

Graduation Ceremony at Oneida County Jail

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It's hard enough to get a job in the real world. Now imagine walking into a job interview with a criminal record. Many inmates face this insecurity when searching for employment opportunities.

Today was a step in the right direction for 40 inmates of Oneida County Jail who have been prepping for life after incarceration. The inmates graduated from a variety of different programs. The programs are meant to not only help them land jobs but even grant them with a high school diploma.

Samson Gorton, a graduate of the Alternatives to Incarceration Program, said he's thankful.

Gorton said he has big plans to become a welder and eventually move on to renewable energy for his dream job.

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