



Are you ready for a change?

Drug Court is here to help.

Join with others that are working to conquer their addictions.

Learn to control your life and prosper as a responsible member of society.

Get a fresh new start, joined by some of the best friends you'll ever know.

Make a difference for yourself and your family.

Make a difference to your community.

Make someone proud of you.

Accept the help you need from others who have been right where you are, and know how you can turn things around in your life.

Learn how to live a sober life, filled with successes beyond your dreams.

How do we know? We help people realize the dream of a sober life. That's what we do best in Drug Court.

To Apply

You can request a Drug Court application by phone or mail.

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Honorable Suzanne Lockert-Mash
Circuit Court Judge & Drug Court Judge

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Twenty-Third Judicial District



DRUG COURT

A New Beginning



What is Drug Court?

Drug Court is a blend of addiction treatment and the judicial system.

We realize that addiction is a disease, and like any disease, you begin with treatment.

Good people sometimes become addicted to drugs and alcohol. When good people get in trouble with the law because of their addiction, they need more than judicial intervention in their lives. They need to be made whole again in so many ways.

That's what Drug Court is all about. Helping good people return to a normal life, free of the burdens of addiction. We teach people how to become responsible citizens, parents, spouses, and friends. We help you become YOU again.

How Long is Drug Court?

Most people finish Drug Court in less than two years. For some, it may take a little longer.

The program is tailored to a person's individual needs. You move through Drug Court at your own pace, but you are encouraged to keep growing in your sobriety the whole time.

"Drug Court saved my life. Without Drug Court, I'd be dead ... absolutely"

Chad M., Drug Court graduate

What is the treatment like?

A Drug Court participant starts their journey to sobriety at an in-patient treatment facility that is certified by the State of Tennessee. Drug Court personnel will transport you to the facility and bring you back to your new home, the Drug Court's Sober Living Facility in Dickson.

At treatment, you learn how to live a sober life. You will establish a normal routine and receive individual and group counseling to help you get back on track. You will begin the process of living and sleeping on a normal schedule, eating good food, and developing a healthy life-style.

Once you leave the treatment facility, you are ready to embark on an incredible journey - Recapturing your life in Drug Court!



How do I know I'm ready?

That's entirely up to you. People come into the Drug Court program when their addiction has reached the point that they have broken laws because of it.

For some people, that first brush with the criminal justice system is all they need to turn their lives around. For others, their problems just keep growing worse.

No one wants to spend their life in jail. For those who qualify, Drug Court is the solution you've been seeking.

In Drug Court, you will live with people just like you. They, too, are trying to break the cycle of addiction. And they see hope all around them. They are tired of getting in trouble. They are tired of disappointing their family and friends. They want a better life and they are willing to work for it!

In Drug Court, you will work a regular job and learn to take care of yourself. You will learn life skills like managing your money, taking care of your family, and building a future.