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2021
ANNUAL REPORT

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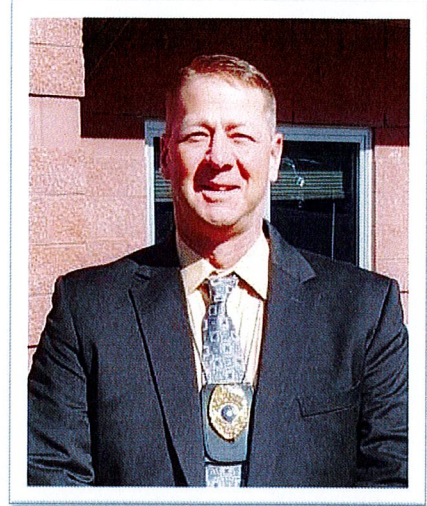
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Director's Message from Matthew A. Miller

As the director of the Dauphin County Work Release Center, I am pleased to provide the following annual report on behalf of the dedicated staff of the Work Release Center. Two thousand twenty-one was a year of transition in finding ways to safely operate the Work Release Center during the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic. With the emergence of the Delta and Omicron variants, our staff's resolve and commitment continued to be tested regularly. As they did in 2020, our staff succeeded in adapting, adjusting, and overcoming any obstacles the pandemic presented.



Our resident population adjusted successfully to the new operating norms of the working world. While "The Great Resignation" seemed to negatively impact many of the employers we have dealt with in the past, our resident population was able to step forward and fill a variety of open job vacancies. This in turn made our resident population a needed commodity and they were rewarded with increased rates of pay for their efforts. Many employers that would have never considered hiring work release residents started to reach out to the Employment Transition Team of the work release center and inquire about the benefits of hiring work release residents. Often there were more jobs than there were work release residents available to fill them. The employment rates for our work release population in 2021 were excellent.

The Covid Vaccine became increasingly available in 2021. While not mandatory for staff or residents of the Work Release Center, vaccination was strongly encouraged as an effective way to protect individuals who live and work in a congregate care setting, such as the Work Release Center. A majority of our work release residents chose to get vaccinated. Accordingly, non-vaccinated dorms and vaccinated dorms were created to house those residents based on their vaccination status.

A quarantine hall for male and female residents was established in the Female Work Release Center to isolate any work release resident that tested positive for Covid 19. When a resident was placed in quarantine hall status, a round-the-clock presence in that hall was provided by work release staff members. Every resident that was placed in quarantine hall status was eventually returned to their original dorm housing after the appropriate recommended period of isolation.

Expanding on the lessons learned in 2020, 2021 taught us how to work around the Coronavirus Pandemic and not shut down because of it. In discussions with other community corrections professionals statewide, there was a certain level of amazement with the efficiency and success that our work release center was able to maintain, given the scope of our larger population and emergence of two highly contagious coronavirus variants. I am very proud of our staff because without them, without their commitment, loyalty, and dedication to the mission of our department, none of this would have been able to be accomplished.

Sincerely,

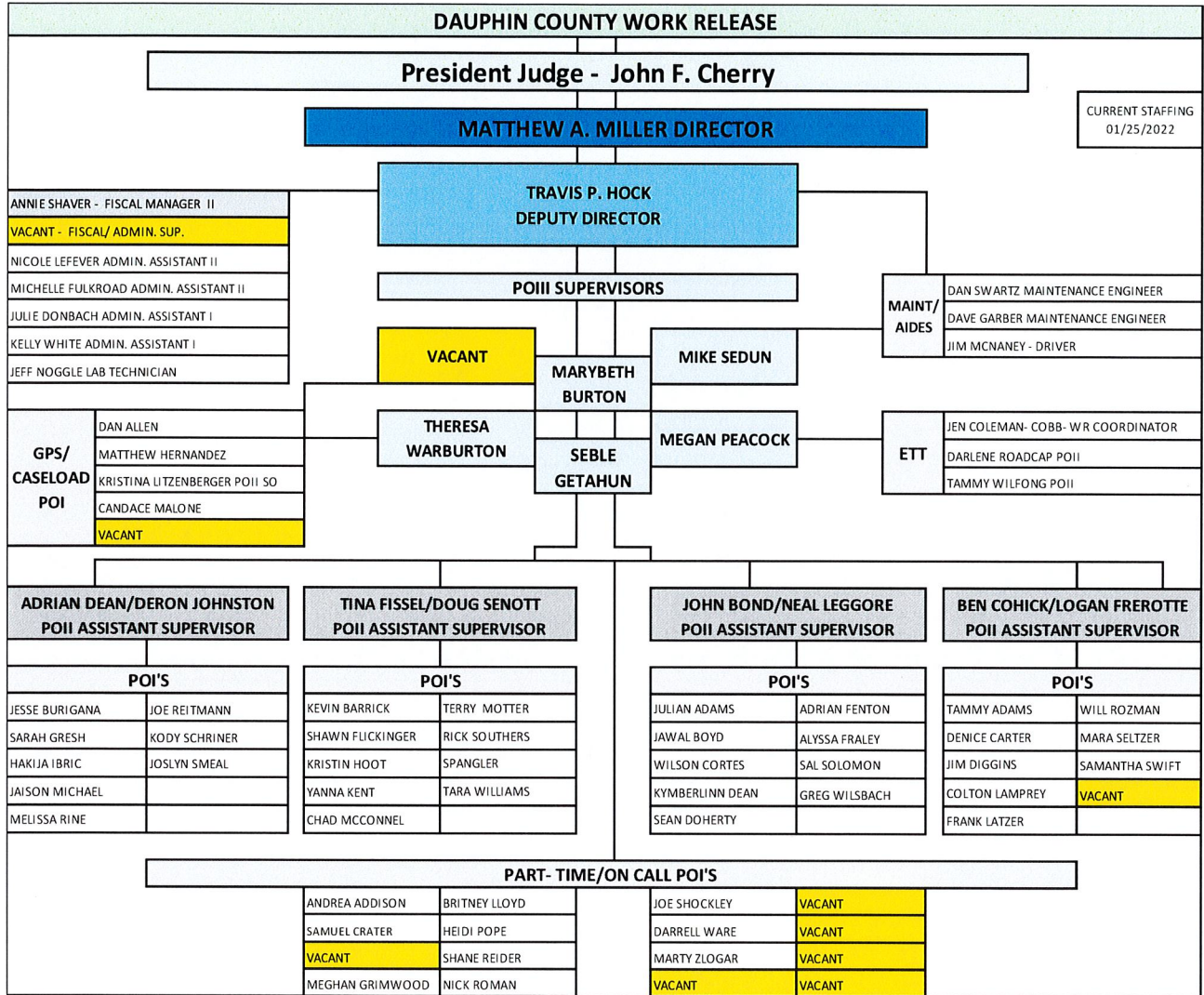
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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



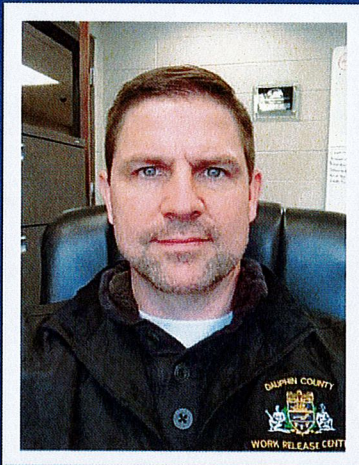
YEARS OF SERVICE REGOGNITION

Thank you for your contributions, dedication, loyalty, and commitment to the mission of the Dauphin County Work Release Center!

