

OMEGA CENTER

Our purpose at the Omega Center is to teach, promote and encourage positive cognitive and behavioral change.

Our goal is to create a safe environment where residents are provided the opportunity to examine their current lifestyle, identify problem areas, and practice new behaviors.

Our expectation is that the residents leave having acquired basic recovery skills that will provide a basis for long-term change while simultaneously relieving overcrowding in jails and prisons.

The program emphasis targets addiction and the criminal lifestyle. Emphasis is placed on acknowledging past transgressions and accepting responsibility for negative actions.



MAJOR ROBERT WILEY



Inmates are made aware that the introduction of contraband into the facility is a felony & given the opportunity to forfeit any contraband they may have in their possession.

Inmates are pat searched and any excess clothing is removed. At this time they are placed in a holding interlock where all necessary documents are completed.

After all documents are completed, inmates are strip searched and showered. They are then issued clothing and await medical processing.

Searches are conducted to eliminate the introduction of contraband into the unit.

The elimination of contraband provides safety for employees, visitors, and the inmate population as a whole.

Inmates are searched systematically and thoroughly upon arrival in a professional manner under state and federal law and agency policy.



The introduction of contraband into Omega by inmates has been non-existant.

Why the introduction of contraband in the Omega Unit is zero? Word is spread on the street by the inmates that have been incarcerated here. The word is "You cannot get contraband into that facility." This is due to Staff attentiveness and awareness.

### CRITICAL INCIDENTS

Inmate assault on staff (Physical):

2005 - 1

2006 - 1

2013 - 1

### SECURITY INFORMATION

Suicides: 0

Suicide Attempts: 0

Assault on Staff: 3

Inmate Assault on Inmate: 2011 – 9

2012 - 24

<u>2013 – 16</u>

Total: 49

Assault with Weapon: 1

Inmate Abuse: 0

Use of Force: 1 (Employee was promptly disciplined)

Escape: 1

# VISITATION

The approved visitation list is limited to 5 persons per inmate; This restriction does not include the inmate's attorney and/or clergy.

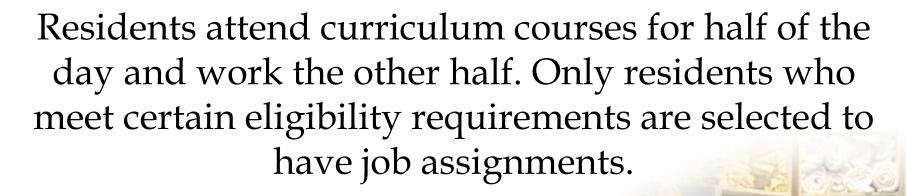
Visitation may occur only in the last two weeks of the inmate's stay.

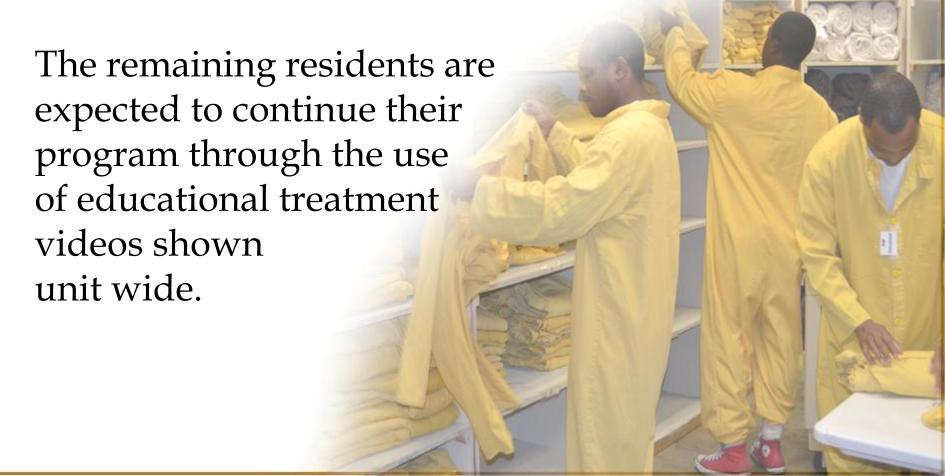
ACIC checks are performed on all applicants.



Residents are assigned a primary advisor upon completion of Medical Intake. The first phase of the treatment program is orientation which takes place within the first 5 days of admission. The ideal resident to advisor ratio is 25:1 but due to current staff vacancies it is at 39:1.







