



ETHNOCULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES

CSC policy states that the organization must identify and meet the specific needs and cultural interests of ethnocultural offenders. CSC must provide effective services and interventions that will help ethnocultural offenders reintegrate successfully and enhance public safety. This includes making sure that NEAC and REAC are in place and supported.



Who are ethnocultural offenders?

An ethnocultural offender is any offender who has specific needs based on race, ethnicity, culture, or language and who wants to preserve their cultural identity and practices.

How do NEAC and REAC help offenders?

- They advise CSC about programs, services and interventions designed to meet the needs of ethnocultural offenders
- They share their expertise with CSC staff, volunteers and the community and help them learn about the needs and cultural interests of ethnocultural offenders
- They support projects that help close gaps in services and interventions for ethnocultural offenders
- They build and maintain relationships with ethnocultural communities and with community organizations that help ethnocultural offenders to reintegrate safely
- They help CSC to raise awareness and train staff on issues related to ethnocultural services, like employment equity and discrimination in the workplace

Examples of NEAC and REAC activities

- Work with CSC to maintain strong policies that enhance the interventions and services offered to ethnocultural offenders
- Work with CSC staff to create pilot projects that help offenders get jobs
- Lobby parliamentarians to publicly recognize the important work that ethnocultural communities do to prevent crime, help offenders reintegrate and build safe communities
- Donate children's items collected from ethnic minority communities for use by children visiting family members in federal institutions
- Work with local employers to create employment opportunities for ethnocultural offenders
- Help publish and distribute information for ethnocultural offenders, their families and communities

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