

DJJ County Office Directory

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Charleston 843-740-1649	Horry 843-915-8969	Sumter 803-778-2368
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Chesterfield 843-623-2378	Lancaster 803-285-9447	York 803-909-7500
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THE FOLLOWING OFFICES HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED
TO HANDLE INQUIRIES REGARDING
THE NONDISCRIMINATION POLICIES:

Title IX – Inspector General’s Office – 803-896-9595,
Title II & 504 – Special Education Office – 803-896-8484

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Division of Community Services

The Program

Earn & Return is a youth accountability program of the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ). Designed to support the principles of Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ), it provides young offenders with an opportunity to earn money through their own work to repair the harm they have caused to their crime victim *and* the community through paying restitution.

The *Earn & Return* program is accomplished in collaboration with members of the community that are interested in seeing youth recover from past mistakes, and making victims whole. Available in counties across South Carolina, the program will engage civic and community organizations, businesses, and even private individuals, who are committed to helping at-risk youth be responsible, develop a solid work ethic, and achieve success in life.

Its Not Just About the Money...

While earning money to pay restitution to victims is very important, the program has 3 other key goals:

- To hold offenders accountable for the harm they have caused to their victims, as well as their community, through service work and financial restitution.
- To build relationships with positive adults in the community who will teach youthful offenders job work skills, so that they may become productive citizens.
- To enhance community safety by helping youth realize the damage they have caused and turn their efforts to repairing the harm.

What Youth are Eligible?

DJJ youth supervised on probation or parole are eligible for *Earn & Return*. Each youth is carefully selected for participation in the program by local DJJ staff.

How it Works

The *Earn & Return* program is funded by contributors who make a monetary donation of any amount, through their organization or directly to DJJ. These funds are distributed through a system of time sheets, and stipend checks are issued directly to victims of crime by the DJJ's Fiscal Affairs Victim Restitution Program.

The selected youth perform work at local community service worksites, which provide appropriate training and supervision, and document the hours worked by the youth. The youth's compliance with the worksite standards is monitored by local DJJ staff.

Upon completion of the community service work and review by the referring DJJ staff, the documentation is forwarded to DJJ Fiscal Affairs. There the youth's restitution account is credited a based on the hours they worked at current minimum wage rate. Youth do not receive any money directly for their work.

A check for the money earned is issued on behalf of the youth participant to repay their crime victim and mailed directly to the victim, with a letter from DJJ acknowledging the donation. Where appropriate, a letter of apology from the youth may be mailed to the victim separately with the assistance of DJJ county staff.

Partnerships Make it Happen

Programs like *Earn & Return* take strong, local partnerships to be successful. There is great need for this program since approximately 4,000 youth are under DJJ supervision in the community. Many of these youth owe restitution, but have few employment opportunities available for them to earn money to repay their victims.

Supporters* may contribute any amount, and unless designated for a specific county, the funds may be used anywhere in the state to support this program. Checks should be made out to the *DJJ Earn & Return* program and mailed directly to:

SC Department of Juvenile Justice
Fiscal Affairs—Earn and Return
Post Office Box 21069
Columbia, SC 29212

You can help us make a difference in the lives of young offenders, their victims, and the community!

For more information contact your local DJJ County Office (Full list on reverse) or:

Stacey Bryant, Arbitration & Restitution Specialist
Office: (803) 896-6107
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For additional DJJ resources please visit our website at <http://www.state.sc.us/djj/>

*It is not SCDJJ's intent to solicit donations from businesses that we have current and/or past contractual relationships.