# **Family Preservation Project**





# **Our Mission**

To wrap support and build community around children impacted by incarceration, their mothers, and the families who nurture them



- Promoting rights of children of incarcerated parents
- Reducing the impacts of parental incarceration on family systems
- Providing individualized traumainformed services
- Working towards systemic change
- Ensuring that those closest to the experiences are closest to the solutions

### **FPP - Tiers of Service**

Intensive Family Reunification Program	Includes therapeutic visitations with children (3 hours, 2x/month); parenting support and education; intensive transition planning; caregiver support; biopsychosocial assessments, and wrap-around supports to increase family stability and support child well-being.
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Speaker's Series	Brings in community partners with expertise in subject matters such as children's mental health, health, budgeting and nutrition, housing and reentry supports to fill in gaps in services. Open to all women in the minimum facility.

### FPP - Tiers of Service...continued

Re-Entry Program	Provides mentors with lived experience as mothers reentering not only their communities, but resuming their roles as mothers. Supports determined through individualized needs assessment along with goal setting and an assessment of barriers to a successful family reintegration. Provide basic needs and welcome home kits: phone, transportation support, personal hygiene, and clothing. Connect to resources that are specific to the county of release.
Youth Advisory Council	Convened to bring the voices of impacted youth directly into the conversation about implementing the rights articulated in the Bill of Rights for Children of Incarcerated Parents in Oregon. Youth provide consultation, outreach, education and peer supports
Alumnae Association	Provides peer support/mentorship and opportunities for civic engagement.

# **Intensive Family Reunification**

In 2024over Program Why we do this			
300 Family Supports	Stabilize families, increase connectivity, promote child well- being		
600 Family Calls	Ensure full participation in high-stakes		
1,000 Collateral Contacts	<ul> <li>child welfare cases; address barriers to communication</li> </ul>		
1,900 Family Photos Delivered	Remove barriers to sending family		
300 Family Mail Pieces Sent	photos and mail; moms remain connected and informed		

### Family Resource Center

Ongoing	Why we do this	
Help mothers regain, maintain, and improve bonds with their children and family members while incarcerated.	Children of incarcerated parents deserve relationships with their mothers, and mothers deserve dignity and the	
Provide individual and group-based educational and support services.	opportunity to be involved in the lives of their children.	
Address and minimize barriers to parenting from prison	High participation numbers for a voluntary	
Collaborates with parents, caregivers, and professionals involved in the lives of children to provide wrap-around care.	program demonstrates a great desire for connection and immense need for ongoin care.	

### What happens in a month in the FRC?

- → An average of 180 incarcerated mothers receive services per month
- → We provide an average of
   162 ongoing case
   management hours

We serve an average of **352** minor children and 63 children between 18-21, for a total of **415** unique children receiving monthly support.

We facilitate an average of 300 calls/emails on behalf of moms and their children, and mail out and average of 115 letters/packages from moms monthly.

### **Re-Entry Program**



#### Why we do this

Gender-specific supports that center the needs of mothers and support family reintegration **do not exist**.

Mothers are often released without clothing, financial resources, access to safe housing, transportation yet may be required to immediately resume parenting responsibilities.

### Youth Advisory Council

In 2024	Why we do this
Staffed or consulted with multiple statewide organizations	Young people who have been directly impacted by their parents
Presented at local and national venues	incarceration are closest to the solutions, especially those that will interrupt cycles of suffering.
Hosted film screenings and retreats	
Convened listening sessions on issues directly impacting them and their families	We believe that knowledge is power and when people know better-they do better.
Built local and regional strategic partnerships	

### **Alumni Association**

#### In 2024...

Convened statewide listening sessions around policy implementation

Established regional and local partnerships

Participated on implementation teams and task forces reviewing policy proposals

Presented at local and national events



## **FPP Evaluation**

FPP, in consultation with Trauma Informed Oregon, developed and launched a pilot program evaluation from March to December 2024 to gather data measuring key target areas known to reduce recidivism and improve parent-child bonding. The evaluation was funded using private dollars raised by FPP.

Evaluation	Findings
Collected 113 surveys to gather data measuring key target areas known to reduce recidivism and improve parent-child bonding. The data from these surveys was analyzed by TIO.	FPP can play a vital role in strengthening parent-child bonds, fostering effective co-parenting relationships, building support networks, and increasing awareness of and mitigating the effects of parental incarceration on children.
Target areas include: self-efficacy, sense of maternal identity/affinity, components related to perceived readiness for re-entry, goals, co- parenting with caregivers, child wellbeing, and supports.	By addressing these interconnected needs, FPP is well-positioned to support both immediate family wellbeing and long-term positive outcomes for parents and their children.



# Vision for the Future

#### Looking Forward



- A Reentry Program in **all 36** counties
- Free telecommunications from Oregon Prisons
- Concrete and meaningful improvements to:
  - conditions for women at CCCF ~ GIPA Recommendations
  - lives of children impacted by their parents incarceration in Oregon ~ Bill of Rights for Children of Incarcerated Parents (BORCIP)
- Every pregnant person at CCCF having comprehensive prenatal, birth and postpartum support delivered by their peers via a Doula Training Program at CCCF
- Nursery facility at CCCF