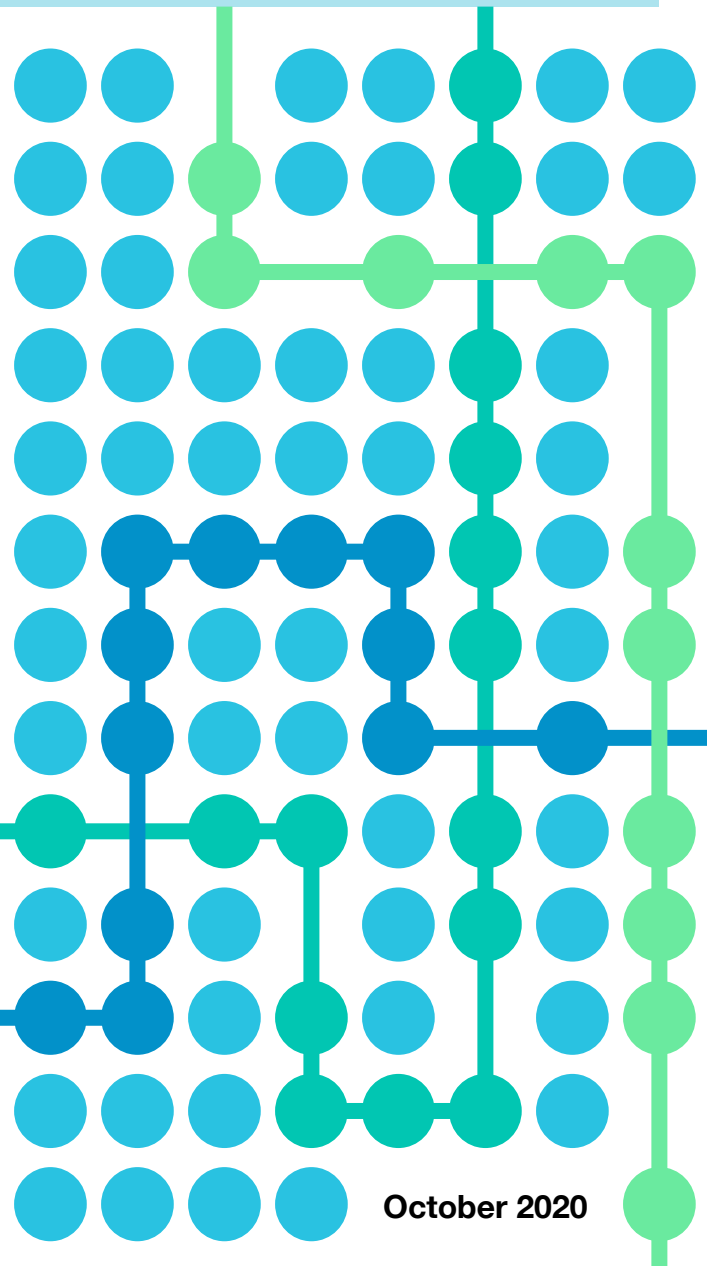


ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION

Court-mandated, supportive, community-based services

The Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice (MOCJ) funds non-profit organizations to run Alternative to Incarceration (ATI) programs. ATI programs are diversion programs that are mandated by judges in court and provide participants with holistic, supportive services in their communities instead of a jail or prison sentence. ATI programs reduce the court's reliance on incarceration, lower the jail population, and allow people to remain in their communities while increasing stability and well-being.



October 2020

Read through this booklet to learn about ATI programs available throughout New York City. Call or email the program to make a referral.

NYC Criminal Justice

Note: Programs accept referrals of clients who live in and/or have cases in the program’s catchment area(s).

