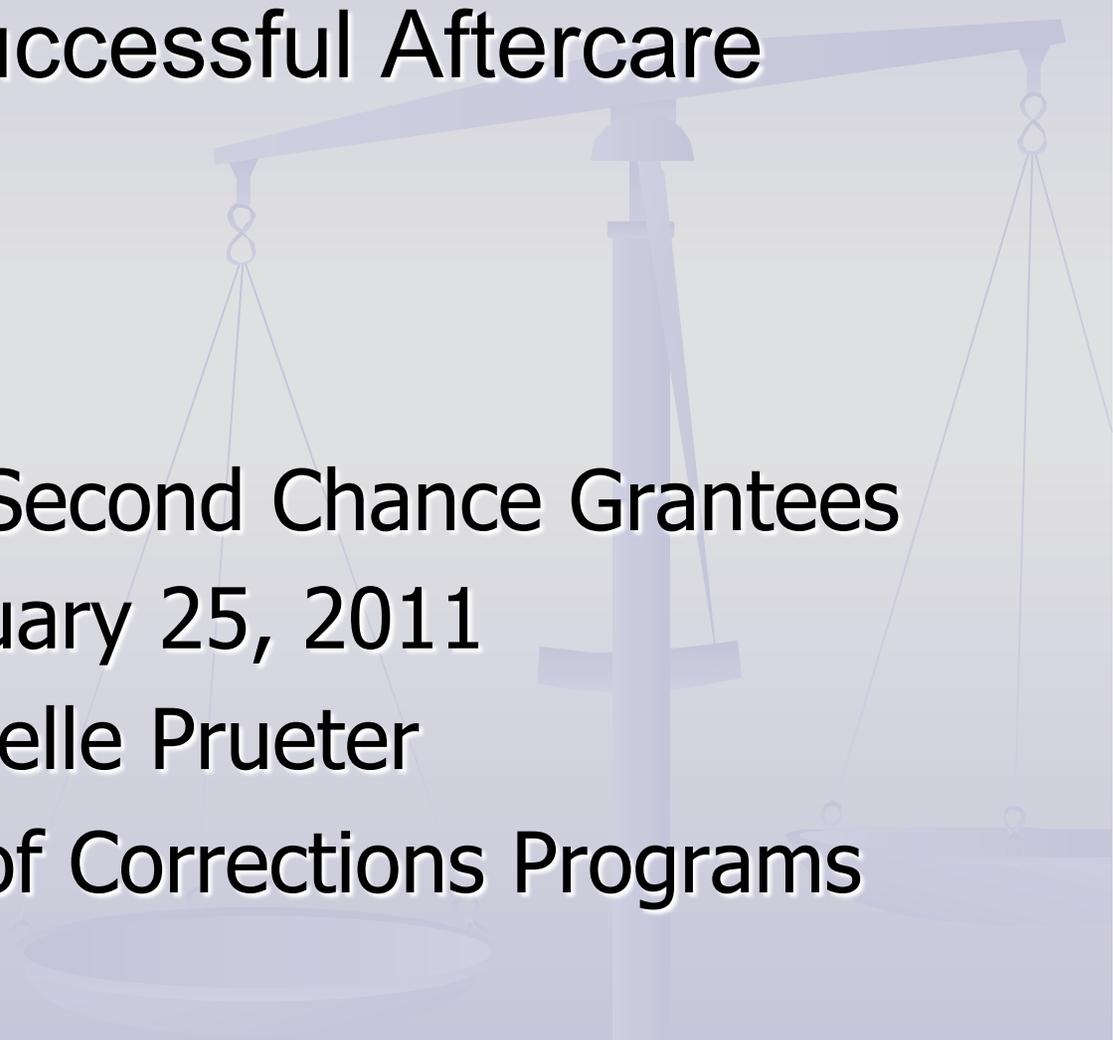


Recovery Support Services to Support Successful Aftercare



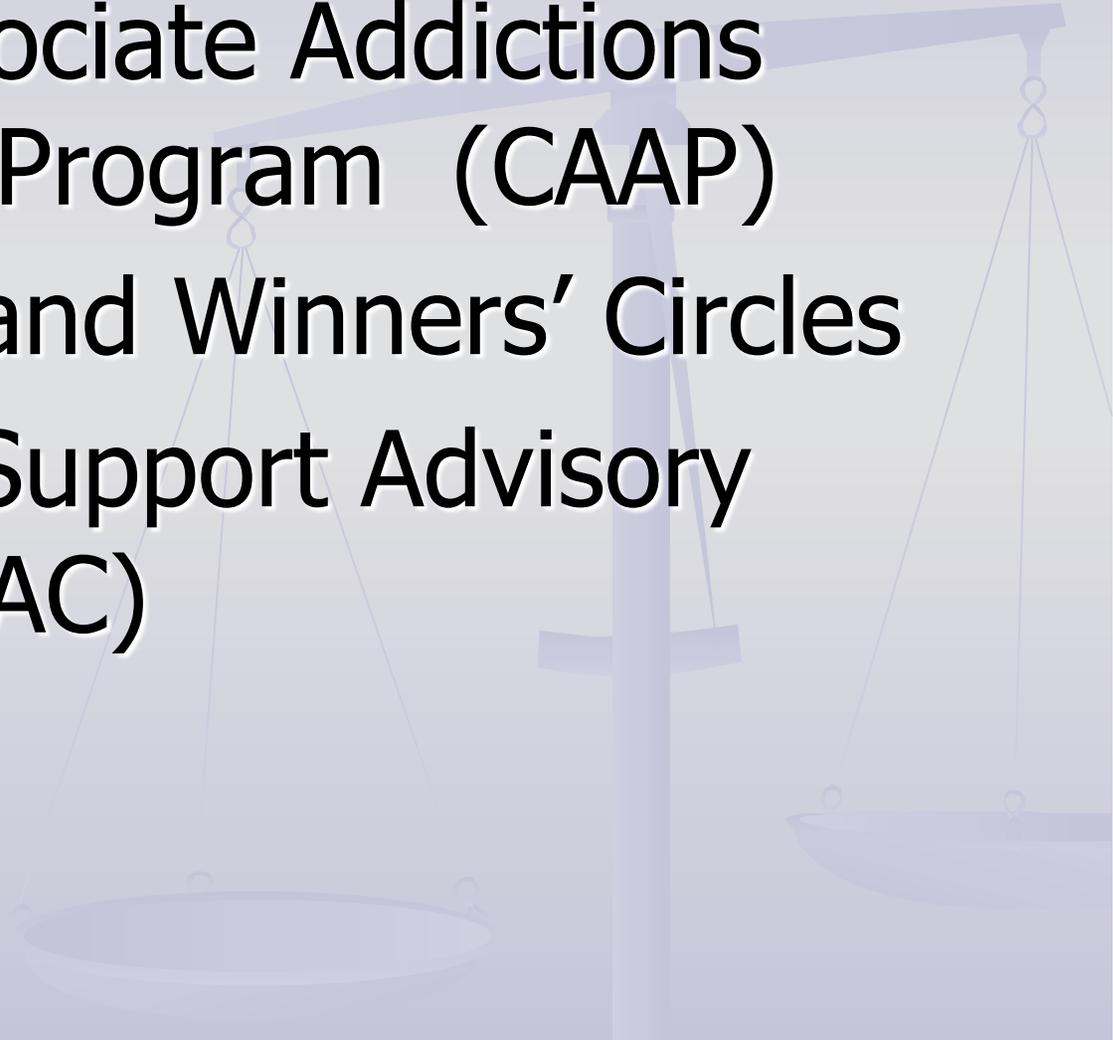
Presentation to Second Chance Grantees

