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Mass incarceration and rates of reoffending add to the overall costs of traditional incarceration. Alternatives like therapeutic communities offer rehabilitative options to local communities, including Pensacola. By interpreting the data provided by the Pathways for Change Men's Residential Treatment Program, certain factors could be identified to predict success in the program. Review of the literature highlights many variables such as the time spent in the program, age, community atmosphere, and motivation as being important for retention and completion of a therapeutic community.

