Message from the Executive Director

The CIC is busy finalizing projects and goals for fiscal year 2022, while strategically planning for fiscal year 2023. We anticipate new and exciting outcomes for 2023. There are also new changes to leadership at the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP). On August 2, 2022, Attorney General Merrick Garland swore in Colette S. Peters to serve as the BOP Director. The CIC looks forward to meeting with Director Peters and fostering a productive working relationship with this administration.

This month, CIC staff conducted an inspection of USP Canaan located in Waymart, Pennsylvania. Our agency brought subject matter experts from the National Association for the Advancement of Returning Citizens (NAARC) to provide information and resources to Canaan residents and Reentry staff who are preparing residents for their return. A comprehensive report on our findings and recommendations is forthcoming.

The CIC recently issued two Radar announcements via email. Those Radars address flooding and sewage issues at the Central Detention Facility (CDF), and the deaths of two DC residents in custody at USP Pollock in Pollock, Louisiana. All Radars are accessible HERE.

The CIC staff partnered with the Board of Elections to mail information to all DC residents in custody regarding voting rights for the general election. We thank the Board of Elections for taking steps to ensure that our incarcerated residents remain actively informed.

Lastly, the CIC had the opportunity to meet with the ReThink Justice DC Coalition. We thank them and welcome their concerns about issues affecting our residents in custody. The CIC looks forward to continued communication regarding promising practices.

Donald Isaac, Sr.
RESIDENTS IN CUSTODY

Census as of August 3, 2022

D.C. adults in BOP Custody: 2,639
Regardless of Residency
*Decrease since June 2022 (2,653 Adults in Custody)

D.C. adults in DOC Custody: 1,409
*Increase since July 2022 (1,365 Adults in Custody)

BOP & COVID-19 as of August 9, 2022 (source: bop.gov/coronavirus)

Bureau of Prisons Personnel
- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Tested Positive: 573
- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Recovered: 13,439
- Total Number of Lives Lost Among Personnel: 7

Total Number of Coronavirus Vaccine Doses Administered: 326,685

Bureau of Prisons Residents in Custody (Includes all residents as well as DC Residents)
- Total Number of Residents Who Have Tested Positive: 463
- Total Number of Residents Who Have Recovered: 49,525
- Total Numbers of Lives Lost Among Residents: 302 (11 occurred while on home confinement)

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

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Busboys and Poets comes together with Justice Arts Coalition (JAC) to present a collection of works created by inside Artists who have close ties to the DC area. Busboys and Poets is a restaurant, bookstore, community gathering place, and cultural hub, which has quickly established itself as a District mainstay dedicated to providing a place for deliberate pause, where one can feed their mind, body and soul. Stop by for a bite and view the artwork of JAC Network Artists Greg Bolden, Conor Broderick, Harry Ellis, and KID WITH DA CRAYONS KW/DC.
**All READY Center services are currently available; the READY Center is temporarily operating out of the Reeves Center located at 2000 14th Street NW, with virtual services still available. Participants seeking READY Center services should contact the READY Center’s main number at (202) 790-6790 to be connected to available services.**
When You Hear Me (You Hear Us): Voices on Youth Incarceration

Compiled by Free Minds Book Club & Writing Workshop, this anthology of poetry and personal stories centers the voices of those directly impacted by the incarceration of young people in the United States.

It features firsthand accounts from both the young people charged and incarcerated in the adult criminal legal system and from the community at large.

This book challenges us to hear these voices calling out for accountability, transformative justice, and healing. It demonstrates the collective impact of the prison system, and our collective responsibility to create a society where every one of us can thrive.

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