February 25, 2011

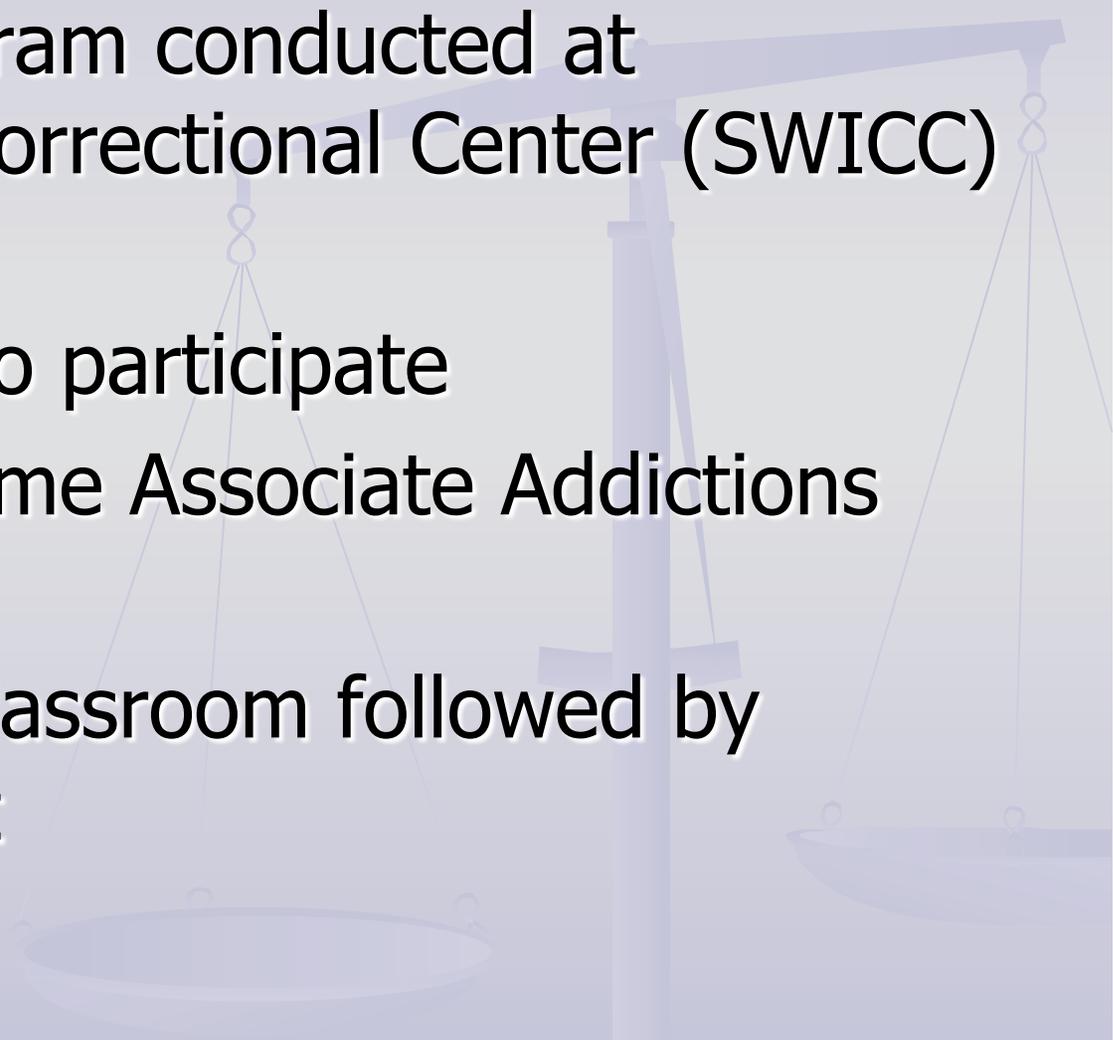
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Overview of Support Services

- Certified Associate Addictions Professional Program (CAAP)
 - TASC Inner and Winners' Circles
 - Community Support Advisory Councils (CSAC)
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CAAP Program

