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Adult Redeploy Illinois Convenes 2017 All-Sites Summit

Bloomington—May 17, 2017. Nearly 200 Adult Redeploy Illinois (ARI) program site managers, service providers, partners, and state and local leaders will convene in Bloomington today at the 2017 ARI All-Sites Summit, hosted by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA).

Summit participants will discuss topics critical to the success of prison diversion, including prison and sentencing reform, community engagement, and restorative justice. The benefits of veteran mentoring, gender-responsive justice programming, and records relief (addressing the barriers of a criminal record/reducing collateral consequences) also are on the agenda.

ARI provides grants and technical assistance to local jurisdictions to expand their capacity to safely supervise non-violent offenders in the community by investing in evidence-based practices shown to reduce recidivism. In exchange for grant funding, sites agree to reduce by 25 percent the number of individuals they send to the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) from targeted populations.

“This event provides an opportunity for those who share the goal of creating safer communities to become informed about best practices for working with target offender populations,” said ICJIA Executive Director John Maki.

Many individuals cycle through the justice system as a result of unaddressed or under-addressed behavioral health issues, including addiction and mental illness. ARI programs address offenders’ behavioral health needs and risks and leverage their assets, such as family support and employment. This results in improved public safety at a lower cost to taxpayers.

The annual incarceration cost per capita is estimated at \$23,400. The incremental costs to incarcerate a person in IDOC for a year total \$6,405. In comparison, a typical ARI intervention costs just \$3,000.

Staff assisting clients at 20 sites serving 39 counties will be in attendance. Local representatives from counties interested in exploring an Adult Redeploy Illinois program also will be in attendance.

The event will take place May 17 & 18, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Chateau Bloomington Hotel and Conference Center, 1601 Jumer Drive, in Bloomington, with support and assistance from the Robert R. McCormick Foundation and the Illinois Center of Excellence on Behavioral Health and Justice.

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