30 Years of Service

Matthew Miller
Director

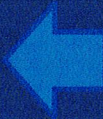
June 20, 1990



25 Years of Service

Travis Hock
Deputy Director

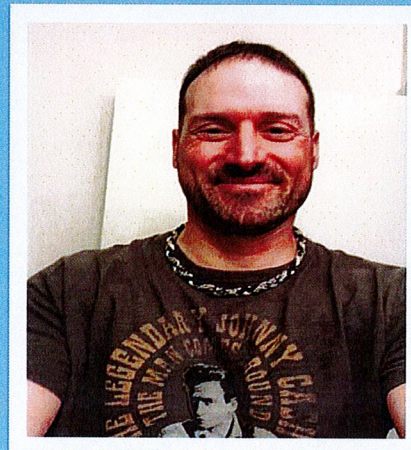
December 26, 1995

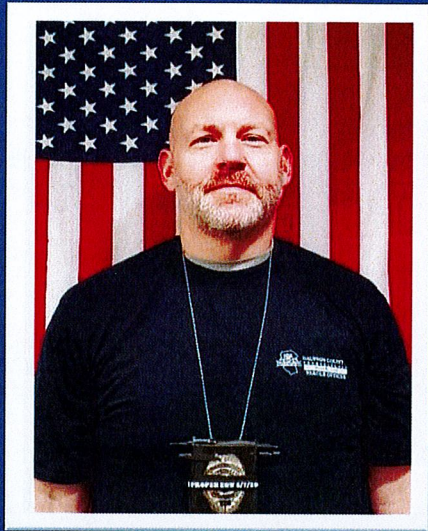


25 Years of Service

Douglas Senott, POII
Assistant Supervisor

December 28, 1995

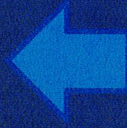




20 Years of Service

Justin Spangler
WR Probation Officer I, POI

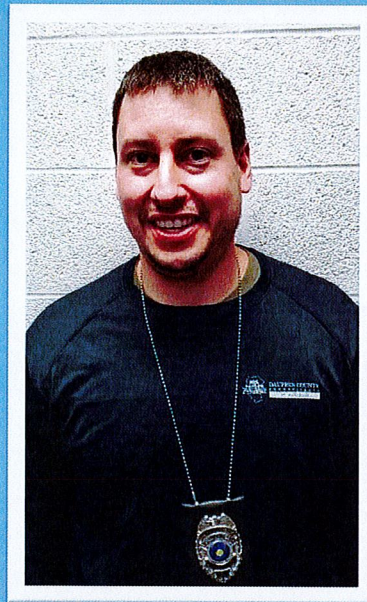
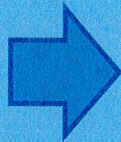
August 29, 2000



15 Years of Service

Matthew Hernandez
WR Probation Officer I, POI
Case Book Officer

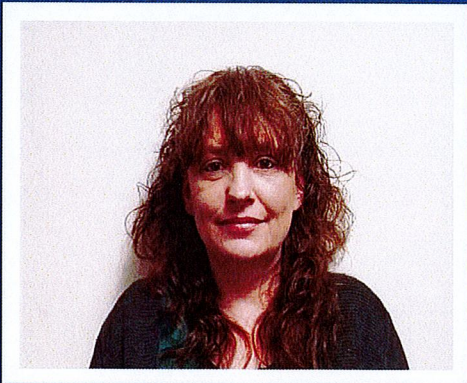
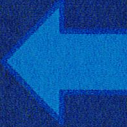
January 31, 2005



15 Years of Service

Kelly White
Administrative Assistant I

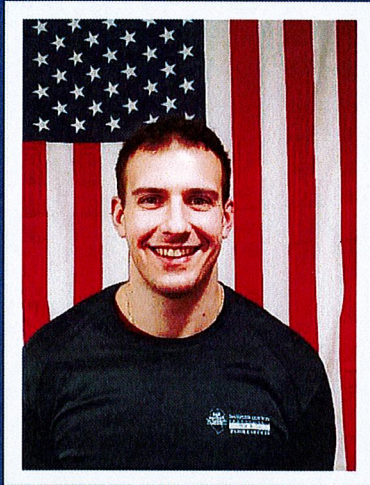
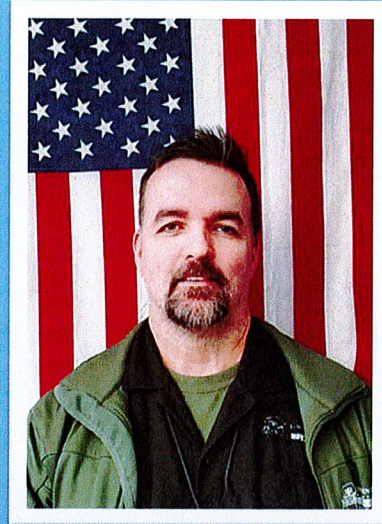
November 21, 2005



5 Years of Service

Frank Latzer
WR Probation Officer, POI

April 27, 2015



5 Years of Service

Will Rozman
WR Probation Officer I, POI

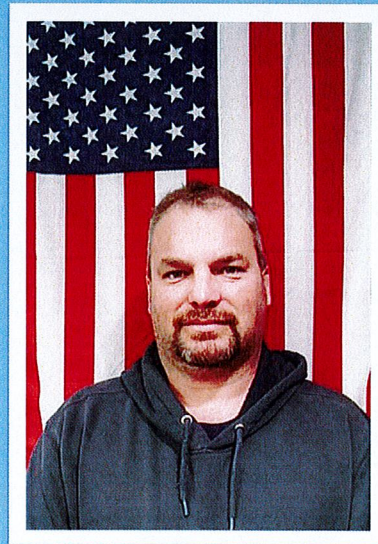
August 31, 2015



5 Years of Service

Daniel Swartz
Maintenance Engineer

January 28, 2015



2021 WORK RELEASE PROMOTIONS, NEW HIRES AND TRANSFER

Angela Shaver has been employed with the county since 8/4/2003, and she was promoted from Work Release Fiscal Administrative Supervisor to Fiscal Manager II.

Kristin Hoot,

Hired as a full-time Work Release Probation Officer, POI

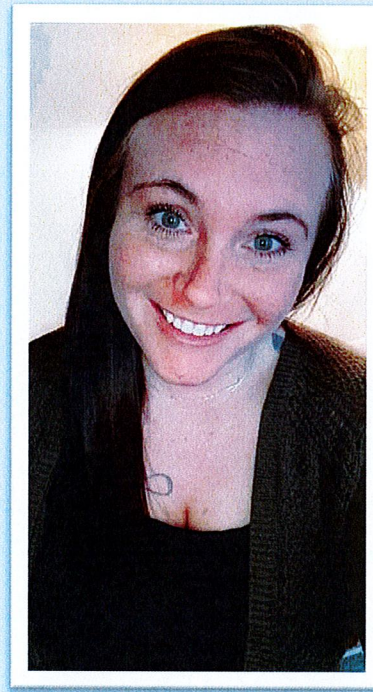
County Hire Date: 5/17/2021

Why did you want to become a full-time WR Probation Officer, POI?

Taking this position has allowed me to tie all the facets from my previous jobs into one. Throughout my career I have worked as a mental health worker at SCI Camp Hill, a Treatment Specialist at Dauphin County Prison, and a Youth Development Aide for the state which consisted of therapeutic and correctional interventions with troubled youth.

Personal Fact:

When I'm not at work I am typically in the gym or binge-watching Law and Order: SVU with my cat, Finley.



Samantha Swift,

Promoted from a part-time Work Release Probation Officer, POI to a full-time Work Release Probation Officer, POI

County Hire Date: 7/12/2021

Why did you want to become a full-time WR Probation Officer, POI?

I have always been driven to positively impact those around me. This position allows me the ability to protect my community as well as invest and hold accountable individuals who need structure, discipline, and support. Though I know I can't force change upon anyone I encounter, I can try my best to guide them in the right direction and provide them the support and resources they need to help set them up for success going forward. Being in this field of work allows me to experience personal growth by the challenges we are presented with daily, as well as feel a sense of pride knowing I am doing my best to make a difference in the world.

Personal Fact:

My favorite place to pass time is at my family's cabin in Raystown.



Darrell Ware,

Transferred from another county office to the Work Release Center as a part-time Work Release Probation Officer, POI

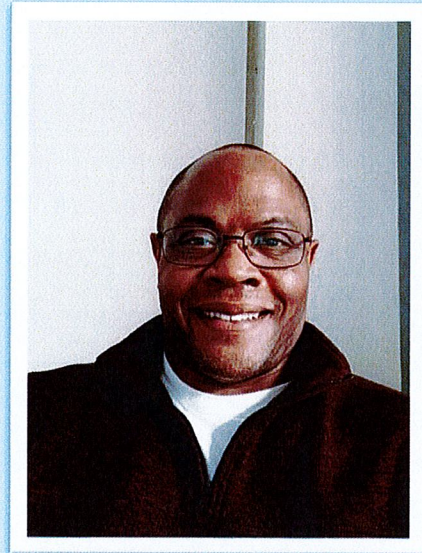
County Hire Date: 08/27/2018

Why did you want to become a part-time WR Probation Officer, PO I?

I became curious about the Work Release program while working as a detention center officer years ago. It's rewarding to see the individuals who take the program serious move on to become a productive member of the community.

Personal Fact:

I've served in three different branches of the military.



