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| **PRE-RELEASE- 18-to-24-month Curriculum** |
|  **Pre-release Module Job/Life Skill Focus** | **Collaboration Partners** |
| **7 Habits on the Inside** | * Personal responsibility
* Decision making
* Priority setting/planning
 | * Interrelationship skills
* Listening; negotiating
* Synergy
* Continued learning
 | Community Speakers and instructors |
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| **Financial Peace****Dave Ramsey** | * Financial responsibility
* Budgeting
* Debt/credit management
 |  | Truist BankPiedmont Federal Savings BankLocal CPA |
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| **Project Reentry** | * Access to social services
* Personal responsibility
* Parenting
* Addictions/addictive behavior
* Employment after release: applications, resumes, transferable skills
* Access to employer database and placement services
 | GoodwillProject Reentry |
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| **Employability Skills** | * Resume writing; cover letter
* Job interviews
* Networking
* Communication Skills
 | * Trade school and certification

option | Forsyth Tech |
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| **Employment Placement** | * Identify employment opportunities in appropriate industries – construction, food services, automotive, manufacturing
 | * Chamber of Commerce
* Local Employers
* City of W-S (SOAR)
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Transition to Work grew out of the 7Habits classes from inmate requests to be given a second chance in finding employment after incarceration. Studies show the general recidivism rate increases from 40% to 60% when an ex-offender cannot find employment. Prerelease job skills and life skills training leading to employment reduces recidivism to 15%.

The recidivism rate for graduates of the Transition to Work Program is 7%. This proves that strategic and intentional pre-release programs and post-release support result in successful reentry back into society.

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