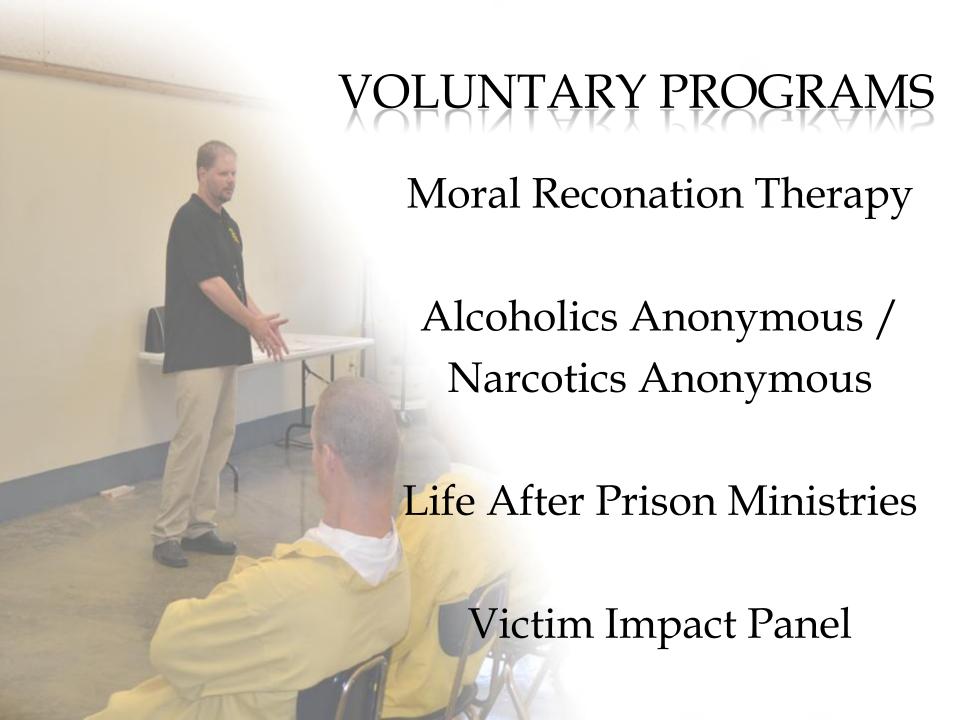
# **GED**

Literacy Testing

TABE Testing

**GED** Testing

From the day we opened to July 31, 2013, a total of 169 offenders have successfully obtained their GED while incarcerated at Omega.



There are a total of 41 active volunteers.

19 AA/NA Volunteers
4 Victims Impact Panel Volunteers
3 Life After Prison Ministries Volunteers
15 Faith Based Volunteers

## FAITH BASED

The average number of baptisms per month is 10 to 15.

