

Community Transition Program Criteria

The Community Transition Program is designed to assist offenders from the Indiana Department of Corrections in their adjustment from prison to home (CTP is generally the last 30 to 180 days of an offender's sentence). The DOC must recommend an offender to the sentencing county in order to qualify for consideration.

Per IC 11-10-11.5-2, the process of referring an offender to CTP is initiated by the DOC between 45 and 60 days before the offender is eligible to participate in CTP. In WabashCounty, a recommendation for an offender to participate in the CTP is reviewed by the Probation Department, the Prosecutor's Office and Community Corrections. Each of these agencies makes a recommendation to the sentencing court before the judge makes a decision as to whether the offender will participate in the CTP.

If an inmate is accepted for CTP, they are transported to the Community Corrections office by the DOC on the Monday closest to the assigned transition start date. Male inmates go through a regular intake process and are placed in the Work Release Program unless medical reasons dictate that they are more appropriate for the Electronic Home Detention Program. Female inmates are placed directly in the Electronic Home Detention program upon their arrival due to the fact that there is currently no female Work Release program in WabashCounty.

Ideally, a male CTP offender will live in the Work Release Center for approximately half of the time they are a part of CTP. A determination as to what services are needed by the offender is made at this time and a referral is made to various treatment providers. We will also assist the offender in locating employment. If there are no conduct or employment problems during the Work Release phase, then the offender will transition into the Electronic Home Detention portion of the program providing that they reside in WabashCounty.

The length of stay in CTP is determined by State statute. A person convicted of an A or B felony may serve up to 120 days on the Community Transition Program. However, A or B felonswhoonly have charges under IC 35-48-4 or IC 16-42-19 (any of the schedule I through V substance related or legend drug offenses) may serve up to 180 days on the Community Transition Program.

A person convicted of a C felony may serve up to 90 days on the Community Transition Program. C felonswhoonly have charges under IC 35-48-4 and or IC 16-42-19 (any of the schedule I through V substance related or legend drug offenses) may serve up to 120 days on the Community Transition Program. A person convicted of a D felony may serve up to 60 days on the Community Transition Program.

Offendersconvicted of C or D felonies will automatically be released to the receiving county if a court ordered denial is not received by the offender's Community Transition Program commencement date.