Message from the Executive Director

It’s officially Spring in the District, and the CIC is working on some exciting things. The team is hard at work finalizing DOC and BOP reports and planning ways to continue to engage with the community in 2022.

Earlier this month, the CIC visited Central Cell Block, finishing our first round of visits to DC’s DOC facilities. At the Correctional Treatment Facility, Correctional Detention Facility, and Central Cell Block, the CIC team and our accompanying subject matter experts from the Office of Human Rights were able to discuss conditions of confinement with residents and staff. During the visits, the CIC was able to investigate the concerns expressed by residents as well as members of the advocacy community. The team is currently finalizing information, and reports on each facility are forthcoming.

Lastly, we are proud to announce that the FCI Cumberland inspection report has officially been added to the CIC website. FCI Cumberland is a medium security federal prison facility for adult males located in Cumberland, Maryland. FCI Cumberland is approximately 139 miles from Washington, DC. Read about the CIC’s findings and recommendations for FCI Cumberland HERE.

As always, the CIC appreciates the continued support of the community and our constituents.

Donald Isaac, Sr.

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Data Corner

Statistics on DC Residents in Custody

Census as of April 8, 2022
The total number of D.C. adults in custody in DOC facilities is 1,327.
  * Decrease since March 2022 (1,341 adults in custody)

The total number of D.C. adults in custody in BOP facilities, regardless of court of jurisdiction, is 2,183.
  * Increase since March 2022 (2,170 adults in custody)

The number of all DC Code adults who are in BOP custody, regardless of their residency, is 2,626.
  * Increase since February 2022 (2,614 adults in custody)

DOC & COVID-19 as of February 28, 2022 (source: coronavirus.dc.gov)

Department of Corrections Residents in Custody

- Total Number of Residents Who Have Tested Positive: 771
- Total Number of Residents Not in General Population Due to Positive Tests/Quarantine: 57

Total Number of Lives Lost Among Residents: 1

Department of Corrections Personnel

- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Tested Positive: 639
- Total Number of Personnel Out Due to Positive Tests or Exposure: 8

Total Number of Lives Lost Among Personnel: 3

BOP & COVID-19 as of April 8, 2022 (source: bop.gov/coronavirus)

Bureau of Prisons Residents in Custody (Includes all residents as well as DC Residents)

- Total Number of Residents Who Have Tested Positive: 73
- Total Number of Residents Who Have Recovered: 53,217

Total Numbers of Lives Lost Among Residents: 292 (11 occurred while on home confinement)

Bureau of Prisons Personnel

- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Tested Positive: 146
- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Recovered: 12,538

Total Number of Lives Lost Among Personnel: 7
The ACT Initiative is lifting up the voices of this community at "A Deeper Look at Second Chances". On April 21, you will get to hear from three panelists who have recently come home from being incarcerated. They will share their own personal journeys as they navigate the challenges of negative stereotypes and perceptions. Register today!
What We're Reading:
Chasing Gideon: The Elusive Quest for Poor People's Justice
By Karen Houppert (2013)
Gideon v. Wainwright, the landmark 1963 Supreme Court case, gave indigent Americans, especially those in poverty, a constitutional right to counsel. What Houppert's work reminds us is that all too often, this right comes without a meaningful remedy, that countless Americans, especially those in poverty, are prosecuted, and convicted, without the help of a competent attorney.

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