



ABOUT US

CONTEMPLATION

Thrive For Life's leadership, staff and trained volunteers have stepped in to fill a void of pastoral care services within federal, state and New York City corrections departments. As such, Thrive for Life Prison Project offers the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, retreats, and restorative justice opportunities for more than 1,000 individual women and men in nine federal (BOP), state (NYSDOCCS & NJDOC) and municipal (NYCDOC) correction facilities in the New York City region. The Spiritual Exercise retreats are facilitated by staff and 30+ volunteers trained in Ignatian Spirituality to accompany seekers in prayer, meditation and discernment.

ACTION

Thrive For Life builds relationships with individuals while they're incarcerated and offers a continuity of care through collaborative and strategic academic, employment, and housing partnerships in the local community.

VISION *Thrive for Life Prison Project* envisions a world where spiritual and educational services empower incarcerated individuals to thrive for life.

MISSION Create opportunities for spiritual development and provide educational resources for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals while partnering with local universities and employers.

AMBITION By 2020, offer 1,000 incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals spiritual exercises; support 10 libraries in correctional facilities with educational and spiritual materials; found and support 2 houses of studies for 10-15 formerly incarcerated individuals who will receive supportive housing and scholarships to local universities for studies, and workforce experience and training with



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**Thrive For Life
Prison Project**

Healing. Reconciliation. Empowerment.



IGNACIO HOUSE OF STUDIES

A warm, inclusive, and diverse community of hospitality with three interdependent services:



HOUSING

24 individuals have access to private bedrooms, supportive living services, medical and mental health care, and spiritual mentoring.



EDUCATION

Qualified residents are eligible for scholarships to local universities and colleges.



EMPLOYMENT

Local employers provide workforce training and job opportunities.

HOW DOES ONE THRIVE FOR LIFE?

RELATIONSHIP



RETREAT PROGRAM



ACADEMIC PARTNERS



COMMUNITY PARTNERS

COMMUNITY



IGNACIO HOUSE

EMPOWERMENT



CAREER
AND
PERMANENT
AFFORDABLE
HOUSING



FELIX'S STORY

🗨️ Thrive For Life has helped me to make sense of my life upon my reentry into the community. 🗨️

For the past few years, Felix was a retreat participant behind the walls at an upstate facility. He is now a resident of Ignacio House. Thanks to the support of the community, he was able to achieve a few additional certifications in construction management, while preparing for the next step: COLLEGE! One of his biggest delights is his four year old daughter who teaches him each day to be a loving father. Felix is a model of resilience and hope for all our residents and community members of Thrive For Life!

