



Resonance Center for Women

Established in 1977

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Mission

Resonance promotes and supports the well-being and self-sufficiency of women and their families challenged by their experience with the criminal justice system.

Why this Mission?

- Oklahoma ranked #1 in the World, per capita, for number of women incarcerated
- 60% convictions are due to substance abuse
- Addressing the root problem of addiction reduces incarceration, recidivism and saves taxpayers and the state millions

Our Goal

Our primary goal is to help troubled women change. As these women change, their families change and our community changes.



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Where We Help



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1918 Breene Mansion

- Serving women only
- Non-institutional facility
- Close to public transportation
- Environment of trust and respect
- Trauma Informed Therapy
- 15 employees including 4 therapists, 2 case managers and mentoring coordinator

How We Help

- Diversion Services
- Reentry Support Services
- DUI School/Assessments
 - Employment

Who We Serve

- 61% - someone with drinking problem in home
- 46.8% - someone in the home with a drug problem
- 47% - reported mental illness in the home
- 31.1% - reported one or both parents incarcerated
- 66.4% - reported physical and/or sexual abuse as child
- 71.1% - reported domestic violence in adulthood
- 36.2% - reported rape after age 18

Diversion Services

In lieu of incarceration, women are referred to Resonance for substance abuse treatment. We help women get to the root of their problem ... that of addiction.



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Diversion Referrals

- Tulsa County Drug Court
- Child Welfare
- TANF
- Probation and Parole
- Community Sentencing

Diversion

- Non-Violent, Female Offenders
- Substance Abuse Problem
- Leverage with Court System
- Stay with Children
- Live in community throughout recovery process
- Continue working if scheduling permits

80% Completion Rate

- 80% of Drug Court Clients completed the program
- 92% continue living with and caring for their children throughout treatment
- 100% earned their GED or are involved in literacy education
- 100% are employed or involved in higher education
- 100% received case management services linking them to community resources



Reentry Services

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Reentry Services

It is hard for women to be successful as they release from prison when they face so many barriers ...

- Little Money
- No Transportation
- No Job
- Many fines
- No Place to Live
- Felony Conviction

Upon Release ...

- Where will I live and how do I pay for it?
- How do I pay my fines?
- How do I get a job with a felony conviction?
- What will I do for transportation?
- How do I start the process of getting my social security card and drivers' license back
- How do I get my kids back?

Reentry Services

Choosing to Change Reentry Program at Turley.
Offenders voluntarily participate in eight week sessions

- Relapse Prevention
- Case Management and a reentry plan
- Job Readiness skills training
- Mentoring program

Choosing to Change

Resonance conducts five, eight-week Choosing to Change sessions each year with the following partners:

- Tulsa Community College
- Domestic Violence Intervention Services
- Planned Parenthood
- Parent Child Center
- Junior League of Tulsa
- Stand in the Gap
- Total Pilates

Helping Women Recover

- 12 Week Substance Abuse Treatment Program at Eddie Warrior
- Followed by intensive case management and reentry planning
- Ideally offenders would step down to Turley and participate in Choosing to Change

Take 2 Cafe

Take 2 Café is coming soon to downtown Tulsa. The café offers a safe, positive and educational work environment for women transitioning out of prison

- Immediate Employment
- Immediate Housing
- Skills training
- Exposure to hundreds of potential employers
- Encourages second chance friendly hiring practices in the community

2014 Accomplishments

- 35 Graduated from Drug Court
- 212 women served - SA treatment
- 65 women served - Re-Entry
- 51 women -Mentor support
- 722 women served - total

Impact of 35 Graduates

- Resonance SA treatment cost- \$4,200 per year
- Incarceration cost - \$15,000 - 20,000 year
- Had graduates been incarcerated:
 - Total cost to DOC/State/Taxpayers – Half a million *per year*
 - Added nonviolent offenders to an overcrowded system

More than Cost Savings

- Clean and Sober
- Employed
- Paying Taxes
- Role model for their children
- End the cycle of substance abuse/poverty/incarceration

Success

Resonance is helping troubled women change. As these women change, their families change and our community changes.



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