

# Improving Public Safety by Positively Changing Lives

## Food Manufacturing and Food Service

Briefing Update  
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### Major Accomplishments

- Food Services compliance with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and Executive Order 13-06
- Food Services and Food Manufacturing staff were trained and certified as Makin' it Work instructors and initiated the restart of those classes for incarcerated individuals at AHCC. These instructors have taught five (5) classes, from which 73 students have graduated to date in 2023

### Strategic Priorities for the Upcoming Year

- Stabilization of the incarcerated workforce.
- Focus on hard-skill and soft-skill development of the incarcerated workforce

### Food Service

- Serves over 1,000,000 meals monthly
- Food Service Administrator works for CI and oversees all eleven (11) prisons
- Continued focus on maintaining the dietary needs of the incarcerated population
  - Half the plate is fruits & vegetables
  - Over 50% of the grains are whole grains.
  - At least twice a week, seafood is the protein on the plate
- Ongoing partnership with the DOC's Statewide Dietician to ensure all menus comply with dietary standards as the Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommends
- Active participant in a DOC Garden Project with Sustainability in Prisons Project looking to enhance facility garden produce
- Provides religious meals to individuals statewide and recently completed the Ramadan and Passover Observance with more than 2,680 individuals scheduled to participate in 2024
- Supports Religious, Cultural, and Family-Centered events statewide. Recently published updated guidelines and menus in support of events

### Food Manufacturing

- Certified by the Washington State Department of Agriculture, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and the American Halal Foundation
- External customers are local county jails, senior Meals on Wheels programs, rehab centers, health care facilities, and other state correctional systems
- Increased the number of workers in the factory, decreased overtime, and increased output.
- Implemented a new Diabetic Menu

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