

Please call
309-786-7711
to schedule an appointment.

Over 60 percent of people with criminal records struggle with unemployment up to a year after release.

If you have been involved in the criminal justice system and are struggling to find a job, Safer Foundation is there to help.

Whether you were paroled last week or 20 years ago, or are currently on probation, our employment specialists can provide assistance.

www.saferfoundation.org

Safer Foundation's History in the Quad Cities

Safer Foundation, with headquarters in Chicago, is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization that provides services aimed at eliminating barriers to employment and education for individuals who have been incarcerated or involved in the criminal justice system. The Chicago office first opened its doors in 1972, extending service delivery to Rock Island in 1976 and later to Davenport in 1978. Services for court-involved youth followed later with these services currently being offered at two Quad Cities Safer locations.

Davenport

Youth Empowerment Program

1411 Brady St.
Davenport, IA 52803
563-322-7002

Rock Island

Employment Services

2827 7th Ave., Ste. 9
Rock Island, IL 61201
309-786-7711

Rock Island

Youth Empowerment Program

925 14th St.
Rock Island, IL 61201
309-283-0156

www.saferfoundation.org

Main Office

571 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, IL 60661
312-922-2200



Commit a crime.
Serve time in prison.
Reenter society.
Join a community.
Find a steady job.
Begin a new life.

Together,
we can break
the cycle.

**A second
chance.**



Employment
Services
Program





With Safer Foundation, the door's always open

Each year, Safer helps thousands of people with criminal records choose a new direction of responsibility, education and productivity. Without intervention, **52 percent** return to prison. By contrast, fewer than **22 percent** of those receiving Safer's services go back.

Safer is a safe haven for those ready to change. It offers a road back for people with criminal records through education, employment, and supportive services. Despite the increase in the number of people who have criminal records, there are few places like Safer that provide the programming necessary to reduce recidivism and heighten public safety.

The societal benefits of Safer's work extend far beyond each individual client: breadwinners come home; children regain parents; and communities become safer places for all. Furthermore, since it costs over \$23,000 per inmate each year, Safer helps taxpayers save tens of millions of dollars by breaking the cycle of incarceration.



Safer Foundation has helped Rock Island residents gain employment since 1976

Safer's three-tiered program helps clients obtain and maintain **employment**.

Pre-Employment Training: Clients learn about the culture of work and how to succeed in the workplace. This includes the application process, resume development, interviewing and interpersonal skills, professional attire, and more.

Job Referral and Placement: Safer works with clients and employers to identify appropriate job matches and assist clients in obtaining those positions.

Post-Placement Follow-Up: Safer monitors the client's performance on the job and provides ongoing support to both the employee and the employer.



Safer Foundation provides the resources and job leads needed to start a new life

Our **mission** is to help people with criminal records find sustainable employment.

Clients receive support in a variety of ways when they work with Safer:

- Connection to food, shelter, medical care, mental health services, and substance abuse treatment.
- Assistance in enrolling in academic and vocational training programs.
- Access to on-site computers for job search and application process.
- Public policy efforts to reduce legislative barriers to employment.



A second chance.

58%

Organization-wide reduction in recidivism among Safer clients.

250+

Assessment and job coaching sessions each year.

125+

Individuals beginning employment annually.

50+

Employers hiring Safer Foundation clients.