REENTRY PACKET

Your Customized Guide to Support your Successful Transition



National Web-based Reentry Resource Center www.fairshake.net

This Reentry Packet has been customized for: mike

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QUICK START GUIDE!

WELCOME TO FAIR SHAKE! → www.fairshake.net

PRINT THIS PAGE to guide you as you explore the Fair Shake Do-It-Yourself Reentry Resource Center. There is a lot of information on the website! This guide will help you get find your way around.

3 important items for you to remember:

- **1.** If you ever get lost on the website (or any website), click on the logo to return to the home page.
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- Words in blue are links to pages on our website, other websites or documents that you can also print.
- 3. Icons you will see:
- Available off-line and on-line
- Available on-line only
- Documents available off-line and on-line

Fair Shake Website Home Page: → www.fairshake.net



Find RESOURCES:

Resource Directory – search our huge data base! Resource Guides – local, regional, and national brochures, books, and interactive websites

Find EMPLOYMENT

Prepare For Work

Find A Job (also includes Start Your Own Business) Help an Employer Hire You!

Explore LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Formal, Informal, Non-formal Higher Ed, Life Skills, Lifelong Learning

And Improve COMPUTER SKILLS!

Step-by-Step Tutorials and Internet Safety Tips

Do It Yourself!

- You are unique! No one knows what you need better than you do
- Explore new opportunities!
- No tracking, nudging, or monitoring



Fair Shake Reentry Tool Kit

- Resource Directory
- Reentry Packet
- Ownership Manual
- Building Computer Skills
- Find a Job
- Become a Member!
- Educate Yourself!

SEARCH the entire Fair Shake WEBSITE

It is like a REENTRY, DEVELOPMENT and COMMUNITY-BUILDING LIBRARY!

You can find all the pages on our website from almost any location on our website! By hovering over the four menu tabs on the left side of our home page, you will activate the menu bar to reveal links to pages organized under headings.

STEP BY STEP:

Look to the left side of any page and you will see a dark purple column. Do you see the words: Reentry Resources, Information Center, Member Menu and About Fair Shake? Hover your cursor (don't click) over the words Reentry Resources at the top of the column. To 'hover', move the cursor – which usually looks like an arrow - over a tab. You will see the cursor switch to the image of a hand. The Menu Title will then change to light-purple and the Menu will appear to the right. Next, you can move your cursor over the words in the menu. Hover over any of the titles and the color will change to orange and a line will be added underneath. Click on the title that interests you, and you will go to that page on the website.





Most websites work like Fair Shake:

- Click on the logo to return to the home page
- Find the sitemap at the bottom of almost every page
- Words that change color are often links
- Learn about an organization's Mission and Vision by visiting the "About Us" page.

Found at the bottom of each webpage, the Sitemap also shows all of the pages on the website:



Introducing the FREE Personal Web Page and Member Card!

When a former felon arrives at an interview with a Fair Shake Member Card, employers and property managers can see that s/he has taken additional measures to demonstrate a commitment to successful reentry. The interviewer may then be able to see beyond the 'felon' stereotype to take a deeper look at the applicant through their Personal Web Page.

Personal Web Page benefits:

- Members differentiate themselves from other applicants!
- ✓ Members share information easily. No need to carry documents; they are stored in their account.
- Shows dedication to reentry success and provides a place to demonstrate interest in taking a proactive approach by sharing skills, character traits, and intentions.
- ✓ Employers and property managers can get to know members comfortably, reducing likelihood of auto-dismissal based on felony history.
- ✓ Fair Shake Member Card provides member information, url and password to the member's page.
- Member Web Page password is changeable! Access only given to current password holders.
- ✔ Fair Shake can verify references, even for volunteer work.



For details about the Personal Web Page, please see other side



Questions from the Personal Web Page

Fair Shake members can create their own web page at www.fairshake.net! Membership is FREE for anyone who has spent time in prison or jail.

Personal Information

About Me Interests Hobbies Favorite Quotation

Work/Experience - Add as many as you wish

Work Experience: can include employment (paid or not), work you volunteered to do in the prison, or anywhere you committed time and effort to something that includes service to others. Include the name of the organization, your position, time you worked with the organization and a description of the work you did while with them.

Skill Sets: include what you can do! Include types of skills and specific skills learned, for instance: if you want to work on a computer and you have the skills, list Computer Skills under type of skill and the programs you are familiar with in the specific skills section.

Special Recognition: use this section to list (efforts) where you have been recognized, such as Employee of the Month, Safety Certificate, Most Dedicated, etc. Share any public recognition you are proud of! Please include a description of the recognition.

Education - Add as many as you wish

Education: Includes traditional schools, non-traditional schools, workshops and other learning opportunities. Please list type of education, organization where you had the learning experience, time spent in program and also describe what you learned.

Training: this includes time spent learning a trade or skill from a knowledgeable person. Include type of training, time spent in learning, and describe what you learned.

Photos and Documents

Greet visitors to your page with a smile! Share a photo of you spending time with your family or enjoying your favorite hobby. Adding photos to your Personal Web Page is perhaps the most personable aspect of the member area.

Fair Shake members receive 100 MB of storage in their free account. Members can upload as many photos or documents as they please, but the space is shared with email as well.

Data Manager

We have created this unique tool for you to manage your account. You can see what areas take up valuable space and consider removing unnecessary files or emails to make more room. We also teach image- and file-size reduction techniques in our tutorials for space conservation.



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This is a running and support program for those who are experiencing homelessness. There is a mentoring program and an education program as

http://www.backonmyfeet.org

Employment - Licensing Information

PALS can help you apply for, renew, and check your professional license. Renewal applications are typically opened 30-60 days prior to expiration dates. Please make sure you allow enough time for processing.

https://www.pals.pa.gov/#/page/default

Citizenship - Community Development Philadelphia Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc. is dedicated to the elimination of poverty, unemployment, and illiteracy to ensure a meaningful quality of life for families and individuals within the Philadelphia community. 1231 North Broad Street Philadelphia , PA (215) 236-7700 http://philaoic.org/

Employment - Employment Services

PA CareerLink is a free, one-stop shop with highly trained staff ready to assist you with your job search, whether you're looking for your first job or to advance your career. Their services include: resume workshops, career counseling, job search assistance, interview skills training, skills assessment, job fairs, computer training, free access to a computer lab, and career exploration. Please visit the website to find your local office. https://www.pacareerlink.pa.gov/jponline/individua

Health - Department of Human Services

Info about parenting, children, education and much more.

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Philadelphia, PA 19102 For General Information 215-683-4DHS There have been some recent problems with the website, please check back often, or simply call or visit in person.

http://www.phila.gov/dhs/index.html