Brittney Lloyd,

Hired as a part-time Work Release Probation Officer, POI

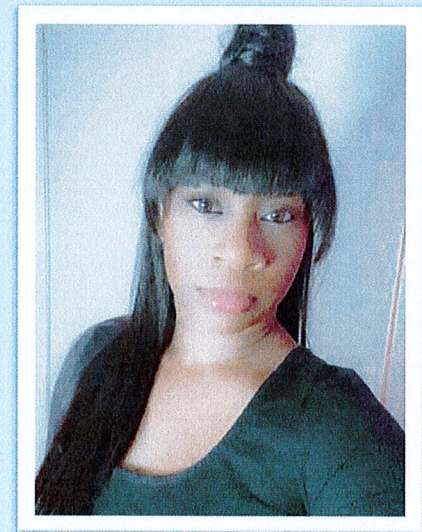
County Hire Date: 12/13/2021

Why did you want to become a part-time WR Probation Officer, PO I?

I went to school for Criminal Justice, so I felt this position would be a good fit and would allow me to gain the experience I need with the knowledge I've obtained in college.

Personal Fact:

I started college at 17 and graduated at 20 with my BA degree.



INTRODUCTION

The Dauphin County Work Release Center became a separate stand-alone facility from the Dauphin County Prison in 1996. Under the supervision of the Dauphin County Adult Probation & Parole Department, it was a court supervised community corrections center with an incarceration capacity of 360 male offenders under the jurisdiction of the Dauphin County Court. On July 1st, 2007, the Work Release Center officially became its own department, separate from Adult Probation and Parole, and in 2008 Matthew A. Miller was promoted to Director. After an extensive renovation project in 2011 and 2012, the Work Release Center is now capable of housing 274 males and 74 females with a total incarceration capacity of 348 work release inmates. Under the Court's continued direction, qualified staff has been hired, the budget has been managed effectively, and the normal day-to-day operations of the work release program have continued. During 2021 the Work Release Center continued to operate with reduced housing capacity to allow social distancing in response to the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic.

DAUPHIN COUNTY WORK RELEASE

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Dauphin County Work Release Center is to ensure the safety of the community by providing intensive supervision of incarcerated inmates and enforcing special conditions imposed by the Courts.

We strive to encourage accountability and reduce recidivism rates by supplying residents with access to social service agencies as well as community-based resources that offer educational, motivational, and job skills-based programs.

We believe that by giving residents the opportunity to maintain their employment while paying their debt to society they will come out of the experience as more responsible, viable members of our community.

Work release inmates, also known as residents, are expected to maintain full time employment, and encouraged to secure part time employment as well to satisfy obligations to the Court, their families, and themselves. This prepares offenders by minimizing their financial obligations upon release and provides structure and stability as they return to their communities. While at the work release center residents pay for their housing costs (rent), prepare their own food, arrange for their own transportation, purchase and clean their own clothing, and are primarily responsible for their own health care. This equates to a huge monetary savings for the taxpayers of Dauphin County.

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

Although, the COVID-19 pandemic presented challenges, the Work Release Center continued to adjust and managed to stay operational throughout the pandemic. The Work Release Center continued to respond to the unique challenges to safeguard staff members and residents alike. We continued to require all staff, residents, contractors, and vendors to use only the main entrances for initial entry, sanitize both hands upon entry and submit to a temperature check before given further access into the buildings. To mitigate the spread of the virus, the Work Release Center continued to operate with a reduced resident population.

When a resident tested positive for COVID-19, in lieu of emergency furlough, the strategic plan that was developed the previous year to protect everyone in the event a resident tested positive for COVID-19 was put in place, and the C-hall of the female work release center was converted into quarantine hall. This allowed residents to quarantine in the Work Release Center and continue serving their sentence. Those on quarantine utilized a separate bathroom/shower, had access to electronic tablets to pass the time, and were separated from the rest of the resident population. While residents were on quarantine, a PrimeCare nurse assessed them daily and the hallway was monitored by Work Release Probation Officers.

2021 FISCAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WORK RELEASE PROGRAM

Work Release total revenue received: \$2,570,901.68

Rent Fees collected: \$549,164.10

Child Support Fees Collected: \$6,453.87 (collected through the WRC in addition to child support that residents paid directly via wage attachment)

Fines, Costs, Fees, & Restitution: \$198,522.97

Fees collected for other county agencies: \$3,716.42

Transportation fees: \$510

Vending: \$78,408.34

GPS/Electronic Monitoring fees: \$741.94

D.C.P. Housing: \$56,909.76

Act 81 Rent Reimbursements from the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections

\$1,644,570.00

PCCD IP Grant: \$7,027.40

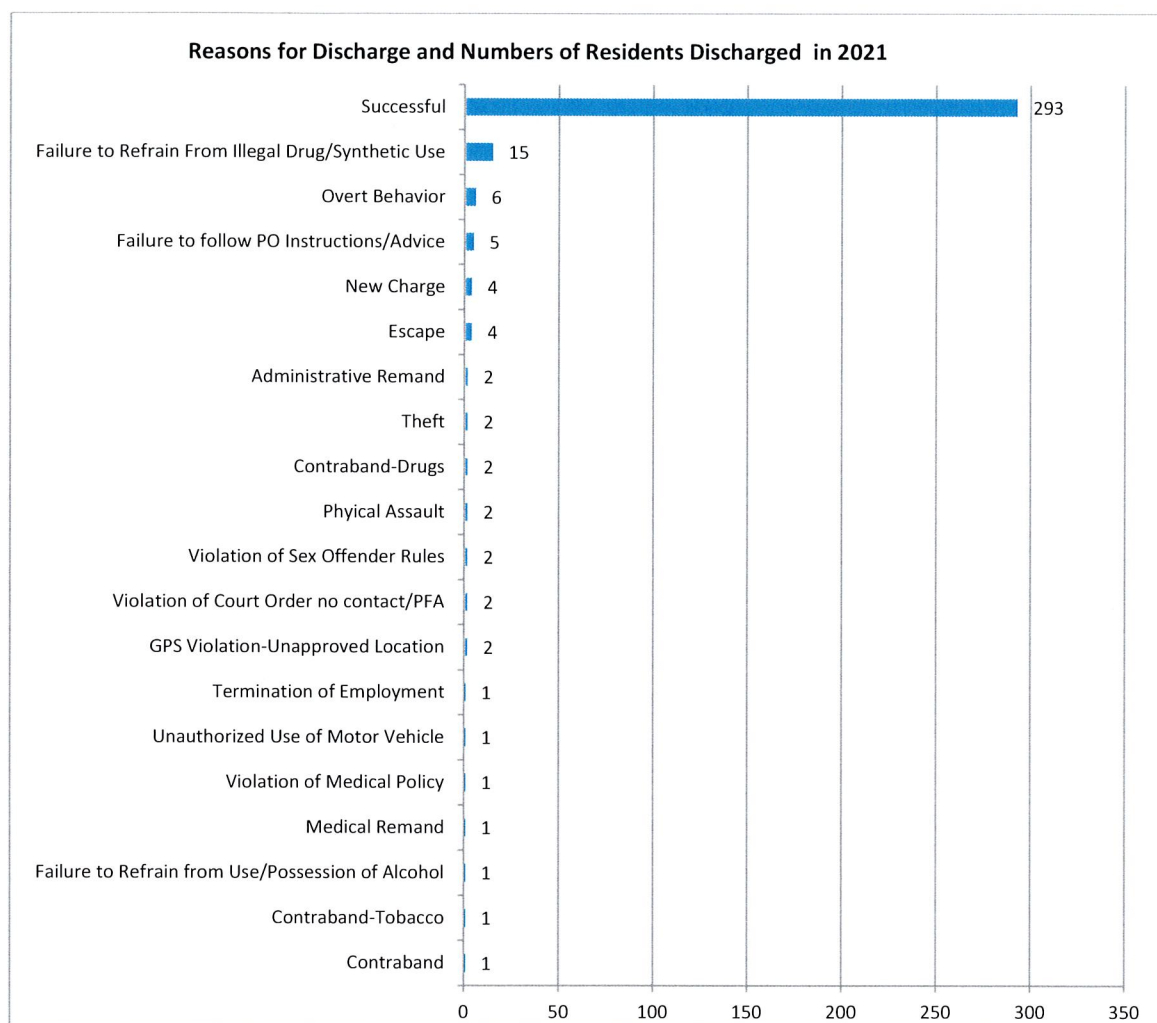
***(IP Grant fiscal year 7/1/2020-6/30/2021**

POPULATION SUMMARY

In 2021 the work release center housed **365** males and **96** females for a total of **461** work release inmates. The overall average length of stay during the year was **76** days. Of the **461** work release inmates in the work release program in 2021, **293** were successfully discharged and released from the work release center while **112** others were still incarcerated as of December 31st, 2021.

