



Press Release

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Success Inside and Out program returns to women's correctional facility

Anchorage, AK, November 3, 2023 – The Alaska Court System is proud to announce the return of **Success Inside and Out** at Hiland Mountain Correctional Center on November 11, 2023. The program is sponsored by the National Association of Women Judges, the Alaska Department of Corrections, and Partners for Progress. It will feature speakers, panelists, and individual mentoring on issues related to re-entry after incarceration, including housing, treatment, employment, healthy living, and more.

Anchorage District Court Judge Jo-Ann Chung, chair of the judges' coordinating committee for the program, is excited to see it return to Hiland Mountain Correctional Center, after holding a modified version of the program for recently released women in 2022.

According to Judge Chung "The tremendous Success Inside and Out event at Hiland provides female inmates a full conference day of resources, suggestions, motivation, and connection with professional women in the community. The most important contribution that we can all make is instilling the belief that people in our community care about them and their ability to succeed in life."

After a three-year hiatus due to Covid-19, in which correctional facilities were locked down, the Success Inside and Out program is back on and will include about 60 inmates who are scheduled to be released in the next 18 months. About as many professional women from the community, including non-profits, service providers, lawyers, and judges, will volunteer their time to the program.

About the Alaska Court System: The mission of the [Alaska Court System](https://www.akcourts.gov/) is to provide an accessible and impartial forum for the just resolution of all cases that come before it, and to decide such cases in accordance with the law, expeditiously and with integrity.