

DID YOU KNOW...

- Iowa Correctional Institution for Women (ICIW) is the only correctional facility for women in Iowa.
- There are over 540 residents at ICIW while it was designed to house 455 residents.
- Female offenders are the fastest growing offender population in Iowa.
- Recent improvements to ICIW will increase the capacity to 888 beds.
- Over 250 residents have one or more minor children.
- 68% of Iowa's female offenders are non-violent offenders and will return to their home communities and families.
- Offenders with positive family and community support are less likely to re-offend.
- ICIW's visiting room is open 30 hours per week and will be relocated in October to expanded space.
- Research demonstrates that social support is a vital component in preventing women from re-offending.
- Maintaining family contacts through on-site visiting is an important factor in re-entry to the community.

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VISITING MOM

A VISITING ROOM PROJECT

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VISITING MOM PROJECT

In response to overcrowding and the need for programming tailored to the special needs of women offenders, ICIW is opening a new visiting area in October 2013.

Thousands of visits take place each year at ICIW. Furnishings and books for the new visiting space are minimal.

The idea to provide support for offenders and visitors by providing quality books, equipment and furnishings came about at a recent visit of the new site. This idea is now known as the Visiting Mom Project. The Visiting Mom Project would save the ICIW budget for other programming and fosters healthy relationships for offenders and their families.



PROJECT GOAL

The goal is to raise \$10,000 before the new visiting room opens in October 2013. Iowa attorneys along with Iowa Organization of Women Attorneys (I.O.W.A.), Polk County Women Attorneys (PCWA) and the Ashcraft Library Project are taking the lead in the fundraising efforts. The original goal stemmed from a 100-100 idea; 100 attorneys donating \$100. Donations in any amount are welcome.



Please make donations by October 15, 2013.

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