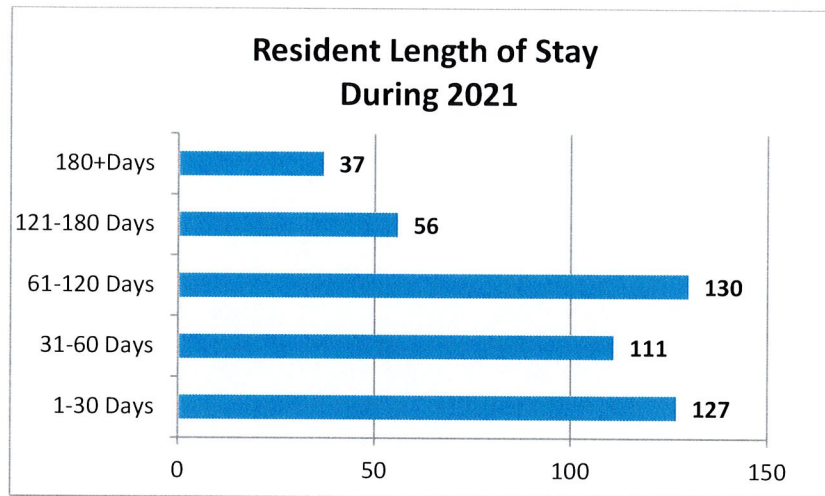
<u>WORK RELEASE TOTAL YEARLY POPULATION & AVERAGE</u>		
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL RESIDENTS</u>	<u>AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION</u>
2011*	*First year with combined male and female work release inmate population	
2013	939 Male 184 Female 1,123 Total	195 Male 32 Female 228 Total
2014	1,015 Male 249 Female 1,264 Total	207 Male 42 Female 249 Total
2015	1,031 Male 252 Female 1,283 Total	209 Male 45 Female 254 Total
2016	979 Male 199 Female 1,178 Total	202 Male 33 Female 235 Total
2017	1,031 Male 251 Female 1,282 Total	189 Male 45 Female 234 Total
2018	1,061 Male 243 Female 1,304 Total	188 Male 40 Female 228 Total
2019	1,109 Male 236 Female 1,345 Total	197 Male 36 Female 233 Total
2020	475 Male 96 Female 571 Total	87 Male 14 Female 101 Total
2021	365 Male 96 Female 461 Total	78 Male 16 Female 94 Total

DISCHARGE SUMMARY



In 2021, 293 residents (84%) were discharged successfully from the WRC program. Out of the 55 residents discharged for unsuccessful completion, 3 (5.5%) were Medical or Administrative Remands, which were not due to poor institutional adjustments. However, 52 residents (94.5%) that were unsuccessfully discharged were due to incurring the above listed work release violations that resulted in their removal from the program.

HOUSING SUMMARY



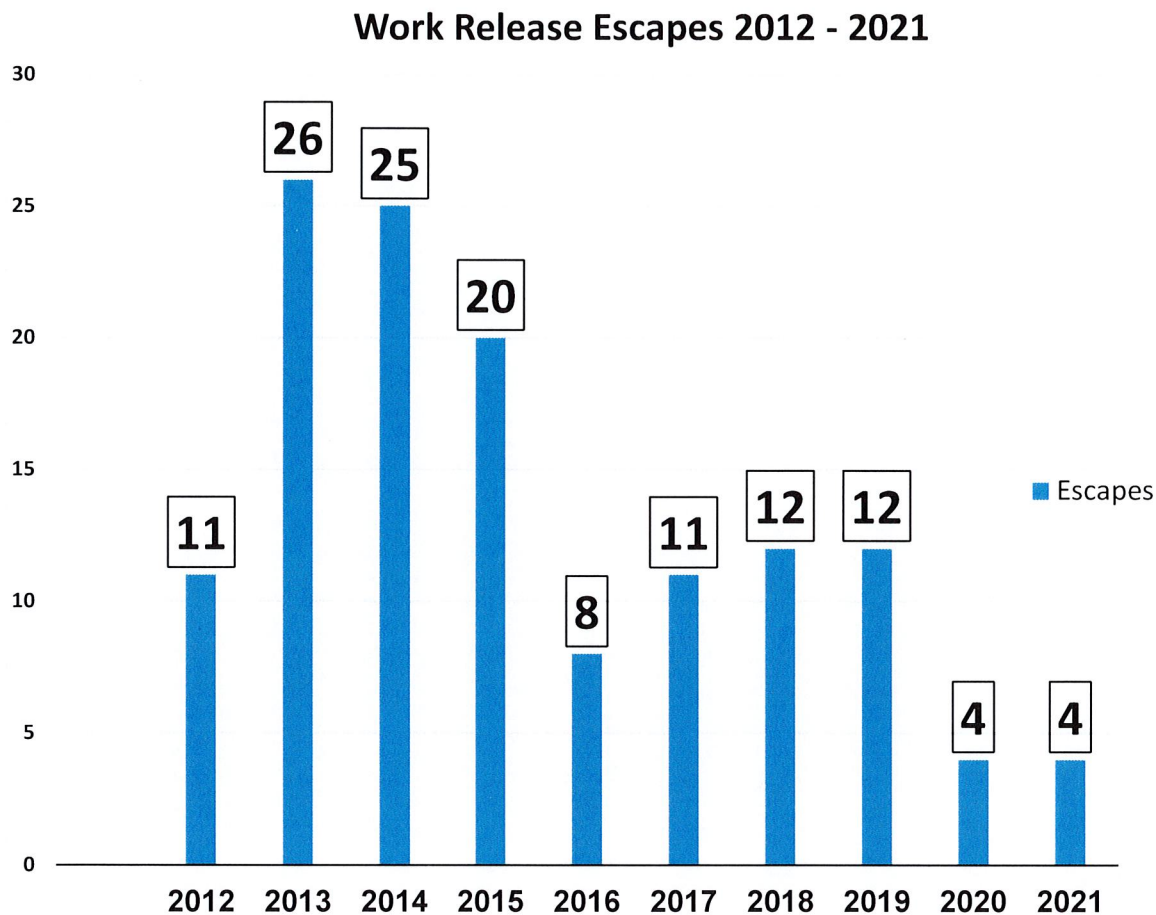
In 2021, the Work Release Center continued to operate with a reduced housing capacity to allow social distancing to mitigate exposure in response to the coronavirus pandemic. There were **461** inmates that served their court-imposed sentences in the Work Release Center. The average length of resident's stay in the Work Release Center during 2021 was **76** days. In 2021, **80%** of residents were incarcerated in the WRC between 1-120 days.

In 2021, there were a total of **34,870** unclothed searches for contraband performed on work release inmates either upon their return to the work release centers after having been in the community or routinely before leaving the center. This consisted of **28,268** male searches and **6,602** female searches. For everyone's safety and security, this has helped to create a safer environment within the less restrictive housing of the work release centers. Work Release Probation Officers also conducted routine bunk searches during each shift, or at any time with reasonable cause, for safety and security concerns. In 2021, there were a total of **14,316** bunk searches performed, which consists of **8,591** bunk searches at the male center and **5,725** bunk searches at the female center.

WORK RELEASE ESCAPE SUMMARY AND WARRANT TEAM

In 2021, the Dauphin County Work Release Center incurred four male escapes. Three out of the four fugitives were apprehended. Two of the escapees were apprehended by Work Release Staff. Work Release Supervisor Michael Sedun, WR Assistant Supervisor Neal Leggore and WR Parole Officer Matthew Hernandez apprehended one of the escapees. WR Supervisor Michael Sedun and WR Parole Officer Matthew Hernandez apprehended the other escapee. The third Work Release escapee was apprehended by the Harrisburg City Police Department. One of the escapees remains a fugitive and a warrant was issued for his arrest at the time of his escape. In 2021, the fugitives were apprehended on average within **11.67 days**. Since 1996 Dauphin County Work Release has a **99%** escape apprehension rate.

In 2016, the WRC expanded the use of Electronic Monitoring on all WR inmates for the duration of their stay. As shown in the chart below, this expansion significantly curbed the number of escapes from the Work Release Center in the subsequent years.



The Dauphin County Work Release Center works closely with Dauphin County's Criminal Investigation Division, local law enforcement, the United States Marshal's Fugitive Task Force and Dauphin County Warrant Force to apprehend work release escapees and other fugitives. Work Release Parole Officer Matthew Hernandez assisted the United States Marshal's Warrants/Fugitive Task Force in apprehending 22 fugitives from March 2021- December 2021. On May 19, 2021, WR Parole Officer Matthew Hernandez was awarded a well-deserved gold star by the Middle District of Pennsylvania United States Warrants/Fugitive Task Force for his involvement in the apprehension of a murder suspect and an endangered runaway teenager from York.

