

How are inmate wages earned and distributed?

SCDC Industries (DI) provides a wide array of products and services ranging from printing to office furniture, through three program areas: Traditional, Service and Prison Industry Enhancement (PIE). All products and services are available to governmental entities, school districts and non-profit organizations.

Incarcerated Offenders earn wages through two programs.

PIE Program: Incarcerated offenders are paid minimum wage for the particular jobs they perform.

Service Program: Incarcerated offenders earn from \$.35 to \$2.00 per hour.

MANDATORY DEDUCTIONS

- 20% Cost for incarceration **OR**
35% Child support
- 25% Victims of compensation
- 10% Mandatory savings
- Remainder to Inmate Cooper Account

Need more information?

**Check Out Our
New Internet Site:**

<http://www.scdcindustries.sc.gov/>

**SCDC Industries accepts payments by
IDT, check or credit card for products
and services.**

**(Additional 1.7% + \$1.00 processing fee included
for credit card payments)**

Showroom and Frame Shop Location:

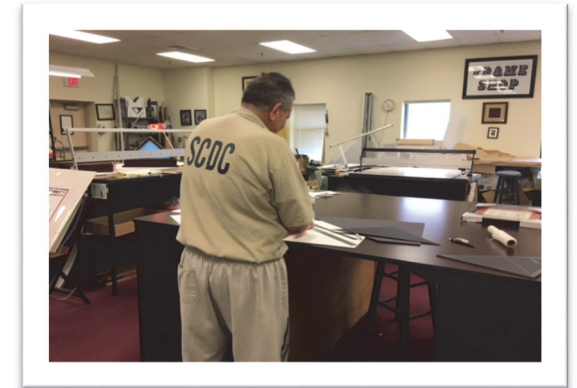
**SCDC Complex
4444 Broad River Road
Columbia, SC
803.896.8516 or 800.922.8121
7:30am—3:30pm**

**Downtown Frame Shop
921 Main Street, RM 108
Columbia, SC
803.734.3720
11am—3pm**

SCDC Division of Industries



“ Making A Difference For South Carolina “



Mission:

Provide occupational and personal development training, reducing recidivism rates for incarcerated offenders and provide quality products

What does the Division of Industries do?

The Division of Industries serves the SC Department of Corrections and the state by employing and training incarcerated offenders. This on-the-job training allows the incarcerated offenders to return to society with skills that will enable them to become useful and productive citizens. In pursuit of this objective, the cost of incarceration is offset through inmate wages by the sale of quality products and services we provide to qualified businesses and organizations at substantial savings.

How does the program work?

Traditional:

Incarcerated offenders produce specific products to be sold to qualified agencies and non-profits. They also move and relocate offices for agencies.

Services:

A state certified program where incarcerated offenders sort and recycle items for industry and local businesses.

Prison Industries Enhancement (PIE):

This is a Federal program designed to work with industry and local businesses. Incarcerated offenders voluntarily participate in the work program and apply for these jobs.

SCDC employees work with inmates in numerous institutions across the state.

Who can purchase from the Division of Industries?

Traditional:

State agencies, local government agencies, public schools/school districts, churches and 501(c) organizations.

PIE:

Private business and all public citizens.

2015-16 State Appropriations Act, Section 117-X90:

All agencies funded in this act, when procuring goods and services, shall first consider contracting for services or purchasing goods and services through the Department of Corrections' Prison Industries Program.

What products and services are available?

- > Office Furniture
- > Modular Units
- > School Furniture
- > Chairs
- > Plaques
- > Detention Items
- > Awards/Novelties
- > Dorm furniture
- > Moving and Relocation Services
- > Vinyl
- > Framing
- > Printing
- > Signs
- > Embroidery
- > Clothing
- > Pictures
- > Mattresses

What are the benefits?

Vocational Training:

Fabrication, graphic design, welding, carpentry, upholstery, framing, printing, computer skills, warehousing and fork lift certification, inventory management, paint and powder coating, clerical, assembly, etc.

Soft Skills:

Teamwork, punctuality, responsibility, meeting deadlines, communication, flexibility, problem solving.

Benefits go beyond training and skills.

In FY 2018, Incarcerated offenders participating in Division of Industries work programs

- Contributed \$1,393,781 to victims and victims programs.
- Offset costs associated with their room and board in the amount of \$1,397,612.
- Were able to send \$629,199 in child support payments to pay for their dependent children.
- Return to prison at a lower rate than those that do not. The recidivism rate for Industries Incarcerated offenders was 13.4 % in FY2015 compared to an overall recidivism rate of 22.3% that same year.