



## CIC Bulletin

News from the DC Corrections Information Council

### Message from the Executive Director



Greetings from the CIC. On May 11th, the Corrections Oversight Improvement Omnibus Amendment Act (COIOAA) was codified. This law grants [First Step Act credits](#) to DC Code residents in BOP custody retroactively, since December 21, 2018. The CIC now has additional powers regarding requests for information and unannounced inspections at the DOC, which promote intragovernmental transparency.

On June 5th, the CIC inspected VOA Chesapeake halfway house in Baltimore, MD. This inspection stemmed from communication with residents and loved ones regarding living conditions for residents housed on-site and check-in procedures for residents on home confinement. CIC staff spoke with executive staff and residents. A report on the VOA inspection is forthcoming. The first of the FCC Hazleton reports, SFF Hazleton, has been published on the CIC website. Read this report and other BOP inspection reports [HERE](#). The website also contains four new Info Sheets, which include data on the length of sentences for BOP residents, BOP institutions with the highest populations, programs offered at BOP facilities, and DC residents with life sentences. Read these and other Info Sheets [HERE](#).

The CIC recently participated in an updated Language Access training with the Office of Human Rights. The CIC will utilize this knowledge when developing materials for inspections, such as surveys and resource documents. The CIC has also been acquiring resources throughout the DMV in order to provide an abundance of current re-entry information to residents in custody. On May 18th, CIC staff attended the Maryland Statewide Re-entry and Justice Conference in Prince George's County to acquire information on Prince George's County reentry initiatives. The CIC also met with the Council for Court Excellence's Second Chance Hiring Coalition to discuss how to distribute information about potential District employers to residents in BOP and DOC custody.

Lastly, the CIC has been building state-wide partnerships. We recently met with state organizations responsible for jail and prison oversight, which included the Correctional Association of New York, John Howard Association of Illinois, and the Pennsylvania Prison Society. The CIC looks forward to continued information exchanges regarding best practices with the field.

**-Donald Isaac**



## Recent Reports

Below are recently published reports from the CIC, including BOP and DOC inspection reports, and CIC Info Sheets.

#### BOP Reports

[SFF Hazelton](#)

[USP McCreary](#)

[USP Pollock](#)

[USP Canaan](#)

[FCI Ft. Dix](#)

[USP Lewisburg](#)

#### DOC Reports

[DOC Report: CDF & CTF Inspection Report - January 2023](#)

[CTF: Women's Facilities](#)

[DOC Follow-Up on CIC Inspection](#)

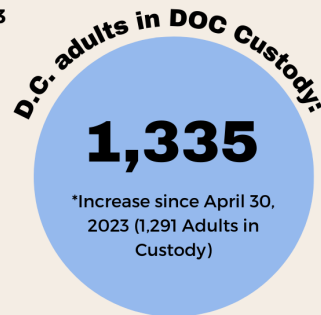
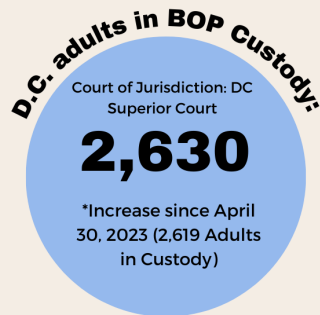
#### Additional Resources

[Section 22 of Corrections Oversight Improvement Omnibus Amendment Act](#)

[Residents](#)  
[CIC Resource Page](#)  
[Contact Information for Fairview Facility](#)  
[CIC Info Sheets](#)

## Statistics on D.C. Residents in Custody

Census as of May 31, 2023



### BOP Updates as of May 31, 2023

There are 44 BOP DC residents on home confinement.

Total Number of Residents Projected for Release in 2023  
**540**

FCC Hazelton, located in Bruceton Mills, WV has the most male and female DC Residents. The current population at FCI Hazelton is 210 while the USP is at 188.

The average DC Male Resident is 183.1 miles away from Union Station (based on the top institutions with the most DC male residents).

The average DC Female Resident is 717.2 miles away from Union Station (based on the top institutions with the most DC female residents).

Common Issues Amongst DC Male Residents in the BOP  
 IRAA  
 Re-Entry

Common Issues Amongst DC Female Residents in the BOP  
 Staff Behavior  
 Medical

### DOC Updates as of May 31, 2023

There are 992 DC Code Offenders at CDF (increase), 342 at CTF (decrease), 50 at CCB (increase), and 1 at Fairview.

There are 676 residents that are pretrial and 14 residents are on Writ/Hold.

There are 103 residents housed in the DOC for parole violations.

Under DYRS, there are 26 residents at the Youth Shelter Home, 91 at Youth Services Center, and 44 at New Beginnings totaling to 161.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Attend a Re-Entry Support Group with NAARC**  
 Scan the QR code or visit [NAARC](#) to sign up.



Association for the  
Advancement of  
Returning  
Citizens

# RE-ENTRY *Virtual* SUPPORT GROUP

Every WEDNESDAY  
6PM-7:30PM | via Zoom

Come talk and listen on how Returning Citizens are navigating through re-entry. Come learn your rights and get information on what's out there for you. Each meeting will have new information and guest speakers sharing resources.



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Advancement of Returning Citizens

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FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO [WWW.NAARCDC.COM](http://WWW.NAARCDC.COM) OR TEXT NAARC TO 474747 TO RECEIVE NAARC UPDATES AND RESOURCES.



