



Montana

COUNTY JAIL PROGRAM

Butte-Silver Bow Detention Center

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Current FY2022 RSAT funded program

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM

The RSAT program at Butte-Silver Bow Detention Center specializes in services for adults with substance use disorders (SUDs) and co-occurring mental health disorders who have had, or are at risk of having, children removed from the home. At the time of the interview, this program was serving approximately 10 to 12 individuals. Because the jail is small, there is not a separate wing for RSAT program participants.

The Detention Center was first awarded RSAT funds in 2012. It was initially created due to overcrowding and a lack of access to a chemical dependency counselor. Judge Kreuger, who runs the Butte-Silver Bow Drug Court, recognized that the RSAT program could also serve as transitional vehicle to the family drug court program. The Detention Center receives only BJA/RSAT funding to run the RSAT program.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, SCREENING/ASSESSMENT, AND TREATMENT PLANNING

To be eligible for the RSAT program, an individual must be in the jail a minimum of 90 days and diagnosed with an SUD by a licensed and clinically trained mental health professional using the DSM-5 and a thorough biopsychosocial assessment. Individuals must also have children they are working to parent. All referrals originate from the courts.

Once an individual enters the RSAT program, a service plan is developed based on information previously provided along with other assessment details upon intake. Assessments include the CAGE questionnaire, Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test (AUDIT), and Drug Abuse Screening Test (DAST). Participants are eligible for drug court if they successfully complete the program and drug court is incorporated into their transitional planning.

MODALITY OF RSAT PROGRAM

The 90-day program includes 80 hours per month of program activities. A more robust program is available for participants who are in the jail six months or longer. Program participants engage in group work and individual counseling sessions. Staff use cognitive-behavioral therapy/interventions and integrate co-occurring and trauma-informed treatment into a modified therapeutic community milieu. Groups include parenting, vocational readiness, education, and accountability.

CONTINUING CARE/REINTEGRATION

Participants who successfully complete the program phase into transitional services and enter the drug court program. The RSAT program does not support dedicated staff for follow-up upon release. Instead, program participants are linked to community supports and services. One of the challenges is when pre-trial participants or at times other sentenced participants are released prior to program completion or earlier than 90 days.

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