



Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI)

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.



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

Contact to Make a Referral:

ATI Intake Assessment Team
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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' statelicensed
- 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
- Clinical case management

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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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Center for Justice Innovation

BROOKLYN JUSTICE INITIATIVES

Borough: Brooklyn

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

Eligibility: No exclusions

Services:

- Anger Management Program
- Arts Based Programming
- Case Management
- Community Service
- Conflict Resolution
- Driver Accountability Program
- Drug Education Workshop
- Individual Counseling/Mental Health Support
- Restorative Justice Programming
- Tools for New Thinking
- Treatment Readiness

Contact to Make a Referral:

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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

Contact to Make a Referral:

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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

Contact to Make a Referral:

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Common Justice

Boroughs: Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan

Population: 16-28 year-olds indicted for violent felony offenses

Eligibility: The defendant is willing to take responsibility for their actions; There is an identifiable survivor/victim in the case; The jail or prison offer is at least one year; The defendant does not have severe substance use or severe mental health issues, nor severe cognitive deficits; We do not handle cases that involve intimate partner violence/domestic violence, sex crimes or familial violence.

Services:

- 1:1 Violence Intervention Curriculum (focused on trauma, community, family, violence and control, and healthy relationships)
- Intensive preparation for participation in Restorative Justice accountability circle with harmed party or surrogate victim
- Restorative Justice practices including accountability circle, resulting in agreements
- Case management and stability assistance
- Education and employment support

Contact to Make a Referral:

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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

Contact to Make a Referral:

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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
- High School Equivalency/GED Prep Courses
- 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

Contact to Make a Referral:

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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

Contact to Make a Referral:

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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: 16-39 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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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

Contact to Make a Referral:

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STEPS Criminalized Survivors Program, Rising Ground

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
- 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: Citywide, with program sites in The Bronx and Manhattan

Population: 13–29-year-olds, charged with a Misdemeanor (Class A or B) or Felony, including VFOs

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

Services:

- Case management
- CBT groups (anger management groups, 7-Challenges Brief, recovery coaching)
- Drug testing and curfew tracking when required by court
- Education support
- Employment Readiness Training and Employment Support
- Violence Prevention (Gun Violence Prevention focus on trauma and healthy relationships)
- Family Engagement and Home visits
- Individual and Group Counseling
- Mentoring Activities and Trips
- Hybrid program based on assessed risk factors

Contact to Make a Referral:

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Women's Prison Association

JUSTICEHOME

Boroughs: Citywide

Population: Women age 16 and over (including female-identifying, trans, and gender nonconforming 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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