

# Notice to Family and Friends of New York State Inmates

The New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS) is launching an enhanced inmate Trust Account Services system that will expand existing services in state prisons and improve the re-entry process for individuals returning to their communities.

DOCCS has entered into a contract with JPay, a national correctional services provider who, through the use of current technology, will be providing improved services for the transfer of money to inmate trust accounts. By implementing JPay's system, DOCCS will reduce the duration of time from between the deposit of funds and the availability for use by the inmate, and provide family and friends a greater variety of options to easily deposit money. The new inmate Trust Account Services system will also provide individuals released to the community a debit card with the remaining balance from their inmate account, which will give them a foundation to establish a bank account

Under the new system, JPay will continue to offer the existing mechanisms for depositing money into an incarcerated individual's account, without fees though; the conventional visitor deposit lockbox located at each DOCCS facility, or by a money order or check being mailed to the JPay Lockbox address. The new electronic service also provides family and friends the convenience of depositing money by telephone, internet or mobile app; however, there are fees associated with these methods. In addition, JPay partners with MoneyGram offering yet another means to deposit funds which is also subject to fees.

Regardless of which deposit option is selected neither New York State nor the Department of Corrections and Community Supervision receive any fees or commission for these services.

## Money Transfer Pilot Program

**Beginning on May 8, 2018 DOCCS will launch a money transfer pilot program for the new electronic inmate Trust Account Services system for female inmates only in the following facilities:**

<b>Albion</b>	<b>Bedford Hills</b>	<b>Edgecombe</b>	<b>Hudson</b>
<b>Lakeview</b>	<b>Taconic</b>	<b>Willard</b>	

Following the successful implementation of the money transfer pilot program, DOCCS will roll out the new electronic inmate Trust Account Services system and associated benefits Department wide.

## Visit Day Fund Deposits

Visitors will continue to be able to leave cash, money orders and checks at the facility with no fees and only one minor change. Money orders and checks will require the use of a facility provided JPay deposit slip, which will be sent by DOCCS directly to JPay for processing. Cash deposits will be processed as customary by DOCCS facility staff.

**In addition to the conventional visit day deposit outlined above, JPay offers five (5) ways to deposit funds:**

1. With a check or money order utilizing a JPay deposit slip mailed to the JPay Lockbox:

JPay  
PO Box 531190  
Miami, Florida 33153

2. With a credit card on the JPay website [www.JPay.com](http://www.JPay.com).
3. With a credit card on the JPay Mobile App
4. With a credit card by calling 1-800-574-5729, or
5. With cash at MoneyGram locations ([www.moneygram.com](http://www.moneygram.com)) using receive code 1317.

**Fee schedule:**

Item	Cash	Credit	Commission
JPay Lockbox	No Fees	N/A	None
MoneyGram: \$0.01 - \$2,999.99*	\$4.00	N/A	None

*\*The maximum MoneyGram transaction amount is subject to current MoneyGram regulations.*

**Money Transfer**

Amount (Credit Card)	Online	Phone	Commission
\$0.00 - \$20.00	\$3.15	\$4.15	None
\$20.01 - \$100.00	\$6.15	\$7.15	None
\$100.01 - \$200.00	\$8.15	\$9.15	None
\$200.01 - \$300.00	\$10.15	\$11.15	None

**Deposits Mailed to Facilities:**

Checks and Money Orders mailed to facilities will no longer be accepted, instead checks and money orders are simply required to be mailed to the JPAY Lockbox address (no fees) payable to JPAY at PO Box 531190, Miami, FL 33153.

**Please note, a 60 day grace period has been established for money orders/checks mailed to the facility during the transition period to the JPay Lockbox. After the grace period and effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 money orders and checks mailed to the facility will not be processed and will be returned to the sender with a JPay deposit slip so the sender can mail the money orders and checks directly to JPay.**

**Release and Work Release Cards:**

Debit cards will be issued to individuals upon their release and for incarcerated individuals in work release programs. The cards will enable individuals the ability to more easily access their funds and open a bank account upon re-entry to the community. This same system is in place in several county facilities and in the New York City Department of Correction and has been recommended by individuals families and friends as a result of their positive experience.

For more information on the exciting services offered by JPay please visit [www.JPay.com](http://www.JPay.com).