

Our Programs



Transitional/Supportive Housing

JHS offers accommodations for adult males who are or who have been in conflict with the law. Housing is provided for individuals coming directly out of a correctional institution or for those who have had difficulty getting back on their feet due to their criminal history.

My Own Place

This project works with at risk and homeless populations to move them from homelessness to stable housing. My Own Place works in partnership with local social services in order to provide a holistic approach for service delivery.

Re-Integration Program

The Re-Integration Program works with men and women who are or have been in conflict with the law to successfully re-integrate back into the community. It assists with social service connections, including accessing employment services, financial, housing and health supports, and provides referrals and information to counselling, education, treatment programs, and other related services.

The program consists of one-on-one counselling and group sessions in four areas:

- Core Programming
- Life Skills
- Substance Abuse
- Anger Management

Community Service Order / Intermittent Community Work Program

The community Service Order Program provides placement opportunities for individuals ordered by the courts to volunteer in the community. It services youth referrals (ages 12-17) from the Ministry of Children and Youth Services and adult referrals from the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services. The Intermittent community Work Program facilitates community work placements for referred clients.

Bail Verification and Supervision Program

The Bail Verification and Supervision Program serves people (both males and females, ages 16 and up) accused of criminal offences who are not a threat to the community and otherwise qualify for bail, but do not have the finances or social ties to meet bail conditions.

Remote Aboriginal Intervention

The Remote Aboriginal Intervention Program works in partnership with First Nations communities to assist aboriginal youth in conflict with the law and their families.

The program currently operates in

- Webequie
- Fort Hope
- Weagamow (Round Lake)

Native Inmate Liaison Services

Native Inmate Liaison Services provide direct support to inmates at the Thunder Bay Jail and Thunder Bay Correctional Services. Cultural and spiritual services are provided on site to promote healing and wellness.

School Based Diversion

The School-Based Prevention/Diversion Program provides community-based options to hold accountable young persons (ages 12-17) involved in school-related conflicts without a formal Extra Judicial Measures (EJM) referral. The program currently operates in Geraldton.



Mission Statement

The John Howard Society is a community based organization that supports people who are at risk or involved in the criminal justice system through service, reform, education and advocacy.

Programs & Services

- ♦ Bail Verification Program
- ♦ Community Service Order Program
- ♦ Reintegration Services
- ♦ Remote Aboriginal Intervention Program
- ♦ School Based Diversion
- ♦ Residential and Program Services
- ♦ Homeless Partnership Initiative
- ♦ Native Inmate Liaison Services
- ♦ Intermittent Community Work Program



HISTORY of the John Howard Society of Thunder Bay



It was in 1947 that Judge McKittrick of the Family Court Division realized the need for a social work agency to help in preventing crime in the community by assisting ex-offenders upon their release. Judge McKittrick, the founder and the first President of the John Howard Society of Thunder Bay worked with a group of concerned citizens who volunteered their time to visit inmates at the District Jail.

John Howard Thunder Bay has grown steadily over the years. In 1997 the organization became a charitable non-profit and in 2000 we opened a supportive housing facility. In addition to providing post charge services such as housing, discharge planning and programming, the organization provides pre-charge and diversion services such as bail and community service supervision, school based diversion (EJM) and aboriginal intervention programs.

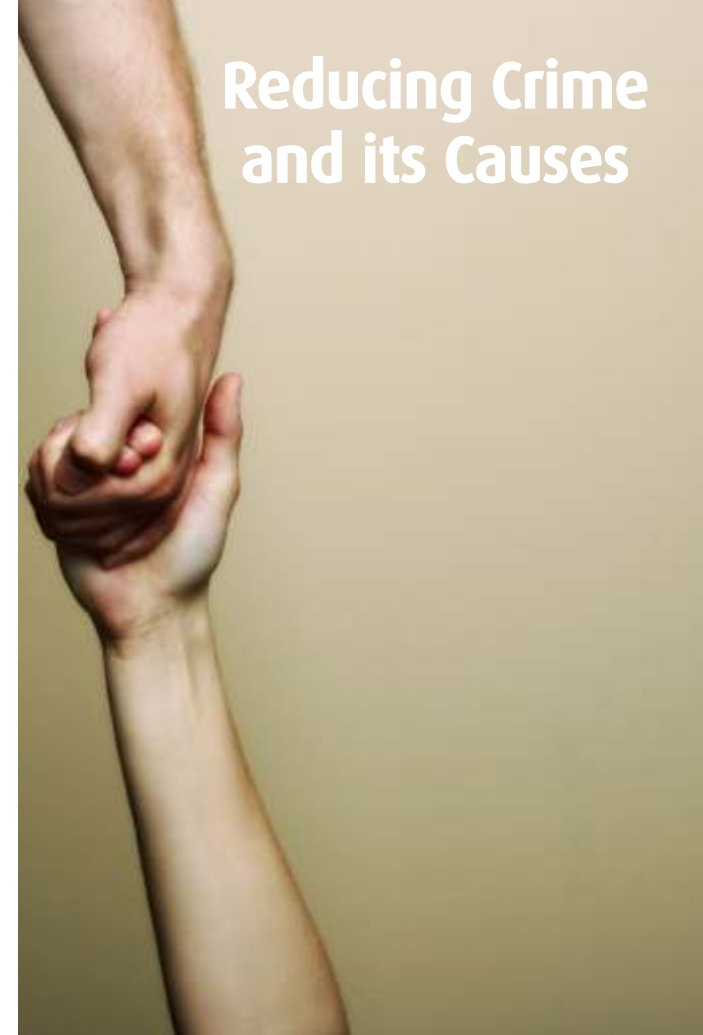
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