Program	Borough(s)	Target Population	Page Number
CASES: Nathaniel ACT	Brooklyn, Manhattan	18+ yrs old; SMI; Misdemeanor and Felony	4
Nathaniel Community Success	Brooklyn, Manhattan	16+ yrs old; mental illness; Misdemeanor and Felony	4
newSTART	Manhattan	16+ yrs old; Misdemeanor	5
Reframing Opportunity Alternatives & Resilience (ROAR)	Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan	16-27 yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	5
Center for Community Alternatives: Community Solutions	Brooklyn	13+ yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	6
Center for Court Innovation: Bronx Community Solutions	Bronx	18+ yrs old;	6
Brooklyn Justice Initiatives	Brooklyn	Misdemeanor	7
Manhattan Justice Opportunities	Manhattan		7
Queens Community Justice Center	Queens		8
Staten Island Justice Center	Staten Island		8
Common Justice	Bronx, Brooklyn	16-26 yrs old; violent crime with victim	9
Community Health Action of Staten Island	Staten Island	18+ yrs old; behavioral health; Misdemeanor and Felony	9
Exalt	Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island	15-19 yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	10
Exodus Transitional Community	Manhattan	18+ yrs old; men: Misdemeanor and Felony	10
Fortune Society Freedom	Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens	16+ yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	11
Housing Works	Brooklyn, Manhattan	18+ yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	11
NY Foundling Families Rising	Citywide	13-27 yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	12

Note: Programs accept referrals of clients who live in and/or have cases in the program’s catchment area(s).

Program	Borough(s)	Target Population	Page Number
Osborne Association Court Advocacy Services	Citywide	13+ yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	12
El Rio	Bronx	18+ yrs old; substance use disorder; Misdemeanor and Felony	13
Justice Works	Bronx	16-30 yrs old; Misdemeanor and Felony	13
Rising Ground-STEPS To End Family Violence Criminalized Survivors Program	Citywide	13+ yrs old; survivors of gender-based violence; Misdemeanor and Felony	14
Urban Youth Alliance BronxConnect & ManhattanConnect	Bronx, Manhattan	13-27 yrs olds; Misdemeanor and Felony	14
Wildcat-Fedcap The Women’s Project	Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan	19+ yrs old; women; Misdemeanor and Felony	15
Women’s Prison Association JusticeHome	Citywide	16+ yrs old; women; Misdemeanor and Felony	15

Note: Programs accept referrals of clients who live in and/or have cases in the program's catchment area(s).

CASES

NATHANIEL ACT

Boroughs: Brooklyn, Manhattan

Population: 18+ year olds with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) who are eligible for NYC Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) and charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: No charge exclusions

Services:

- Evidence-based, state-licensed intensive mobile mental health treatment
- Psychiatry, nursing, clinical treatment, case management, and peer support
- Education and job training
- Empowerment and self help
- Family life and social relationships
- Housing assistance
- Integrated dual disorder treatment
- Medication management
- Money management
- Post-program transition planning
- Relapse prevention

Contact to Make a Referral:

Crystal Courts
courtreferrals@cases.org | 347-957-2547

NATHANIEL COMMUNITY SUCCESS (NCS)

Boroughs: Brooklyn, Manhattan

Population: 16+ year olds with mental illness charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot have primary diagnosis of severe developmental disability

Services:

- Clinical assessment of risk and protective factors (focus on motivation and resilience)
- Comprehensive treatment and success planning
- Case management
- Evidence-based CBT individual and group services to support decision making, healthy living, reduced substance use, improved social skills and community integration
- Coordinated outpatient mental health services integrated with primary care and substance use services, including at CASES' state-licensed Nathaniel Clinic

Contact to Make a Referral:

Crystal Courts
courtreferrals@cases.org | 347-957-2547

CASES

NEWSTART

Borough: Manhattan

Population: 16+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (primarily at arraignment)

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Rapid, expert risk and need screening
- Intensive individual supports to foster motivation, resilience, social skills, and community integration (including connections to ongoing services)
- Individual and group CBT counseling (emphasizing healthy relationships, treatment readiness, HIV prevention, understanding addiction, Seeking Safety)
- Specialized interventions for repeat participants
- Voluntary post-mandate services including for homeless individuals

Contact to Make a Referral:

Kendall Sullivan

ksullivan@cases.org | 347-675-3650
cases.org/newstart/

REFRAMING OPPORTUNITY ALTERNATIVES & RESILIENCE (ROAR)

Boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan

Population: 16-27 year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot have a primary diagnosis of severe developmental disability, severe substance use disorder, or a serious mental illness in need of ACT treatment

Services:

- Clinical assessment of risk and protective factors (focus on motivation and resilience)
- Comprehensive treatment and success planning
- Services focused on decision making, social skills, community integration, reduced substance use
- Intensive individualized supports including in-house HSE education, paid internships, and employment supports
- In-home family therapy– Adolescent Portable Therapy
- CBT-based individual and group counseling and job-readiness models
- Specialist trauma-informed CBT for youth involved in high-risk, violent behaviors who have experienced significant trauma

