

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Mark Kubik
Executive Director

In 1974, the average value of a home in America was \$38,000, Richard Nixon became the first US President to resign from office, gasoline was 55 cents a gallon, and in 1974 a group of visionary citizens in Story County formed an agency called the Committee on Criminal Justice. The founders recognized that criminal offenders who committed misdemeanor level crimes received very little, if any, rehabilitative effort, and absolutely no supervision. There have been many ups and downs in the last 35 years. Today the Center for Creative Justice is operating at levels never before seen. Last year CCJ handled a record high number of probation clients. 92% of those clients successfully completed their probation, and historically 85% do not reoffend.

On July 23, CCJ held an open house to celebrate and recognize our 35th year of service to our communities. We were honored to have one of our original founders, Jenna McCarley, present as our guest speaker. Ms. McCarley provided the audience with a historical prospective on how and why CCJ was formed. CCJ's founders were an amazing group of people. Because of their vision, CCJ has been able to positively affect the lives of thousands of people.

It is important to understand CCJ's past, and it is exciting to consider our future. CCJ will continue its mission to increase public safety, and reduce victimization, by aiding in the rehabilitation of offenders. Our clients are people, people that live and work right here in Story County. They are friends, neighbors, coworkers, members of your church, and possibly even members of your family. As we look to the future, CCJ will continue to be a positive force for change in your community...one life at a time.

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TESTIMONIAL - TO THE JUDGE

“When I was immersed in my drinking, the importance of friendships and relationships really took a hit. This is something I am currently working on, especially on the relationship with my parents. I lost trust and respect from my parents and feel like I spent the last few years letting them down. I want to make them proud and they seem happier than ever with where my head is at these days. I haven't been this excited about life ever, there is so much I want to do and accomplish.

Finally, I came to understand and accept that my situation was no one's fault but my own. With all my hardships I feel fortunate to have the life I have now...I feel like I owe some part of where I am now to you.”

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CCJ's Impacts:

- 1,200 low-risk and first time offenders are supervised by CCJ each year
- 70% of all probation cases in Story County are handled by CCJ
- 92% of CCJ's clients successfully completed all requirements of probation in 2009
- 86% of probation clients that have successfully completed their probation did not re-offend within the following year

How can I help?

- Assist with CCJ projects or events
- Volunteer to assist clerical staff
- Make a monetary donation to CCJ.