Work Release Supervisor Michael Sedun, Assistant Supervisor Neal Leggore, Assistant Supervisor Logan Frerotte, WR Parole Officer Matthew Hernandez and WR Parole Officer Terry Motter are also part of the Dauphin County Warrant Task Force and assisted in serving warrants and the apprehension of 15 fugitives from March 2021 to December 2021.

FIREARMS SUMMARY

In 2021, the Dauphin County Work Release Center completed requalification of all current firearms certified Work Release Probation Officers under the Pennsylvania Board of Probation & Parole Firearms Education & Training Commission (FETC). Moving forward the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency oversees the FETC.

During the Dauphin County Work Release Center's annual qualification, several open ranges are scheduled for our WR Probation Officers to practice their marksmanship skills. All Work Release Probation Officers are provided 300 rounds to practice. In addition to qualification training, there are stress and tactical trainings, dim light shooting, and FETC continuing education course trainings made available for our Work Release Probation Officers. The Dauphin County Work Release Center has a total of 22 firearms qualified WR Probation Officers and 3 certified firearms instructors.

Since 2017, the Dauphin County Work Release Center has collaborated with Probation Services for firearms training. As with every training, Work Release Probation Officers' safety is the number one priority. In addition, networking with Probation Services allows officers to share their experiences making Probation Officers aware of potential safety risks. This collaboration has proven to be beneficial for both departments.

DRUG TESTING SUMMARY


Random urinalysis drug testing is performed regularly on all work release inmates. The Work Release Center or PrimeCare Medical authorizes all prescriptions and medications to ensure the resident population is not using illegal drugs or abusing prescription medications.

In 2021, the work release center obtained **1,386** specimens from female work release inmates of which **85 (6.1%)** tested positive for illegal or unauthorized drug usage.

POSITIVE SUMMARIES FOR FEMALE WRC ♀ 2021

MONTH	DONORS			SPECIMENS			ASSAYS		
	TOTAL	POSITIVE	Percentage	TOTAL	POSITIVE	Percentage	TOTAL	POSITIVE	Percentage
January	18	1	5.6%	98	1	1.0%	576	1	0.17%
February	22	0	0.0%	95	0	0.0%	540	0	0.00%
March	18	3	16.7%	96	8	8.3%	511	8	1.57%
April	21	4	19.0%	160	15	9.4%	860	16	1.86%
May	25	2	8.0%	96	4	4.2%	496	4	0.81%
June	29	6	20.7%	142	9	6.3%	736	9	1.22%
July	22	3	13.6%	116	3	2.6%	591	3	0.51%
August	21	3	14.3%	103	3	2.9%	521	4	0.77%
September	26	4	15.4%	116	9	7.8%	596	9	1.51%
October	20	3	15.0%	66	7	10.6%	348	7	2.01%
November	34	2	5.9%	152	9	5.9%	815	9	1.10%
December	29	6	20.7%	146	17	11.6%	796	17	2.14%
TOTAL FOR YEAR 2021	285	37	13.0%	1386	85	6.1%	7386	87	1.18%

In 2021, the work release center obtained **2,732** specimens from male work release center inmates of which **188 (6.9%)** tested positive for illegal or unauthorized drug use.

POSITIVE SUMMARIES FOR MALE WRC  2021									
MONTH	DONORS			SPECIMENS			ASSAYS		
	TOTAL	POSITIVE	%AGE	TOTAL	POSITIVE	%AGE	TOTAL	POSITIVE	%AGE
January	69	7	10.1%	237	14	5.9%	1273	18	1.4%
February	79	10	12.7%	206	17	8.3%	1111	17	1.5%
March	80	12	15.0%	199	18	9.0%	1067	18	1.7%
April	96	4	4.2%	260	9	3.5%	1423	9	0.6%
May	95	8	8.4%	218	16	7.3%	1161	21	1.8%
June	114	10	8.8%	271	19	7.0%	1435	23	1.6%
July	113	13	11.5%	261	18	6.9%	1401	18	1.3%
August	113	14	12.4%	245	16	6.5%	1300	18	1.4%
September	98	13	13.3%	240	19	7.9%	1311	23	1.8%
October	81	7	8.6%	148	8	5.4%	801	8	1.0%
November	103	11	10.7%	220	14	6.4%	1169	14	1.2%
December	98	11	11.2%	227	20	8.8%	1207	20	1.7%
TOTAL FOR YEAR 2021	1139	120	10.5%	2732	188	6.9%	14659	207	1.4%

PRIMECARE MEDICAL INCORPORATED LIMITED HEALTH SERVICES

In February of 2010, the Work Release Center entered into an agreement with PrimeCare Medical Inc. to provide limited health services at the work release center. Limited medical and health care services are provided during designated times by a nurse, physician's assistant, or doctor from PrimeCare Medical as a convenience and to support work release inmates improve their overall quality of health. Services include review of resident medications, prescribing appropriate medications upon commitment to work release, evaluating minor health and wellness concerns, and referral to community medical and health professionals as deemed necessary. As PrimeCare Medical is also the full-time provider of health and medical services to inmates incarcerated in Dauphin County Prison, all health care records are more easily accessible to PrimeCare staff when assessing inmate's health care concerns while at Dauphin County Prison and the work release center. This improves the continuum of care when treating inmates who transfer from DCP to the work release center or vice versa, thereby lessening liability to Dauphin County and improving the overall quality of treatment that an inmate receives.

During 2019, PrimeCare Medical Inc. expanded their medical and health care services to 7 days a week, but only on a limited basis. PrimeCare Medical proved to be a positive liaison for work release inmates to establish proper medical care with their primary care physicians or providers while being housed at the work release center. PrimeCare's presence assisted work release center staff and work release inmates in providing clear directives to ensure that all work release inmates medical needs were being diagnosed and treated accordingly.

In 2021, PrimeCare Medical remained instrumental in the effort to prevent and mitigate the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) within the centers. When there is a known or suspected exposure among residents, PrimeCare provided rapid testing as needed. In addition, when direct commitments report to the WRC, PrimeCare provided rapid testing to determine if the resident was COVID-19 free upon admission to the WRC. Transfers from the prison were also provided rapid testing to determine their status upon admission to the center. This allowed the WRC to quarantine residents if they test positive for COVID 19 and prevented further spreading of the virus. Closer to the end of 2021, transfers from the prison were tested for COVID-19 by Primecare at the prison before they were moved to the WRC. The Rapid Test that PrimeCare utilizes is granted emergency use authorization by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for diagnosing COVID-19 and provides results within minutes of the test being administered.

EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION TEAM (ETT) SUMMARY

When an inmate is transferred to the Work Release Center from Dauphin County Prison they are often, if not always, unemployed. The goal of the Employment Transition Team is to help residents obtain employment quickly by giving them the tools and assistance they need. Securing proper identification, arranging transportation, and obtaining needed work apparel are often immediately requested. In 2021, the Work Release Center issued **177** checks payable to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for residents to obtain their Pennsylvania non-driver's license identification, issued **250** Capital Area Transportation bus passes, and **87** Walmart gift cards to residents who did not have the funds to buy specific clothing required to start working. The costs for these items were recouped from the resident's first several paychecks.

While on ETT status, all residents are provided a packet of information upon commitment that includes employment assistance paperwork, interview questions of do's and don'ts, blank practice job applications, and examples of resumes. Work Release Probation Officers Darlene Roadcap and Tammy Wilfong work very closely with employers in our region to advocate hiring residents of the work release center. This, along with the assistance they receive while on ETT, has resulted in an **85.1% overall employment rate for the year 2021**.

EMPLOYMENT RATE 2021

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>OVERALL AVG.</u>
JANUARY	83%	84%	83.5%
FEBRUARY	80%	85%	82.5%
MARCH	89%	81%	85.0%
APRIL	97%	90%	93.5%
MAY	87%	88%	87.5%
JUNE	84%	82%	83.0%
JULY	82%	86%	84.0%
AUGUST	74%	85%	79.5%
SEPTEMBER	83%	90%	86.5%
OCTOBER	83%	86%	84.5%
NOVEMBER	78%	86%	82.0%
DECEMBER	91%	89%	90.0%
2021 WORK RELEASE EMPLOYMENT RATE	84%	86%	85.1%

COMMUNITY SERVICE SUMMARY

Community Service was an integral part of the work release center in 2021. Of our **461** residents that were incarcerated in the work release center, **254** residents (**237 male and 17 female**), which represents **55.10%**, performed community service at some point during their commitment. Through our Employment Transition Team, work release staff members assisted offenders in the completion of court ordered and program assigned community service hours by supporting various requests and projects from non-profit agencies. This was accomplished with the dedication of various work release staff in coordinating and supervising all the requested projects. In 2021, the Work Release Center provided support to the following agencies:

- Dauphin County Recycling Center – **6,499** hours
- Dauphin County Bulk Storage Facility – **1,805** hours
- Grace House Food Bank
- Dauphin County Facilities Maintenance Department
- Midland Cemetery
- Dauphin County Commissioners Office
- Bethany AME Church
- Fatherhood Program
- Drug Court Event

In addition to the ongoing support provided to the above agencies, the work release center accepted requests for assistance from various non-profit agencies. Many of these non-profit agencies provide our work release population with social services assistance in the form of food, clothing, and other items as needed. Being given the opportunity to reciprocate in the form of community service assistance is a welcome opportunity. In 2021, our female work release inmates completed **99** hours of community service while our male work release inmates completed **9,833** hours of community service. The total amount of hours completed by all work release inmates was **9,932** hours.

