

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

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DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, THAILAND

The Department of Corrections collaborated with various organisations to implement innovative reintegration support programmes to address ex-offenders' unemployment rates in Thailand. In the "**1 Region 1 Prison Industry Project**", over 150 agencies partner the Department of Corrections to provide vocational training for more than 2,000 inmates.



Under the "**Vocational Training in Enterprises Project**", the Department of Corrections has also received good support from the private sector in the provision of on-site training for inmates. This project has benefited more than 10,000 inmates till date.

Read about the **case studies by Kamphaengphet Central Prison** to find out more about how they forged partnerships with the public, private, local, and people sectors to create operating networks aimed at providing care and assistance for inmates, as well as to generate public acceptance for ex-offenders.

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, HONG KONG (CHINA)

Research shows that family contact in correctional facility is a important aspect of Prisoners in Custody (PIC) and their families' health.

Over the past decades, Hong Kong Correctional Services Department (HKCSD) worked hand in hand with the community through **more than 100 non-governmental organisations and religious bodies, named as "Rehabilitation Synergistic Partners"**, to organise rehabilitation and reintegration programmes for PICs.

Some of the programmes and services provided include intensive counselling, Distant Parent Course, and the setting up of Parent-Child Centres in female correctional institutions for mother PICs to physically connect with their children.



CORRECTIONAL SERVICES BUREAU, MACAO (CHINA)

With great importance placed on the rehabilitation and social reintegration efforts of inmates and juvenile delinquents, the Correctional Services Bureau has been working closely with relevant government departments and local civic organizations to provide diverse support services over the years. Some of their collaborations include organising a variety of educational and professional certificate courses, thematic talks, workshops, volunteer opportunities, employment, and providing familial support.

Recently, the Correctional Services Bureau also collaborated with the Social Welfare Bureau to co-organise a community event, themed "**Assist in Offender Rehabilitation with Care and Inclusiveness**", to raise public awareness and support of Macao (China)'s social rehabilitation services, and spread the mindshare on the importance of supporting the reintegration journeys of rehabilitated persons.



SINGAPORE PRISON SERVICE, SINGAPORE

Singapore Prison Service (SPS) adopts a **Throughcare approach** in rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders. To promote desistance in throughcare, SPS galvanises and works with various community partners and volunteers to provide programmes in the domains of enhancing employment, education, skills training, strengthening pro-social support, and generating of public awareness on the importance of giving second chances.

More recently, SPS collaborated with community organisations and desistors* to launch the **Desistor Network**. The Desistor Network aims for desistors to give back to the community and strengthen their sense of self as contributing members of society, and also serves as a platform for desistors to share their life experiences, mentor, or receive mentoring from fellow desistors.

**Desistors refer to those who have successfully remained offence-free in the community for a longer period.*



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