# CRC Annual Report

June 2024



The Milwaukee County Community Reintegration Center is the largest county-run correctional facility in the state.

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#### MISSION

Promote successful community reintegration by providing programming and resources, that comprehensively meet the needs of residents in our care, which support opportunities for positive change.

#### VISION

We enhance public safety and quality of life through the successful reintegration of residents in our care.

#### **CORE VALUES**

To be infused in every aspect of our work.

Humanity: Value all differences treating everyone with dignity and respect

Integrity: Operate from the highest ethical character while maintaining a strong sense of honesty and morality

Security: Maintain a safe and secure institution

Competency: Achieve excellence through recruitment, training, and leadership

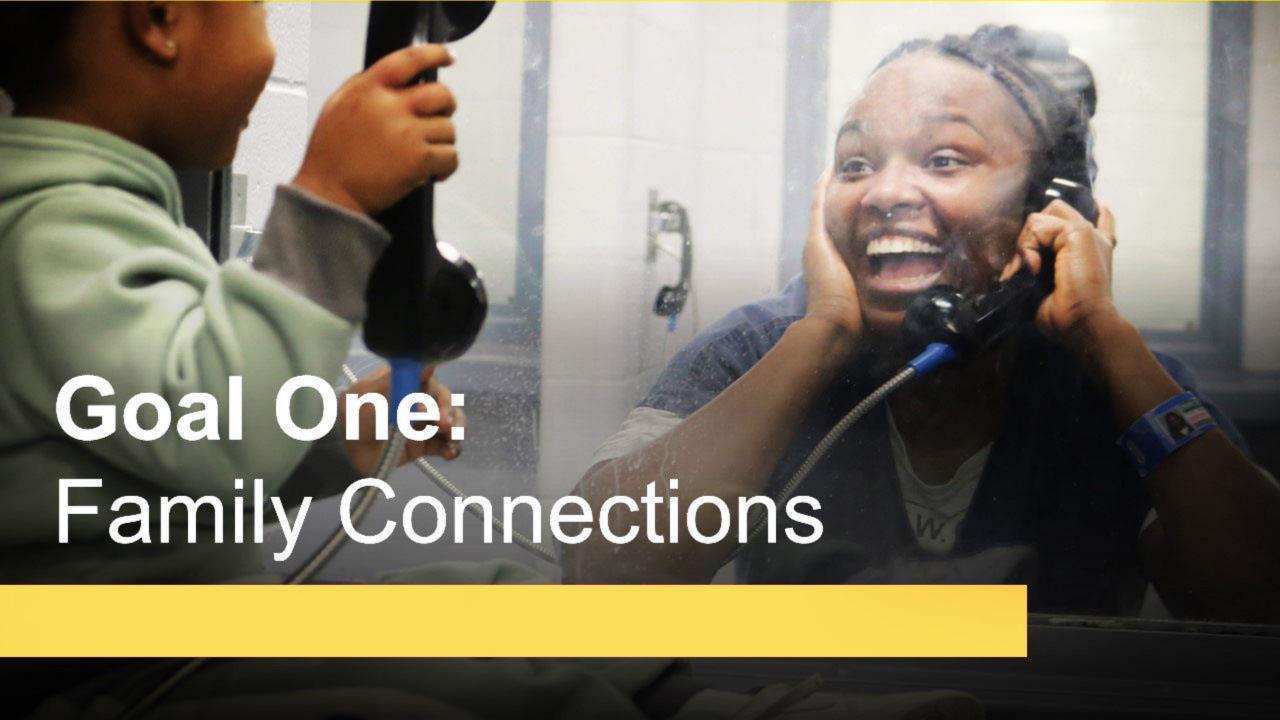
Community: Engage partners to increase access to services







- Investing in Equity through job skills training. (3A)
- Dismantling barriers to diverse and inclusive communities. (3B)
- Determine what, where, and how we deliver services to advance health equity. (2A)



## **CRC Goals**



## Reconnection. Focus on family.

Aligns with County Goals 2C, 3A

Why this matters:

Strong family ties support successful reintegration.

Decrease the likelihood of reoffending



# Goal One: Family Connections

#### What we did:

- Reopened in-person visits December 2023
   More than 700 visits Dec 2023 Feb 2024
- Hired Family Resource and Outreach Coordinator
   1435 resident contacts
   135 family and community contacts
- Family Engagement Center
   19 residents completed Family Engagement program
   31 family engagement center visits
   13 residents released, no re-offenses.



