:	Jessica Redding



Memorandum of Understanding

Between toServe Re-Entry and Tarrant County, d/b/a Tarrant
County Sheriff's Office

toServe Re-Entry Pathway With Purpose Reentry Program

I. The Parties

The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) are:

- Primary: toServe Re-Entry, 1508 Santa Fe Drive, Suite 302, Weatherford, TX 760863
- Partnering Organization: Tarrant County, d/b/a Tarrant County Sheriff's Office, 200 Taylor St., Ft. Worth, TX 76196

II. Purpose of this Understanding

The mission of toServe Re-Entry (toServe) is to enroll, assess, and serve recently released individuals who have limited housing, training, and employment opportunities for the purpose of engaging them with individualized case management, mentorship, and available services based on their criminogenic risk and needs, as determined by validated criminogenic risk assessments. toServe offers many services but requires collaborative partnerships with corrections and other community-based organizations and stakeholders to utilize a referral system to make sure that the individuals we serve receive a full continuum of services per their individual needs and risks.

The mission of Tarrant County Sheriff's Office Inmate Services Division is to work in collaboration with toServe to provide case management, additional service connections, and mentorship to inmates being released into the community to help reduce recidivism.

III. Summary of the Project

toServe's Pathway With Purpose Reentry Program (PPRP or Program) is a demonstration program dedicated to supporting individuals aged 18 and above reentering communities in Erath, Hood, Palo Pinto, Parker, Stephens, Tarrant, and Wise County after incarceration.

PPRP focuses on:

- Individualized Case Management: Providing personalized support and guidance to each participant.
- Enhanced Service Connections: Connecting individuals with essential resources such as housing, employment, healthcare, and mental health services.
- Meaningful Mentorship: Offering guidance and support from experienced mentors who provide encouragement and accountability.

The Program aims to:

- Enhance Public Safety: Reduce the likelihood of re-offending and contribute to safer communities.
- Decrease Recidivism Rates: Support successful reintegration and reduce the number of individuals returning to the criminal justice system.
- Expand Access to Care: Bridge gaps in reentry services within these underserved communities.
- Promote Successful Transitions: Assist individuals in developing the skills and resources needed for successful long-term reintegration.

toServe believes that by empowering individuals with the tools and support they need to succeed, we can positively impact their lives, strengthen families, and create healthier, safer communities.

IV. Roles of Primary and Partner

Primary and Partner agree to collaborate in providing comprehensive services tailored to each individual's needs, based on assessments conducted prior to their release from Tarrant County Sheriff's Office. These services include correctional oversight, training, support groups, medical and mental health services, chemical dependency treatment, job training and placement, family reunification, housing, basic needs, and any other necessary social services. Each partner's goal is to provide a resource for these services within the scope of their expertise and specialization.

V. Responsibilities of Primary and Partner

Primary will conduct intake sessions, assess candidates prior to referral, develop action plans, provide case management, and assign clients to mentors based on their needs. Additionally, Primary will offer referrals based on Risk-Needs Assessment (RNA) and personal goals, follow up on training and subsequent employment, and maintain communication with correctional oversight providers (such as parole officers and community corrections officers). This approach ensures a seamless case management trajectory and eliminates duplication of services and expectations.

Partner will help by providing referrals of inmates requesting services to toServe for its services and programs, provide necessary nonmonetary support and logistics to implement the toServe's services within the correctional facilities, and aid in monitoring and evaluating the program by collecting independent participant feedback that can be shared with toServe.

VI. Timeline and Duration

Notwithstanding any other provision of this MOU, the parties agree and understand that Tarrant County Sheriff Bill Waybourn, his successors in office, or his designees may, in their sole discretion, deny entry into the jail at any time to any agent of toServe. Either organization may terminate the MOU upon 60 days written notice without penalties or liabilities. This Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective upon signature and reviewed annually.

VII. Compliance with Form 1295 Filing and Law

toServe acknowledges that it has fully, accurately, and completely disclosed all interested parties in the Form 1295 electronically filed with the Texas Ethics Commission as required by law, and that the attached signed copy attached hereto is a full and true copy of said filed form.

In providing the services required by this Agreement, toServe must observe and comply with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations, including, without limitation, workers’ compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, and non-discrimination laws and regulations. toServe shall be responsible for ensuring its compliance with any laws and regulations applicable to its business, including maintaining any necessary licenses and permits.

VIII. Execution of Agreement

This agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed to be an original copy of this agreement, and all of which, when taken together, shall be deemed to constitute one and the same agreement. The exchange of copies of this agreement and of signature pages by electronic transmission shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this agreement as to the parties and may be used in lieu of the original agreement for all purposes. Signatures of the parties transmitted or executed electronically shall be deemed to be their original signatures for any purpose whatsoever.”

IX. Signatures

By signing below, both parties agree to the terms and conditions outlined in this Memorandum of Understanding.

For Primary Organization: toServe Re-Entry

Date: _____ Signature: _____, Program Director

For: Partner Organization:

Date: 2-21-25 Signature: Bill Waybourn, Authorized Representative

SIGNED AND EXECUTED this __ day of ,2025.

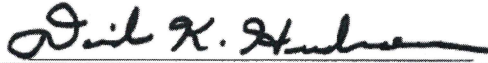
COUNTY OF TARRANT
STATE OF TEXAS

By: Separate Electronic Signature Page

Tim O'Hare
County Judge

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

2-11-25



Criminal District Attorney's Office*

*By law, the Criminal District Attorney's Office may only approve contracts for its clients. We reviewed this document as to form from our client's legal perspective. Other parties may not rely on this approval. Instead, those parties should seek contract review from independent counsel.