Annual Report 2023



MISSION STATEMENT

Our purpose is to improve the quality of life in our community by reducing the risk of criminal behavior. As a sentencing option, we provide adult offenders a safe, secure environment to enable positive change in their lives through a structured program of education, treatment, and community service. We hold ourselves accountable to our principles of integrity, compassion, fairness, and professionalism.

Executive Director's Annual Report Updates

In Fiscal Year 2023, Eastern Ohio Corrections Center (EOCC) had been hard at work and achieving results.

In the past year, Eastern Ohio Corrections Center served 322 clients of which 81% (260) graduated successfully from the program. In addition, 24 clients passed and received their GED while in residency with us as well as 16 clients received certification in ServSafe. In successfully graduating our programs, clients received tailored program and treatment classes all aimed at making them successful contributing members of our communities we serve.

Many thanks to further investments by the Ohio Legislature and Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, we have been able to continue to significantly invest in more competitive pay and benefits for our staff and invest in further training to improve all staff's understanding with evidenced based practices. Additionally, we have received \$440,000 in Ohio Capital Funds and \$540,000 in American Rescue Plan Act funds. We have been able to replace all flooring in Wintersville and all flooring the second floor of Lisbon facilities. Other upgrades include; new roofing in (Wintersville), new walk-in cooler/freezer (Wintersville), new boiler (Wintersville), replacing dry sprinkler system (Wintersville), purchasing and installing body scanners to detect contraband (Wintersville/Lisbon), installing air ionization systems to purify air, and we are finalizing installing FOB activated key system and allow us to minimize the use of keys to access. I want to thank our Facilities Manager, Todd Kostecki for his tireless efforts to accomplish all our improvements!

EOCC now have two train the trainers making for Cognitive Based Intervention Curriculum and EOCC is now self-sufficient to keep up with training needs as well as to offer our partners in probation training opportunities too. EOCC has also joined with our primary counties to be able to provide training to other professionals who wish to implement this, and to date we have held one multi-county training.

In addition to changing our cognitive program, we have also have been able to provide critical training for our staff to include Core Correctional Practices, Motivational Interviewing and other trainings aimed at our staff understanding and implementing what works programs for the clients we served.

In conclusion, we are one year into our 2-year strategic planning for Eastern Ohio Correction Center. In the past year we have ahead of schedule improving in areas of agency culture, staffing for the agency, improving communications (internally / externally), improving programs and services and shoring up our infrastructure to ensure for fiscal stability.

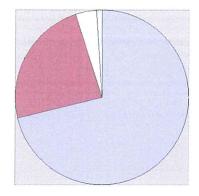
For those who have entrusted us to serve their clients, we thank you for your ongoing support of EOCC!

Sincerely,

Phillip Nunes, Executive Director

Financials

EOCC's annual budget: 4,190,280





EOCC's starting budget for FY 23-\$3,416,611.00. The agency received an addendums totaling \$773,669.00. This brings EOCC's total operational budget to \$4,190,280.00. Residents admitted to the facility this year totaled 322 (218 males and 104 female). Cost per resident was \$13,013.29 and EOCC's per diem cost per bed (126 beds) totaled \$103.28.

Food Service

EOCC served approximately 104,160 meals to residents and staff at a cost of \$2.20 per meal.

Pay to Stay

Resident's who participate in the work release program are charged \$5 for every eight hours worked, not to exceed \$25 per week. During this fiscal year, EOCC residents earned \$13,0464.12 and EOCC collected \$7,423.25 in pay to stay fees. Fees collected are deposited into a Resident Account Fund which supports resident programming and other resident related issues.

2023 Program Highlights

Education

Total number of residents that participated in Education Classes:

| Total number of residents that participated in education classes | 90 |
|---|----|
| Total number of residents that took the entire GED test | 35 |
| Total number of residents that passed the entire GED test | 24 |
| Total number of residents that took at least part of the GED test | 19 |
| Total number of residents that participated in other educational activities (high school, college courses | 0 |

Average score for entry and exit \mbox{TABE} scores: Reading , Math, Language, and Total Score

| | Average Reading | Lisbon | | |
|-----------------------|--|----------------------|--|--|
| Level 4 | | Level 3 | | |
| Wintersville | Average Math | Lisbon | | |
| Level 3 | | Level 3 | | |
| Level 3 | | Level 4 | | |
| Wintersville | Average TABE Reading for Non-ASPIRE students | Lisbon | | |
| 11.4 grade equivalent | | 10.4 grad equivalent | | |

^{*} Levels are National Reporting System

2023 Program Highlights

ServSafe

The ServSafe program is a national certificate program that teaches participants about food safety and running a restaurant. The 16 hour course provides the residents with classroom and hands-on training. Residents who pass the ServSafe exam will receive a 5-year certification that can be used to obtain employment in the community. This past fiscal year, 37 residents participated in the ServSafe program with 16 residents receiving certification.