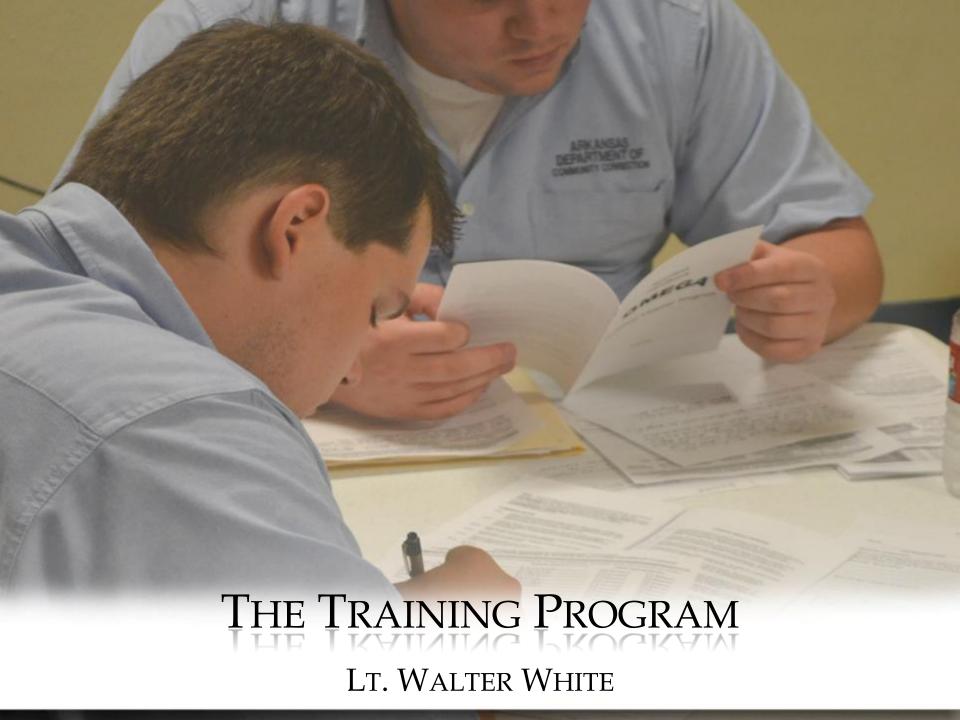
Daily Bible Study Classes

Volunteer Led Religious Services

**Baptismal Services** 

Islamic Services

Residents who successfully complete program expectations are awarded a Certificate of Participation upon request.



Training of Correctional professionals is a vital and integral part of any criminal justice system.

Philosophy

Approach

**Progress Evaluation** 

The belief that learning is a never ending process is at the core of our training program.

We approach the training of our employees with a heavy emphasis on the importance of security, while understanding that the rehabilitation of offenders can be directly impacted by the guidance and example we provide.



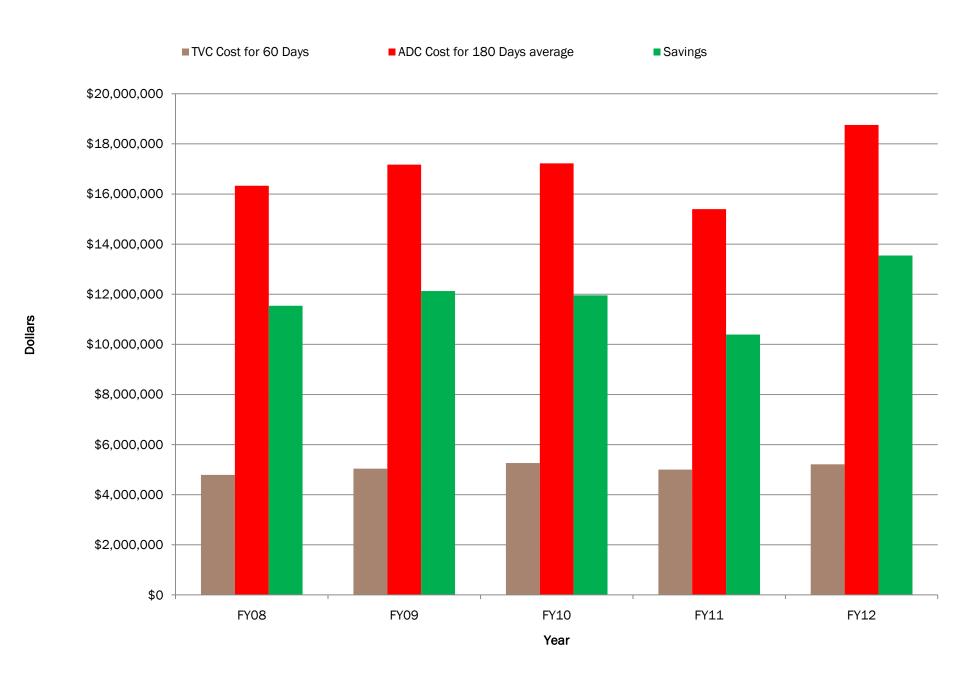
**Employee Orientation** Residential Services Basic Training Annual In-Service Training Supervisor Management Training Grievance Prevention and Handling **Interpersonal Communication** The Human Element Course Oleoresin Capsicum Spray Training Stun Shield Training Collaborative Case Work MidSouth Counseling Workshops Clinical Supervision Substance Abuse A ASIS Specific Training

Follow up is the key to evaluating the progress of any good program. Our departmental supervisors are charged with the responsibility reviewing performance and issuing plans to work on and document areas of improvement.

Our efforts to run this facility as efficiently and professionally as possible have led to Accreditation scores of 100% on all Mandatory and Non-Mandatory Standards set forth by the American Correctional Association.

# TVP RESULTS

- 5 Admissions 0.15%
- 4 Admissions 0.87%
- 3 Admissions 5.22%
- 2 Admissions 19.29%
  - 1 Admission 74.48%





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