







Program summary

ReConnect



ACSO Division	As shown below, ACSO has four program divisions to support the differing needs of our clients and participants. The division our ReConnect program falls under is shown below in green.		
Court Support Programs	Forensic Residential Services	Forensic Casework Services	Forensic Assessment and Coordination
Funding Body	Department of Justice and Community Safety, Victoria		
Program Background	Established in 2015, ReConnect provides pre- and post-release transitional support to clients exiting prison and assists with successful reintegration into the community.		
Clients			
 Eligibility	In ReConnect, we work with people aged 18-64 who have committed serious violent and/or sexual offences who have served custodial sentences of three months or longer. Participation in the program is voluntary.		
 Risk level	Moderate – high		
Program Summary			
 Purpose	ReConnect forensic case workers work to support people who, through poor life choices or circumstance, have spent time in the prison system. In ReConnect, we link people in with services they need and encourage positive life choices. We work to increase their ability to successfully transition to, engage and participate in the local community.		
 Focus	We use a strengths-based approach that is driven by participants' needs and goals.		
 Length	Support is provided for up to 12 months. However, support packages are generally one or six months with the possibility of extension.		
 Locations	ReConnect supports people living in south east metropolitan Melbourne, Gippsland, Loddon Mallee and the Goulburn Valley Hume regions. Where work travel is required, our people have access to a pool of ACSO fleet vehicles.		

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