About RISE



The mission of RISE is to assist with and help facilitate the successful reentry and reintegration of formerly incarcerated individuals, and aid in their return to society as successful and productive members of our community.

If you are a returning citizen, RISE has a variety of services to meet your needs. RISE staff can help you with employment assistance, education and more. Talk to us about improving your literacy, enhancing your work related and/or interpersonal skills, or enrolling in a vocational training program. **RISE** 990 Spring Garden Street (rear entrance), 7th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19123 One block east from the Route 23 bus stop

Hours of Operation

<u>Walk-In Hours:</u> Monday-Thursday 10am-1pm

Walk-in hours are for:

- First time participants
- No appointment
- Not enrolled in a class

Scheduled appointments are available Monday-Friday, 9AM-5PM

Call 215-683-3370 or email <u>RISE@phila.gov</u>to schedule. Personal que habla español está disponible.





<u>Classes</u> GED Prep Life Skills/CPR Computer Literacy Job Readiness Training

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is RISE?

A. RISE provides supportive services to individuals who have been previously convicted, sentenced and incarcerated. Through direct service and agency partnerships, RISE offers *case management, substance misuse treatment, behavioral health services, educational services, vocational training, computer literacy and employment services.*

Q. Do I have to pay for RISE services?

A. No. RISE services are provided **free of charge** by the City of Philadelphia.

Q. How long is the program?

A. RISE offers a variety of services and depending on the need of the participant; the program can last *up to twelve months*.

Q. I have experienced difficulty obtaining employment because of my criminal record. How can RISE help me?

A. RISE provides employment services to those enrolled in our program. These services include Job Readiness Training (JRT), Computer Literacy Training, and Vocational Training.

Q. Can RISE get me a job?

A. RISE is not an employment agency. However, through the workforce development staff, RISE works to connect returning citizens to sustainable jobs through our network of employers. Those that are enrolled in the RISE program and complying with all guidelines and recommendations are assisted with job placement and retention services. *We cannot guarantee that you will get a job.*

Q. **If I am on probation, parole or in a halfway house can I participate in the RISE program?** A. Yes, RISE works closely with the Department of Corrections, Adult Probation and Parole.

Q. If I have an open case am I eligible for the program? A. *No*. RISE cannot provide services to you until your case has been finalized.

Q. If I live outside of Philadelphia, can I attend the program? A. No, you *must be a resident of Philadelphia* with proof of your address.

Q. I do not have transportation to get to and from RISE, can you assist me?

A. When enrolled in RISE training classes, *tokens will be provided* to ensure you are able to attend daily.

<u>Program Eligibility</u>

You must meet the following criteria to be eligible to participate in RISE programming:

- Released from incarceration within the past 5 years and/or currently on probation/parole
- **Philadelphia resident** (with proof of residency)
- Not convicted of a sex offense or arson related charge
- **At least 18 years old** Individuals that do not meet eligibility requirements will be referred to community resources based on their needs.

<u>RISE Services</u>

We offer a variety of services that will help returning citizens get back on their feet!

- Case Management
- Educational Programs (ABE/GED/ College Referrals)
- Life Skills Training
- Job Readiness Training
- Computer Literacy Training
- Culinary Arts Training
- Forklift Certification Training
- Employment Services
- Expungement Assistance
- COMPASS/Benefit Bank Screening
- Powercorps PHL (18-26 year olds)
- Notary Public available on-site