

THE
STEPPING UP
I N I T I A T I V E



THE OHIO
PROJECT

NATIONALLY

2 MILLION

PEOPLE WITH MENTAL
ILLNESS ARRESTED
ANNUALLY

INMATES IN JAIL WITH
MENTAL ILLNESS DO
NOT GET THE HELP
THEY NEED

75%

HAVE CO-OCCURRING
SUBSTANCE ABUSE
DISORDER

**MOST RELEASED
WITHOUT SERVICES**

LOCALLY

30%

OF OHIO'S INMATES HAVE
MENTAL ILLNESSES

ALL 78

COUNTY JAILS HAVE
BECOME DE-FACTO
INPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC
FACILITIES

**THEY OFTEN
STAY LONGER**

**MORE
RECIDIVISM**

GET STARTED

**ACCESS THE
STEPPING UP
TOOLKIT**

RECEIVE A VISIT WITH
YOUR COMMUNITY
LEADERS FROM THE
STEPPING UP TEAM

PARTICIPATE IN A FREE
READINESS
ASSESSMENT WITH AN
EXPERT TEAM

**RECEIVE FREE
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

**Stepping Up is a national movement to reduce
the number of people with mental illness in jails.
Ohio has joined this movement.**

The movement was launched by the Council of State Governments Justice Center, the National Association of Counties, the American Psychiatric Association Foundation with support from the U.S. Justice Department Bureau of Justice Assistance. In Ohio, the initiative is funded by the Margaret Clark Morgan Foundation.

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