



# After-care Statistics

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## I.Principles for Annual Work Plan

## II.Execution of After-care Initiatives

The Branch's concrete quantitative objective is to reduce the rate of recidivism. As for qualitative improvement, the Branch aims to adjust the mindset of after-care staff to change the status quo and enhance performance, help prisoners and rehabilitated ex-offenders (hereinafter as “the rehabilitated”) to change criminal thinking, and strengthen family support for the rehabilitated to reconstructing their values and interpersonal relationships and guide them onto the right course in life.

### I.Principles for Annual Work Plan

1. Overall Principle: The Branch aims to

design integrated measures to actively bridge correction and protection and link after-care and probation, and help released the rehabilitated to reconstruct correct values and behavioral model, enabling them to survive in the society on their own and preventing recidivism.

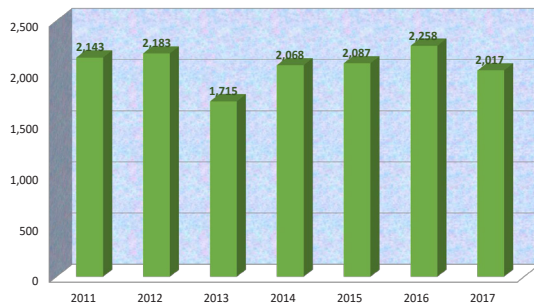
2. Forward-looking Principle: The Branch makes planning for preventive measures based on reasons and trends of recidivism and advocate and promote key initiatives such as adoption-guidance programs and anti-drug education in order to foster a law-abiding and peaceful society.

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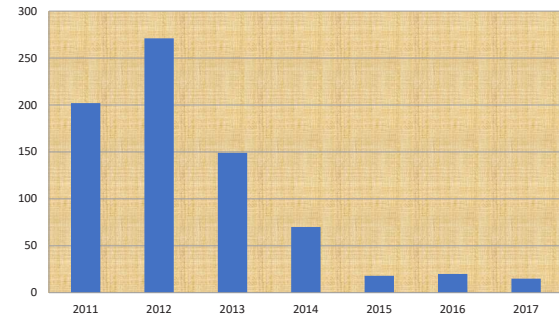
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Number of Cases by Year



Number of Placement in Cooperation with Social Welfare Organizations



3. Individualization Principle: The Branch practices the idea of individualized guidance, providing the rehabilitated who may need protection as prescribed by law, such as the rehabilitated who are in need, guidance or referral for education, employment, and homecare, as well as measures including follow-up services.

4. Community-based Principle: The Branch aims to implement the concept of community-based after-care, coherence community consciousness, galvanize community resources and private organizations to recruit volunteers, and coordinate community residents to jointly participate in after-care.

## II. Execution of After-care Initiatives

The After-care program provides guid-

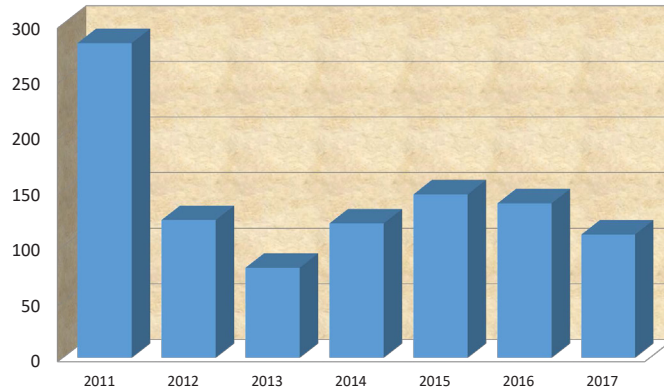
ance to nearly 50,000 the rehabilitated every year. Currently, there are only 60 full-time staff members in Taiwan, and most of the time they cooperate with social welfare organizations and volunteers for the execution of various tasks.

Both the number of the rehabilitated proactively seeking help and the number of the rehabilitated reported by prison to require related services have been growing over the years.

### 1. Individual Guidance

The Branch provides juvenile and adult probationers and the rehabilitated, assistance, referral, guidance, companionship, and care for issues and needs such as placement, employment, medical treatment, skill training, business start-up loan, ID application, healthcare insurance, drug addiction treatment, al-

Number of Cases of Employment Guidance by Year



cohol addiction treatment, psychiatric rehabilitation, and assistance with family dysfunctions.

## 2. Cooperation with Social Welfare Organizations on Placement

To prepare them for reintegration, the Branch provides short-term placement for homeless HIV-positive the rehabilitated before AIDS, offering classes on AIDS-related information, emotional support, and health education, as well as employment information and assistance for difficulties in life. Also, group and individual guidance are conducted to help the rehabilitated's enrich their mind and spirit.

