

# SUPERIOR SUCCESS

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## Top stories in this newsletter



Job Training



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Staff Spotlight



Who Knew?

## NMU Holds Career Exploration Camp For Returning Citizens



In early August, Returning Citizens were welcomed to the Jacobetti Complex on the campus of Northern Michigan University to participate in a four day Career Exploration Camp.

Participants were provided training in Welding, Culinary Arts, Construction Management and Industrial Maintenance along with Employment Soft Skills Training and Forklift Certification.

At the conclusion on the camp, participants were provided a certificate of completion.

Offender Success received a lot of positive comments from organizers, instructors and participants and we are looking forward to holding other camps in the near future. Stay tuned!

## Housing Shortage For Offenders In Many U.P. Communities



Supportive Housing is a key component of re-entry services for recently paroled individuals.

MSHDA Housing Choice Vouchers are available for eligible returning citizens and Offender Success subcontracts with housing vendors in many communities throughout the Upper Peninsula for short term stays, however these alternative options are limited.

For parolees seeking to move on from supportive housing to an apartment or home of their own, the task can be daunting as affordable housing options remain few and far between.

Offender Success is actively pursuing landlords as vendors to provide housing services. If you know of any, please send them our way!

## Meet Katie Poston: Job Development Specialist In The Western U.P.



Katalyn "Katie" Poston is an Offender Success Job Development Specialist covering the Western portion of Region 1 that includes: Baraga, Dickinson, Gogebic, Houghton, Iron, Keweenaw and Ontonagon Counties.

Prior to joining the Offender Success team in April 2018, Katie worked as a Disaster Case Manager for the State of South Carolina and is an alumnus of Northern Michigan University with a Bachelors degree in Community Health Education.

"Allowing returning citizens to have another chance at success" drives Katie in her role to support those referred to her for services in their pursuit of career oriented employment opportunities.



### What's UP?

*Did you know?* In 1913, former President Theodore Roosevelt prevailed in a lawsuit against the editor of the "Iron Ore" newspaper in Ishpeming for libel after a campaign speech in Marquette promoting his progressive "Bull Moose" party.

George Newett wrote that Roosevelt "lies and curses in the most disgusting way; he gets drunk, too, and that not infrequently". Roosevelt's compensation was six cents; the price of a good newspaper.

**TRIVIA:** What 1950's court room drama motion picture (starring Jimmy Stewart), was shot on location in the U.P. towns of Big Bay, Ishpeming, Marquette and Michigamee?

Email your answer to: [osinfo@greatlakesrecovery.org](mailto:osinfo@greatlakesrecovery.org)

### Last Months Answer: Calumet



Hope Rudden



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