



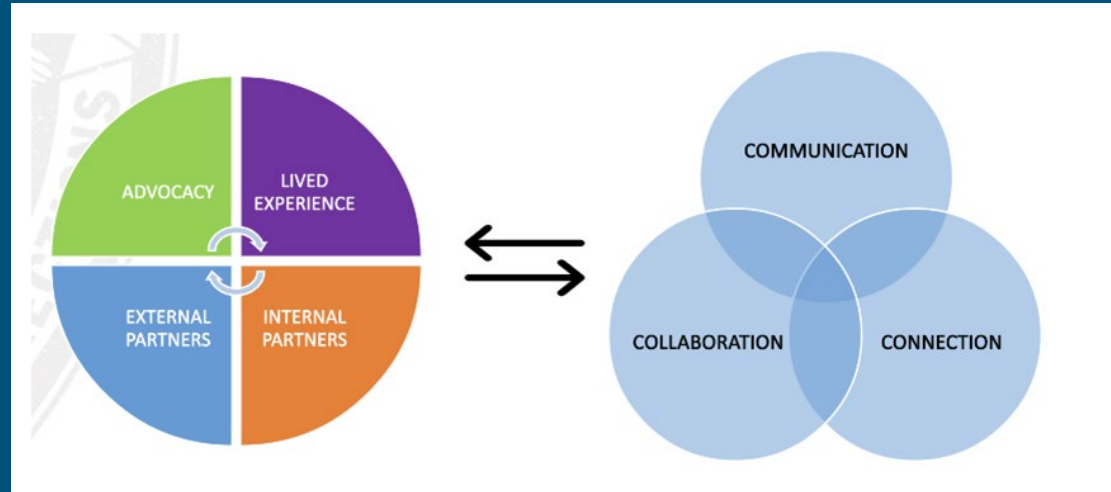
What we have learned from Community Supervision: Self Advocacy and Success Workshop

An empowerment workshop for a successful supervision experience and education on the earned discharge program (Senate Bill 581)

Focus of our session

Values and impact

- ✓ **Collaboration/partnership**
- ✓ **Proactive implementation**
- ✓ **Enhancing/building on success/outcomes**



Collaborative Implementation...

- **Roles**, the **intersectionality** of our work (DOC + PSJ + Transforming Justice Coalition), and how that led to the supervision self advocacy success workshop
 - <https://www.streetroots.org/news/2025/01/22/opinion-messengers-criminal-justice>

Opinion | Messengers of criminal justice

Transforming Justice | Legislative success depends on grassroots collaboration

by **Babak Zolfaghari-Azar** | 22 Jan 2025

Criminal justice reform movements are built on a shared belief: the system must change so everyone can access community safety, accountability and justice.

Thankfully, many people share this value, both among the “grassroots” (community members with personal experience) and the “grasstops” (professionals with political power and influence). Because of that commonality, Oregon’s criminal justice reform movement has diverse folks at the table working toward the same goal.

It’s an inspiring partnership, but it doesn’t go far enough. For the policies we pass to have the community safety results we all want, our collaboration must go beyond just passing laws. We must also work together to implement, evaluate and update them to ensure the best possible community safety outcomes.



A periodic column from Partnership for Safety and Justice, a nonprofit that advocates for public safety and criminal justice

...and the impact on success

- Positive impact on safety, healing, and outcomes for community, participants, and stakeholders involved.
- Grassroots + Grasstops collaboration leads to trust building and reduces systemic bias / racial disparities
- Self advocacy and the impact on alleviating barriers + developing success plans



Supervision Self-Advocacy Workshops



*Pictured are workshops
at Center City Concern's
Flip the Script program,
Cultivate Initiatives, and
Volunteers of America
Men's Residential
Treatment Center*





Notes & Resources

Point your smartphone camera here to access our anonymous survey on your supervision experience.



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For more information, please visit:
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Success Plan for Individuals on Community Supervision

*Together, you and your probation/
parole officer (PO) will work to
achieve life goals that will help
you thrive and connect in the
community.*

We believe in you!



Workshop Brochure

CONTACTING YOUR PO

Name:

Mobile Number:

Email Address:

Website:

Preparing Your Journey

Review the boxes, marking anything you need and adding any resources not already listed on the lines below.

- ☐ Documents:
 - ☐ Birth Certificate
 - ☐ ID Card/License
 - ☐ Social Security Card
- ☐ Job Training & Education
 - ☐ Resume/Cover Letter
- ☐ Stable, Safe Housing
- ☐ Healthcare
 - ☐ Medicaid/Oregon Health Plan
 - ☐ Primary Care Doctor
 - ☐ Therapy/Psychiatry/Mental Health
 - ☐ Sobriety Support
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Resolving Legal Issues
 - ☐ Reconnecting with Child(ren)
- ☐ Other

What are your personal goals?

- ☐ _____

- ☐ _____

- ☐ _____

- ☐ Does my conviction(s) qualify for earned discharge, and if yes, what do I need to do to ensure I'm able to complete my supervision early?

What is the Earned Discharge Program?

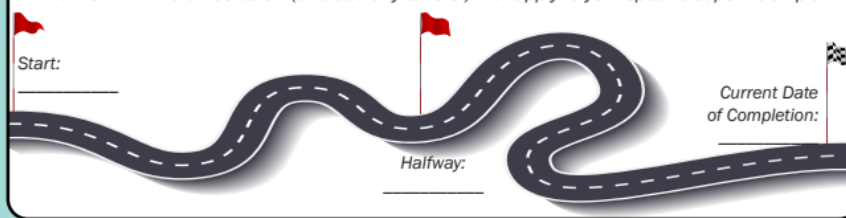
After reaching the halfway point in your community supervision, if you qualify, you'll have an opportunity to have your supervision reviewed & possibly end your supervision early!

Earned Discharge Completion Checklist

- ☐ Active/completed treatment as determined by PO & supervision conditions
- ☐ Complete 50% of supervision time
- ☐ Completing case plan goals
- ☐ Good faith efforts toward restitution payment plan
- ☐ No new convictions during supervision
- ☐ Sanction/violation free for 6 months prior to case review

My Roadmap to Success

Timeline: fill in the dates below (and add any others!) that apply to your specific supervision plan.



Start: _____

Halfway: _____

Current Date of Completion: _____

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Earned Discharge: Collaborative Success



13,152 Earned Discharges

83% Adults on supervision with no new misdemeanor or felony convictions

EDIS by Year



Feedback from the Workshops

“They've all for the most part been genuine people who have wanted the best for me and were willing to help me however possible, to be honest.”

“My supervision experience has been ok. Took a few months to build a connection. I think he was judging me by my crimes but once he started knowing who I was in the community his perspective change. He started being more on my side and helping me reach my goals.”

“Senate Bill 581 allowed me to return home and lifted the arbitrary restrictions parole and probation imposed on me that resulted in my unemployment, homelessness, and estrangement from loved ones.”

Brainstorm/Planting a seed

How can this model be replicated, modeled in other areas of legislation, policy, and practice between state agencies and community advocates?

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Please share our Survey!



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transformingjusticecoalition.org
or for more info on the workshop
<https://transformingjusticecoalition.org/sb581>