Throughout the year, the Branch orga-

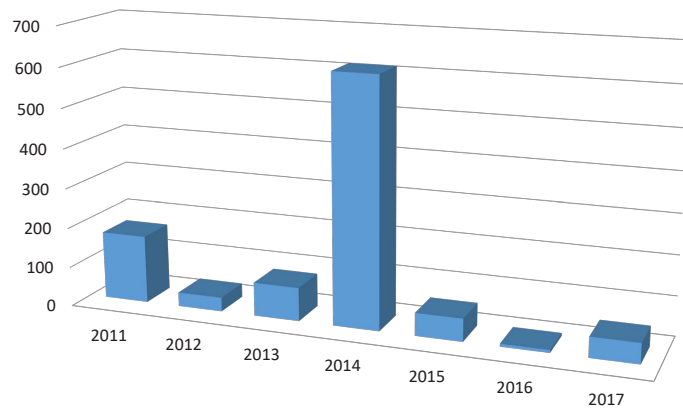
nize "HIV Harm Reduction, Group After-care, and Employment Promotion" seminars intermittently, introducing to HIV-positive the rehabilitated after-care related programs and employment information. During holidays and festivals, the Branch raises rice, gift boxes, rice dumplings, sausages, pork floss, crackers, canned goods, clothes, comforters, and magazines to donate to halfway houses.

## 3. Employment Guidance

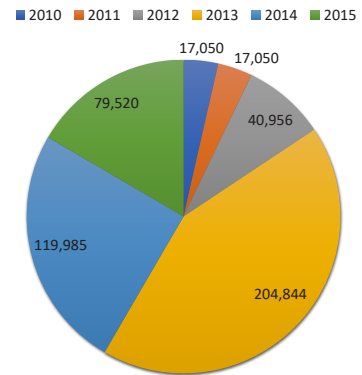
To provide the rehabilitated employment guidance, the Branch visits correctional institutions monthly to offer inmates psychological counseling, vocational education, and employment and start-up guidance in aim to facil-



Number of businesses to provide the rehabilitated with employment opportunities



Amount of Emergency Assistance Grant



itate employment. Through follow-up guidance after release, the Branch also strives to motivate individuals to seek employment.

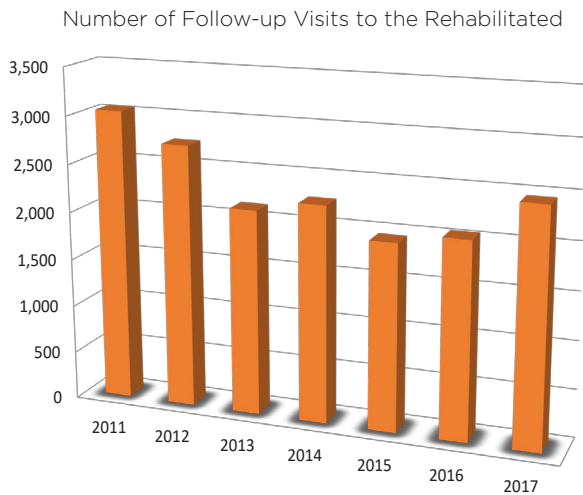
Unemployed the rehabilitated or those who are looking to change jobs are invited to a meeting at the Branch to learn more about his or her employment motivation and interests. The Branch offers guidance on the proper employment mindset and suggestions and helps them find appropriate jobs based on their qualifications or issue referral forms and certificates of protection for the rehabilitated to refer them to Taipei City Employment Services Office.

The Branch also encourages businesses to provide the rehabilitated with

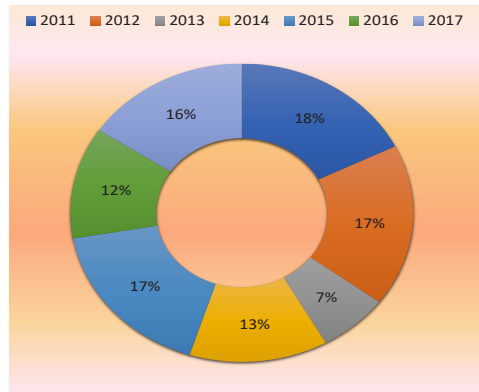
employment opportunities, establishes database of cooperating companies, informs individuals of job opportunities, and carries out job matching. When the rehabilitated have job-related or interpersonal issues that need to be communicated with their employers, the Branch will provide assistance and guidance, so that the two parties can resolve the issues, quickly ensuring stable employment. As for individuals, the Branch will provide follow-up guidance for 3 to 6 months depending on their employment stability before closing the cases.

