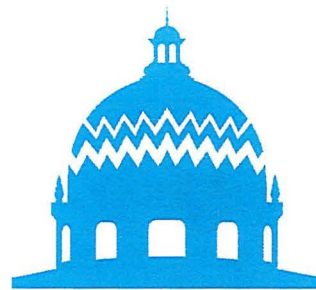


# Inmate Navigation, Enrollment, Stabilization and Treatment (INVEST) Independent Final Evaluation



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# What is INVEST?

- ▶ Proof of Concept

We wanted to prove that we could do better than the status quo regarding reentry planning out of the Pima County Adult Detention Complex (PCADC)

Specifically, we wanted to know If we could identify, engage and address the health care issues of an individual would that have a measurable impact on their wellbeing and involvement in the justice system in the future.

- ▶ INVEST is a treatment reform program, not a justice reform program

- ▶ A novel way for the County to administer reentry programming combining:

  - Forensic Peer Support

  - Freedom Management Curriculum

  - Critical Time Intervention

- ▶ INVEST is a research program

Designed a community reentry study that randomly assigned study participants to either a control or treatment (INVEST) condition

# Why INVEST?

Jail in-reach is insufficient to meet the demands of the in-custody population

Coordination around meaningful jail discharges into treatment is complex

The community treatment system is not designed to treat complex traumatic stress disorders

Good help is hard to find

Because the other side is recruiting

Desperation is the enemy



# Program Overview

## Goals

1. Identify and engage with individuals at our jail that have:
  - i. A mental health condition
  - ii. A substance use condition
  - iii. Moderate-maximum criminogenic risk
2. Reduce recidivism
  - ✓ Our goal was a 20% reduction
  - ✓ We achieved a 32% reduction.
3. Adherence to treatment out of custody
4. Obtain income
5. Obtain housing



# Results

## Treatment vs. Control

Measured 180 Days Post Initial Jail Discharge Date	INVEST Intervention Group N=105	Control Group N=97	Two-tailed p-value	Effect Size
Had a subsequent rebooking within 180 days (% No)	65.7%	57.7%	.24	.08
Days in the community within 180 days - Mean (SD)	162.7 (35.7)	152.3 (44.1)	.06	.26
Days in jail within 180 days - Mean (SD)	17.3 (35.7)	27.8 (44.1)	.06	.26
Count of recidivism charges within 180 days - Mean (SD)	1.6 (3.0)	2.6 (3.9)	.06	.27
Days from initial jail discharge to recidivism booking - Mean (SD)	147.7 (54.6)	136.9 (60.1)	.19	.19

### INVEST:

- Spent more time in the community
- Experienced fewer days in jail
- Were rebooked less

# Key Insights

## Successful vs. Unsuccessful

Measured 180 Days Post Initial Jail Discharge Date	INVEST Intervention Group Successful Exit	INVEST Intervention Group Unsuccessful Exit	Control Group	Two-tailed p-value
Had a subsequent rebooking within 180 days (% No)	84%	53%	57%	.001
Days in the community within 180 days (mean)	174.49	154.53	152.25	.007
Days in jail within 180 days (mean)	5.51	25.47	27.75	.007
Count of recidivism charges within 180 days	.53	2.34	2.56	.006
Days from initial jail discharge to recidivism booking	162.42	137.44	136.96	.037

- Twenty fewer days in jail
- Two fewer rebookings
- Stability in the community



# Potential Savings

Successful INVEST  
Participants cost, on  
average, \$8,000 to  
\$10,000

Six months in PCADC is  
around \$22,000

**\$495 booking fee**

**\$125 per jail bed day**

# Beyond INVEST

Freedom Management			
Date Range	Class Count	Total Attendance	Avg Attendance per Class
Nov 2020 - Sep 2024	362	4048	11.18
Oct 2024 - Dec 2024	56	1406	25.11
Jan 2025 - Mar 2025	100	1664	16.64





# Recommendations

Highlight areas of success, notably Freedom Management (FM), support systems, and justice navigation provided in jail and community as evidence of program value.

- Publication



Consider expansion of FM within jail and community. Participants' highly favorable response to the FM – and the results associated with it, point to this program as a significant contributor to positive outcomes.

- INVEST staff have expanded FM classes in jail and community
- Offering 10 weekly classes



Areas with non-significant findings are opportunities for refinement of the program, e.g., addressing barriers to affordable housing and employment.

- Monitoring these closely in the current INVEST (AG) cohort independent evaluation

# Recommendations

Monitor the sustainability of these positive changes over a longer period, including recidivism rates and community reintegration metrics. Explore and consider using other metrics besides recidivism that more aptly captures participants' progress and reintegration into the community.

We looked at recidivism within a 6-month timeframe

Employ strategies to engage more study participants at follow-up, and to obtain more comprehensive data on control participants.

INVEST (AG) cohort has 10 jail-based release planners available, who will be conducting 6-month follow up surveys

Consider conducting a cost-benefit analysis to assess the economic impact of the program, particularly its ability to reduce costs associated with recidivism and emergency services.

Have begun this analysis but there is an opportunity for a more comprehensive analysis, such as the Rose Report

Continue to gather participant narratives to provide context for the quantitative outcomes and to inform program adjustments.

We are consistently using our data to refine our approach and partnerships

# THANK YOU



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