Kitchen Prep Program

Thirty-six residents completed the kitchen prep program. The General Food Service Program is a 30 hour hands-on leaning experience for residents interested in careers in the food service industry. It is designed to give the residents a variety of food preparation and serving experiences within an operating kitchen.

Work Release Program

The total earnings of the residents who worked while at EOCC during FY 2023 was \$130464.12. Resident were able to make payments of court cost, fines, and child support due to employment opportunities offered by local companies and work privileges determined by the court. Residents made a total

Medicated Assisted Program

EOCC continues to offer the Early Intervention Vivitrol Program. During FY 23, the facility has had 47 participants, and administered 101 injections. That is an average of 2.15 injections per participant. Seven of those injections were post-release injections for former EOCC residents.

EOCC has continued partnerships with Jefferson County Prevention and Recovery Board (SOR) and Columbiana County Prevention and Recovery Board (Columbiana County Levy Grant). The SOR grant is federally funded money that is filtered through the local Jefferson County Prevention and Recovery Board to combat the Opiate Crisis. The Columbiana County Levy Grant provides money to various programs to serve justice-involved residents of Columbiana County. Belmont, Harrison, and Monroe Counties Mental health and Recovery Board will subsidize cost for residents from that catchment area who have no other funding source. All other residents who participate are funded through EOCC's Resident Commissary Account fund.

Training

Twenty-four staff members participated in Motivational Interviewing Training provided by UCCI.

Program Goals

Goal: To reduce the state prison commitments.

Objective: To admit 290 residents into the program during the fiscal year.

Outcome: EOCC admitted 322 residents this fiscal year

Goal: To provide maximum public safety.

Objective: To reduce the risk of recidivism of the residents successfully released from the program.

Outcome: EOCC released 293 residents in FY 2023. 260 residents were release successfully while 23 residents were released unsuccessfully. 10 residents had administrative releases for various reasons.

Goal: To provide productive offender reintegration into the community.

Objective: To enroll at least 50% of the offender population into employment-related training.

Outcome: One Hundred Sixty-one (50%) participated in employment related training as part of their program during the 2023 fiscal year

Goal: To provide positive contributions to the community.

Objective: To provide 5,000 hours of community service to local non-profit agencies.

Outcome: EOCC provided 16074 hours of community service to local non-profit agencies

County of Conviction

| County | Admissions | |
|------------|------------|--|
| Belmont | 88 | |
| Carroll | 17 | |
| Columbiana | 54 | |
| Guernsey | 34 | |
| Harrison | 19 | |
| Holmes | 2 | |
| Jefferson | 31 | |
| Monroe | 27 | |
| Nobel | 16 | |
| Stark | 1 | |
| Tuscarawas | 32 | |
| Washington | 1 | |
| Total | 322 | |

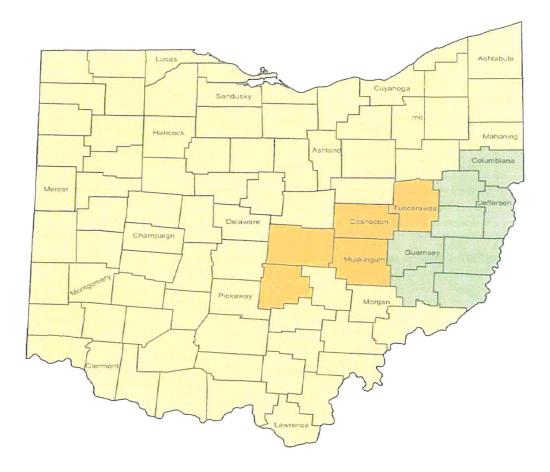
PREA Investigations FY 2023

The Eastern Ohio Correction Center has a zero tolerance policy for all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The facility is in compliance will all federal PREA standards and maintains a commitment to reduce sexual abuse and sexual harassment incidents.

| Investigation Type | Substantiated | Unsubstantiated | Unfounded | Total |
|---|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-------|
| Resident-Resident Sexual Harassment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Resident-Resident Sexual Abuse | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Staff-Resident Sexual Harassment | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Staff-Resident Sexual Abuse | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Harassment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Volunteer/Contractor-Resident Sexual Abuse | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

PREA

EOCC continues its efforts to prevent sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The facility has two identified two new emotional support staff who will receive victim support training in FY 24 from the Ohio Office of Victim Services. The next PREA audit is scheduled for July 13-14, 2023.



The Eastern Ohio Correction Center administration and staff appreciate the efforts of the FGB in providing guidance and legal authority. The nine members of the Board are:

Belmont County

Ed Gorence, Belmont County Adult Probation/Vice Chairman

Carroll County

Byron Fairclough, Carroll County Adult Probation

Columbiana County

Kyle Gainer, Columbiana County Adult Probation

Gene Gallo

Guernsey County

Kevin, Shipe, Guernsey County Chief Probation Officer

Harrison County

John Jackson, Harrison County Adult Probation

Andrew Forman, Harrison County Adult Probation

Jefferson County

Laura Triffinoff, Jefferson County Adult Probation

Ted Kostecki, Jefferson County Adult Probation/Chairman