

Buddhist Pathways

ACTIVE

Our original prison program, bringing Buddhist religious services to people on the inside.

SERVES	People currently incarcerated
DELIVERY METHOD	In-person at correctional facilities, with Edovo as a digital backup option
ELIGIBILITY	Facility-approved participants seeking Buddhist religious services
PROGRAM TYPE	Non-secular, Buddhist Dharma-guided

What It Is

Buddhist Pathways brings Buddhist religious services directly into correctional facilities. The program is led by rotating volunteer facilitators who come from a range of Buddhist backgrounds and traditions, and it exists to support and protect access to Buddhism as a religion for people who are incarcerated.

Each session follows a consistent rhythm: an opening meditation or breathing practice, a dharma talk or reading, group discussion where community members share reflections, and a closing practice. Sessions run weekly or every other week and can go up to two hours.

Program Format

FREQUENCY	Weekly or every two weeks
SESSION LENGTH	Up to 2 hours per session
FACILITATORS	Rotating volunteers with a genuine Buddhist practice background, BFP-trained and institution-cleared

Why It Matters

For many community members, this is the only access they have to religious practice and a faith community while incarcerated. It gives people a consistent space to build sangha, a word for spiritual community, that many carry forward into reentry and beyond.

How Your Facility Can Partner

Host Buddhist Pathways on a biweekly or weekly basis with space provided by the facility.

Work with BFP to clear and onboard rotating volunteer facilitators through your institution's approval process.

Add Edovo as a digital delivery option for facilities where in-person access is limited.

Contact us to schedule an introductory call and receive a full program packet.

May all beings be free.