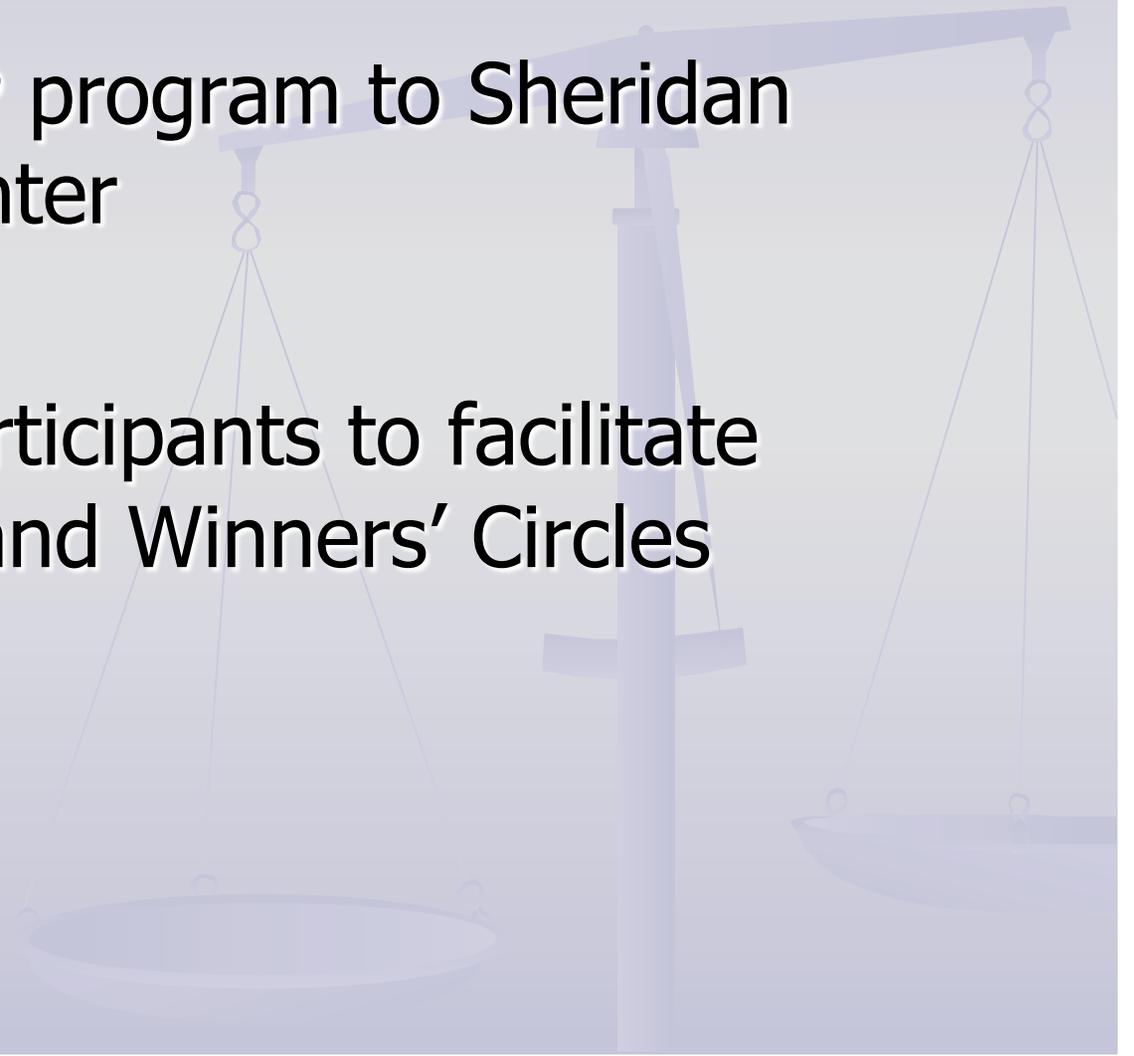
- Vocational Program conducted at Southwestern Correctional Center (SWICC) IL
 - Inmates apply to participate
 - Trained to become Associate Addictions Professionals
 - Six months of classroom followed by certification test
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CAAP Data

- 101 enrolled to date/87 completed the program—86% completion rate
- 90% passed the certification test (78 out of 87), higher than the national average
- To date, 62 have been released from prison
- Only 4 have recidivated for a 6% recidivism rate
- Currently 10 are working in the field

Future Plans for CAAP

- ❑ Expand CAAP program to Sheridan Correctional Center
- ❑ Train CAAP participants to facilitate TASC's Inner's and Winners' Circles



TASC Inner and Winners' Circles

- Winners'/Inner Circles are peer-led mutual support groups
- Winners'/Inner Circles promote recovery from substance use disorders and focus on restoring citizenship for former offenders
- Some Winners'/Inner Circle members are also members of other recovery groups (e.g., 12-Step groups)
- Winners'/Inner Circles are not 12-step groups
- Family/community members are welcome

