Treatment Court of Winona County

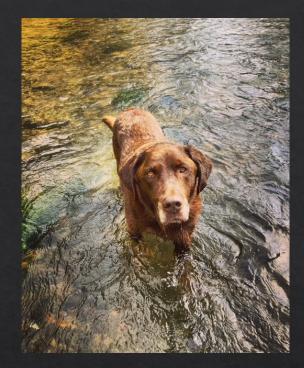






About Me

- ♦ 2017-Present: Winona County Attorney's Office
 - ♦ Treatment Court Coordinator
- ♦ 2016-2017: Douglas County, NE Department of Corrections
 - ♦ Pretrial Services Unit
- University of Nebraska (Omaha), 2015
 - ♦ Double MS Criminal Justice & Public Administration
- Winona State University, 2013
 - ♦ BA Law and Society
 - ♦ Minor Political Science
- ♦ Rushford-Peterson, 2009





Our Mission Statement

The mission of the Treatment Court of Winona County (TCWC) is to enhance public safety and reduce costs to the community and the criminal justice system by providing resources and structure that allow offenders to become alcohol and drug free.



What Is Treatment Court?

<u>Video</u>

ARE YOU READY?

RECOVERY IS POSSIBLE



TREATMENT COURT OF WINONA COUNTY

Take the next step.

A sober life is possible and Treatment
Court of Winona County is designed to
help you get there. Treatment Court is a
recovery-focused alternative to
incarceration. Upon completion of this
intense and community-based program,
participants will have achieved a
considerable amount of sobriety. In
addition, participants are held
accountable for case plan goals, such as
employment, education, housing, healthy
relationships, and obtaining a driver's
license

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: 18+ • WINONA COUNTY
RESIDENT • CONVICTED OF A FELONY-LEVEL
OFFENSE • NO PAST OR CURRENT VIOLENT
OFFENSES • QUALIFYING CLINICAL EVALUATIONS

For more information, talk to the Treatment Court Coordinator (507) 457-6434, Jail Intake Worker (507) 457-6539, or your attorney

Treatment Court of Winona County

- One of 68 operational Treatment Court programs in Minnesota
- Hybrid court (drug AND alcohol offenses accepted)
 - ♦ Other courts in MN: Veteran, Juvenile, DWI, Mental Health, Family Dependency
- Post Adjudicatory (expungement possible)
- Administered by a multidisciplinary team
- Must be 18 years of age or older and a Winona County resident
- ♦ **HIGH RISK**: Must score 30+ on an LS-CMI probation assessment
- * HIGH NEED: Must have a moderate to severe chemical dependency diagnosis
- Must have a completed mental health assessment
- ♦ 13 month minimum time commitment (plus duration of probation sentence w/ Aftercare)
- Motivation for change: Sanctions and Incentives

Does Treatment Court Work?

- ♦ 41 successful graduates in Winona County since 2012
- ♦ Graduation rate: 59% (national average is 56%)
- ♦ Recidivism rates are very low post graduation (less than 15%)
- ♦ \$41,366 is the average cost per inmate per year in a MN prison (2015, Vera)
- ♦ The Treatment Court of Winona County yearly budget is \$87,000
- ♦ PROS: Reduced arrest rates, lower cost to society, reunited families, children in custody, potential lowered ACE score for children, tax paying citizens, volunteer/work force, mentorship, drug overdose rate decline, less emergency room/urgent care needs, safer neighborhoods, licensed drivers, etc.!

Frequently Asked Questions

- What is the most common substance that was abused by Treatment Court participants?
- Or How much prison or jail time would a participant serve if they were not in Treatment Court?
- Do many participants have a mental health diagnosis?
- What is the average amount of time someone spends in Treatment Court?
- Or How can I become a professional in a Treatment Court program? How can I use my degree in this field? How can I bring my values and beliefs into the workplace?

Join Us

Treatment Court of Winona County hearings are open to the public. They are held at 1:00pm on the following Thursdays in April and May:

April 7& 21 May 12 & 19

Hearings are held at the Winona County Courthouse (171 West 3rd Street) on the Third Floor, Courtroom #1, The Honorable Judge Nancy Buytendorp presiding. You may also view hearings via Zoom – email Carin for link.



Questions?

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