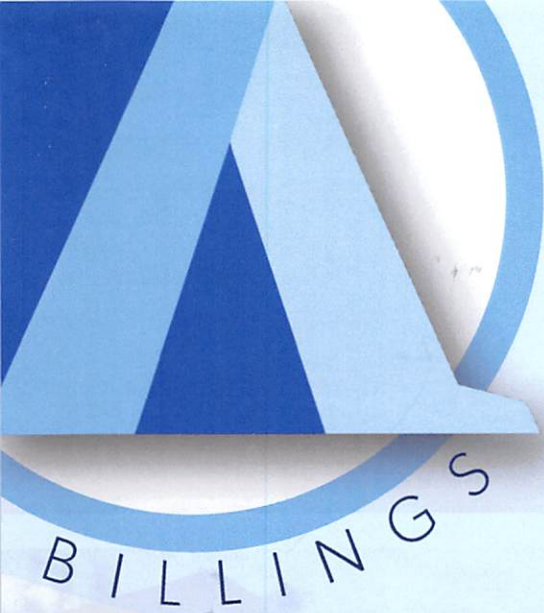


# ALTERNATIVES

## CORRECTIONS TO COMMUNITY



Community-based correctional programs save taxpayers money by holding offenders accountable for their actions. Instead of housing offenders in expensive jails or prisons, these programs require them to pay restitution, program fees, and contribute to society through employment. These structured programs teach life skills and behavior modification, benefiting both offenders and the community. They also generate millions of dollars annually in local spending, family support, and restitution payments, reducing the financial burden on taxpayers while promoting responsibility and positive change for offenders.



Culinary Arts Program participants catering an event for a local nonprofit organization

## TOTAL RESIDENT EARNINGS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT (FY24)

**\$7.4M**  
income earned

**\$1.3M**  
in income taxes paid

**\$361K**  
in restitution and fines

**\$4.3M**  
in Community spending

Residents had saved  
**\$2.5M**  
upon release

**\$1.4M**  
paid toward their  
own cost of care



### ALPHA HOUSE

BILLINGS-BASED FACILITY OFFERING 175 BEDS FOR MEN'S PRE-RELEASE AND COMMUNITY REINTEGRATION



Since June 2019, **96.1%** of Alpha House graduates have avoided prison for at least 1 year, **84%** for 3 years, and **80.6%** for 5 years. This far surpasses the national averages, where over 50% of individuals are rearrested within 3 years, and nearly 75% within 5 years.

Residents leave Alpha House with an average of **\$5,000** in savings.

Within two weeks, **100%** of residents secure employment and maintain it for at least six months.

**81.4%** of residents successfully complete the program.



### PASSAGES

BILLINGS-BASED 200-BED FACILITY FOR WOMEN'S PRE-RELEASE, SANCTION SERVICES, AND INPATIENT SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT



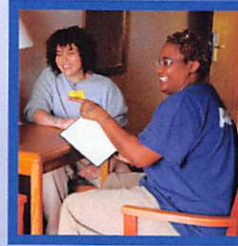
**134** Pre-Release Graduates in 2024

**112** Completed Substance Use Disorder Treatments

**Culinary Arts Program:** 18-month certified program equips participants with hands-on culinary skills and workforce readiness, graduating 13 in 2024.

**HiSET Education Program:** With a full-time educator, this program focuses on job readiness and life skills, helping individuals earn their high school equivalency. Since 2021, 76 participants have graduated.

# WHY IT MATTERS



## ALTERNATIVES SERVICES

### CREATING SAFER COMMUNITIES

Innovative tools like TOM and TOMRex ensure 24/7 monitoring, GPS tracking, and electronic check-ins, keeping clients accountable and communities secure.

### SUPPORTING RE-ENTRY

Programs like Alpha House and Passages offer structured housing, employment support, education and training, and evidence-based treatment to equip clients with the skills needed for a successful transition back into society.

### COMMUNITY IMPACT

With support from over 100 community employers at any given time, Alternatives empowers clients to rebuild their lives while filling critical employment needs. Residents contribute positively to the community by securing stable jobs, gaining valuable skills, and volunteering for local causes, fostering a stronger and more connected society.



All programs at Alternatives are compliant with the Correctional Program Checklist (CPC), the Montana Department of Corrections' standard for evaluating program effectiveness. Our programs have earned scores achieved by only the top 7% of community corrections programs nationwide, reflecting their exceptional quality and impact.



Alpha House serves approximately 245 moderate- to high-risk male offenders each year, individuals who also require extensive care, supervision, and support. Alternatives works with clients across all risk and need levels, providing tailored programs that enhance community safety and reduce recidivism through comprehensive rehabilitation efforts.



Passages provides critical services for approximately 980 women each year through its comprehensive programs, which includes Pre-release, Assessment, Sanction, Revocation, Alcohol and Drug Treatment, and 180-day DUI Treatment. These programs are designed to evaluate, rehabilitate, and support women in their journey toward recovery and reintegration into the community.



Alternatives offers a range of programs and services designed to enhance community safety and support client success. These include treatment for substance use, domestic violence, and mental health challenges, as well as life skills training, financial literacy education, GPS monitoring, and substance abuse testing. Together, these programs provide clients with the tools they need to rebuild their lives while ensuring accountability and reducing the risk of recidivism.



Among the approximately 800 community corrections employees across Montana, Alternatives, Inc. proudly employs 140 individuals. Many of these professionals advance their careers to become licensed clinicians or join the Department of Corrections as Probation and Parole Officers.