Support Structure for Circles

Leadership Committee: Liaison to
Winners' & Inner Circles

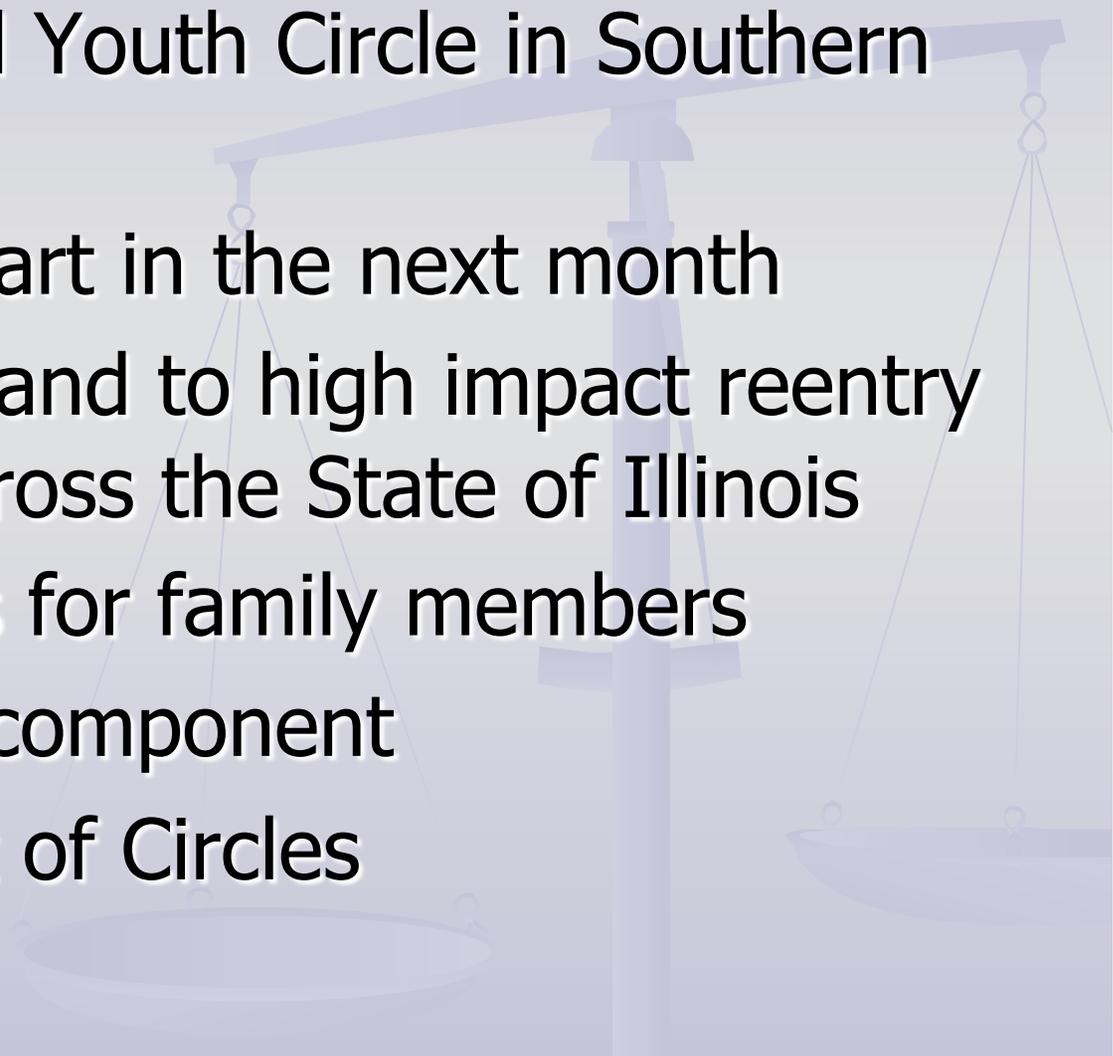
Winners' Circle:
Peer Support
Groups in the
Community