Contact to Make a Referral:

Crystal Courts

courtreferrals@cases.org | 347-957-2547

CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS

Borough: Brooklyn

Population: 13+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot pose serious danger to the community or present unmanageable psychiatric symptoms

Services:

- Case management
- CBT counseling (including MRT, Interactive Journaling)
- Educational support
- Groups (trauma-informed therapy, anger management, domestic violence, healthy living, healthy relationships)
- Internships/apprenticeships
- Job readiness training
- Mental health services
- Mentoring
- Mitigation reports/court advocacy
- OASAS-licensed outpatient substance use treatment

Contact to Make a Referral

Lucy Chrysiliou:

lchrysiliou@communityalternatives.org

718-858-9658 ext 433 | 917-705-3081

THE CENTER FOR COURT INNOVATION

BRONX COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS

Borough: Bronx

Population: 18+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Anger management
- Behavioral health management
- Case management
- Community service
- Driver accountability program
- Human trafficking survivors services
- Individual counseling
- Restorative justice programming
- Social service sessions (employment, behavioral health, Naloxone bystander training, substance use support)
- Treatment readiness
- Up and Out group
- Young adult programming

Contact to Make a Referral:

Jeffrey Seplowe

BCS_ATI@courtinnovation.org | 646-659-0397

THE CENTER FOR COURT INNOVATION

BROOKLYN JUSTICE INITIATIVES

Borough: Brooklyn

Population: 18+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Behavioral health management
- Case management
- Community service
- Conflict resolution group
- Driver Accountability Program
- Drug education workshop
- Employment readiness group
- Goal-setting workshop
- Human trafficking survivor services
- Individual counseling
- Tools for New Thinking
- Treatment readiness
- Up & Out group
- Young women's health group

Contact to Make a Referral:

Dana Rivera

BJI_ATI@nycourts.gov | 347-404-9908

MANHATTAN JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES

Borough: Manhattan

Population: 18+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Benefits enrollment
- Case management
- Community service
- Connections to primary care
- Driver Accountability Program
- Employment readiness
- Individual counseling
- Job training and employment services
- Mental health treatment
- Peer navigation
- Restorative justice
- Substance use treatment
- Treatment readiness
- Up & Out group
- Young adult programming

Contact to Make a Referral:

Joe Barrett:

MJO_ATI@nycourts.gov | 929-213-9270

THE CENTER FOR COURT INNOVATION

QUEENS COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER

Borough: Queens

Population: 18+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Driver Accountability Programming
- General and specific group sessions
- Individualized counseling services
- Theft accountability programming
- Workforce development

Contact to Make a Referral:

Erika McSwain

EMcSwain@nycourts.gov | 516-459-6320

STATEN ISLAND JUSTICE CENTER

Borough: Staten Island

Population: 18+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Case management
- Community service
- Driver accountability program
- Employment readiness
- Individual Counseling
- Specialized young adult programming
- Theft accountability program
- Up & Out group

Contact to Make a Referral:

Alyssa Calandra

SIJC.Court.Ops@courtinnovation.org

COMMON JUSTICE

Boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn

Population: 16-26 year olds indicted for violent felony crimes that involve a victim (typically first and second degree robbery and assault, but program accepts more serious cases as well)

Eligibility: Cannot have a severe substance use or mental health condition; case cannot be family violence, sexual violence, or intimate partner violence

Services:

- Restorative justice circle resulting in accountability agreement
- Intensive preparation for participation in restorative justice circle with victim (or “surrogate victim”)
- Case management and programming focused on meeting terms of agreement
- Drug and mental health treatment support
- Education and employment support
- Individual counseling
- Violence intervention groups (focused on trauma, community, family, violence and control, healthy relationships)

Contact to Make a Referral:

Lauren Lipps

llipps@commonjustice.org | 917-902-5262

COMMUNITY HEALTH ACTION OF STATEN ISLAND

Borough: Staten Island

Population: 18+ year olds with behavioral health conditions charged with a Misdemeanor or Nonviolent Felony

