

Maryland CURE Membership Offers....

- a means to work toward the improved safety of our communities through advocating for the successful rehabilitation of those incarcerated in the State of Maryland.
- a voice in the advocacy of criminal justice reform in Maryland
- automatic membership in National CURE including a voice in criminal justice policy at the federal legislative level
- Maryland and National CURE newsletters
- an opportunity to have a voice in choosing Maryland CURE's specific issues and selecting its Board of Directors.

Maryland CURE Membership

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

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Annual Dues (January – December)

___ Prisoner \$5 (or 10 stamps)

___ Individual \$25

___ Family \$25

___ Life-Sponsor \$100

___ Organization \$100 - No Limit

___ Benefactor \$100 – No Limit

___ I cannot pay any of the above dues but please accept my contribution in the following amount _____

___ Please place my name on your mailing list as a non-member. Enclosed is a \$5 donation.

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Maryland CURE

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MARYLAND CITIZENS UNITED FOR THE REHABILITATION OF ERRANTS

*An effort to reduce
crime through criminal
justice reform*

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MARYLAND CURE

CURE is...

a national organization to reduce crime through reform of the criminal justice system, especially through prison reform.

Maryland CURE is...

a chapter of National CURE. The organization of Maryland CURE's chapter follows the constitution and direction of National CURE. Maryland CURE works to reduce crime through criminal justice reform.

CURE's Origin...

was in San Antonio, Texas in 1972 when a dozen citizens (families of prisoners and concerned individuals) went to the legislature in Austin to work for the abolition of the death penalty. In 1975, Charles and Pauline Sullivan formally established CURE as a non-profit organization. In 1985, CURE expanded to a national organization with a headquarters office in Washington D.C.

Maryland CURE's Goals...

are to reduce crime by reducing the number of lives – victims', offenders', prisoners' and their families' – wasted in the endless cycle of crime, victimization, incarceration, and recidivism.

Maryland CURE is Working to Ensure that...

prisoners are provided resources needed for rehabilitative programming, individual and family counseling and transition planning to reintegrate them back into family and community.

prisons maintain a humane environment protecting the rights and encouraging the potential of both those imprisoned and those who work there.

prison populations are reduced by using prisons only for those who absolutely must be incarcerated and not as human warehouses for non-violent offenders and the mentally ill.

sentencing laws and parole guidelines exist that promote fairness and the expanded use of community-based alternatives to prison.

Maryland CURE is for Victim's Rights

Just as prisoners must be protected by rights so must victims of crime. Maryland CURE encourages programs that offer opportunities for restitution and reconciliation between victims and offenders. The ultimate goal of a restorative justice system is to meet the human needs of all parties involved.

Maryland CURE Focuses on...

promoting pro-family policies throughout the system including adequate and reasonable visiting guidelines, affordable telephone privileges and useful transition programs.

encouraging the development of adequate medical and mental health care for every prisoner in need of it including AIDS education and treatment and expanded treatment for substance abuse and sex offenders.

ensuring that prisoners are treated with dignity and respect through prison assignments and by prison staff.

educating the public on criminal justice issues and trying to enlist their support in advocating for prison reform

advocating change by coordinating citizen efforts to present concerns at the local state and national level.

Is Maryland CURE Soft on Crime?

Most assuredly not. CURE's concerns about issues in the criminal justice system are based on sound reasoning and statistics. CURE's common-sense arguments and data demonstrate conclusively that its positions can help reduce crime and recidivism. This anti-crime effort will save human resources and taxpayer money, both nationally and in Maryland.