



 **Location:** JFS 1345 Lagonda Ave, Springfield OH

 **Date:** November 18, 2025

 **Time:** 8:30-9:30 AM

Meeting Minutes

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:30AM with 23 people in attendance.
 - a) We went around the room, and everyone introduced themselves.
- II. Coalition reviewed the minutes from October. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Abby Glaser and seconded by Victoria Sinift. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Updates
 - a) Haitian Coalition: Vince Carter reported that ICE plans to begin pick-ups on February 3rd, with a focus on Springfield. Casey's team is still assisting individuals with obtaining passports. Brooke Wagner advised referring undocumented clients, particularly those with children, to begin the passport process immediately, as children without passports may not be taken to the same location as their parents during an ICE action. Abby Glaser noted that ABLE has guardianship packets available for parents who wish to designate a guardian for their children in the event of deportation. Vince added that the next full Haitian Coalition meeting is scheduled for January.
 - b) Meredith Carter reported that Thomas Rollins is working on alternatives to suspension for students caught vaping in Clark County. Students may take a class instead of being suspended, pending school approval. Meredith also plans to host a two-hour weekly family group at Lincoln Elementary in January called Guiding Good Choices. The sessions will cover family meetings, expectations, and boundaries.
 - c) Criminal Justice: No updates.
 - d) Transportation Council: No updates.
 - e) ODRC: Ernest is no longer with ODRC. A new representative will be assigned at a later date.
 - f) Other Community & Coalition Updates
 - i) Sarah Richards reported a proposal for a computerized program to identify veterans in any county jail is currently under consideration in the House of Representatives.
 - g) Reentry Committees:
 - (1) CAP: At the last meeting, the CAP Committee developed the majority of the strategic plan. A few items will be brought back to the coalition for feedback early next year or addressed within committees related to the plan's goals. The strategic plan is scheduled to be presented at the January meeting.
 - (2) Education: Brooke Wagner and Abby Glaser conducted a trauma-informed care training on November 5th at Emerge. A total of 47 people attended.
 - (3) Access to Services: Brooke Wagner reported that next year, committee structures are expected to change to align with the new strategic plan.
 - (4) Housing: Brooke Wagner spoke about the Eviction Documentary occurring on Thursday, November 20th.
 - h) Legislative Update
 - i) HB 542: Inmate Pregnancy Reporting Requirements: This bill, currently under consideration in the House, would require correctional institutions to report the outcomes of pregnancies for inmates. Currently, institutions record pregnancies but not the outcomes (e.g., live birth, stillbirth). Collecting this data could inform policy regarding women giving birth in correctional facilities.
 - ii) SB 179: Verified Veteran Status of Imprisoned Individuals: This bill, previously mentioned by Sarah, is still under consideration and aims to verify veteran status for incarcerated individuals.
 - iii) HB 23: Escaped Convict Alert Program: This bill proposes the creation of an alert system for escaped convicts.
- IV. New Business
 - a) The schedule for Fair Chance Wednesday 2026 was reviewed. Wendy Doolittle made a motion to approve the schedule, which was seconded by Bonita Sedora. The motion passed unanimously

- b) The schedule for 2026 Reentry Coalition meetings was reviewed. Bonita Sedora made a motion to approve the schedule, which was seconded by Erica Picklesimon. The motion passed unanimously.
- c) RC Elections for Chair and Vice Chair will be held in January. Currently, there is one nomination for the Chair position and one nomination for the Vice Chair position. Additional nominations can be submitted at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/rcleadership25>

V. Old Business

- a) Donation Drive to support local families and food pantries: Thanks were extended to the agencies that hosted donation boxes.
- b) Legal Clinic: The legal clinic was held on November 8th, with 11 attendees. Planning is underway for the legal clinic calendar for 2026.

VI. For the good of the order

- a) Full Circle: Lindsay Wells reported that starting Monday, November 24, the PHP's will resume in Dayton, and the Bluffington location will be opening for residential services.
- b) McKinley Hall Clinic: Wendy Doolittle reported that the clinic is coordinating with a staffing agency and will open once all nursing shifts are filled.
- c) JFS: Victoria Sinift reported changes and confusion regarding food assistance eligibility. Most Haitian and Cuban entrants are currently still eligible, though some clients have had their status revoked without notice and are now ineligible. Medically unable individuals can be exempt from the work requirement with a doctor's note. Age exemptions have increased from 50 to 65, meaning some early Social Security retirees must still meet the work requirement to receive benefits.
- d) The Friend Agency: Lucas Horn reported that The Friend Agency focuses on helping individuals secure employment, particularly in Dayton's manufacturing and second-chance job opportunities. The agency offers flexible group sessions to accommodate varying work schedules, including morning and evening sessions. Clients receive Friday and Saturday weekend passes to gradually reintegrate with family. The agency is located at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Dayton.
- e) Reminder: The next meeting is scheduled for January 20th, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., in person at CCDJFS, 1345 Lagonda Ave, Springfield, OH 45503.
- f) Brooke Wagner proposed to provide time after Reentry Coalition meetings for direct service providers to connect and coordinate on client needs. Participation would be voluntary and mindful of confidentiality requirements, as ROIs would not be in place. The coalition will discuss this further at the January meeting as part of the strategic plan direction.

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 AM.



Attendees:

Abby Glaser

Annisa Younts

Bob Matthews

Bonita Sedora

Brittany Kidder

Brooke Wagner

Carolyn Crable

Debra Gross

Emily Parsons

Erica Picklesimon

Jacob Clark

Lindsay Wells

Lucas Horn

McKenzie Burton

Meredith Carter

Nyellah Raiff

Sarah Richards

Scot Donley

Tyeshia Orr

Victoria Sinift

Vince Chase

Wendy Doolittle

Willard DeArmond

