

## Benefits

### We want to grow with you.

Straight Talk is run by people like you who are looking for support as they deal with the realities of having a loved one in jail or prison. We want you to join so we can be there for you and so you can be there for us.

By attending and joining Straight Talk you will receive the following:

- Emotional support
- Encouragement
- Coping resources
- Communication skills
- Knowledge about the corrections system
- Problem-solving advice
- A support network

**“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere”  
-Martin Luther King, Jr.**

**The Mission of Straight Talk Support Group/Resource Center is to provide 360-degree support for the reentry community encompassing not only the men and women returning to society but their family members and employers.**

**The Vision of Straight Talk Support Group/Resource Center is to be a community of voices to listen, inform, support and empower members of the reentry community.**

**People don't go to prison, families do.**

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**STRAIGHT TALK**



**SUPPORT GROUP**

## Straight Talk

**A support group for the families and friends of people in jail or prison and Re-entry Society.**

## Speaker Series

### We stay informed.

Straight Talk is primarily a support group, but we also strive to help our members stay abreast of the many changes in the correctional system.

In order to provide our members with the best information possible we sometimes invite outside speakers to share their views, stories, and encouragements. Previous speakers include:

- Ellie Kinnaird, Former NC Senator
- John Collins, Human Kindness Foundation
- Melissa Ratcliff, Our Children's Place
- Ann Shy, Attorney
- TROSA
- Mary Ward, Department of Public Safety
- Chris Brooks, ACLU



### Support & Education:

Straight Talk provides a space for friends/family members to come together to receive and share information, to be heard, and be supported to discover survival and coping skills.

We offer **two** special services for members of the group:

#### **Crisis Line Program**

Need to talk? Straight Talk Crisis Line is available from 8am-11pm.  
919-251-6071

#### **Share-A-Ride Program**

This program was designed to Help members that are in need of a ride to visit their loved ones.

**(Must be a member)**

**“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has”**

**-Margaret Mead**

**You may come in pieces. We hope you leave in peace.**

### We’re here to listen.

Straight Talk exists so that families and friends of people in jail or prison can exchange emotional support, coping skills, knowledge, and inspiration.

We come together twice a month to support one another through all of the trials and tribulations that come with loving someone who is in jail or prison. Come share with us.

### We respect your privacy.

All support group meetings are completely confidential. We will not share your information with any outside sources and all members agree to keep everything that is said at Straight Talk inside of Straight Talk’s walls.

**Straight Talk Support Group**