



## WHAT TO DO IF ... YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE AFTERCARE AFTER YOUR RELEASE?

Many people think that, after their prison sentence, they can turn to the Dutch Probation Service for answers to their questions. This is not the case. Please turn to the municipality where you were registered before your prison sentence, for information and advice. To be eligible for aftercare after detention, you must fill in the application form overleaf. The International Office can use it to apply for aftercare on your behalf.

### AFTERCARE BY THE MUNICIPALITY

You yourself are responsible for your return to Dutch society and everything you have to organise for it. Most municipalities have an aftercare coordinator, who supports you in your return to society. They concentrate on five basic conditions, namely:

1. work and income;
2. debts;
3. housing and shelter;
4. a valid ID;
5. a healthcare insurance and healthcare.

The aftercare coordinator can contact the municipal services and facilities with your request for support related to these five basic conditions.

### EXTRA SUPPORT FROM A VOLUNTEER

As soon as you are back in the Netherlands, you have a lot to organise. There is a lot you have to deal with, while you have also been through a lot and would like to unwind. Extra support from a volunteer at the municipality's aftercare can help you. The volunteer can attend some appointments with you and listen to you.

Where possible, the International Office works together with organisations in the Netherlands that have volunteers who can give extra support. These are volunteers of Gevangenzorg Nederland (Prison Fellowship Netherlands), Exodus, or Humanitas. To be eligible for this, you must apply for municipal aftercare using the application form overleaf. At the bottom, you can tick that you would like to apply for an aftercare volunteer. The International Office will then see if an aftercare volunteer is needed and available.

### APPLY!

Let us know soon whether you'd like to be eligible for aftercare after detention. Fill in the application form overleaf, also when you are not sure whether you want to make use of aftercare. If you let us know in good time that you'd like to make use of aftercare, you can be assisted better. Only data required for aftercare will be passed on.

### LET US KNOW WHEN YOU ARE RELEASED!

The International Office will put in your application around three months before your release. If you know when you will be released, let us know as soon as possible. Should you be released unexpectedly before we have put in your application, then contact us immediately after your release.

### NO AFTERCARE AFTER ALL?

Did you apply for aftercare, but do you no longer want to receive it? No problem. As soon as you let us know, we will cancel your application to the municipality.

### MORE INFORMATION?

Read the flyer 'Straks terug naar Nederland' (Back in the Netherlands soon) and the booklet 'Return' (both in Dutch). All this information and more is available on [www.reclassering.nl](http://www.reclassering.nl).

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# APPLICATION FORM FOR AFTERCARE AFTER DETENTION

## MY PERSONAL DETAILS:

Name: .....

Date of birth: .....

Place of birth: .....

Place of detention: .....

## MY LAST HOME ADDRESS IN THE NETHERLANDS:

Address: .....

House number: .....

Postal code: .....

City/town: .....

## EXPECTED DATE OF RETURN TO THE NETHERLANDS:

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## MUNICIPAL AFTERCARE

I give the International Office permission to provide information to and coordinate with the municipalities with respect to the five basic conditions:

### 1 WORK AND INCOME

Meant for obtaining work or an income.

### 2 DEBTS

Meant for support in case of debts.

### 3 HOUSING AND SHELTER

Meant for obtaining housing or shelter.

### 4 PROOF OF IDENTITY

Meant for obtaining a proof of identity.

### 5 HEALTHCARE

Meant obtaining healthcare insurance, starting a healthcare process and/or social support.

## I THINK I MAY NEED HELP IN THE NETHERLANDS WITH:

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I would also like to apply for an aftercare volunteer from Gevangenzorg Nederland, Exodus or Humanitas. If an aftercare volunteer is needed and available, I consent to provision of information, to and coordination with these organisations concerning the five basic conditions. **TICK THE BOX IF YOU WANT THIS!!**

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Date and place of detention

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Signature

**PLEASE NOTE!** Have you filled in the form? Do not forget your signature!

## PLEASE SEND THIS FORM TO:

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The Netherlands

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