



# Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI)

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## **Court-mandated, supportive, community- based services**

Read through this booklet to learn about ATI programs available throughout New York City. Call or email the program to make a referral.



# **NYC** Criminal Justice

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**The Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice (MOCJ) funds non-profit organizations to run Alternative to Incarceration (ATI) programs. ATI programs are diversion programs that are mandated by judges in court and provide participants with holistic, supportive services in their communities instead of a jail or prison sentence. ATI programs reduce the court's reliance on incarceration, lower the jail population, and allow people to remain in their communities while increasing stability and well-being.**

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# CASES

## NATHANIEL ACT

**Boroughs:** Brooklyn, Manhattan

**Population:** 18+ year-olds with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) who are eligible for NYC Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) and charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** No charge exclusions

**Services:**

- Evidence-based, state-licensed intensive mobile mental health treatment
- Psychiatry, nursing, clinical treatment, case management, and peer support
- Education and job training
- Empowerment and self help
- Family life and social relationships
- Housing assistance
- Integrated dual disorder treatment
- Medication management
- Money management
- Post-program transition planning
- Relapse prevention

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## NATHANIEL COMMUNITY SUCCESS (NCS)

**Boroughs:** Brooklyn, Manhattan

**Population:** 16+ year-olds with mental illness and charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot have primary diagnosis of severe developmental disability

**Services:**

- Clinical assessment of risk and protective factors (focus on motivation and resilience)
- Comprehensive treatment and success planning
- Clinical case management
- Motivational interviewing and CBT skills used to support decision making, healthy living, reduced substance use, improved social skills and community integration
- Coordinated outpatient services for primary care and mental health (including substance use) treatment, including at CASES' state-licensed Nathaniel Clinic
- Voluntary post-mandate services to support achieving specific goals
- Resources provided (clothing, phone, food) to fulfill basic needs

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# CASES

## NEWSTART

**Borough:** Manhattan

**Population:** 16+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (primarily at arraignment)

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Rapid, expert risk and need screening
- Intensive individual supports to foster motivation, resilience, social skills, and community integration (including connections to ongoing services)
- Motivational interviewing and CBT skills used to provide trauma-informed care that helps foster healthy relationships, treatment readiness, HIV prevention, and understanding addiction and overdose prevention
- Specialized interventions for repeat participants
- Voluntary post-mandate services to support achieving specific goals, such as housing
- Resources provided (clothing, phone, food) to ensure basic needs are met and reduce chance of relapse in the community
- Intensive individual supports to foster motivation, resilience, social skills, and community integration with a special emphasis on community referrals and connections to services

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## REFRAMING OPPORTUNITY ALTERNATIVES & RESILIENCE (ROAR)

**Boroughs:** Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan

**Population:** 16-27 year-olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot have a primary diagnosis of severe developmental disability, severe substance use disorder, or a serious mental illness in need of ACT treatment

**Services:**

- Clinical assessment of risk and protective factors (focus on motivation and resilience)
- Comprehensive treatment and success planning
- Services focused on decision making, social skills, community integration, and reduced substance use
- Intensive individualized supports, including in-house HSE education, paid internships, and employment supports
- In-home family therapy
- Adolescent Portable Therapy
- CBT-based individual and group counseling and job-readiness models
- Specialist trauma-informed CBT for youth involved in high-risk, violent behaviors who have experienced significant trauma

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## Center for Community Alternatives

### COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS

**Borough:** Brooklyn

**Population:** 13+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot pose serious danger to the community or present unmanageable psychiatric symptoms

**Services:**

- Mental health counseling
- Educational support and advocacy
- Individualized housing support
- Employment & vocational services
- Curfew monitoring (limited capacity)
- Toxicology screenings
- Evidence-based groups
- Self-regulation/anger-management Classes (also available for Spanish speaking participants)
- Domestic violence classes
- On-site HIV testing
- Mentoring services
- Mitigation reports/court advocacy
- OASAS-licensed outpatient substance use treatment, including Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for those with opioid use disorder

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## Center for Justice Innovation

### BRONX COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS

**Borough:** Bronx

**Population:** 18+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Anger management
- Behavioral health management
- Case management
- Community service
- Driver accountability program
- Human trafficking survivor services
- Individual counseling
- Restorative justice programming
- Social service sessions (employment, behavioral health, Naloxone bystander training, substance use support)
- Treatment readiness
- Rethinking Behavior, Project React, Project Heal, Court-to-Workforce, and young adult programming (Up & Out, Mentorship)

