Queensland Corrective Services Strategic Plan 2018-2022

Our vision

Enhance the safety of Queenslanders through modern, sustainable and evidence-based corrective services to maximise rehabilitation and reduce recidivism.

Our purpose

To provide safe, modern and responsive correctional services which rehabilitate prisoners and offenders and prevent crime, making Queensland safer.

Our culture

- » Professional: we act ethically at all times providing the highest standards of service delivery through diligence, efficiency, collaboration, sharing of knowledge and helping our co-workers, stakeholders, the community, prisoners and offenders.
- » Integrity: we are impartial, act with honesty and truthfulness and treat prisoners and offenders with dignity and respect.
- » Accountable: we are publicly accountable for the provision of community safety through our actions.
- » Innovative: we continually explore ideas, evidence-based best practices and research to improve correctional services.

Our Future State Advancing Queensland's Priorities

Queensland Corrective Services contributes to the Advancing Queensland's Priorities: keep communities safe, keep Queenslander's healthy and create jobs in a strong economy. We deliver on these priorities through:

- » working closely with the Queensland Police Service, Courts and Youth Justice to ensure safer communities for Queensland.
- » working with Queensland Health to improve prisoners and offenders' general and mental health.
- » creating more than 4,500 direct jobs through the operation of correctional centres and probation and parole offices across Queensland, and indirect jobs through local businesses supplying goods and services.

Strategic Objectives

Safer correctional environments

Strategies

- » Provide leadership, training and professional development to promote safe, healthy and supportive workplaces
- » Ensure prisoner behaviour management policies support safer correctional environments
- » Work collaboratively with key stakeholders to build and maintain a mature, corruption resistant culture
- » Optimise the investment of resources in world-class equipment, technology and facilities to meet current and future challenges within the correctional system

Performance indicators

- » Increased agency engagement (Working for Queensland survey measure)
- » Assault rates
- » Escape rates

Humane management of prisoners and offenders

Strategies

- » Provide correctional environments that promote the humane containment of prisoners and supervision of offenders
- » Deliver evidence-based, professional and responsive management of prisoners and offenders through streamlined service delivery and case management
- » Recognise, value and embed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' perspectives across our business

Performance indicators

- » Deaths from apparent unnatural causes
- » Self harm incidents
- » Facility utilisation (per cent)
- » Workforce who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (per cent)



Partnering and community collaboration

Strategies

- » Foster collaborative relationships with government agencies and non-government organisations to promote efficient service delivery and coordinated approaches to rehabilitation and reintegration
- » Promote the value of Queensland Corrective Services and improve community awareness of our services, including services for victims and families
- » Partner with non-government and community organisations to increase reparation opportunities to the community

Performance indicators

- » Financial value of work performed in the community by prisoners from low security facilities and offenders on reparation orders
- » In-prison re-entry support
- » Post-release re-entry support
- » Number of people enrolled on the QCS Victims Register

» Improve responses to prisoners and offenders who are vulnerable or over-represented in the criminal justice system

Performance indicators

other criminal justice agencies

Stop crime

Strategies

» Prisoners returning to corrective services with a new correctional sanction within two vears (per cent)

» Disrupt crime through strong collaborative partnerships and information sharing with

- » Offenders discharged from community corrections orders who returned with a new correctional sanction within two years (per cent)
- » Successful completion of community-based orders
- » Program completions, re-entry support and per cent of prisoners in education

» Reduce recidivism through the delivery of evidence-based rehabilitation and

reintegration programs, education, training and support services

Strategic risks and opportunities

Queensland Corrective Services proactively identifies and mitigates risks, in particular:

- » the safety of frontline corrective services officers
- » prisoners and offenders who are at-risk or pose a risk to the community
- » growing demand and complexity in the criminal justice system
- » fraud and corruption

We embrace opportunities to improve our business by:

- » building a high performing culture where leadership, capability and systems increase our ability to share knowledge and information as 'one QCS'
- » continue implementing the recommendations from the Sofronoff Parole Review
- » building and maintaining a mature, ethical, and client focused workforce
- » working collaboratively with other criminal justice agencies to implement agile and innovative responses to manage the increasing demand on the criminal justice system
- » engaging staff and stakeholders to deliver quality services that reduce recidivism
- » investing in the market to grow new services.

