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CSOR continues to be busy with many things! Here are just a few of the tasks that we undertake on a regular basis:

- 1) Assisting men with bed cost at The Salvation Army CrossRoads Shelter when they first get out of prison or join us from another state after being in prison there. Unfortunately, we do not have enough money to pay for more than two weeks (\$120 per person).
- 2) Pick up of men from prison and assisting them through the first day or two out (depending on availability of workers willing to do this).
- 3) Publish a quarterly newsletter regarding the state of things in the sexual offense arena. This newsletter goes out to around 600 people.
- 4) Purchase a flip phone for people newly released from prison if they do not have money of their own and/or family or organization assistance.
- 5) Purchase start-up clothing from Goodwill and Arc for men that do not have their own resources or family to assist them.
- 6) Purchase food for men that have just re-entered society for the first day (until they get their food stamps which is usually within the first couple of days).
- 7) Assist older adults or person living with a disability with transportation to Human Services upon release from prison (as help is available to do this).
- 8) Hold a quarterly meeting with lunch and a presenter (March, June, September, December) on the first Wednesday of the month. All are welcome with e-mail or phone call reservation.
- 9) Send out housing lists for men that are looking for a place to live that accepts clients on the registry.
- 10) Visit the Legislature to testify at specific hearings or visit individual with Legislators to interest them in our cause.
- 11) Field hundreds of phone calls from families who need mentoring, Departments of Corrections case workers and therapists, therapists on the outside regarding housing or other registrant needs, social workers and case managers from a variety of helping organizations such as the V.A., Volunteers of America, Immigration, organizations that work with people experiencing homelessness, Mental Health Corporation of Denver and so on.
- 12) Answer hundreds of each year from Colorado Department of Corrections men and men from facilities all over the United States.
- 13) Fill the role of Regional Coordinator for NARSOL (National Association for Rational Sex Offense Laws).
- 14) Assists men with their search for jobs and tries to answer their questions (as long as they are not legal questions) regarding issues in treatment, the Colorado Department of Corrections etc.

These are just a few of the things CSOR does!

If you can identify with the needs of the mission shared above, please feel free to volunteer to help us, or share financially in the mission of CSOR!