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Sanctions and Incentives

The following list of court responses are actual sanctions and incentives from operational drug courts throughout the nation and are complied by NDCI to encourage broader response algorithms. Inclusion on this list is not an endorsement by NADCP/NDCI of any particular response or its efficacy.

SANCTIONS	INCENTIVES
Day in Jury Box	Video rental coupons
Penalty Box	Court: All Star list, early call ("100% Club")
Observe other court proceedings	Day trip
¹ / ₂ day in court	Verbal praise, compliments from the Judge
Court: Stay to end of court	Fishbowl drawings
Team round-table with client	Community recognition for drug-free baby
Increase UA	Handshakes and/or hugs
Weekend Jail (work detail)	Grocery store donations
Flash incarceration/brief jail remand (5 days or less)	Resume writing assistance
Increase time in phase or track	Clothes
Verbal and or written apologies to judge and group	Dental or Medical Assistance/vouchers
Admonishment from Judge	Graduation Certificates
Essays	Haircuts/vouchers
Return to lower phase	Makeup sessions
More frequent testing	Grocery vouchers
Fines	Car repairs (brakes/tires)
Curfew/check-in time	Restaurant gift certificates
Return/forfeit coupons/certificates	Interview/Counseling
Lengthen time in program	Video cards redeemable/points (DVDs/CDs)
Take away driving privileges	Candy
	Applause/Special Recognition

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Wash police cars	Wave fees
Clean jail	Plaque
Pick up trash on roadside	Flowers
Sweep gym	Tattoo Removal
Cleaning graveyard	Autographs (coaches, musicians, actors)
Clean animal shelter/police stables	Concert tickets
Work on habitat for humanity house	Free daycare
Unpaid clean-up detail	Point Prize System
Work Crew	Babysitting services, diapers, baby clothes, food
Community Service, 5-6 hours per day if unemployed	Baby Food
Arts/crafts project	Picnics/parties
Electronic Surveillance	Invite community leaders to graduation
Electronic monitoring	Less court appearances (except high risk ASPD)
G.P.S. monitoring	Graduation
Ankle Bracelet	Movie Passes
Admonishment	Removing money owed
Place in geographically remote residential treatment	Fee Reduction
Increased supervision	Phase acceleration
Increased court appearances	Kudos
Observations of sentencing	Certificates
Geographical restrictions	T-Shirts (Phase I, Phase II)
Assist at U.A.	Bookmarks
Increase homework	Sobriety tokens
Peer Review	Bowling tournament
Round table w/ team	Key chains
Back Phasing	Recovery Games (Olympics for Recovering Addicts)
Role reversal or self imposed sanctions	Drug Court Intramural
Journaling	Co-ed Softball
Enforced relocation of home	Coffee Cups
Home Visits	Watches
Weekly one-on-ones with probation	Gift Cards
Add time to probation	Birthday Cards
Reading list-complete	Tuition or Stipend
Tour state prison	

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Termination	
Civil Contempt	Pizza
Limitation of privileges	Gift Certificates
Suspension of privileges	Turkeys
Admonishment from bench/team	Books
Ride along with law enforcement	Sober Dances
Keep, write, complete calendar and return calendar to	Fast Food Vouchers
court	
Increase status	Eye Care
Half-way house placement	Family Praise
Essays for Court	Phase Graduation
Extra drug screens	Stars in court chart
Open apology to group	Grant or increase travel privileges
Custody for the session	Gifts to children
Tour Morgue	Podiatry Services
Restriction to Program – No time out	Sports tickets
House Arrest w/ Breathalyzer	Stars
Increased Fees	Scholarships/donated courses
Job Search Form	Group positive feedback
Take an Ethics Class at Community College	Coupons to local establishments
Turn in Cell Phone	Care package
Soup Kitchen	Early termination from probation
Restricted Driving Privileges	Passes for special events
Staying Through Last Call	Acknowledgement of clean time
Delay Phase Advancement	Afternoon session
Letters of Apology	Monthly sessions
Restrict Contacts	Job placement
Send them to Events to help out	Health Club memberships
	Bus passes
	Out of state travel
	Free legal advice
	Pictures that document progress

Incentives Continued

INCENTIVES (NEGATIVE REINFORCEMENT)	INCENTIVES (POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT)
Reduction in jail sentence	Recognize former graduates
Removal/reduction of curfew	Earned chips
Decrease court reporting	Gym passes
Removal/reduction of electronic monitoring	Report cards
Remove U.A. fee	Opportunity to mentor neophyte
Work release for jail time	Visitation with child
Waive fees	Dermatologist assist with skin care
Dismiss charge	Amusement parks
Record expunged	Books
Early discharge	Sneakers
Reduction of fees	Early graduation
Decrease probation contacts	Gift certificate to clothing store
Decrease court appearances	Expunge record
Decrease safety plan intensity	Home improvement assistance or gift
Early release from jail	Massage
Reduction in sentence	Group leader for night/ choose group nights
Reduction of charge	Calling cards
	Lift curfew
	Less PO contact
	Get to miss group
	Big Book
	Transportation vouchers to treatment, probation and court
	Standing ovation
	Express line in court
	Savings bond
	Tai Chi classes
	Reserved parking spot

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INCENTIVES (POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT)
Positive Text Messaging
Credit for Drug Court Fees
Bowling
Alumni Gifts
Picture with Bailiff at Graduation
Rose at Graduation
Letter from Judge
Picture Album
Annual Picnic with Former Graduates
Loan for School Fees
Permission for Overnights
Help Pay Traffic Fees
Build a Bead Necklace
Christmas Cards
Quilts
Picture Taken with Judge
Live Strong Bracelet
Donuts/Juice
Bus Pass
Planners
School Supplies for Kids
Permission to Perform at Graduation
Becoming a Mentor
Calendar of Local Community Events
Meal Preparation and Nutrition Class
Fishing Trip Outing
Check List Stickers
Picture Day
Flowers/Seashells
Bikes

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INCENTIVES (POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT)
Posting Artwork
Smiling
Standing Ovation
Having Extended Family Present and Acknowledged
Having Extended Family Present and Acknowledged Children Allowed in the Courtroom
Clothes Donation
Serenity Stone
Phase promotion
Program graduation