

Top 10 Questions Asked at...

Transitional Living Center (TLC)

1. What are reentrants permitted to bring to TLC?

6 pairs total of shoes/sneakers/flip flops 2 scarves 10 pairs of socks 1 hat 10 pairs of underwear 4 rings 5 bras 2 necklaces

3 t-shirts or camisoles 3 pairs of earrings

3 sets of pajamas or nightgowns 2 bracelets

1 bathrobe 8 containers (shampoo, deodorant, powder, perfume)

Slippers 1 comb and brush

6 pairs of pants 5 clips, barrettes, or hair ties 5 pairs of shorts 1 pack of maxi pads/tampons

10 shirts 3 books 2 dresses/2 skirts 1 clock radio

Work uniform(s) 2 storage containers

1 jacket 3 sweatshirts

5 knick knacks, plants Purse with 1 pocket only.

2. How long until a reentrant is eligible for a furlough?

Furloughs must be earned. In addition to requirements set forth below, residents must comply with TLC rules, make progress on their prescriptive program goals, and be engaged in meaningful activity (employment/volunteering/education) consistent with their physical and mental capacity. Whether you meet these requirements, is determined by your case manager.

SIP: may be eligible for furloughs if they the meet the following criteria:

- Must be employed and working at least 32 hours a week (or volunteering 32 hours)
- Must complete a Furlough Request with case manager to submit to SIP coordinator to conduct a furlough investigation.
- SIP coordinator will go to the site and approve or deny furlough site.
- Furloughs may not interfere with work, counseling, and/or medical appointments.
- Furlough travel pass must be submitted to case manager for approval. DOC SIP coordinator will approve any furloughs outside the district.

Parole/Halfway Back: eligible for furloughs if they meet the following criteria:

- Must be at TLC for at least 2 weeks
- Must be employed, volunteering, and/or schooling for at least 32 hours a week; consistently
- Not a designated sex offender by Board Action
- Misconduct free for 30 days
- Supervision fees must be under \$100

- Parole requires it to be submitted 10 business days in advance.
- Must be beneficial to home plan.

3. When can job searching begin?

TLC programming includes employment groups which aide in the search for employment. Out of center job searches will not be approved until Employment Group is completed or the reentrant tests out. This typically will take about two weeks. During this time the reentrant will be developing a resume, learning how to complete employment applications and participating in mock interviews.

4. Can a reentrants family send them money?

Yes. Family and friends are permitted to send reentrants money. However, any money that a reentrant is given by outside sources while at TLC must be turned in to staff, where it will then be placed on their TLC account.

5. Home plan

Parole: Whenever a home plan location has been secured, see your TLC case manager for a Statement of Residence. After completing the form, it must be returned to the reentrant's case manager who will then submit it to parole. This process usually takes around 30 days to complete.

SIP: Must complete a Furlough Request with case manager to submit to SIP coordinator to conduct a furlough investigation. SIP coordinator will go to the site and approve or deny furlough site. If site is approved two successful furloughs must be completed before reentrant can be released.

6. Cell phones

Cell phones are permitted after the reentrant has signed the policy stating they will abide by the rules of cell phone usage. All cell phones must be registered with TLC staff.

7. Cigarettes

Smoking is permitted outside of the facility. No loose tobacco or rolled cigarettes are allowed. Only sealed packages will be permitted to enter the facility.

8. Is there a "black-out" period?

While there is not official black-out period, TLC programming completion is required within the first two weeks before being permitted to engage in certain activities such as out of facility job searches. A reentrant is also not eligible for free time their first weekend at TLC but would still be permitted to attend recovery meetings in the community as well as religious services.

9. Freetime

Free time is a privilege. It must be earned by the resident. Residents may earn free time by following TLC rules, making progress on their program goals, and engaging in 20 hours of productive activity (employment/job searching/volunteering/meetings/counseling/program groups) each week. Your case manager determines whether you have met these requirements. The first weekend at TLC is considered a transition period- only family may visit at TLC.

- 1st weekend: transition period. Family may visit at TLC.
- 2nd weekend: 4 hours of free time on either Saturday or Sunday between 8 am to 7 pm
- 3rd weekend: 4 hours on Saturday and Sunday between 8 am to 7 pm
- 4th weekend: 8 hours on Saturday between 8 am to 7 pm and Sunday between 8 am to 7pm
- 5th weekend: regular free time

Friday: 5 to 7 pm Saturday: 8 am to 7pm

Sunday: 8 am to 7 pm

10. If my family comes to visit are they permitted to take the reentrant shopping and out to eat? This is permitted during free time hours with case manager approval. The reentrant just needs to discuss it with them ahead of time.