Virtual OneStop Reentry Employment Opportunities (VOS REO®) Portal

A Secure Source for Reentry Services

Justice involved job seekers often face significant barriers to employment post release. Virtual Onestop REO® offers user-friendly, secure, and adaptable tools that significantly improve the overall performance and tracking of reentry services.

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Connecting the Corrections and Workforce Communities

VOS REO is designed to help job seekers understand their local labor market, assess their skills, explore careers, and prepare to succeed in the working world. Corrections staff and job seekers have access to the same jobs that are available on a state's workforce system.

Self-Service Features

Regardless of educational level, computer ability, or experience, VOS REO provides clear instructions and intuitive navigation menu selections so that new users need minimal training to learn basic system controls. Job seekers will find that the system is simple to understand, which in turn can make their job search efforts easier and more productive.

Career Exploration and Skills Matching

VOS REO places a focus on educating job seekers on finding suitable, long-term employment. Using self-service assessments and labor market information, job seekers can match their skills, interests, and values, as well as explore other career paths based on current labor market data and related occupation profiles.

Helpful Job Search Tools

The Job Seeker Services component provides tools to help users conduct job searches, build letters, create résumés, research employer information, and review job market trends. VOS REO engages in partnerships with employers who are willing to invest in the training and hiring of individuals with criminal records by highlighting opportunities offered by these employers.

Educational Programs and Training Resources

A variety of training opportunities and educational programs are also available for users to explore. When job seekers narrow their occupational search, they may need additional education or training to qualify. The system allows users to search for training providers, schools, and programs in their area. Detailed course information is displayed to the individual when available.

Current Labor Market Data

In an effort to help job seekers make informed career choices, VOS REO displays labor market data during career exploration. Based on job search criteria, the system will display a list of occupations with detailed data, such as estimated vs. projected employment rates, median wage information, and preparation needed to assume the occupation. Additionally, job seekers may review wage data, required skills, abilities, future employment outlook, and more.

Controlled Communications

Job seekers using VOS REO are not granted Internet access and can only use the system on a designated workstation at a correctional facility. All communication is conducted via the internal database rather than through Internet messaging. The system does not allow individuals to communicate with each other and only permits staff to communicate with them.