

ABOUT WRAP+

The Winona Reentry Assistance Program Plus (WRAP+) is a Bureau of Justice Assistance, Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Grant-funded program that was developed by the Winona County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. WRAP+ contains three main components (1) an extensive cross-training program for criminal justice and behavioral health personnel; (2) a social worker embedded in the jail to address in-jail behavior health concerns of inmates and to conduct or coordinate additional assessments or referrals and (3) an expanded re-entry program to assist persons who have been involved with the criminal justice system to help them avoid further involvement in the system.

Through the reentry component of the program, WRAP+ provides a case manager who can help people develop a plan and access resources and supports so they can live successfully in the community, as well as money to pay for certain expenses that are a part of a person's case plan. Some of the common things that a reentry program can assist people with include housing, health insurance, chemical dependency and mental health assessment and treatment, transportation and getting ID cards and birth certificates.



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PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND FAQs



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WHAT IS A REENTRY PROGRAM?

Reentry refers to the return of offenders from incarceration back into the community. A reentry program is a program that helps an offender address the gaps or issues that may prevent an offender as they transition into the community.

WHO QUALIFIES FOR WRAP+?

Adult residents of Winona County who have high risks and needs and are involved in the criminal justice system, who have mental illness or co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse disorders, who agree to participate and who are not excluded due to risk of violence or criminal history are eligible for WRAP+. More specific information on eligibility criteria is available on the WRAP+ website: www.winonacountyjcc.org/wrapplus.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR WRAP+?

All individuals who are booked into the Winona County Jail are given an opportunity to apply for WRAP+. Referrals are also welcome from other sources, including self-referrals. To apply for WRAP+, an individual must complete a Combined Screening & Application Form. This form is available in multiple formats, including online, .pdf fillable and paper form, all of which are available on the WRAP+ website. Completed applications should be delivered to Trish Chandler, Jail Intake Worker in the Winona County Jail or e-mailed to her at tchandler@co.winona.mn.us.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I APPLY?

Completed applications are reviewed by the Jail Intake Worker to determine whether the applicant is eligible to participate in the program. This is called “target population verification.” All applicants will be notified of eligibility determination. Applicants who do not qualify may re-apply or request an appeal of the eligibility decision to the WRAP+ Task Force.

I QUALIFIED, NOW WHAT?

Assessment: The next stage of WRAP+ is the assessment stage, when an accepted applicant works with a case manager to arrange for and obtain mental health and/or chemical dependency assessments. Applicants will be required to sign a WRAP+ Release of Information at this stage and will also be eligible for certain categories of funding, including funding for the assessments and funding for monitoring services which would allow them to be released from jail.

Case Management: The assessment process is also the start of the case management stage. During the case management stage, the agencies and individuals involved in the participant’s case plan and in the recovery processes work together with the participant (and the people in his or her support system) to develop collaborative and comprehensive case plans or care coordination plans (collectively “case plans”). The case manager works directly with the participant to assist, adjust and monitor the case plan.

WHAT FUNDING IS OFFERED?

WRAP+ provides different levels of funding for individuals as they progress through the WRAP+ Program. Accepted applicants can receive funding to pay for the cost of mental health and chemical dependency assessments and a limited period of monitoring services for incarcerated individuals, if ordered as a condition for release from jail. Participants (those who have completed assessments and are actively engaged in case management) are entitled to additional funding, as follows:

- Housing: rental application fee, payment of rent, utility bills, up to \$100 in essential housing items
- Health: insurance premiums/co-pays, medical expenses, dental expenses, vision expenses, medications, GPS fee for appointments.
- Identification: identification cards, Social Security cards, birth certificate
- Clothing/shoes: basic clothing, shoes
- Transportation: bus pass, cab fees
- Child care: emergency childcare
- Work-related: a month of GPS, UA and daily fees for work release eligible participants; GPS fee for job search
- Education: application fee; GED fee; books, web access fees
- Communication: phone cards
- Monitoring expenses: up to to 3 months of expenses for drug patch, GPS, electronic monitoring

Only case managers can request funding.