TREATMENT SUMMARY

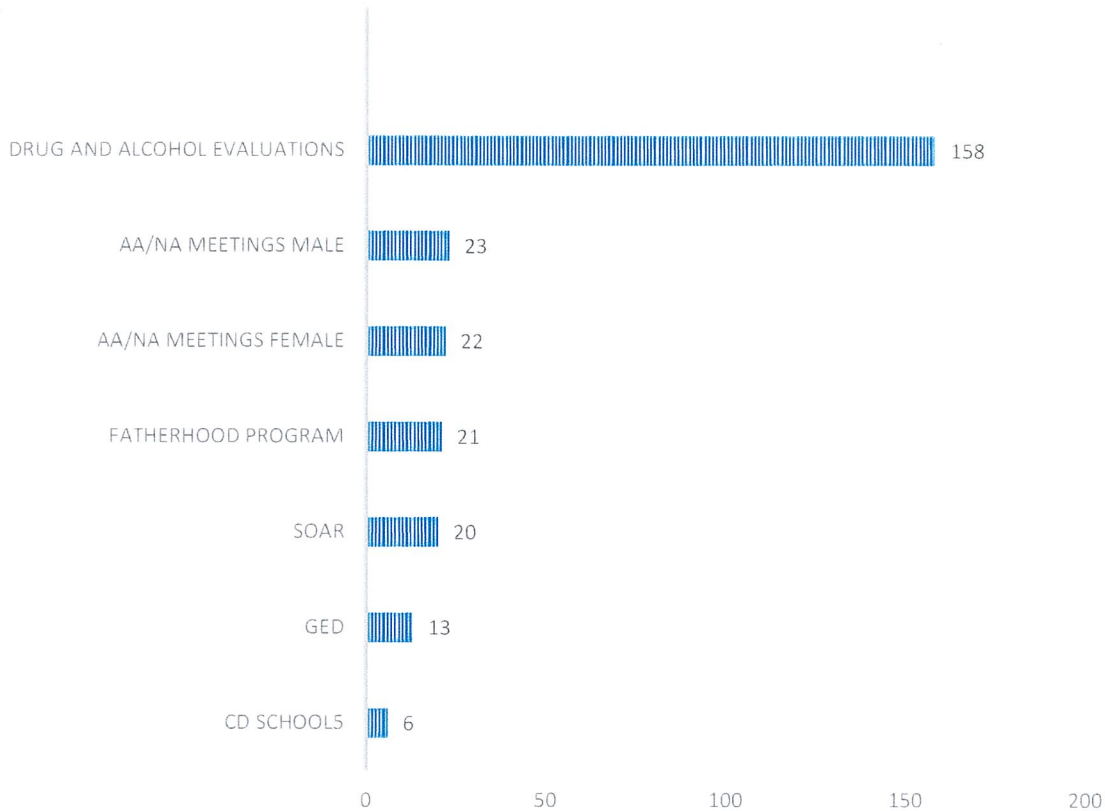
Placement in the work release center allows work release inmates to initiate any court ordered treatment associated with the dockets they are serving or to address identified needs. The following treatment statistics pertain to work release inmates who obtained the following services during 2021:

- 158 drug & alcohol evaluations were completed
- 151 work release inmates started drug & alcohol treatment
- 9 work release inmates successfully completed outpatient drug and alcohol treatment
- 40 mental health evaluations were completed
- 24 work release inmates started/continued outpatient mental health treatment
- 28 work release inmates started DUI Alcohol Highway Safety School classes
- 22 work release inmates successfully completed DUI Alcohol Highway Safety School classes
- 33 work release inmates successfully completed DUI Court Reporting Network (CRN) evaluations
- 18 work release inmates started sexual offender outpatient treatment counseling
- 17 work release inmates obtained sexual offender evaluations
- 3 work release inmates started anger management outpatient counseling
- 6 work release inmates started batterer's outpatient counseling
- 5 work release inmates successfully completed batterer's outpatient counseling

Chronological case book records are kept on every work release inmate participating in the Work Release Program. Work Release inmates are assigned to a primary work release probation officer. Additionally, specialized caseloads exist for those work release inmates convicted of a sex offense, those who are supervised by a specialty court such as Drug Court and Veteran's Court, and those serving domestic relations sentences or magisterial district justice sentences. All case book officers ensure that court ordered stipulations and conditions are initiated and enforced while making appropriate referrals to community-based providers when necessary.

In conjunction with the Department of Drug and Alcohol Services, two outpatient drug and alcohol service providers, Genesis House and The Naaman Center, are located on-site to evaluate any work release inmate needing a drug and alcohol evaluation. Further, if outpatient treatment is recommended, the outpatient counseling sessions are held at the work release center. Any work release inmate already enrolled in counseling prior to their placement in work release may continue counseling with their treatment provider. Upon a resident's release, counseling sessions transition to the provider's community address for continued outpatient treatment. This initiative was started in 2014 and along with already existing in-house AA/NA meetings, further assists work release inmates to address identified substance abuse issues. In 2021, **158** Work Release residents completed Drug and Alcohol Evaluations and **151** of those evaluated started out-patient drug and alcohol treatment during their stay in the Work Release Center.

WRC TREATMENT & PROGRAMMING



The work release center had a variety of programming and treatment offered on-site and at nearby social service providers within the community. A monthly program calendar is provided to residents and updated each month with a list of available programming. Some programming may be court ordered while other programs are encouraged by work release staff. In 2021, due to the continued effort to alleviate the spread of COVID-19 some of the programming, such as the Mentoring Program, Family Reunification and the Program "It's About Change" services were interrupted.

Several AA/NA meetings are provided weekly within each male and female work release center. Residents may either be court ordered to attend or recommended through their drug and alcohol evaluation, while others may choose to attend on their own. Additionally, once a resident approaches his/her release date they are encouraged to establish a home group closer to their approved residency. In 2021, approximately **23** AA/NA meetings and **22** AA/NA meetings were attended by male and female residents respectively.

There are parenting programs available for work release residents who wish to attend. The male population attends the 24/7 Fatherhood Program through the Community Action Commission. In 2021, twenty one residents attended the Fatherhood Program. This program encourages male residents to play an active role in raising their children while educating fathers on services to assist with emotional, psychological and financial needs of their families.

Through a partnership with Tri-County OIC (Opportunities Industrialization Centers of America), the work release center supports adult basic education classes for those who are court ordered or express an interest in obtaining their high school equivalency degree. When pre-testing indicates a resident is ready to complete a component test, work release will pay for this test. Pursuing education is always encouraged as it is a proven fact that those with higher levels of education are less likely to re-offend. In addition, Work Release Residents who qualify may attend the SOAR (Skills, Opportunities, Achievement and Responsibility) re-entry job readiness program. In 2021, **thirteen** work release residents attended the adult basic education classes and completed portions of the components of GED. In addition, **20** residents (15 male and 5 female) attended the SOAR re-entry job readiness program and one obtained forklift certification.

Central Dauphin school teachers provide on-site schooling to teach those eligible residents who are required to attend school and still qualify to obtain their high school diploma. There were **6** residents who attended classes during the 2021 school year and **2** residents who obtained their high school diplomas.

OHIO RISK ASSESSMENT SURVEY RE-ENTRY TOOL SUMMARY

The OHIO RISK ASSESSMENT SYSTEM (ORAS) - was developed by the University of Cincinnati as a tool used to classify an individual's risk of recidivism and to identify their criminogenic needs. The ORAS consists of 4 primary instruments: 1) Pretrial (ORAS-PAT), 2) Community Supervision (ORAS-CST), 3) Prison Intake (ORAS-PIT), 4) Re-Entry (ORAS-SRT/RT). Work Release uses the ORAS-SRT.

The ORAS-SUPPLEMENTAL RE-ENTRY TOOL (ORAS-SRT) - is designed to be used for those incarcerated less than 4 years and are returning to the community. The SRT consists of four domains: "Criminal History", "Education, Employment, and Social Support", "Substance Abuse and Mental Health", and "Criminal Attitudes and Behavioral Patterns". Each assessment consists of four (4) components: self-report survey, interview guide, file review and collateral information.

