



We are a non-profit organization committed to providing services that empower people, reduce social isolation, and increase coping tools to make healthy choices, and break the cycle of violence. There is a special focus of our programs on advocating and providing services to people who are before the courts, incarcerated, or at risk of coming into conflict with the law

**THE BVSP PROGRAM
INCLUDES:**

The verification of information at bail court and the supervision of accused persons as an alternative to custody while awaiting a court disposition and/or trial. Our organization has a strong history of helping people through the provision of prevention and intervention services, as well as advocacy and public education. We strive to offer programs that are evidence-based and responsive to our community needs thereby contributing to the health and safety of our community

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BAIL VERIFICATION & SUPERVISION PROGRAM





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The Bail Verification and Supervision Program (BVSP) includes the verification of information about accused persons at bail hearings and the supervision of accused persons as an alternative to custody while awaiting a court disposition and/or trial

THE BAIL PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE TO ALL INDIVIDUALS 16 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER ACCUSED OF A CRIMINAL OFFENSE WHO ARE:

- Awaiting initial bail proceedings
- Remanded for show cause hearings
- In custody unable to meet their surety or cash bail
- Appealing a bail decision which has resulted in detention

OUR PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- **ENSURE** that accused persons otherwise entitled to pre-trial release are not held in custody because they lack financial resources or community connections
- **EXPEDITE** bail and court proceedings by providing the court with verified information required to enable the pre-trial release of an accused person
- **REDUCE** incidents of failures to appear for court and the resulting delays through supervision of clients
- **ASSIST** clients to take steps to address the precipitating factors that contributed to the alleged charge(s)
- **DECREASE** remand populations

BAIL VERIFICATION

Upon referral the Bail Program will:

- Interview the accused person to gather information about the availability of a surety
- Verify the information provided by the accused
- Provide verified, neutral, factual information to assist the courts in making a determination of sustainability of pre-trial release (Bail Supervision, Surety, Own Recognizance)

WE DO NOT PROVIDE ANY LEGAL ADVICE OR MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING RELEASE

BAIL VERIFICATION

Supervision begins when an accused person is released from custody on a Judicial Interim Release Order (Bail Order) with a condition of bail directing them to participate in the bail program

THE BAIL PROGRAM WILL:

- Supervise and meet regularly with each client
- Remind each client of court dates and review bail conditions at each appointment
- Review possible consequences of non-compliance with their Judicial Interim Release Order (Bail Order)
- Assist each client to develop and implement a case plan
- Provide ongoing client support and assistance through case management
- Initiate referrals to community programs and services

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ACCUSED PERSON TO REPORT TO THE BAIL PROGRAM AS DIRECTED

