

AZ Dept of Corrections Volunteer Info

If you are interested in getting approved to take AA meetings into Douglas or Safford Prisons, please email:

corrections@aa-cochisecounty.org

Approval process can take 3 to 4 months from the time you talk with your first AZ Dept of Corrections contact.

All prospective volunteers must go through a specific process and to start that process you need to email to the above address.

The following is directly from the AZ Dept of Corrections website:

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Volunteering with the Arizona Department of Corrections is an investment with great returns for yourself and others.

Volunteer Program

The Arizona Department of Corrections (ADC) recognizes volunteers as an integral, essential, and valuable resource. Accordingly, ADC provides an environment where volunteers are valued and respected. We recognize your time is important and worthwhile and we will strive to provide a variety of rewarding and educational volunteer experiences. By volunteering your time, you can experience a sense of reward and develop skills and knowledge for utilization in your career. If you are interested in expanding your experience and/or sharing your knowledge in your current field(s) of expertise, the ADC is looking for you.

Volunteer Application Process

The ADC is part of the criminal justice system and maintains strict standards of personal accountability and professionalism. The ADC

desires volunteers who can meet and maintain these standards. Approximately 800 volunteers provide religious services and an additional 200 volunteers assist with the provision of other services, including substance abuse meetings, education, and administrative tasks.

To apply for a volunteer position, prospective volunteers must:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Interview with Department staff
- Complete required application materials
- Undergo a thorough background check
- Complete a drug test and a TB test (TB test paid by volunteer)
- Successfully complete training - Part I prior to beginning volunteer assignment
- Successfully complete training - Part II prior to beginning volunteer assignment
- Successfully complete training - Part III prior to beginning volunteer assignment
 - Review the Basic 2-way Radio Communications document prior to beginning volunteer assignment (all volunteers working inside a prison unit)
 - Complete PREA Training Acknowledgement
- Read, understand, and adhere to the rules and policies set forth in Department Order 204 Volunteer Services