

VISION STATEMENT

Incarcerated and recently released individuals have opportunities and social supports that enable them to have safe, stable and productive lives.

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Seeds of Hope Jail Ministry, Inc. helps incarcerated and recently released individuals grow spiritually, intellectually, and in character so that they can successfully transition out of the corrections system and become contributing members of their families and communities.

BOARD MEMBERS:

EXECUTIVE BOARD

- ◆ Sid Thomas, President
- ◆ Obed Fernandez, Vice President
- ◆ Lana Urteaga, Secretary
- ◆ Treasurer position is open
- ◆ Pastor Scott Schurle, Member at Large

DIRECTORS

- ◆ Rhonda Goodloe
- ◆ Scott Sherwin
- ◆ Marian Mason
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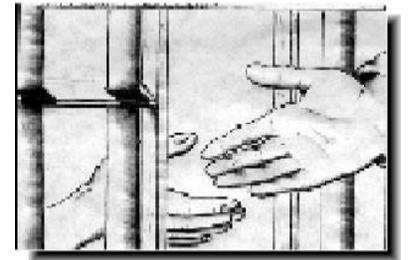
STAFF

- ◆ Becky Upshaw, Program Facilitation Services

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SEEDS OF HOPE JAIL MINISTRY, INC.

Transforming lives



by sharing God's love

Monthly Interfaith Meetings
2nd Monday 7:00-9:00 pm
First Christian Church Library
306 N 7th Street
Garden City, KS
Phone (620) 290-7916

Seeds of Hope has been a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization since 2008. For more information go to www.seedsofhopejailministry.org.

TODAY'S INMATES WILL BE TOMORROW'S NEIGHBORS

STATEMENT OF NEED



Changing lives
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“Get tough on crime” legislation passed during the 1990s was effective in getting criminals off the streets and putting them behind bars. Unfortunately, a 2002 study by the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics found that 67% of individuals released from prison during 1994 were rearrested within three years of release and 52% of those arrested returned to prison.

Individuals returning to communities after release

from jail or prison arrive with fewer resources and bigger problems than when they left. Most struggle to find jobs, housing and a safe, healthy social support system.

Seeds of Hope Jail Ministry, Inc. (SoH) is rooted in the belief that the answer to reducing crime in our neighborhoods lies in changing the hearts and minds of offenders. We work toward this goal by offering the love of God and the gospel message to incarcerated and recently released individuals in ways that build positive supportive relationships and encourage long-term connections to local faith communities.

Here's how you can help:

- ◆ Pray for our ministry
- ◆ Complete volunteer training and serve as a mentor in or outside of jails or prisons
- ◆ Assist with fundraising to support staffing, ministry and aftercare efforts.

THE MINISTRY SOLUTION

“Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.” Hebrews 13:3

“When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you? The King will reply, “I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine you did for me.” Matthew 25:40

“But go and learn ^[a] what this means, ‘I desire compassion, and not sacrifice,’ for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.” Matthew 9:13

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- ◆ The Finnup Foundation
- ◆ The Finney County Sheriff's Office
- ◆ 25th Judicial District Community Corrections and Court Services
- ◆ Finney County Attorney's Office
- ◆ Catholic Social Service
- ◆ First Christian Church Navajo Taco Committee
- ◆ The Southwest Kansas Regional Prevention Center
- ◆ Area Mental Health Center
- ◆ The Salvation Army
- ◆ United Methodist Mexican-American Ministries
- ◆ Cornerstone Church
- ◆ Garden Valley Church
- ◆ Peirceville Federated Church
- ◆ St. Dominic's Catholic Church

NEWS & EVENTS

Mentoring-4-Success Training “SoH partners with the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) Office of Volunteer Services to provide Mentoring-4-Success volunteer training to individuals interested in learning more about reentry mentoring. Mentoring-4-Success is a statewide effort to connect those leaving prison with trained mentors working in partnership with KDOC for 6 months before and 6 months after release. Like Seeds of Hope Jail Ministry on [Facebook](#) or go to seedsofhopejailministry.org for more information about

- ◆ Mentoring-4-Success Training
- ◆ Seeds of Hope online training
- ◆ Convenient ways to support SoH
- ◆ Current and previous Seeds of Hope newsletters
- ◆ Testimonials of changed lives

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