

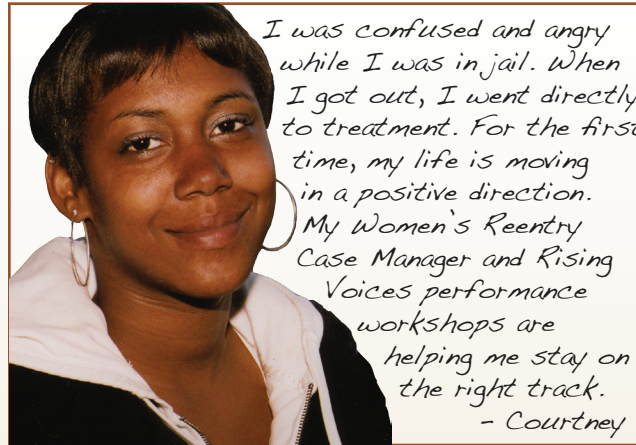
WHERE IS THE WRC AND HOW DO I GET THERE?

The center is located around the corner from the women's jail at 930 Bryant Street (between 7th and 8th streets). It is open from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and will be open evenings in the near future. It is located on the #27, #47 and #19 bus lines.

Sistahs

By Nina Clark

Sistahs you know y'all been on my mind
Sistahs, shouldn't we be tired of doin' time?
We are being somebody else's child in this D-Pod dome
When we got children of our own
Funny how things change
When we were young we vowed never to be in these chains
I'm truly tired of this repeated song
Where did we all go wrong?
Well, let's rewind this tape
Might as well, cause it's too late to escape
Thought it was fun to sell dope, have a murder beef,
Rob banks, embezzle, domestic violence, child neglect,
Drug smuggling, drug use and paper chase
Put it altogether, sistahs look at all the time we face
Sistahs, y'all been on my mind
Sistahs, let's stop doin' unnecessary time
Let's do what we once did
Start being Cleopatra Jones of our pyramid
Be on the same page as Angela Davis and Fight the Power
We can be anything we want to be,
Sistahs, and the best thing to be is free!
Sistahs, y'all been on my mind
Sistahs, are we tired yet, of doin' time?



WOMEN'S REENTRY CENTER



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HOURS: MON-FRI
8AM TO 4PM

A dignified place for all formerly incarcerated women to get the help they need to get back on track

Brochure created by Community Works



WHAT IS THE WOMEN'S REENTRY CENTER?

The Women's Reentry Center (WRC) provides women who have a history of criminal justice involvement with the services necessary to achieve and maintain safe and healthy lifestyles. Restorative Justice principles are woven into all of the center's practices. Our approach is guided by the belief that crime hurts everyone; victim, offender, families and communities, and creates an obligation to make things right.

The San Francisco Sheriff's Department opened the WRC on June 5, 2006 in order to better meet the needs of women exiting the jail. Approximately 1,000 or more women are released annually from the San Francisco County Jail, and an average of 55% will be rearrested within the first twelve months of release.



A recent restoration has transformed the formerly drab, institution-like building into a sunny, contemporary, welcoming place for formerly incarcerated women and their children.

Community based nonprofits, such as Community Works, Center Point and others, offer services and programming in conjunction with the San Francisco Sheriff's Department.

WHAT SERVICES DOES THE WRC OFFER?

✘ Assistance and Referrals for: **housing, substance abuse programs, employment, medical and mental health services, and legal issues**

✘ **Child Watch** while using services

✘ **Free Clothing Closet** (Mondays and Wednesdays)

✘ **Computer lab** with access to the internet, voice mailboxes, fax and photocopier machines

✘ **Center Point Inc.** provides substance abuse and case management services

✘ **Women Rising**, an intensive Case Management program for 18-24 year old women that also includes **Rising Voices**, an arts mentorship program

Personal Development Classes:

- ✘ Empowerment classes for crime survivors
- ✘ Relapse Prevention
- ✘ Women's Support Group
- ✘ Visual, Written and Performing Arts Workshops
- ✘ Vocational Workshops
- ✘ Life Skills
- ✘ Violence Prevention
- ✘ Computer Instruction
- ✘ Culinary Arts and Nutrition Classes
- ✘ Parenting Classes
- ✘ Trauma Recovery Groups
- ✘ Financial Literacy Classes
- ✘ 12-Step Classes

✘ Other services such as a **food** bank, and event **tickets** (free tickets to a broad range of cultural and recreational activities throughout the greater Bay Area)

✘ Onsite **medical clinic** operated in conjunction with San Francisco Department of Public Health's Jail Medical Services Division, that offers triage, STD and tuberculosis testing, pre-natal care and referrals to primary care providers at General Hospital

Future plans for services provided through the Women's Reentry Center include acupuncture, self-defense classes, individual therapy, and a full commercial kitchen.