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## BROOKLYN JUSTICE INITIATIVES

**Borough:** Brooklyn

**Population:** 18+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Behavioral health management
- Case management
- Community service
- Conflict resolution
- Driver Accountability Program
- Drug education workshop
- Goal-setting workshop
- Human trafficking survivor services
- Individual counseling
- Tools for New Thinking
- Treatment readiness
- Employment essentials
- Arts-based programming

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## MANHATTAN JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Borough:** Manhattan

**Population:** 18+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Benefits enrollment
- Case management
- Community service
- Connections to primary care
- Driver Accountability Program
- Civic engagement
- Individual counseling
- Job training and employment services
- Mental health treatment
- Peer navigation
- Restorative justice
- Substance use treatment
- Treatment readiness
- Up & Out group
- Young adult programming

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## QUEENS COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTER

**Borough:** Queens

**Population:** 18+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Driver Accountability Programming
- Group workshops
- Individualized counseling services
- Theft accountability program
- Workforce development
- Anger management program
- Case management
- Treatment readiness

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## STATEN ISLAND JUSTICE CENTER

**Borough:** Staten Island

**Population:** 18+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (including at arraignment)

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Case management
- Community service
- Driver Accountability Program
- Employment readiness
- Individual counseling
- Specialized young adult programming
- Theft accountability program
- Anger management groups

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## Common Justice

**Boroughs:** Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan

**Population:** 16-26 year-olds indicted for violent felony crimes that involve a victim (typically first and second degree robbery and assault, but program accepts more serious cases as well)

**Eligibility:** Cannot have a severe substance use or mental health condition; case cannot be family violence, sexual violence, or intimate partner violence

**Services:**

- Restorative justice circle, resulting in accountability agreement
- Intensive preparation for participation in restorative justice circle with victim (or “surrogate victim”)
- Case management and programming focused on meeting terms of agreement
- Drug and mental health treatment support
- Education and employment support
- Individual counseling
- Violence intervention groups (focused on trauma, community, family, violence and control, and healthy relationships)

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## Community Health Action of Staten Island

**Borough:** Staten Island

**Population:** 18+ year-olds with behavioral health conditions, charged with a Misdemeanor or Nonviolent Felony

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Case management
- Harm reduction
- Individual and group counseling
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Mental health treatment
- OASAS-licensed outpatient drug treatment
- Recovery readiness

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## Exalt

**Boroughs:** Citywide

**Population:** 15-19 year-olds charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot already have a high school diploma/HSE, must be at 4th grade reading level, primary need cannot be mental health or substance abuse treatment

**Services:**

- Highly-structured educational paid internship (\$18/hr) and career exploration in art, architecture, film, music, culinary, and more
- School enrollment/transfer support; GED/ TASC enrollment
- Individualized personal plans (personal, educational, employment, and criminal justice-related goal planning)
- Pre-internship training phase (culturally-relevant curriculum designed to prepare participants for the world of work; also includes lessons on budgeting, conflict resolution, and technology)
- Four core skills development: communication, critical thinking, resource management, and creative problem solving
- Weekly seminars
- Alumni programming (post-career and education planning, tutoring, and scholarship opportunities for college or vocational programs)
- Graduate internships (\$20/hr)
- Weekly progress notes and court letters; Exalt staff attend court appearances as needed

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## Exodus Transitional Community

**Borough:** Manhattan

**Population:** Men and women age 18 and over, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** No charge exclusions

**Services:**

- Court advocacy
- Basic needs (food, Metrocard, hygiene supplies, clothing)
- CBT Groups (including MRT, health education, seeking safety, healthy relationships, anger management, domestic violence)
- Employment services (internships, leadership development, job training)
- Workshops incentives
- Educational outings
- Holistic, supportive case management, on-call 24/7
- Housing assistance
- Mental health services
- OASAS-licensed outpatient substance use treatment (including medication assisted treatment)
- Transformative mentoring
- Trauma-informed services through the Center for Trauma Innovation
- Graduation Fishbowl rewards/incentives, ceremony, and participation certificates

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## FREEDOM

**Boroughs:** Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens

**Population:** 16+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Case management
- Individual and group counseling (anger management, Thinking 4 A Change, seeking strength, interactive journaling, job readiness, and alternatives to violence)
- Outpatient mental health treatment services in OMH-licensed clinic
- Outpatient substance use treatment services in OASAS-licensed clinic
- Family services (healthy relationships, 24-7 dads groups)
- Community Benefits Project
- Three hot meals
- Transportation assistance
- Benefits access
- Education assistance
- Employment services
- Housing services
- Specialized female programming
- Creative arts

