

Host Site: Ohio State Legal Services

Topic of Project: Re-Entry/Employment

Location: Newark, OH

Description of Fellow Project:

There is a staggering amount of research showing that those re-entering society face tremendous difficulty finding employment, housing, and other vital resources needed to live a productive and stable life like a driver's license. Criminal records may be preventing about one third of working-age males from contributing to the formal economy, leading to substantial lost income and tax revenue (Looney and Turner, 2018). Ohio had more than 3 million active license suspensions that were still outstanding as of September 2022, according to the Marshall Project.

In order to increase equitable access to economic stability and mobility for low-income, rural residents, Ohio State Legal Services Association (OSLSA) seeks to expand and develop its existing reentry work in Licking and Fayette Counties. The Fellow will assist in preparing, pulling, and summarizing client documents and court/administrative records prior to clinic registration. Additionally, they will assist staff with identifying helpful community partners and/or employers.

Additional Applicant Qualifications:

The Fellowship will be in-person. Proficiency in a second language is welcome but not required.