Inner Circle:
Peer Support
Groups in DOC
Facilities

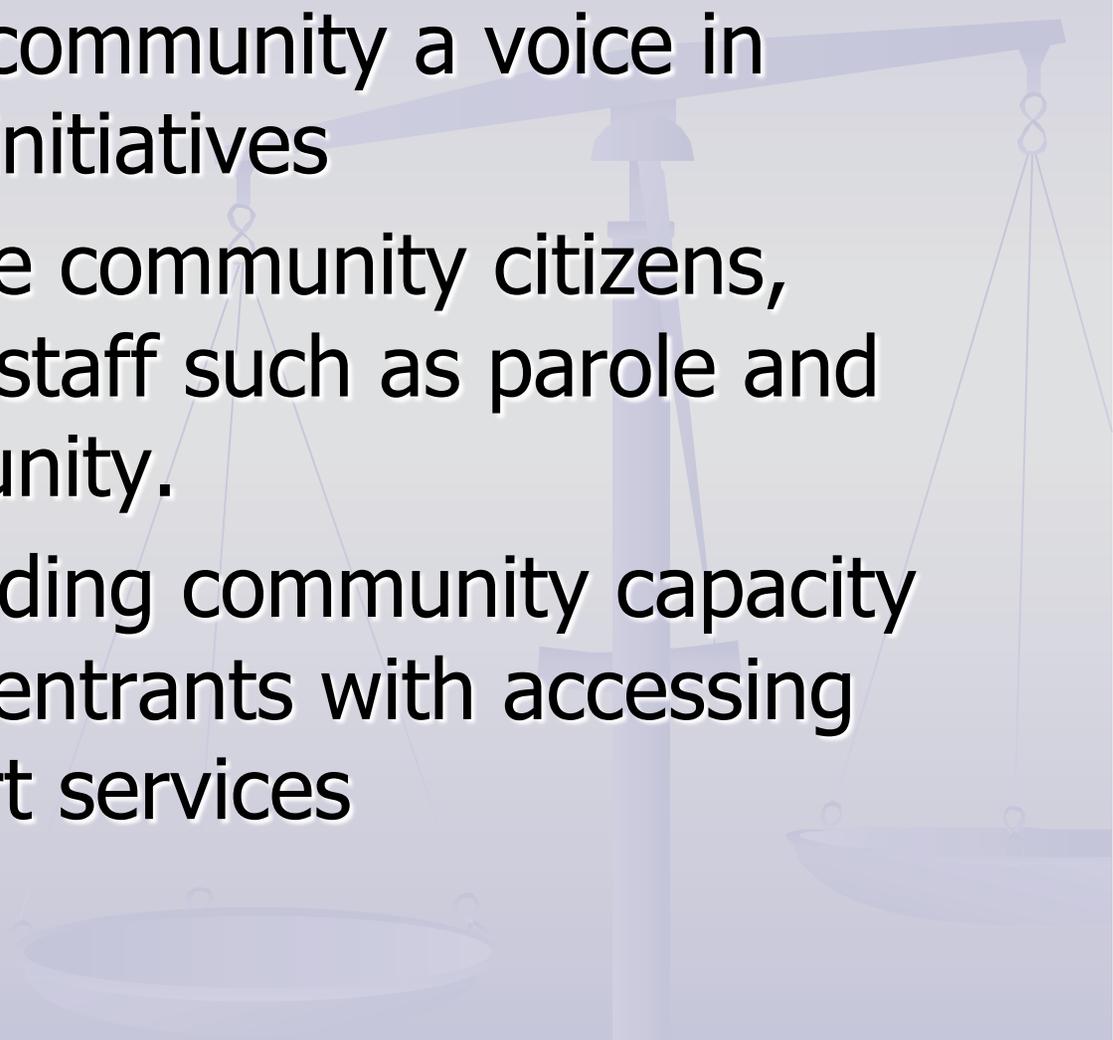
Support Structure

- Project staff:
 - Provide infrastructure and resources
 - Work on planning and sustainability
 - Train and provide support to new facilitators
- Leadership Committee members:
 - Present in facilities and at events
 - Serve as liaison to project and community
 - Attend monthly leadership meetings
- Winners'/Inner Circle members:
 - Run meetings, support one another's recovery
 - Do the hard work of restoring citizenship!

