Message from the Executive Director

Happy New Year! As 2022 begins, we look forward to an exciting and fruitful New Year. In 2021, the CIC had to remain flexible to fulfill our mandate to inspect and report on the conditions of D.C. adults in custody amongst a continuing global pandemic. To conclude 2021 and detail the CIC’s efforts, we recently released our DOC Annual Report where we outline our onsite visits and discussions with staff and residents during the year. Additionally, we published our 2021 Annual Report where we highlight our accomplishments and best practices during FY 21. We hope to continue to do this work in 2022 while adhering to COVID-19 safety guidelines.

The new year has already brought joy to the CIC. We recently welcomed two new staff members to our office, and we look forward to adding their knowledge and experience to our team.

As 2021 ended, we were able to conduct our annual postcard project. All postcards have been mailed to D.C. adults in custody. A special thank you to our constituents for their continued involvement with this project. We would like to highlight the Mayor’s Office of Returning Citizen Affairs (MORCA), Public Defender Service (PDS), Mrs. Yavonne Dubose and her Ladies Ministry, and Mr. Eyone Williams for their support. We look forward to continuing this tradition in years to come!

Have a healthy and wonderful New Year!

*Donald Isaac, Sr.*

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**DOC Census as of January 21, 2022**

- The total numbers of D.C. adults in custody in DOC facilities is **1,360**
  - *There has been a decline in D.C. adults in custody in DOC facilities since March 24, 2020 (1,739 adults in custody)*
The total numbers of D.C. adults in custody in BOP facilities is 2,181. This number has decreased since the March 30, 2020 census (3,034 adults in custody). The number of all DC Code adults who are in BOP custody, regardless of their residency, is 2,620.

**DOC & COVID-19 as of January 24, 2022**

Department of Corrections Residents in Custody

- Total Number of Residents Who Have Tested Positive: 753
- Total number in isolation for positive test: 25
- Total Number of Residents in Quarantine Due to COVID-19: 550
- Total Number of Residents Not in General Population Due to Positive Tests/Quarantine: 575

Total Number of Lives Lost Among Residents: 1

Department of Corrections Personnel

- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Tested Positive: 618
- Total number tested positive who are out of DOC Facilities: 42
- Total Number of Personnel Out Due to Positive Tests or Exposure: 41

Total Number of Lives Lost Among Personnel: 3

**BOP & COVID-19 as of January 25, 2022**

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

- Total Number of Residents Who Have Tested Positive: 8,074
- Total Number of Residents Who Have Recovered: 45,556

Total Numbers of Lives Lost Among Residents: 282 (11 occurred while on home confinement)

Bureau of Prisons Personnel

- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Tested Positive: 1,642
- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Recovered: 9,402

Total Number of Lives Lost Among Personnel: 7
Zehr Institute Winter/Spring Lineup of Restorative Justice Seminars

February 23, 2022 | 4:30 - 6 p.m.
Futures Matter: A Conversation with Maisha T. Winn
Guest: Maisha T. Winn
Host: Jonathan Swartz

March 16, 2022 | 12 - 1:30 p.m.
Still Doing Life: 22 Lifers, 25 Years Later
Guests: Howard Zehr and Barb Toews
Host: Tarek Maassarani

April 20, 2022 | 12 - 1:30 p.m.
Restorative Justice and the Design of Intentional Physical Spaces
Guests: Deanna Van Buren, Barb Toews, Cynthia Imogen Hammond, Marcela Torres Molano, Ipek Tureli
Host: Tarek Maassarani

Check Out More about the Webinars Here
What We're Reading: Life Sentences

*Life Sentences: Writings from Inside an American Prison* edited by: The Elsinore-Bennu Think Tank for Restorative Justice (Belt Publishing)

*Life Sentences: Writings from Inside an American Prison* is a collection of poetry and prose by six incarcerated men, a hybrid of prison memoir, philosophy, history, policy document, and manifesto. The six authors—Fly, Faruq, Khalifa, Malakki, Oscar, and Shawn—met at the State Correctional Institution in Pittsburgh and came together in 2013 to form the Elsinore Bennu Think Tank for Restorative Justice. The men met weekly for years, along with writers, activists, and political leaders, and bonded over the creation of this book. Centered around the principles of restorative justice, which aims to heal communities broken by criminal and state violence through collective action, *Life Sentences* is more than a literary collection. It is also a how-to guide for those who are trapped inside any community and a letter of invitation, asking readers to join with the incarcerated and their families so we can all continue to fly over walls, form loving connections with each other, and teach one another to be free.

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