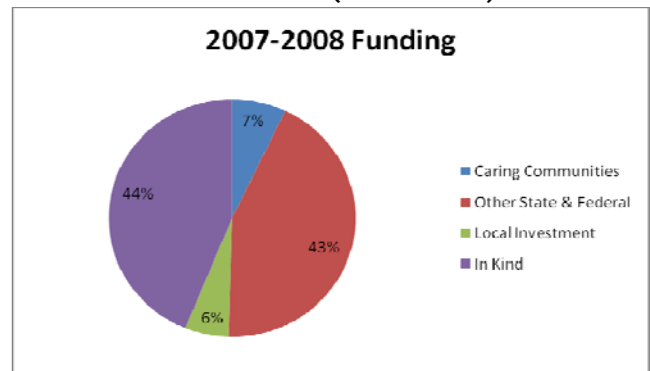
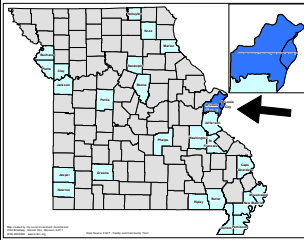


Area Resources for Community and Human Services (ARCHS)

Established: 1995



FY08 Result Achievement: Parents Working

September 2008

FY 08 Community Profile:

ARCHS is the community partnership serving the Greater St. Louis Region. (2.7 million population).

ARCHS has an active 25 member board and 28 employees. This year, ARCHS managed more than 300 community partnerships valued at **\$23 million** (\$16 for every \$1 of state community partnership funding).

ARCHS is in the third year of implementing a lifelong learning (L3) community partnership model that focuses on:

- Pre-Kindergarten
- Grades K-12
- Adult Education
- Community Education

ARCHS' L3 model emphasizes education related programming. L3 creates a unifying structure for ARCHS to best fulfill its role as a state partnership and enhance its ability to positively address the six core results.

ARCHS manages its partnerships through a formal business model called SOFA:

- Social Responsibility
- Objective Evaluation
- Financial Soundness
- Accountable Results

ARCHS' partnership database monitors the progress of its partnerships with a focus on financial & program results (leveraged dollars, people served, etc.) This allows the data to be used to make any necessary adjustments to ARCHS' Federal, state, local and private partnerships to assure optimal success.

FY 08 Major Collaborative Accomplishment:

ARCHS was awarded a \$1.9 million U.S. Department of Labor grant in 2007 to serve ex-offenders. ARCHS' **Reentry Community Partnership** focuses on job training and placement for ex-offenders returning to St. Louis.

Highlights: (October 2007-September 2008):

- # Served – **640 (surpassing goal of 488)**
- # Graduated from Trainings -**200**
- # Continuing School -**10**
- # Placed in Jobs -**350**
- # \$ value of jobs (combined annual salaries of those placed) **\$5.6 million**
- # of Employers -**126**
- Leveraged/In Kind \$ - **\$7 million**

ARCHS is a partner of the Missouri Reentry Process (MRP), created in 2005 by the Missouri Department of Corrections. Early recidivism results of MRP are encouraging, with a 12-month rate of 24% compared to 35% for those who did not participate in the MRP. **ARCHS' Reentry has achieved a 6-month recidivism rate of 5.3%.**

In November 2008, ARCHS will again co-sponsor with the Missouri Departments of Corrections and Social Services and The Family and Community Trust - FACT, the Missouri Reentry Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks.

By sharing replicable models and best practices, the conference promotes effective reentry back into the community, family and workforce.

ARCHS' Reentry Model:

ARCHS' Reentry Community Partnership focuses on helping former prisoners with job skill development, job placement, job retention and increased earnings resulting in the reduction of recidivism rates (returning to prison).

ARCHS uses case management, mentoring, job training, job placement and apprenticeship programs to support ex-offenders.

ARCHS focused industry tracks parallel projected job growth reports for the St. Louis region and industries targeted by President Bush's High-Growth Jobs Initiative (construction, automotive, advanced manufacturing, hospitality, and information technology).

ARCHS builds partnerships with the justice system, community groups, faith-based organizations and businesses. Through ARCHS, participants benefit from resources focusing on employment, education, substance abuse, housing, mental illness, transportation, family/social support and attitudes/cognitive skills.

Need For Reentry in Greater St. Louis:

The City of St. Louis is home to more than 22,500 ex-offenders who have returned from state and federal prisons. They are coming back to the same challenges faced prior to incarceration, including poverty, high unemployment, and crime.

Prisoners engaged in the re-entry process return to a community where the crime rate is three times greater for the City of St. Louis (13,929 crimes per 100,000 residents) than for Missouri (4,415 crimes per 100,000 residents) (Missouri Department of Public Safety, 2004). St. Louis County crime rates fell below the state rate at 3,220 crimes per 100,000 residents.

ARCHS' Reentry Partners:

- U.S Department of Labor
- Dr. Brenda Buckley
- Computer Village
- Daruby School
- Employment Connection
- The Family and Community Trust (FACT)
- Fathers' Support Center
- Greenville Federal Prison
- Dr. Ladonna Finch
- Leavenworth Federal Prison
- Marion Federal Prison
- Manufacturing Training Alliance
- MERS Missouri Goodwill
- Mission Gate Christian Ministry
- Missouri Dept. of Corrections
- Missouri Dept. of Social Services
- Missouri Eastern Correctional Center
- Missouri Probation & Parole
- MOKAN Construction Prep Center
- Nova Source
- RANKEN Technical School
- St. Louis Community College
- St. Francis Xavier "College" Church
- Tipton Correctional Center
- U.S. Probation of Eastern Missouri
- Vandalia Correctional Facility

ARCHS' Reentry Training Programs:

- Automotive
- Carpentry
- Computers
- Construction
- Culinary Arts & Catering
- Customer Service
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Electric
- Manufacturing
- Masonry
- Plumbing
- Soft Skills (Resumes, Interviewing, etc.)
- Welding