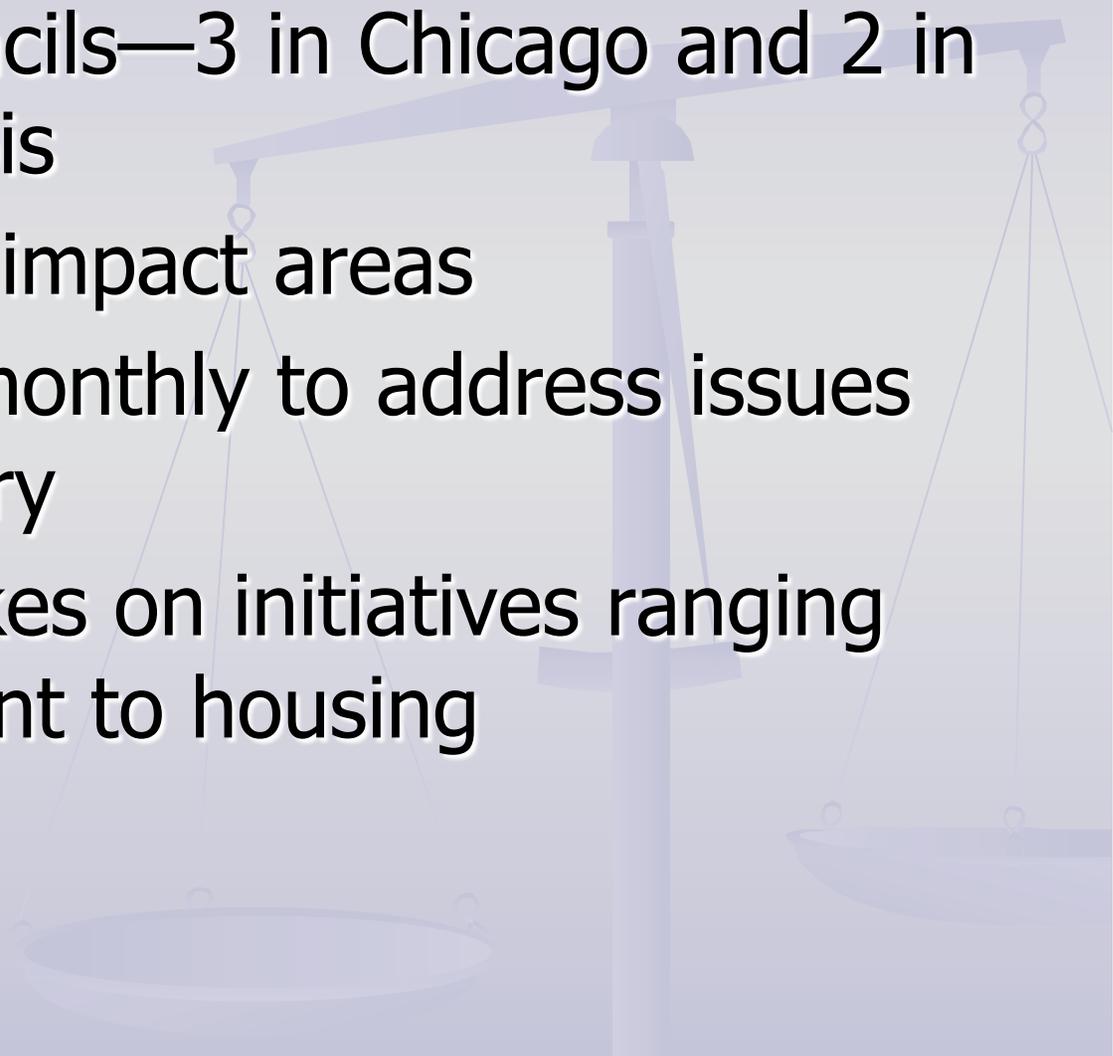
Future Plans for Circles

- Recently started Youth Circle in Southern Illinois
 - MAT Circle to start in the next month
 - Continue to expand to high impact reentry communities across the State of Illinois
 - Separate Circles for family members
 - Add mentoring component
 - Evaluate impact of Circles
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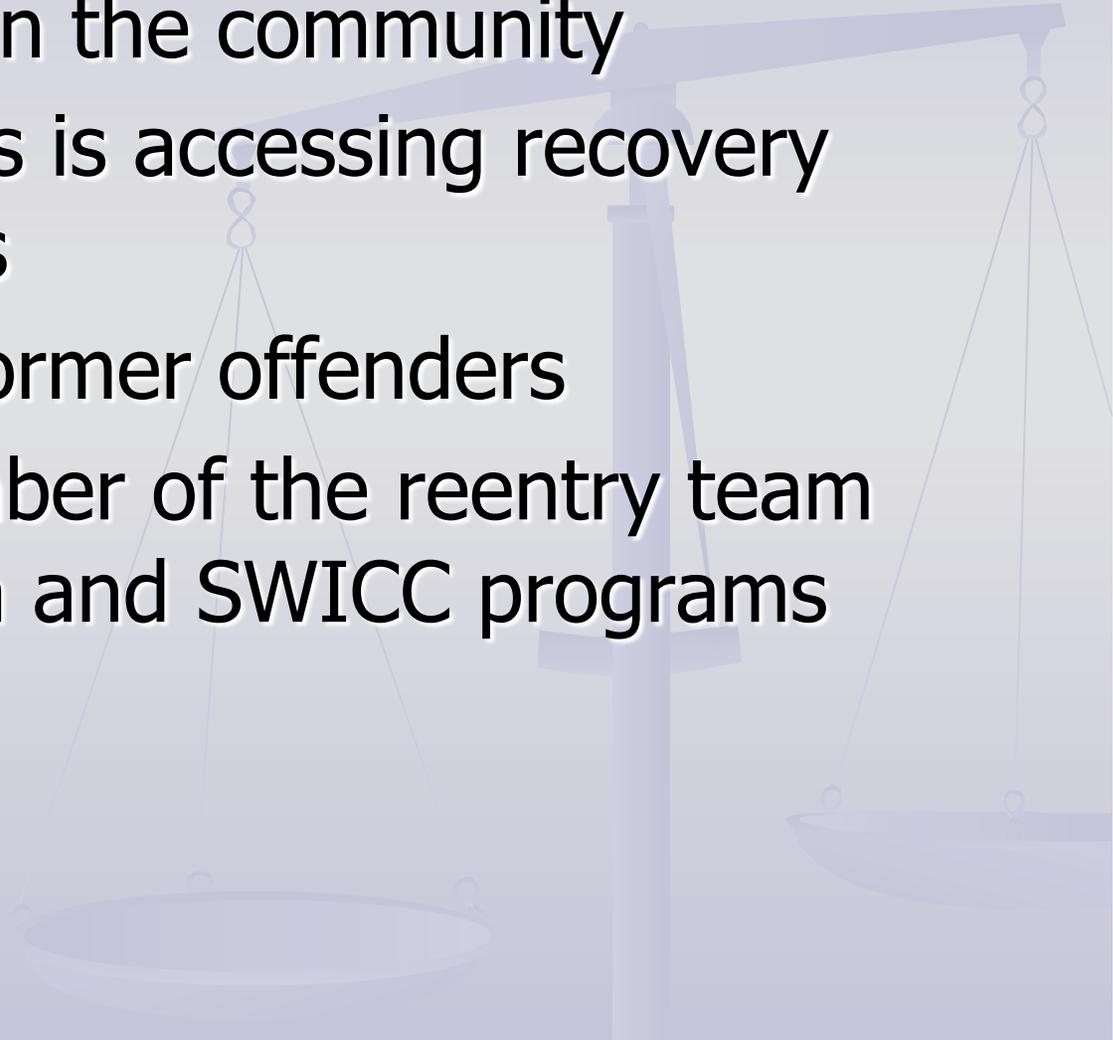
Community Support Advisory Councils

- Started to give community a voice in Illinois' reentry initiatives
 - Members include community citizens, providers, DOC staff such as parole and the faith community.
 - Dual role of building community capacity and assisting reentrants with accessing recovery support services
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Community Support Advisory Councils

- Five active councils—3 in Chicago and 2 in downstate Illinois
 - Located in high impact areas
 - Councils meet monthly to address issues related to reentry
 - Each council takes on initiatives ranging from employment to housing
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Community Support Advisory Councils

- Offices located in the community
 - Assist reentrants is accessing recovery support services
 - Most staff are former offenders
 - Serve as a member of the reentry team for the Sheridan and SWICC programs
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