

## Mentoring Organizations

A mentor is someone who offers guidance and support. Many people say the support they get from this relationship helps them adjust to getting out of prison.

- Some mentoring programs are organized around a religious belief, while others are secular, or nonreligious.
- A mentor's role is to encourage and provide support.
- A mentor may be able to come with you to parole meetings.

Mentoring programs are not all alike, so each one may have different expectations. Be sure to ask questions about the program. Some mentoring programs come into prisons. Ask your case manager or chaplain for information, and watch for informational flyers. Some mentoring programs require that you begin a relationship with them while you're still incarcerated. The Making Choices Program at Denver Women's Facility is an example of this type of program.

The following list is not complete. Your parole officer, a DOC re-entry specialist, a re-entry organization, or a community organization may know of others. Ask around.

### **Church of the Remnant Ministries**

PO Box 7092  
Loveland, CO 80537  
970.402.2620  
[www.prisonministry.net](http://www.prisonministry.net)

The Church of the Remnant Ministries is a nondenominational Bible-based outreach ministry for incarcerated people and their families. It also has a mentoring program following release. Contact them for current information.

### **Friends in Transition**

5500 E. Yale Avenue, Suite 201  
Denver, CO 80222  
303.952.5881  
[www.friendsintransition.com](http://www.friendsintransition.com)

Friends in Transition is a Christian mentoring program for men and women. Contact them for current information.

### **Center for Spirituality at Work**

P.O. Box 102168  
Denver, CO 80250-2168  
303-383-1610  
[www.cfsaw.org](http://www.cfsaw.org)

The Center for Spirituality at Work runs the Making Choices program. This program is offered at Denver Women's Correctional Facility, but it's not a DOC program. The program focuses on life planning and decision-making skills. Part of the program is in a classroom, but each participant also has a mentor who works with her individually. There is no religious content in the program. You *must* enter the program while you're still in the facility. People in the last year of their incarceration are usually given preference. To find out more about Making Choices, look for informational flyers posted within the facility. You may also want to talk to your case manager or the re-integration staff at DWCF.

### **Max Frankel "Inside-Out" Jewish Prisoner Program**

PO Box 200154  
Denver, CO 80220

Denver metro area: 303.836.9992  
Colorado toll free: 1.866.942.9992

The Max Frankel "Inside-Out" Jewish Prisoner Program is a nonprofit Jewish volunteer program for incarcerated Jewish men and women. Along with in-reach religious activities, the program mentors Jewish men and women who are newly released and offers referrals to other services that people need immediately after release. Contact them for more information.

**Mercy Kingdom Outreach**

3030 Downing Street  
Denver, CO 80205

720.384.3551 and 720.840.3961

Mercy Kingdom Outreach is a Christian mentoring program for men and women. The mentoring program also offers substance abuse counseling. Contact them for current information.

**Muslims Intent on Learning and Activism (MILA)**

1039 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Denver, CO 80205

720.480.9785

[www.milacolorado.org](http://www.milacolorado.org)

MILA provides mentoring and referral services for incarcerated people of Muslim faith. Contact them for more information.

**Relevant Word Christian Cultural Center**

1040 S. Institute Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

719.635.6640

[www.relevantword.org](http://www.relevantword.org)

Relevant Word Christian Cultural Center is a multi-ethnic ministry that works to help individuals and families with re-entry strategies. It also offers mentoring. Contact them for current information.

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