**Mission**
The mission of Correctional Services is to contribute to the maintenance of a just, peaceful and safe society by:
- providing services to assist the courts in the remanding and sentencing process
- administering custody and community-based dispositions of the courts
- providing safe custody, direction and control for the accused persons and convicted offenders
- encouraging the offender’s participation, whether in the community or a correctional facility, in programs to aid in successful reintegration into the community

**Qualifications**
Applicants must be at least 19 years of age and will:
- be asked to provide three references
- be required to commit to a minimum of ten hours per month to the program for a one year period
- need to pass background security checks
- need to sign an Oath of Confidentiality
- need to complete an orientation program prior to final acceptance
- be required to attend monthly meetings

**Duties/Responsibilities**
Volunteers may:
- be assigned to offenders for case supervision and to monitor the progress of such offenders
- be requested to perform telephone curfew checks on offenders
- be asked to attend court
- be asked to tutor, offer support and provide guidance to offenders as a means of encouraging positive change in the offender
- assist in goal setting, literacy counseling, life skills instruction, employment search and recreational activities
- assist in the delivery of correctional programs

**Opportunities**
Volunteers:
- will gain a better understanding of the Criminal Justice System as a whole
- may act as a liaison within community corrections environments between the offender and other community professionals
- will be able to assist in the delivery of programs
- will be able to attend regular training sessions as arranged by the Volunteers in Corrections Coordinator

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• will gain ‘hands on’ experience in the delivery of correctional services programs in correctional facilities or the community
• will develop an understanding of the various community agencies and resources which work with offenders and correctional staff to ensure the standards of supervision, intervention and community involvement are met
• will have an opportunity to explore career options within Correctional Services

For further information please contact the local Community Corrections Office or correctional facility.