

## How Can You Help?

- Consider Drug Court participants when hiring for your business
- Donate money to support Drug Court
- Donate goods and services to Drug Court (food coupons, gas cards, certificates, gift cards, etc.)
- Volunteer to be a mentor to our participants
- Support our participants by coming to open court on Wednesdays at 1 pm
- Visit our website:  
[https://ujis.sd.gov/Circuit\\_Court/Problem\\_Solving\\_Courts/DrugCourt.aspx](https://ujis.sd.gov/Circuit_Court/Problem_Solving_Courts/DrugCourt.aspx)

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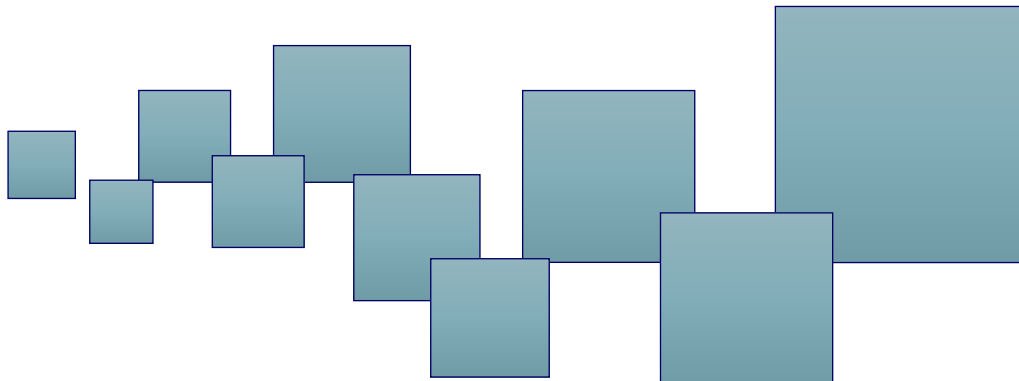
# Codington County Drug Court

South Dakota Unified Judicial System

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## PROGRAM OUTLINE

- Participation is voluntary and begins with a guilty plea.
- Program is divided into 5 phases.
- It is possible to successfully complete the program in as little as 14 months.
- Alcohol and drug treatment is a major component of the program.
- Rigorous alcohol and drug testing is used to monitor compliance.
- Supervision will be provided pursuant to the court ordered conditions.
- Incentives and sanctions will be determined on a case-by-case basis.
- Participants are ordered to pay all fees as imposed by individual court orders.

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Codington County Drug Court is designed for persons whose problems stem from substance abuse. As an individual enters this voluntary, intensely supervised program, they must be motivated to work toward changing their lifestyle and becoming free of alcohol and chemical addiction. The program is accessible regardless of age, religion, sex, ethnic origin, sexual preference, marital status, age or physical and/or mental disability.

The Codington County Drug Court is a court-managed, alcohol/drug intervention treatment program, designed to provide a cost-effective alternative to traditional criminal case processing. If clients are eligible and have been chosen to participate in this program, they must be willing to commit to the entire program. At any time during participation of the program, the client can be terminated from the program and sentenced by a Circuit Court Judge for noncompliance with rules and treatment plans.

*The mission of the Codington County Drug Court is to enhance public safety with the goal of developing sober, productive, law abiding citizens by holding the offender accountable while providing supervision, treatment, and life skills in a judicial setting.*

## PARTICIPANT GOALS

- Freedom from drug and alcohol use
- Learn better life coping skills
- Adjust to a drug/alcohol free lifestyle
- Develop a non-criminal pattern of living
- Enhance employment skills
- Increase social skills
- Enhance self-esteem and self-motivation
- Develop a relapse prevention plan
- Accept responsibility for financial obligations and learn budgeting skills