Work Release also has its own intake assessment form that is conducted on every new commitment. The assessment consists of 12 questions regarding past criminal history, education level, employment history, drug/alcohol use, housing situation, mental health/medical history, and veteran status/history. The information received is forwarded to the in-house probation officer for programming/case management purposes and to staff for background information along with the Director's "New Commit" background and current offense information that is completed on every new inmate/resident committed to the Work Release Center.

The ORAS-SRT is assigned 45 days prior to the projected parole or restrictive punishment release date of the inmate/resident. Once an assessment is assigned, the officer has 30 days to complete the assessment. The information obtained in the assessment will eventually be entered in the Connectrex Offender Management System used by Adult Probation Services to determine what supervision level the inmate/resident will have once they are released into the community.

The Work Release Center completed a total of **79** ORAS-SRT assessments in **2021**. Of those **79** assessments, **38** scored **LOW**, **30** scored **MODERATE** and **11** scored **HIGH**. There are currently 27 Work Release Probation Officers who are actively completing assessments.

ELECTRONIC MONITORING SUMMARY

Since 2011, the Work Release Center has utilized GPS monitoring, using satellites that pinpoint the exact location of work release inmates in "real" time. By utilizing this program, the work release center can track work release inmate's movements, set "inclusion" zones, and "exclusion" zones. If these zones are breached by the work release inmate, the work release center and selected staff are immediately notified. Work release staff can easily determine if work release inmates are at work, treatment, or at other approved or unapproved locations. By setting inclusion and exclusion zones work release officers can assist in protecting any potential victims and the community in general. This serves as a deterrent to work release inmates from going to any location not approved by the Work Release Center. The use of GPS, initially, was primarily focused on work release inmates whose charges were sex related, had a victim, maintained transient employment, serving sentences from other jurisdictions, approved for furlough, or had incurred previous work release infractions relating to unaccountability and being in unapproved locations. In 2016, this was expanded to include placement of all work release inmates on electronic monitoring for the duration of their stay in the Work Release Center.

2021 GPS STATISTICAL REPORT

The following information presents a statistical analysis of the effectiveness of the Dauphin County Work Release Center's GPS/Electronic Monitoring program. This data is comprised of information collected from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

In the year 2021, a total of 461 residents were placed on GPS/Electronic Monitoring for the duration of their incarceration at the Work Release Center. Provided residents abide by and follow the requirements of the GPS program, the Work Release Center does not assess an electronic monitoring fee. However, if they fail to abide by the rules of the GPS program, they may be assessed a fee for the GPS device for which they are assigned.

- Number of residents placed on GPS per calendar year: **461**
- Number of residents that successfully completed GPS: **293**(63.42%)
- Total number of residents remanded to DCP for GPS Violation: **2** (0.43%)
- Number of residents that escaped per calendar year: **4** (0.87%)
- Number of residents on GPS on 12/31/2021: **112** (24.24%)
- Number of residents on GPS sorted by Gender
Males **365** (79.2%)
Females **96** (20.8%)

The Work Release Center continued its operation with a reduced number of residents in 2021 to mitigate the spread of coronavirus within the centers. By utilizing GPS for the entire resident population, we were able to effectively monitor our resident population and hold them accountable for their whereabouts when they were out in the community.

Out of the **461** residents placed on GPS in 2021, four cut their GPS straps and absconded. Three of the fugitives were apprehended, and one is still at large. The fugitives were apprehended on average within **11.67** days.

In 2021, there were a total of 194 documented work release violations that were resolved with various disciplinary measures, ranging from counseling the resident to removal from the program. From the 194 documented violations, 24 (12.37%) were due to GPS violations. Although, 51(26.29%) of the 194 documented violations resulted in DCP remands, only 2(3.92%) of the remands were as a result of GPS violations. This validates the effectiveness of the use of GPS to ensure residents accountability in the community and promote community safety.

-194 total write-ups

-2 GPS violations resulting in DCP

-24 GPS related write-up

-51 total violations resulting in DCP

TASER SUMMARY

In 2021, a combination of web-based and hands-on Taser training sessions were conducted. The web portion of the Taser training was conducted utilizing the Power DMS software program, which encompasses the Axon Annual Updated Review, Law Enforcement Warnings, Smart Use Considerations, Dauphin County Work Release Center CEW (TASER) Policy and Re-certification quiz. Work Release Probation Officers had the flexibility to complete the web-based portion of the training within a predetermined one-month period. At the annual tactical firearms training, firearms qualified Work Release Probation Officers completed a hands-on training that incorporated shooting 2 cartridges on a tactical course of fire. This allowed WR POs the experience to demonstrate tactical determination whether to use lethal vs. non-lethal force. In a controlled classroom setting, Taser CEW instructors reviewed hands-on applications with WR POs that are not firearm certified to ensure familiarity with X26P Taser CEW and each WR POs discharged 2 cartridges on a target. The combination of a web-based and hands-on Taser training proved to be economical for the county and convenient to WR Probation Officers. The tactical course of fire was conducted from June 14 to June 18, 2021. And the classroom training for non-firearms certified WR Probation Officers occurred on various days when they were on duty for their scheduled shift in the month of August 2021 and October 2021. A total of 53 WR POs were re-certified with the X26P Taser CEW. In December 2021, Assistant Supervisor Logan Frerotte completed the Axon Taser CEW Instructors course. WR Supervisor Michael Sedun was also re-certified in 2021 as an instructor and both Instructor Certifications are good for two years.

DEFENSIVE TACTICS SUMMARY

In April of 2014, Work Release Probation Officers Mike Sedun and Matthew Hernandez completed a defensive tactics pilot program run by the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole's training division. This program integrated several disciplines of self-defense tactics for probation officers to utilize for a more effective and efficient system. Defensive Tactics have been taught in a dynamic environment to give officers real-life experience by these trained officers.

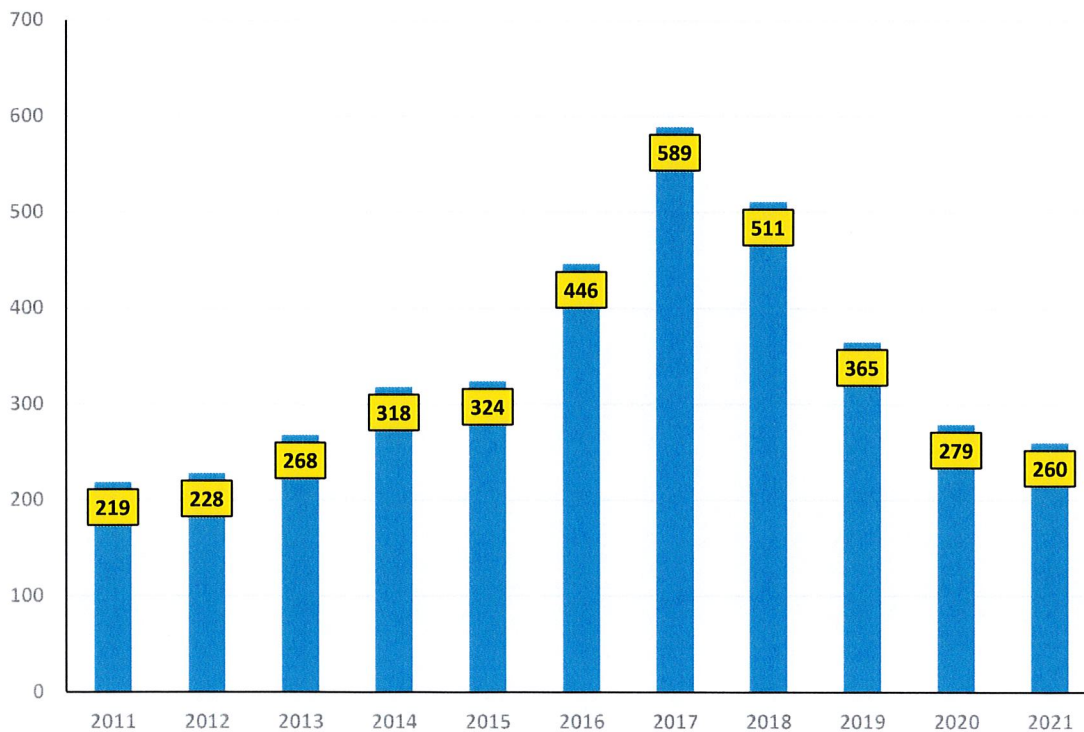
In 2021, due to the continued concerns of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, trainings were suspended for the whole department since the training requires close contact among participating Work Release Probation Officers. However, two WR Probation Officers that attended the Department of Corrections Academy at the Dauphin County Prison completed Defensive Tactics and applied the Work Release Center's "Use of Force Continuum" in a live scenario-based formats. They also reviewed the Work Release Use of Force Policy and any questions they had pertaining to the WR Use of Force Policy were discussed.