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## GUN DIVERSION PROGRAM

**Boroughs:** Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn, Manhattan

**Population:** 16+ year-olds

**Eligibility:** Bronx and Queens (eligibility determined and referrals made by the District Attorney's office) Manhattan and Brooklyn (no eligibility exclusions)

**Services:**

- Alternatives to Violence
- Community Benefits Project
- Twice weekly Case Management sessions
- Mentoring sessions with Credible Messengers

## Housing Works

**Boroughs:** Brooklyn, Manhattan

**Population:** 18+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot have a sex offense as the instant charge

**Services:**

- Case management
- DOH-licensed primary care clinics (including Medication Assisted Treatment, women's health, transgender health, HIV testing and care, and psychiatric services)
- Food and nutrition services
- Group counseling (CBT, Seeking Safety, Anger Management, Wellness, Self-Management, Relationships Matter!)
- Harm reduction (including syringe exchange)
- Housing placement assistance
- NYS Health Home Reentry team
- OASAS-licensed substance use clinic
- OMH-licensed mental health clinic

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## NY Foundling

### FAMILIES RISING

**Boroughs:** Citywide

**Population:** 13-27 year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot be actively suicidal or homicidal; cannot be deemed to meet clinical criteria for a "sex offender" ("sex offenders" with co-occurring antisocial behaviors are eligible); participants 13-17 years old must have adult caregiver willing to participate in program and counseling process

**Services:**

- Home-based Functional Family Therapy (FFT) treatment to address substance use, negative peer involvement, family conflict, and school truancy
- Home-based therapy, 1-2 times a week
- Curfew monitoring
- School attendance reporting
- Urinalysis drug testing when needed or required by the court.

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## COURT ADVOCACY SERVICES

**Boroughs:** Citywide

**Population:** 13+ year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Case management
- Court advocacy and mitigation

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## JUSTICE WORKS

**Borough:** Bronx

**Population:** 16-30 year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot have serious mental health or substance use issues, or significant cognitive impairments/delays

**Services:**

- Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) conflict resolution program
- Case management
- Credible Messenger mentoring
- Education support
- Individual counseling
- Interactive Journaling
- Job training
- MRT employment
- Paid internships

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## Osborne Association

### SECOND LOOK

**Borough:** Citywide

**Population:** Women and gender-expansive individuals age 13 and over, detained at RMSC on Rikers Island, charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Court advocacy, including bail advocacy and mitigation
- Case management

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## Rising Ground—STEPS to End Family Violence

### CRIMINALIZED SURVIVORS PROGRAM

**Boroughs:** Citywide

**Population:** Survivors of gender-based violence age 13 and over, whose survivorship is linked to their arrest, including those charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs. Predominantly serves women (cis- and transgender), but also men (cis- and transgender).

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Advocacy
- Case management
- Economic empowerment program (including financial literacy, job skills, basic education)
- Medication adherence support
- Psychiatric symptom management
- Trauma-focused, CBT-based individual and group counseling (including Seeking Safety, Beyond Violence, decision making, healthy relationships)

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## Urban Youth Alliance

### BRONXCONNECT & MANHATTANCONNECT

**Boroughs:** Bronx, Manhattan

**Population:** 13-27 year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (Class A or B) or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** Cannot be charged with sexual assault or an A-1 felony such as murder, kidnapping, arson (some exceptions apply); cannot have serious chronic drug addiction (some exceptions apply) or psychotic disorders such as schizophrenia

**Services:**

- VIRT Alternative To Violence /gun violence prevention
- Case management
- CBT groups (anger management groups, substance use groups, 7-Challenges Brief, recovery coaching)
- Drug testing and curfew tracking when required by court
- Education support
- Employment readiness training and job assistance
- Family engagement
- Home visits
- Individual and group counseling
- Mentoring
- Hybrid program based on assessed risk factors

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## Women's Prison Association

### JUSTICEHOME

**Boroughs:** Citywide

**Population:** Women age 16 and over (including female-identifying, trans, and gender non-conforming individuals), charged with a Misdemeanor or Felony, including VFOs

**Eligibility:** No exclusions

**Services:**

- Individual and group counseling (Seeking Safety, Beyond Anger & Violence, Parenting Journey)
- Support groups (focused on self-care, recovery, emotional health, trauma triggers, etc.)
- Trauma-responsive individualized case management

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MOCJ Court Services



# Alternatives to Incarceration

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