SECOND CHANCE SATURDAY

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018

Granite City Township Building, 2060 Delmar Ave., Granite City, Illinois

Expunge or seal records for minor crimes Resolve outstanding warrants and fines Register to vote

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The Madison County State's Attorney's Office, the Circuit Clerk, and Simmons Hanly Conroy will help eligible individuals expunge or seal minor criminal records and resolve outstanding traffic warrants, misdemenaor warrants and ordinance violations without concern for arrest. Drug testing will be available on-site. Activities for children will also be provided.

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Resolving Outstanding Warrants & Fines

Residents can resolve oustanding traffic warrants, misdemeanor warrants or ordinance violations without being arrested. Those with outstanding warrants will not be arrested unless the warrant is for a violent crime. The event is not for charges that occurred after July 15, 2018 or any of the following warrant types: domestic violence, child support, violations of orders of protection, civil contempt, or federal, felony or juvenile warrants. Photo identification is required the day of the event.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL (618) 259-6559.







FAQ: SECOND CHANCE SATURDAY

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What is expungement? What is sealing?

Expungement is a court-ordered process in which the legal record of an arrest, court supervision or certain probabtion is erased from a person's criminal record. Sealing is the process that allows a person to prevent agencies or businesses from accessing their criminal record without a warrant.

What are the benefits of the expungement/ sealing process?

Once expunged, the arrest or conviction no longer needs to be disclosed for the purposes of public record/background searches and when applying for most jobs and/or housing.

When completed, a person can successfully rejoin the workforce, which in turn allows them to contribute to local economies.

Who qualifies for expungement/sealing?

People who have never been convicted of a criminal offense may be eligible for expungement. People not eligible for expungement may be eligible to have certain records sealed.

How long is the waiting period to file for expungement/sealing?

Arrests - There is no waiting period to expunge or seal records that did not result in a conviction.

Supervision - Two to 5 years after the completion of your supervisor's conditions. Five years if your criminal offense includes domestic battery, criminal sexual abuse, operation of an uninsured motor vehicle, suspended registration for non-insurance, display of false insurance or scrap processor failed to keep record.

Other - Two years after the initial conviction for other eligible criminal convictions.

How long does the process take?

In Illinois, expungement typically takes 4-5 months. Second Chance Saturday allows you to expedite the process by filing all the necessary paperwork at once.

How much does it cost to file for expungement/sealing?

Filing fees will be waived for participants when volunteer, pro-bono attorneys file a certificate of indigency. Outside of the Second Chance Saturday event, the fees associated with having your record expunged or sealed in Madison County start at \$126 and include:

- \$60 payable to the Department of the State Police (filing fee)
- \$60 for each case, payable to the Circuit Clerk (filing fee)
- \$6 payable to the Circuit Clerk (certified copy)

Who will be at Second Chance Saturday?

- The Madison County State's Attorney's Office
- The Madison County Circuit Clerk
- The Madison County Sheriff's Office
- Volunteer Attorneys

What should I bring with me?

For each case, you will need to bring the following information:

- The case number
- The date of your arrest
- The arresting law enforcement agency
- · The charges brought against you
- The disposition (final outcome)
- · The date of case completion
- · The chief legal officer of the arresting agency
- The State's Attorney or prosecutor for your case
- A fingerprint Criminal History Transcript from the Illinois State Police

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