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Case management
- Harm reduction
- Individual and group counseling
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Mental health treatment
- OASAS-licensed outpatient drug treatment
- Recovery readiness

Contact to Make a Referral:

Taryn Lyon

Taryn.Lyon@CHASINY.org | 718-808-1419

EXALT

Boroughs: Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island

Population: 15-19 year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot already have a high school diploma/HSE, must be at 4th grade reading level, primary need cannot be mental health or substance abuse treatment

Services:

- Goal setting and planning (personal, educational attainment, criminal justice, employment)
- Pre-internship training (includes culturally-responsive curriculum, skill assessments, stipends)
- Paid interest/strengths-based internship placements (in tech, architecture, not-for-profits, culinary, education, film, music, art, advocacy)
- Post-internship services (includes resume development, skill assessments, post-graduate planning)
- Four core skills development: communication, critical thinking, resource management, creative problem solving
- Weekly seminars
- Alumni network
- Alumni internships

Contact to Make a Referral:

Alex Griffith
alexgriffith@exaltyouth.org
347-621-6100 ex: 109

EXODUS TRANSITIONAL COMMUNITY

Borough: Manhattan

Population: 18+ year old men charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: No charge exclusions

Services:

- Basic needs (food, Metrocard, clothing)
- CBT Groups (including MRT, Interactive Journaling, health education, Seeking Safety, Healthy Relationships, anger management, harm reduction)
- Civic engagement
- Employment services (internships, leadership development, job training and retention support)
- Holistic, supportive case management
- Housing assistance
- Individual counseling
- Mental health services
- OASAS-licensed outpatient substance use treatment (including Medication Assisted Treatment)
- Toxicology
- Transformative mentoring
- Trauma-informed services

Contact to Make a Referral:

Carmen Arroyo
CArroyo@etcny.org | 917-216-4584

THE FORTUNE SOCIETY

FREEDOM

Boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens

Population: 16+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Case management
- Family engagement
- Housing
- HSE prep
- Individual and group CBT counseling (using MRT, DBT, Interactive Journaling, Healthy Relationships, fatherhood program, Anger Management, etc.)
- Job readiness
- Licensed outpatient mental health clinic
- Medication management
- OASAS-licensed outpatient substance use treatment clinic
- Paid internships

Contact to Make a Referral:

Randi Rothschild
rrothschild@fortunesociety.org | 718-662-6166

HOUSING WORKS

Boroughs: Brooklyn, Manhattan

Population: 18+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot have a sex offense as the instant charge

Services:

- Case management
- DOH-licensed primary care clinics (including Medication Assisted Treatment, women's health, transgender health, HIV testing and care, psychiatric services)
- Food and nutrition services
- Group counseling (CBT, Seeking Safety, Anger Management, Wellness, Self-Management, Relationships Matter!)
- Harm reduction (including syringe exchange)
- Housing placement assistance
- NYS Health Home Reentry team
- OASAS-licensed substance use clinic
- OMH-licensed mental health clinic

Contact to Make a Referral:

Elaina Camacho
E.Camacho@housingworks.org
917-577-1664 | 212-465-8304 ext 4848

NY FOUNDLING

FAMILIES RISING

Boroughs: Citywide

Population: 13-27 year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot be actively suicidal or homicidal; Cannot be deemed to meet clinical criteria for a “sex offender” (“sex offenders” with co-occurring antisocial behaviors are eligible); Not advised if IQ below 60; participants 13-17 years old must have adult caregiver willing to participate in program and counseling process

Services:

- Home-based Functional Family Therapy (FFT) treatment to address substance use, negative peer involvement, family conflict, and school truancy; home-based therapy 1-2 times a week; curfew monitoring; school attendance reporting; urine analysis drug testing when needed or required by the court.

