Why is called "Free2Succeed"?

- ◆ Free from the physical environment—"I'm out of prison, now what am I going to do?"
- ◆ Free the mind—"What are the possibilities? I have the freedom to think for myself and act on those thoughts. What are they going to be?"
- Free the community—to offer support to the individual during the transition and reintegration into society.

IDOC Mission

Our **MISSION** is to create a model correctional system that provides equitable access to programming and opportunities that reflect a community experience, foster connections and restore victims of crime.

Mentoring = IDOC Mission... *How??*

- ◆ Reflect a Community Experience by strengthening a returning citizen's community which could be culture, heritage, physical location, church, family, or a pro-social group of friends. Communities can be people who share the same interests or passions.
- Foster Connections by providing connections with pro-social individuals and groups; encouraging accountability, trust, and positive relationships; connecting individuals with needed community resources.
- Restore Victims of Crime by helping individuals realize they are also a victim of their crime and they can move on and live a more productive and crime-free existence in the community.



Success

isn't just what you

Accomplish

in your life, its's about what you **Inspire**

others to do

It is so easy to be part of the IDOC Mentoring Program

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Community Mentor Program



Mentor Roles and Responsibilities

- Maintain confidentiality
- Commitment to program
- Act as a role model
- Support, encourage, and teach
- Motivate and demonstrate
- Identify opportunities for growth and progress
- Provide information and guidance
- Develop partnerships and working relationships

Mentee Roles and Responsibilities

- Commitment to the mentorship
- Maintain confidentiality
- Set realistic goals
- Meet conditions of release
- Commit to learn, grow, and succeed
- Be active and engaged in the mentorship
- ♦ Accept new challenges
- ♦ Accept responsibilities
- Maintain consistent contact with mentor and Probation/Parole Officer

What Can Mentoring Provide

- Safer communities
- ◆ Support system
- Training and education
- Counseling to succeed
- Positive relationships
- Opportunities for growth
- ◆ Life coaching
- Skills building
- Modeling the way forward
- ♦ Empowering others to act
- Increasing personal and professional networks

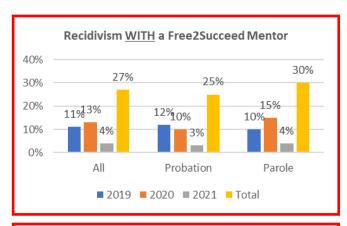


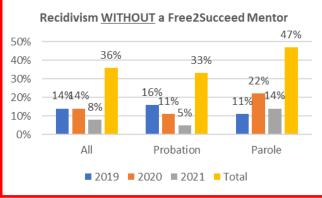
How Do I Start Mentoring?

Your church or other community organization may already have a mentoring program in place that is affiliated with the Free2Succeed program. You may mentor with or without an organization. Either way, we ask that you:

- ◆ Be at least 25 years old.
- Fill out a simple, on-line application found on the IDOC website.
- Attend mentor training as soon as possible. Training schedule may be found on the website.
- Wait to be matched with an offender either through IDOC or your affiliated organization.

Free2Succeed Results





Recidivism in Idaho is defined as an individual returning to incarceration (prison) within 3 years after release.

Is Mentoring Effective?

Someone being matched and engaging with a Free2succeed mentor during their supervision in the community has a significant effect in the reduction of recidivism and likelihood of returning to prison. IT WORKS!!

