

**441.146 Operation of reentry center for eligible inmates.**

- (1) A local correctional facility, county jail, or regional jail may, with the approval of the Department of Corrections, operate a reentry center. Reentry centers established pursuant to this section shall:
  - (a) Employ a program coordinator responsible for oversight of the reentry center;
  - (b) Offer residents at least one (1) vocational training program approved by the Department of Corrections;
  - (c) Offer residents at least two (2) other evidence-based programs approved by the Department of Corrections;
  - (d) Review each participant's case with a certified alcohol and drug counselor as defined in KRS 309.080;
  - (e) Require residents to participate in family outreach and community involvement programs;
  - (f) Require residents to seek or maintain employment in the community. The reentry center shall require ten percent (10%) of the resident's income to be deposited into a savings account, shall require fifteen percent (15%) of the resident's income to be directed to payment of restitution if applicable, and may charge each resident a fee of not more than twenty percent (20%) of the resident's income; and
  - (g) Report data as required by the Department of Corrections in order to allow evaluation of the effectiveness of the reentry center.
- (2) A person is eligible for placement in a reentry center if he or she has less than twelve (12) months until the expected expiration of his or her sentence and is:
  - (a) A state inmate eligible for placement in a local jail pursuant to KRS 532.100;
  - (b) A Class B felon who is classified as low risk by the Department of Corrections; or
  - (c) A county inmate in the jail operated by the political subdivision which operates the reentry center.
- (3) Residents may be assigned to a reentry center by:
  - (a) Administrative classification by the Department of Corrections;
  - (b) Administrative decision of the jailer for inmates of the jail;
  - (c) The court, as an alternative sentence; or
  - (d) The Parole Board, as a condition of parole or as a sanction for violation of conditions of parole.

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