

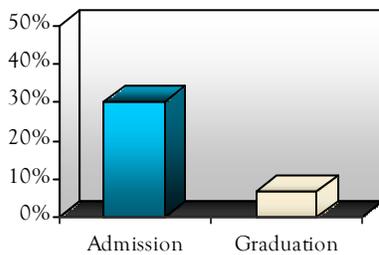
# MENTAL HEALTH COURTS IN OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

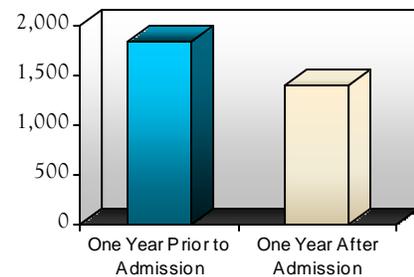
## Justification

- Oklahoma has one of the nation's highest percentages of persons with serious psychological disorder at 13.3 (National Survey on Drug Use & Health).
- The Department of Corrections indicates that approximately 12,600 offenders have a mental health need.
  - Of the 2,700 female offenders, 2,130 (79%)
  - Of the 22,500 male offenders, 10,350 (46%)
- 57% of inmates diagnosed with a mental illness were incarcerated for non-violent offenses.
- The Oklahoma County Jail has as many as 500 persons with a mental illness at any one time.
- The Tulsa County Jail has at least 200 persons with a mental illness at any one time.

## Outcome Comparisons For Mental Health Court Graduates Between Entry and Graduation

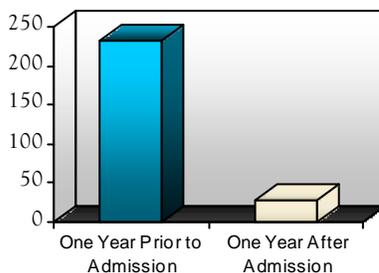


**Unemployment** ↓ **77%**

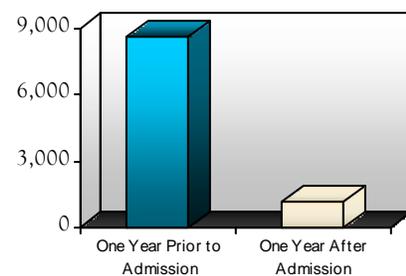


**Days Spent in an Inpatient Setting**

↓ **25%**



**Arrests** ↓ **88%**



**Days Spent in Jail** ↓ **86%**