#### 4. Emergency Assistance

When the rehabilitated, his or her spouse, or direct blood relatives, en-



Number of Cases of After-care Follow-up and Visit with Notice



counter serious accidents or disasters, and have financial difficulty to deal with the situation, the Branch will maintain contact with Department of Social Welfare of each municipal government to jointly help the said the rehabilitated with application of emergency assistance, low-income family subsidy, census register, personal ID, and employment referral and guidance; the Branch also works with private social welfare organizations and charity groups, such as Hsin Tung Yang, Kuo Yuan Ye, Da-Yao Printing, Fubon Charity Foundation, Chang Yung-Fa Charity Foundation, PXMart Charity Foundation, and Legal Aid Foundation, to consolidate resources of each organization and provide the rehabilitated comprehensive services and aids.

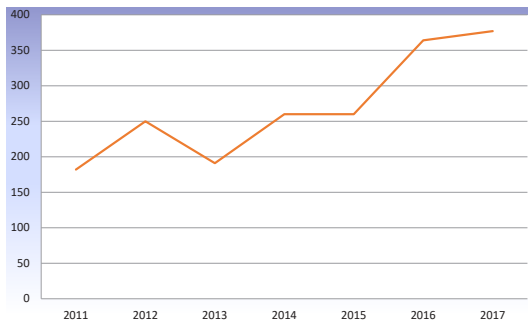
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#### 5. Follow-up Visits to The rehabilitated

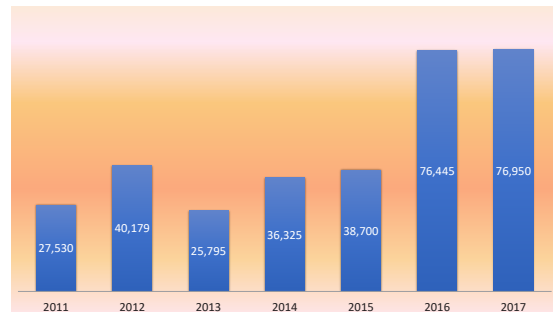
The rehabilitated, who have applied for after-care or are reported cases, will be evaluated after receiving guidance; follow-up guidance and after-care will be provided to those who require continued guidance and check-up, in order to help them resolve issues relating to education, employment, and medical treatment. Follow-up guidance will be provided for individuals participating in vocational training, placement program, employment guidance, and start-up loans, or when the rehabilitated are contractors or work at business entities.



Number of Cases Receiving Travel Subsidies by Year



Amount of Travel Subsidies by Year



## 6. Follow-up and Visit upon Notice

Upon receiving after-care notice from correctional institutions, local courts, district prosecutor offices, or other agencies, the Branch will create official documentation of a specific case, which will be stored in the computer database under an assigned serial number. Based on the notified situation, the Branch will appoint staff member or after-care counsellor to follow-up and visit the rehabilitated and provide timely assistance when the rehabilitated are in need; or, the staff member or after-care counselor should provide aid by integrating social resources. When correctional institutions issues letters inquiring details of an the rehabilitated's application for professional license or participation in short-term vocational training, the counselor or appointed

staff member shall contact the rehabilitated via phone or visit them, and report the results of investigation back to the correctional institution.

## 7. Travel and Transportation Subsidy

Subsidies are provided for the rehabilitated who have just been released but have no money to return home, become unemployed in another town or city, or are visiting a friend but cannot find the friend, and have difficulty returning home; for the rehabilitated who have mental or physical disabilities, or are handicapped, too old, or too young, and need someone to take care of them on their way home; for released inmates who have mental and physical disabilities and are homeless, who need to be admitted to relief agency or medical institution for placement or treat-

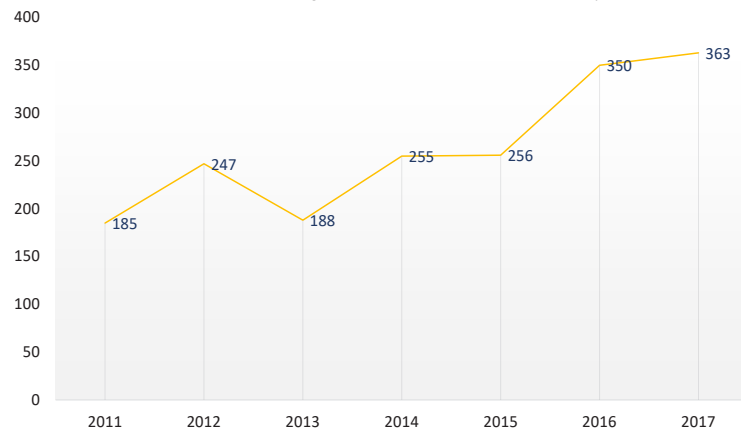
ment; for the rehabilitated who have just been employed and need money to travel to the place of employment.

#### 8. Accommodation and Meals Subsidy

Subsidies are provided when a released inmate is too far away from home and needs to board an automobile, ship, or

plane home but cannot afford accommodation and meals as they wait for their means of transportation; or when a released inmate is being transported to a medical or placement institution due to mental or physical disabilities but cannot afford accommodation and meals during the trip.

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