

Our Inspiration

**“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;”
(Isaiah 61:1)**

**“Not only that, but we even boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.”
(Romans 5:3-5)**

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Transitional Assistance Program (TAP) for the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center



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Catholic Charities of the
Arlington Virginia
Diocese

TAP Program Overview

The Transitional Assistance Program (TAP) is an all-volunteer Loudoun County community-based program, sponsored by St. John the Apostle Catholic Church of Leesburg, Virginia and Catholic Charities of the Arlington, Virginia Diocese.

Mission Statement: To show our love of God and neighbor in corporal works of mercy to those individuals leaving incarceration, by assisting their transition back to their family, friends and community with the help of the Holy Spirit and the Church – by **“Choosing to Love as Jesus Loved Us”** (quote based upon John 15:9).



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What We Do:

- Provide transitional assistance to individuals leaving the Loudoun Adult Detention Center (ADC) prior to and on release day.
- Offer spiritual guidance and strength from the teachings of the Church and the Bible, rosaries, prayer cards and other devotional materials.
- Supply transportation and basic items on day of release.
- Help to obtain information for social services, shelter, job opportunities and other post release needs.
- Set up contact with family and/or other loved ones.
- Provide breakfast/lunch on day of release and limited follow-up mentoring and spiritual support.

How to Receive TAP Support:

Send a request form to:
Deputy Reid
in the
Program Office

OR

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How We Do It:

- Work through existing Catholic Charities in-facility Sunday Scripture study program at ADC to identify those inmates that may need transitional assistance upon their release.
- Meet with inmates requesting transitional assistance in special visitations. Support them, before release, in filling out and submitting all necessary forms and procedures.
- Work with outside sources to obtain shelter, job opportunities and other assistance as needed.
- Meet on day of release to provide transportation, a meal, and spiritual materials and, as the opportunity presents, participate in prayer and church service.
- Work closely with the staff at ADC within existing policies and procedures to add to the current release program in a smooth and efficient manner.
- Meet at least once a month to pray and ask the Holy Spirit for continued guidance and to:
 - review current and future cases,
 - discuss new ideas and possible program improvements,
 - modify existing approaches,
 - assess adequacy of support given, and
 - review ongoing volunteer recruiting.

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