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Title	Recommendations for persons released from places of detention in the Kyrgyz Republic	
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In accordance with the Criminal Executive Code of the Kyrgyz Republic, upon release from prison you are eligible for assistance in employment and living conditions and receipt of other types of social assistance.

The prison administration is obliged:

- ✓ six months before the expiration of the term of punishment to notify the local authorities and employment services of your chosen place of residence about your upcoming release, availability of housing, disability and available specialties;
- ✓ If you have disability group I or II, or have reached retirement age, to direct representation in the body of social protection on your transfer to home for the disabled and elderly people;
- ✓ Provide clothing, food, travel expenses to the place of residence, but the funding is not yet allocated for implementation of these standards by the State;
- ✓ Hand out documents for exemption from punishment (certificate of release), identity documents. In the absence of a passport, in the future it is necessary to address the bodies of Internal Affairs (MIA) at the place of residence. If you lose your certificate of release, central organ of penal system may issue a duplicate upon request of police department;
- ✓ If upon travel to your place of residence you need care due to health condition, or you are a minor - to provide support by family members or by the employees of correctional institution.

Where you can get **complete information about your rights and responsibilities:**

- ✓ **Information about your right to housing** - in the administration of the district or town where the apartment, the room, where you have lived before conviction was located. Information on privatization, exchange, sale of apartments, etc. can be obtained in public body dealing with registration of rights to real estate.
- ✓ **Information about relatives** - in special department of correctional institution. Finding relatives can also be made through the police, where you have to file the relevant application.
- ✓ **Information about divorce, birth, death** – in registry offices.
- ✓ **Information about guardianship, wardship, personalities of guardians, placing in an orphanage for adoption** - in the bodies of trusteeship and guardianship in local government.
- ✓ **Information on award and payment of pensions and benefits** - in the regional offices of Social Fund.

For processing of old age pension, disability and loss of breadwinner and in other cases, it is necessary to:

✓ Apply to social protection body at your place of residence or stay requesting to pay pension. At the same time to submit a certificate of release. On the basis of submitted documents request of pension case shall be made from social protection authority, which transferred your contributions during imprisonment. Pension will be granted from the date of applying for pension.

✓ To obtain disability pension one should receive the document on disability, which is issued by the medical social expert commission based on request of social protection bodies.

You can receive required **medical care**:

✓ emergency care - in ambulance service.

✓ primary care and medical social care – in public and municipal health care bodies.

✓ if you have TB - it is necessary to come to TB specialist at local hospital, tuberculosis dispensary, where outpatient treatment will be prescribed or decision to hospitalize will be made.

✓ if you suffer from **drug or alcohol addiction** and participated in rehabilitation programs, including methadone substitution programs, you should apply to public health institutions or specialized nongovernmental organizations.

For **employment assistance** you should contact employment agencies in the community. During the period of involuntary unemployment, if you register with agencies for promotion of employment, you can receive unemployment benefits, but only if you worked and deducted part of your salary to the Fund for Employment.

Foreigners convicted upon release from prison are recommended to contact the embassy or consular agency of their country to address issues related to moving to their permanent place of residence, and in their absence in the Kyrgyz Republic to local immigration services.

List of non-governmental organisations providing social support			
No	Organization	Address	Contact information
1.	Charity house "Kolomto"	Bishkek Zhibek Zholy av., 413	Tel: 0312 27 34 75 Tel: 0312 27 32 01
2.	NGO "Ranar" "Halfway" home	Bishkek, Ibraimova str., 61/192	Tel: 0312 28 27 34 Mobile. 0 502 319107
3	"Drop in Center" NGO "Tais Plus"	Bishkek, Panfilov str., 36	Tel: 0312 54 77 90, 54 46 13, 69 90 92 Mobile. 0 502 73 37 40
4.	PA "Socium"	Bishkek, Suerkulov str.,1	Tel: 0312 51 04 78
5.	Public fund "Rans"	Novo-Pokrovka village, Frunze str.,174	Tel: 0 543 91 09 63 Mobile. 0 543 91 69 94
6.	NGO "Kez-Karash"	Bishkek, Moskovskaya str., 121-60	Tel: 0312 62 64 50
7.	PCF "Positive initiative"	Bishkek, Manas av., 43 - 11	Tel: 0312 62 24 17 Mobile. 0 502 15 42 04
8.	NGO	Tokmok, Gagarin str., 64	Tel: 03138 2 05 95

	“Ayan-Delta”		
9.	PA “Step to meet halfway”	Bishkek, Chui av., 40	Tel: 0312 28 52 76
10.	Rehabilitation center “Aman”	Bishkek Suerkulov str.,1	Mobile. 0 502 75 45 94
11.	Rehabilitation center “Aman +”	Bishkek Zhukeev – Pudovkin str., 43-10	Tel: 0312 44 17 35
12.	PF “Kulukhan”	Bishkek, Suyumbaev str., 16	Mobile. 0 559 48 48 55