WORK RELEASE COLLABORATION WITH ADULT PROBATION SERVICES SUMMARY

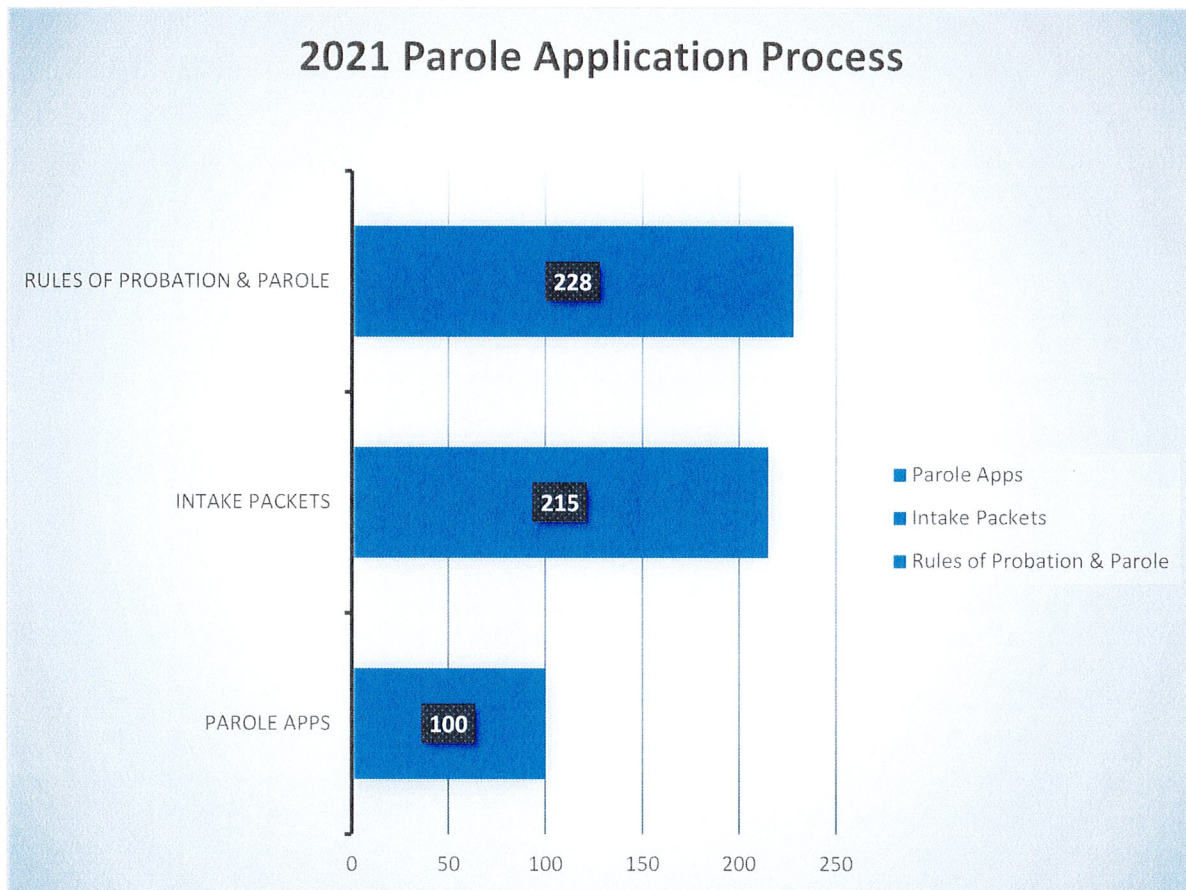
As the work release center is always staffed by work release probation officers, an ongoing collaboration has existed since 1996 between the Work Release Center and Adult Probation Services. The Work Release Center takes all on-call requests after normal business hours, on weekends, and holidays thereby eliminating the need for an adult probation officer to be on-call. This is an efficient use of county resources that reduces the need for on-call budgeting expenses as work release probation officers are capable of handling on-call requests regarding probationers and parolees as well as handling necessary electronic monitoring on-call issues regarding probationers and parolees. Further, the Work Release Center assists Adult Probation Services with parole investigations, rules and intake proceedings, and obtaining urine samples from adult offenders after normal business hours.

The Work Release Center takes on-call requests for Adult Probation services after normal business hours, on weekends, and holidays. In 2021, the Work Release Center received **260** calls regarding Arrest Reports and Detainers for Adult Probation Services.

Detainers/Arrest Reports Completed in 2021 by the Work Release Center

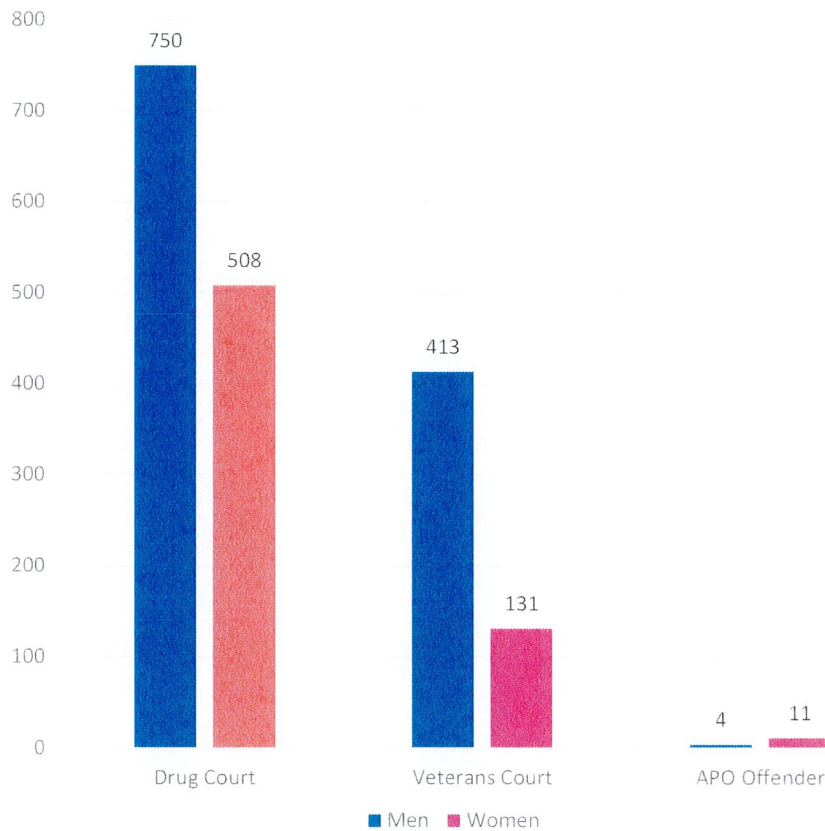


In 2021, the Dauphin County Work Release Center completed **100** parole petition application investigations for Adult Probation Services. Part of the parole application process includes completion of Dauphin County Probation & Parole rules and intake packets where pertinent information is collected. In 2021, **228** sets of rules for Dauphin County Adult Probation Services were signed while **215** intake packets were completed on work release residents prior to their release from the work release center.



In 2021, the Work Release Center collected **1,817** (**1,167** males & **650** females) urine specimens from Adult Probation and Parole offenders during non-traditional business hours. There were **1,258** Drug Court offenders, **544** Veterans Court offenders and **15** Parole/Probation offenders drug tested at the Work Release Center.

APO DRUG TESTING 2021



The continued collaborations with Adult Probation Services not only benefit the staff of both departments, but ultimately benefit the probation and parole offenders in the community and work release inmates preparing for their pending release back to the community.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT SUMMARY

In 2021, the efforts continued in battling the spread of the coronavirus through the daily spraying of surfaces in all areas of the Work Release Center.

A storm water drainage box was installed between the Probation Services building and the Work Release building. This added a layer of protection to help prevent storm water runoff from entering the buildings.

Though the upgrade of a new urine lab machine in the Probation Services building was necessary, it created an uncomfortably warm working environment. To alleviate this issue and create a conducive working environment, a mini-split air conditioning unit was added to the urine lab.

The Maintenance Department also works closely with the Dauphin County Conservation District in promoting the Federal Clean Water Act. In doing so Pennsylvania has adopted the MS4 program. This is the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. Our Gibson Boulevard location is managed by our department, and we are inspected twice annually. This year we had completed a project to clean out and rebuild a drainage basin on the property that runs into the Spring Creek. Below are images of what was completed.

