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The JUMPSTART Experience

In cooperation with our donors, churches and the community, JUMPSTART disciples current and former prisoners and assists with reentry to society. We accomplish our mission through Community Partnerships to address the spiritual, educational, employment, healthcare, housing, and family relationship needs.

JUMPSTART Inside Program

The Inside Program introduces the person of Jesus Christ to participants and helps them discover a greater purpose for their lives.

The distinguishing attributes of our program are:

- A 40-week intensive discipleship process
- Unique, peer-to-peer assessments that ensure accountability and drive growth
- Class curriculum focused on transforming lives through: worship, fellowship, discipleship, mentoring, serving others, living with purpose, and reentry education.
- A stress on daily living out our core values of accountability, responsibility, and submission to authority
- Currently in 16 SC prisons, including both female institutions
- 1,000 participants enter the program annually, with a 40% average successful completion rate

 Over 100 well-trained volunteers facilitate classes on a weekly basis

"God drew me to himself to hear His word with what He knows I love so much – the guitar. I know the absolute truth of His word and I was saved in 1997. I genuinely enjoy the opportunity to be a part of a program that is designed to help us discover God's purpose for our lives as well as prepare us for reentry into society one day. There is no other program like JUMPSTART and it has been very helpful to many of us in a variety of ways."

Rob Carter, Current Inmate

JUMPSTART Outside Program

The Outside Program provides a safe and stable environment for people in transition after incarceration. This 12-month, Christ-centered program offers our participants:

- Low-cost, safe and stable housing
- Individual case management
- Access to physical, mental and dental healthcare
- Transportation to service providers, employment and shopping

- Permanent and meaningful employment at a living wage
- Financial stability training
- A recovery program for chemical dependency
- · Individual mentoring
- Community engagement
- Healthy recreational activities
- Spiritual growth opportunities

We also partner with 12 service providers – including the SC Office of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services – engaging in monthly group case management with our JUMPSTART participants.

"Through JUMPSTART, I found my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I became a JumpStart leader on the inside of prison and now I am the beneficiary of their housing and outside ministries. God is working on the inside and outside of our prisons."

JD, Former Inmate

JUMPSTART Results

Those who complete the program:

- Have a 96% success rate.
- Are gainfully employed in positions that pay a living wage and have growth potential
- Live in stable housing
- Are members of a church
- Utilize sound financial principles to live within their means and meet their obligations
- Have a healthy support network, and often become leaders within their communities
- Live surrendered lives to Jesus Christ
- Live out God's purpose for their life

"I want to exist in life, I've been just existing. I want to live...Coming through JUMPSTART gave me an opportunity at life."

Willie, JUMPSTART Participant

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