



EMPLOY's Fast Track Program

MINNCOR's EMPLOY Program and the Work Release Division have embarked on an exciting, new endeavor called The Fast Track Program. Fast Track is a "pre-work release" pilot program that aims to allow for a more gradual transition back into the community. For four months, Fast Track participants are housed at the Hennepin County Adult Correctional Facility located in Plymouth, MN where they work for MINNCOR by day and attend intensive job and life skills training two nights a week. The classes, which are facilitated by EMPLOY are intended to prepare participants for their transfer to Work Release. After the participant has relocated to their county of commitment on Work Release status, EMPLOY will provide job leads and retention services.

The Fast Track Program has recently had its first participant leave the Hennepin County facility. The participant spent his first two days prior to leaving preparing for his job search and then getting out in the community dropping off resumes with the help of EMPLOY staff. They were able to drop off 6 resumes in person and applied to a few more online. Starting out the participant was very nervous dropping off the first couple of resumes, but by the end of the day he was confident in job searching on his own. EMPLOY is excited to see the progression he has made and for his smooth transition into re-entry.