

## Why Diversion?

*Diversion, in the criminal justice system, is defined as a disposition either before adjudication or following adjudication but prior to sentencing, in which the court directs the defendant to participate in a work, educational, or rehabilitation program.*

Diversion programs seek to provide customized programming that targets the root cause of crime, changing cognitive and behavioral errors while also reducing recidivism.

Diversion, unlike other sentences, has the ability to benefit both the criminal justice system and the consumer simultaneously. Diversion provides cost savings to the local criminal justice system by reducing the overuse of resources while also providing consumers the ability to make lifestyle changes necessary for successful living; thus reducing recidivism.

Breaking the cycle of criminal behavior, charges, and convictions while increasing safety and productivity in the citizens of Sauk County.

*Changing your life will never be easy; however, it's never been easier than right now. Change is needed, and help is being offered.*

*The Sauk County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council is pleased to introduce the OAR/OWL Diversion Program.*

*Let us help you, help yourself in becoming a legal motor vehicle operator.*

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# Sauk County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

In Cooperation With:



OAR/OWL Diversion Program

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## Sauk County OAR/OWL Diversion

Operating after Revocation is a problem in Sauk County, and presents with a set of intricate circumstances that increase the rate of recidivism substantially. Operating after Revocation charges further complicate the already complex process by which individuals obtain their driving privileges.

Often times the crime of OAR is rooted in financial disparity. Many individuals who are convicted of these offenses want to be compliant; however, many are simply unable to meet the expectations due to financial constraints.

This is further aggravated by living in a rural community where transportation is imperatively tied to financial well-being, what is a person to do?

This program seeks to help those struggling in the system to effectively work through the steps to obtain their driving privileges.



*Break the Cycle: Before it starts!*

## Program Highlights

The OAR/OWL Diversion Program offers diversion from formal criminal charge in favor of case management which provides the participant with direction and support in clearing up all drivers' license related obstacles.

Upon successful completion of the program, the diverted criminal OAR/OWL charge would not be filed; therefore, the participant would have no court appearances, would pay no fines or court costs, and would not serve any jail sentence for such offense.

The savings to the participant includes financial cost savings and criminal charge aversion; however, the greatest impact is on the overall lifestyle improvements that each participant stands to benefit from. While effectively changing the future of each participant the criminal justice system also saves resources in many different ways.

### What You Get:

- Case Management
- Referral Services
- Monitoring Accountability
- Support
- A Second Chance.....
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*Case management* services include a custom case plan that maps out specific goals which will assist the participant in reinstating their operating privileges.

### Cost to Participate:

\$200.00

## The Sauk County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

The Sauk County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council seeks to ensure a criminal justice system that is fair and just: A system that supports a safe and healthy community for the residents of Sauk County; A system that offers accessible opportunities for individuals to change the direction of their lives; A system that makes evidence based, data-driven choices to ensure that the public's resources are used responsibly.

The Sauk County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council will use data-driven, evidence based practices to inform decision making and will examine and respond to the root causes of crime, in an effort to reduce crime, create a safer community, and provide effective treatment for individuals and families involved in the Sauk County Criminal Justice System. The CJCC will improve communication between participating agencies and use a collaborative approach to respond to criminal conduct and to provide coordinated care.

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