# Goal One: Family Connections

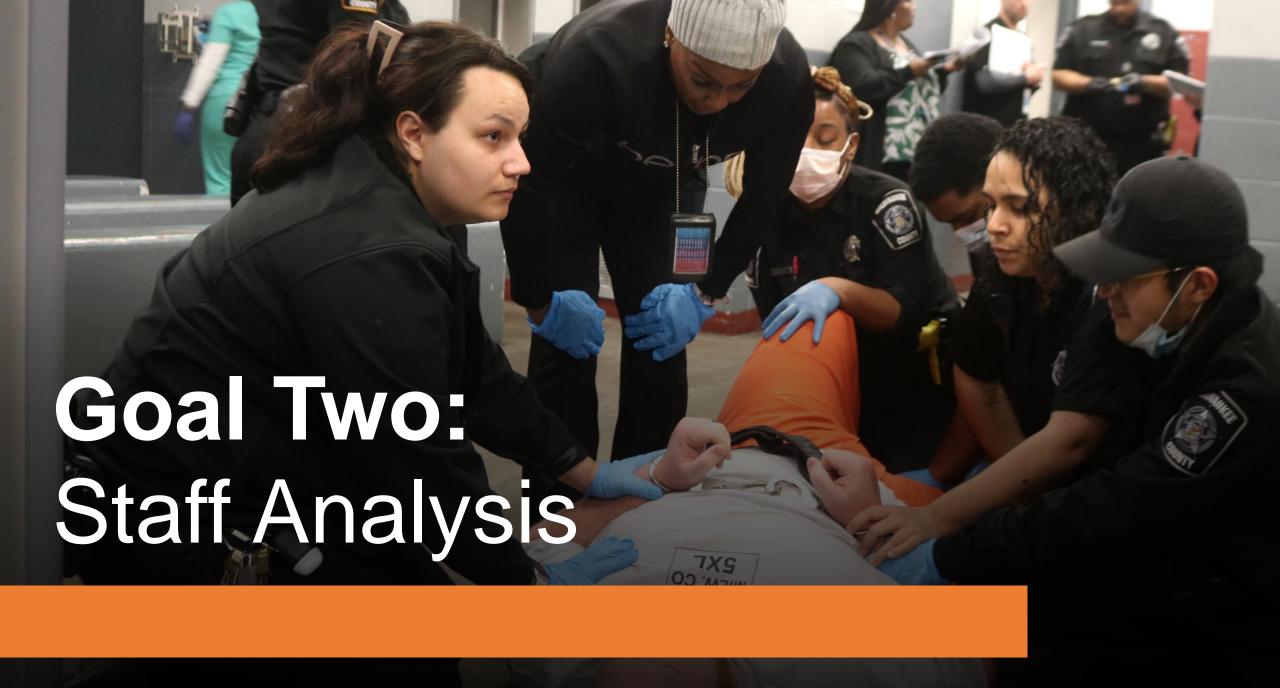
What helped us.

Availability of data, evidencebased programming to support and prioritize initiative. What challenged us.

Additional staffing costs.

Limited financial resources.





## **CRC Goals**



# Analysis. Better Serve Residents and Constituents.

Aligns with County Goals 1A, 3B

#### Why this matters:

This objective analysis proactively identifies staffing needs and capacity to ensure safety, efficiency and effectiveness.

Enhances fiscal health and sustainability.



# Goal Two: Analysis

#### What we did:

- April 2023 Secured contract with CGL
- May 2023 CGL started assessment with report due first quarter of 2024
- Identified scope of analysis and data to use as foundation for future staffing plans.



# Goal Two: Analysis

What helped us.

Milwaukee County partnerships and collaboration with DAS – Procurement.

What challenged us.

The Request for Proposal (RFP) timeline.





### **CRC Goals**



# Reduce CRC Vacancy Rates by 10%. Maintain 200 front line staff (average) in 2023

Aligns with 2C, 3A

Why this matters:

Appropriate staffing impacts support, holistic approach to care, supervision and programming.



# CRC Goals: Reduce Vacancy Rates

What we did.

# WE ACCOMPLISHED OUR GOAL!

- Reduced vacancy rate from 38% to 17%.
- Hired 134 diverse applicants
- Net gain: 59 officers
- Attended more community events and hosted hiring events.



# Goal Three: Reduce Vacancy Rates

#### What helped us.

- Hiring events at Zoofari Conference Center (attracted 27% of applicants)
- Faster, increased outreach
- Increased retention initiatives including town hall and Employee Engagement Committee Meetings
- Increased focus on Mental Health and Wellness

#### What challenged us.

Resignations due to mandatory overtime and non-traditional work shifts.

Only two full-time investigators to evaluate candidates.





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