



The Ralph Gants Project is a program within the Community Justice Support Center that provides brief intervention and resource navigation to those that are on probation or returning to the community after a period of incarceration. It is an outgrowth of the Ralph Gants Reentry Services Program created by the legislature in 2021 in memory of the late

Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court. Chief Justice Gants was a champion of criminal justice reform who leveraged research and science to inform decision making around incarceration and racial justice. The RG Project serves his vision by connecting people that are justice involved with services, resources, and programs that lead to success.

Who is eligible?

Any person that has been formerly incarcerated or is currently on probation.

What does Ralph Gants Project provide?

1. **A backpack and care package.** Receive a backpack with necessities like personal hygiene products, socks, hats, gloves, etc.;
2. **Transportation certificate.** Receive a certificate for up to \$50 worth of transportation;
3. **Community resource navigation.** Consult with a Reentry Services Coordinator to map out your goals around housing, employment, family, etc. Reentry Services Coordinators help you connect with resources in your community; and
4. **Public benefits coordination.** Get MassHealth, State ID, SNAP, Social Security...work with a Public Benefits Coordinator to make applications to benefits that you are eligible for.

Where are the Support Centers?

There are 18 Community Justice Support Centers in Massachusetts. You can find locations here:
<https://www.mass.gov/lists/find-community-justice-support-centers>



How long does it take?

Initial intakes at the Support Center may require a visit of an hour or more. Once an intake is conducted staff can schedule appointments to meet to work on goals you would like to achieve. You can visit the Support Center to get help for whatever it is you need, and you can come as often or as little as you like.

What does it cost?

Visiting the Support Center is completely free.

Will my PO know if I don't show up?

Participation in the Ralph Gants Project is completely voluntary. The law does not allow your participation in the Ralph Gants Project to be used against you regarding your probation or parole supervision.

Questions

Community.justice@jud.state.ma.us



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Sending Clients to the Community Justice Support Center to Participate in the Ralph Gants Project- Referral Contacts

Below, please find the email address of the person that will serve as referral coordinator for clients coming into the Support Center for the Ralph Gants Project. Should you have any questions, please contact the Support Center directly or email community.justice@jud.state.ma.us

Support Center	Employee Name	Employee Title	Employee Email	Support Center Phone	Support Center Address
Barnstable	Terry Ryan	Program Manager	Terence.Ryan@jud.state.ma.us	(774) 470-1375	270 Communication Way, Bldg 6 Hyannis, MA 02601
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