



Contact Information

For information about JewishCare's
Prison Outreach program call

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JewishCare provides

- Community aged care for older people living in their homes
- Services for people with disabilities
- Services for children and families
- Mental health services
- Information about community services, referral and case work

JewishCare relies on financial support from the community. To find out how you can help call Maureen Mendelowitz on 9302 8003.



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Supporting Jewish Inmates

Jewish people are not immune from making the wrong choices and ending up in prison. Jewish inmates often feel vulnerable and isolated in the prison system.

It is a community responsibility to support Jewish inmates and to help reintegrate them back into the community once they are released.

JewishCare is often the only community contact for vulnerable and isolated Jewish prisoners.

What is JewishCare's Prison Outreach program?

The Prison Outreach program aims to reduce feelings of isolation experienced by inmates and to foster a sense of connection with the Jewish community.



What does the program offer to inmates?

- Visiting and supporting inmates by Prison Outreach worker
- Pen Pal correspondence
- Casework, advocacy and counselling
- Liaison with Department of Corrective Services staff regarding social and cultural needs
- Sending Jewish holiday food parcels
- Liaison with chaplaincy services regarding religious needs
- Regular delivery of the Australian Jewish News newspaper
- Regular visits by dedicated volunteers
- Support to families of inmates
- Post release support

What is the outmate program?

The outmate program provides Jewish inmates in NSW Correctional Centres with an ongoing link to the Jewish community. This is achieved through one-on-one contact visits and correspondence between a Jewish volunteer from the community and a Jewish inmate.

To be involved in this program, volunteers will need a non-judgmental outlook, clear boundaries and a positive attitude.

They will need to make a commitment to undertake fortnightly to monthly prison visits or maintain correspondence with an inmate for a period of at least 1 year.

