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Quad Cities Locations

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(563) 322-7002

IMPACT Program

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Davenport, IA 52801
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Employment Services

Rock Island Township
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Rock Island, IL 61201
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ACE Program

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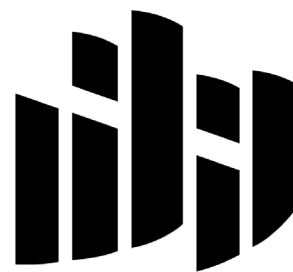


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It's a Simple Way to make a Big Difference!

The Safer Foundation, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois, is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization focused on eliminating barriers to employment and education for individuals who have been incarcerated or are involved in the criminal justice system. Research demonstrates that when these individuals are engaged in meaningful, long-term employment, recidivism rates decrease and public safety increases. The Chicago office first opened its doors in 1972 as an

advocate for formerly incarcerated, extending service delivery to Rock Island in 1976 and later to Davenport in 1978. There are currently four locations in the Quad Cities, serving both youth and adults.

Employment Services Program

(Serving Rock Island County Residents)

Strong relationships are developed and maintained with area employers to encourage the hiring of Safer clients who have been previously incarcerated. Approximately 250 intake assessments are conducted on an annual basis, with 150 individuals starting employment, and over 100 retaining this employment for a minimum of thirty days and beyond. Local employers rely upon Safer Foundation to consistently meet their on-going staffing and recruitment needs.

IMPACT Program

(Serving Youth Referred from Scott County Juvenile Court Services)

This supervised community treatment program offers structured programming during after school hours. Youth are challenged to take responsibility for prior behaviors while they explore areas of growth and change leading to positive life choices. Average stay is 3-6 months with program capacity being twelve youth. Activities include recreation, individual and group counseling, and meal planning and preparation. Youth are involved in pro-social activities and learn to give to others through service to their community.

Youth Empowerment Program (YEP)

(Serving Youth Referred from Scott County Juvenile Court Services)

YEP affords young people who have struggled in the traditional school setting the opportunity to earn their high school equivalency diploma while learning valuable life skills. In addition to instructional support, youth work on employability skills, and are encouraged to pursue post-secondary education or occupational training. Students also participate in volunteer opportunities – giving back to their communities.

Advancing Careers & Employment Program (ACE)

(Serving adults referred from the Iowa DOC in Davenport)

Advancing Careers and Employment is Safer's newest program designed to assist individuals 25 or older, who are within 180 days of incarceration, or who are currently under court supervision. Individuals are supported in securing education and training to enter career pathways in high growth, high demand industries leading to stable employment. Staff members work in partnership with the Department of Correctional Services (Davenport) in coordinated efforts to meet the needs of this population.

Safer Foundation's Mission: to support, through a full spectrum of services, the efforts of people with arrest & conviction records to become employed, law-abiding members of the community and, as a result, reduce recidivism.

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