

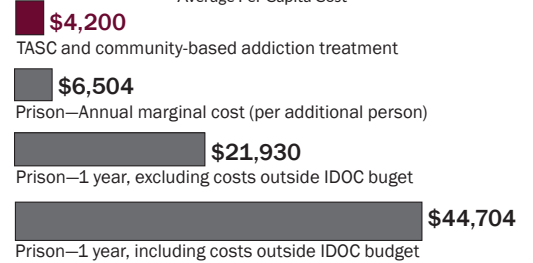


TASC (Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities) increases public safety and saves taxpayer dollars by diverting eligible individuals out of costly justice systems and into substance use and mental health treatment and recovery services in the community. Our programs in communities and at all points in the justice system include partnerships with attorneys, courts, jails, prisons, probation, and parole, as well as with several State departments and community-based service providers.

TASC provides screening and assessments for substance use and co-occurring mental health conditions, client advocacy, treatment and recovery support, and case management with linkages to care. TASC's services save costs, reduce recidivism, and support people on the path to well-being in the community.

\$ SAVING MONEY

TASC + TREATMENT COST LESS THAN PRISON
Average Per Capita Cost



↑ ADVANCING JUSTICE

3,018 people diverted from traditional prosecution in FY17

In alternative prosecution programs in Cook County, TASC helped divert thousands of eligible adults last year out of the justice system at its front end, averting further justice system costs, conviction, and individual collateral consequences.

12,276 people diverted from prison over the past 5 years

Working with courts across Illinois, in just the past five years TASC helped divert thousands of adults with substance use disorders away from prison and into community-based treatment.

↓ REDUCING RECIDIVISM

71% reduction in re-arrests among court/probation clients

Participants in TASC's court and probation programs have demonstrated a 71% reduction in re-arrests for drug and property crimes two years after program enrollment.

53% lower re-arrest rates among adolescents

In the Family Recovery and Reunification Program (also known as the Recovery Coach Program), TASC helps parents who have lost custody of their children because of maltreatment related to substance use. Children whose substance-involved parents received program services had 53% lower re-arrest rates than those in a control group.

44% reduced likelihood of return to prison

TASC helps people successfully return to their communities following release from prison. Individuals participating in drug treatment and reentry programs at Sheridan and Southwestern Correctional Centers receive treatment, aftercare services, and TASC case management during and after release. Participants completing the program have a 44% lower likelihood of returning to prison within 7 years than comparable releasees.

↑ BUILDING HEALTH & FAMILIES

888 people linked to community care upon jail discharge in FY17

Through the new Supportive Release Center (adjacent to the Cook County Jail) and the Cook County Sheriff's Jail Discharge Program, TASC links eligible people who have mental health or substance use disorders to needed services in the community as they are released from jail.

Quicker family reunification in the child welfare system, racial disparities eliminated

Families referred by child welfare to TASC case management in the Family Recovery and Reunification Program were more likely to be reunified than families in a control group, and they were reunified faster—on average, 4 months sooner, reducing time spent in foster care by an average of 12%. The program has generated more than \$11M in savings since starting in 2000, and also was found to eliminate racial disparities in reunification that persist in the control group.

62% greater treatment completion than other criminal justice clients

TASC's criminal justice clients receiving case management have been shown to complete substance use treatment at a rate 62% greater than other individuals referred to treatment by Illinois' justice and corrections systems.

SAVING LIVES IN THE OPIOID CRISIS

Madison County Opioid Alert Project

The Madison County Opiate Alert Project—an initiative of TASC, probation, jail personnel, and addiction treatment providers—ensures cross-team communication and intensive case management at the point of release from treatment or jail. In a region hard hit by the opioid crisis, this collaboration offers a life-saving intervention during a period of grave risk for overdose death among people whose tolerance levels have decreased due to abstinence while incarcerated.

Naloxone training

TASC has engaged all program staff in ongoing training on signs of overdose and administration of naloxone (the overdose reversal medication). We also host on-site naloxone training events for clients, their families, and the public.