

Who is Eligible?

- Residents of Sitka, Alaska or those willing to relocate to Sitka
- Adults aged 18+
- Individuals who are charged with a crime related to drugs or alcohol or there is evidence that drugs or alcohol were a factor in the crime.
- Individuals being charged with a Class B or C felony, or Class A or B misdemeanors
- Individuals willing and able to participate in a structured 18-month program, treatment plan and UAs.
- Individuals are *not* eligible if they are charged with a crime under AS11.41, cruelty to animals, drug distribution, or violence against law enforcement.

Healing to Wellness Court

Sitka, Alaska 99835

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The HTWC is a diversion program for people struggling with substance use and have been arrested for non-violent crimes. It replaces jail with therapeutic restorative justice.





What is the Healing to Wellness Court?

The HTWC is a jail diversion program to connect eligible individuals to substance abuse treatment.

It is a drug and alcohol therapeutic court that focuses on a person's entire wellbeing. Components include,

- Treating substance abuse
- Individualized case management and judicial response
- Integration or reintegration within an individual's cultural community
- Restoring relationships with family, friends, or the community
- Attaining work or education of the participants choice
- Breaking the cycle of recidivism
- Increasing a person's self-sufficiency
- Reduced jail time or fines
- Assistance with housing

Who is the Healing to Wellness Court Team?

The HTWC is a joint-jurisdiction collaborative court program between the Sitka Tribe of Alaska and the Alaska Court System.

Multidisciplinary Team

- Sitka Tribal Judge
- Alaska State Judge
- Sitka Tribe Court Coordinator
- Sitka Tribe Community Supervision Officer
- Treatment Providers
- Culture Liaison
- Representative of Law Enforcement
- Defense Counsel
- District Attorney

"You are being judged by people who actually know you, your character, so it's a huge benefit. You are treated more fairly."- AK therapeutic court participant



Program Components

The HTWC program is a minimum of 18 months in length. It consists of a 4-phase system. Program expectations include,

- Weekly Court hearings
- Weekly meetings with the Coordinator and Community Supervision Officer
- Weekly drug screening
- Participate in a treatment plan
- Attend weekly outpatient substance abuse counseling and support groups
- Attain consistent employment or enter an educational program
- Participate in recreation and cultural opportunities weekly
- Participate in other services as recommended
- Maintain sobriety

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