Contact to Make a Referral:

Mollie Beebe

Mollie.Beebe@NYFoundling.org | 347-573-1450

OSBORNE ASSOCIATION

COURT ADVOCACY SERVICES

Boroughs: Citywide

Population: 13+ year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Case management
- Court advocacy and mitigation

Contact to Make a Referral:

Andrea Goupalsingh

agoupalsingh@osborneny.org | 347-766-9084

OSBORNE ASSOCIATION

EL RIO

Borough: Bronx

Population: 18+ year olds with a substance use disorder charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Case management
- CBT-based individual and group counseling (including DBT, MRT, Seeking Safety, Thinking for a Change)
- Employment assistance
- Group workshops (focused on healthy relationships, communication, anger management, vocational skills, education, independent living skills, criminal justice system basics)
- OASAS-licensed substance use clinic and telehealth services
- Peer support groups
- Toxicology

Contact to Make a Referral:

Michael Cannaday

Mcannaday@osborneny.org

718-707-2646 | 646-327-8240

JUSTICE WORKS

Borough: Bronx

Population: 16-30 year olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot have serious mental health or substance use issues or significant cognitive impairments/delays

Services:

- Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) conflict resolution program
- Case management
- Credible Messenger mentoring
- Education support
- Individual counseling
- Interactive Journaling
- Job training
- MRT employment
- Paid internships

Contact to Make a Referral:

Sean Brailsford:

Sbrailsford@osborneny.org

718-707-2644 | 646-339-9259

RISING GROUND- STEPS TO END FAMILY VIOLENCE

CRIMINALIZED SURVIVORS PROGRAM

Boroughs: Citywide

Population: 13+ year old survivors of gender-based violence whose survivorship is linked to their arrest including those charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs. Predominantly serves women (cis- and transgender), but also serves men (cis- and transgender).

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Advocacy
- Case management
- Economic empowerment program (including financial literacy, job skills, basic education)
- Medication adherence support
- Psychiatric symptom management
- Trauma-focused CBT-based individual and group counseling (including Seeking Safety, Beyond Violence, decision-making, healthy relationships)

Contact to Make a Referral:

Julia Shaw:

stepsreferrals@risingground.org

jshaw@risingground.org | 646-808-5878

URBAN YOUTH ALLIANCE

BRONXCONNECT & MANHATTANCONNECT

Boroughs: Bronx, Manhattan

Population: 13-27 year olds charged with a Misdemeanor (Class A or B) or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Cannot be charged with sexual assault or an A-1 felony such as murder, kidnapping, arson (some exceptions apply); cannot have serious chronic drug addiction (some exceptions apply) or psychotic disorders such as schizophrenia

Services:

- Case management
- CBT groups (Anger Management groups, 7 Challenges Brief, recovery coaching)
- Drug testing and curfew tracking when required by court
- Education support (including math and literacy)
- Employment readiness training and job assistance
- Family engagement
- Home visits
- Individual and group counseling
- Mentoring
- School-based advocacy

Contact to Make a Referral:

Jose Marte:

917-312-0378 | josem@bronxconnect.org

Shawn Saulsbury

(718) 402-6872 ext.105 | 347-833-0273

referrals@bronxconnect.org

WILDCAT- FEDCAP

THE WOMEN'S PROJECT

Boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan

Population: Women (including trans women and non-binary individuals) 19+ years old charged with a Misdemeanor (Class A) or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: Must require at least 3 months of programming; focus on detained women

Services:

- Basic needs post-release (e.g. food, clothing, cell phones, toiletries)
- Care coordination from detention through release and community programming
- Clinically-oriented individual counseling (weekly)
- Community-building events
- Creative writing publications and book club
- Holistic advocacy to address collateral consequences of arrest and detention (e.g. housing, family court, financial, medical, etc.)
- Individualized plans and coordinated advocacy for release applications
- Self-care and self-advocacy workshops focused on the 8 interrelated dimensions of wellness
- Support services focused on improving individual wellness, growing economic stability/sustainability and sustaining positive community
- Trauma-focused CBT-based individual support and group counseling

Contact to Make a Referral:

Valentina Morales

vmorales@fedcap.org

646-983-1123 | 646-931-2475

WOMEN'S PRISON ASSOCIATION

JUSTICEHOME

Boroughs: Citywide

Population: 16+ year old women (including female-identifying, trans, and gender non-conforming individuals) charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Individual and group counseling (Seeking Safety, Beyond Anger & Violence, Parenting Journey)
- Support groups (focused on self-care, recovery, emotional health, trauma triggers, etc.)
- Trauma-responsive individualized case management

Contact to Make a Referral:

Melissa Osborne:

mosborne@wpaonline.org | 646-415-4889

Miriam Goodman

mgoodman@wpaonline.org | 347-803-3535