**THE NATIONAL REENTRY NETWORK  
FOR RETURNING CITIZENS  
1200 U ST NW, WASHINGTON DC 20009**

## DO YOU NEED A PEER NAVIGATOR?

**PEER NAVIGATORS :**

- Helps manage time, prioritize work, set goals, develop transition plans, and gain better understanding of your work
  - Provides support
  - Makes no false promises
- Works together to solve problems and learn about issues
  - Asks questions on behalf of peers
    - Life Coach You Can Trust
  - Knows how to build rapport
    - Has a desire to help

**Contact:**  
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 (202) 584-1000

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA (UCLA)

**PARTICIPANTS NEEDED FOR UCLA  
RESEARCH STUDY ON THE HEALTH  
AND SAFETY IMPACTS OF CHRONIC  
SLEEP DEPRIVATION IN PRISON**

Looking for formerly incarcerated  
participants

310.206.2354  
[prisonsleepstudy@law.ucla.edu](mailto:prisonsleepstudy@law.ucla.edu)

This study will investigate the extent to which people are able to get adequate sleep while in prison, and the implications of lack of sleep/chronic sleep deprivation on individual physical, psychological and emotional health and on institutional safety and stability. It will also investigate the obstacles to adequate sleep experienced by corrections staff, and the negative health and safety effects of chronic sleep deprivation for corrections staff and for prison safety more generally.

Participants will be asked to participate in a zoom interview, estimated to take 90-120 minutes. As a token of thanks to those who participate, participants will receive a \$30 gift card.

Participation in this study is entirely voluntary. All contents of the interviews will be kept entirely confidential. Interviews will be recorded for transcription purposes only and no personal identifying information will be retained.

#### Eligibility Criteria

As part of this study, we are seeking to conduct interviews with two groups of study participants:

**Formerly incarcerated people:** We are hoping to interview people who have done time **in prison** and who are willing to discuss their experiences of sleeping/trying to sleep while incarcerated, the obstacles to getting adequate sleep, and the implications of their experience for themselves and for the facilities in which they were housed. We seek participants with a wide range of experience in terms of the state in which they were incarcerated, security level, type of housing inside (eg/ cell/dorm/solitary), and men's/women's facilities. *If you fall into this category and wish to participate, please fill out [this form](#) and someone will contact you.*

**Formerly incarcerated people with a sleep apnea diagnosis, who used/tried to use a CPAP while in custody:** We are hoping to interview people with sleep apnea who used or tried to use a CPAP device while **in prison or jail** about that experience, about other things that may have made it hard to get a good sleep inside, and about the ways not getting enough sleep may have affected their safety while inside. *If you fall into this category and wish to participate, please fill out [this form](#) and someone will contact you.*

**If you have any questions or are interested in participating or learning more,**

**We can be reached at 310.206.2354 or [prisonsleepstudy@law.ucla.edu](mailto:prisonsleepstudy@law.ucla.edu)\***

\*Please note that we cannot ensure the confidentiality of email communication to set up an interview.

If you have questions about your rights as a research subject, or you have concerns or suggestions and you want to talk to someone other than the researchers, you may contact the UCLA Office of Human Research Protection Program

by phone: (310) 206-2040

by email: [participants@research.ucla.edu](mailto:participants@research.ucla.edu)

or by mail: Box 951406, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1406



Please join us on

**FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023**

**10:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

“It’s Up From Here”: An Information and Resource Fair  
for Returning Citizens on the grounds of DC Jail outside  
the Central Detention Facility (CDF), 1901 D Street, SE.

**READY Center participants will receive critical resources,  
encouragement, giveaways and more!**

If you have any questions, please contact *Harold Morgan* **202.309.1644**.

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HUMAN SERVICES

GOVERNMENT OF THE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**DC** MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

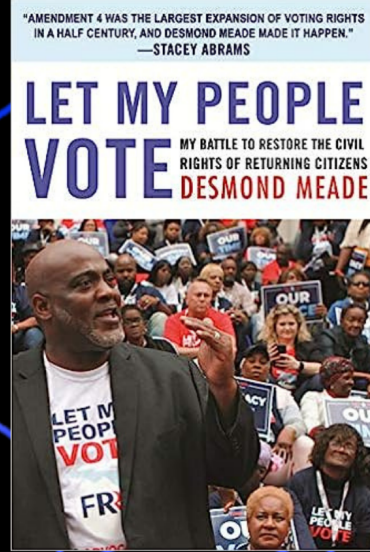
The Ready Center and the Department of Human Services (DHS) is hosting an information and resource fair for returning citizens and community members. On June 16th come connect with community and governmental resource organizations! There will be giveaways and refreshments for guests.

\*The original date of the event was Friday, June 9, 2023, but it has been postponed due to weather.

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# What We're Reading

## Let My People Vote: My Battle to Restore the Civil Rights of Returning Citizens by Desmond Meade



Let My People Vote is the deeply moving, personal story of Meade's life, his political activism, and the movement he spearheaded to restore voting rights to returning citizens who had served their terms. Meade survived a tough childhood only to find himself with a felony conviction. Meade takes us on a journey from his time in homeless shelters, to the exhilarating, joyful night in November of 2018, when Amendment 4 passed restoring voting rights to roughly 1.4 million returning citizens in Florida.



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