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Message from the Executive Director



Amidst the District lifting COVID-19 capacity restrictions, society appears to be moving towards a new sense of normalcy. Since the pandemic started, the CIC has been committed to gathering information and data from our DC adults in custody. This month, CIC staff performed an annual inspection at the DOC (CDF and CCB). Three CIC staff members met with staff and DC residents in custody within the Central Detention Facility and the Central Cell Block. In

addition, the DOC recently released a "Modified Stay in Place Timeline" in accordance with the Mayor's limitations on gatherings, proper social distancing, and wearing proper face coverings.



CIC staff pictured with DOC staff and the DOC's first Bachelor's Degree recipient, Mr. Charles Stewart, from Ashland University's Correctional Education Program.

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is an expansion of current law; the Incarceration Reduction Amendment Act, also known as IRAA. This legislation allows individuals who committed crimes before age 25 and served at least 15 years of their sentence, to petition the court for a sentence modification, which could result in early release. For further information, click HERE.

Lastly, the CIC will resume in-person BOP facility inspections next month. During the pandemic, we relied heavily on surveys mailed to DC adults in custody due to Covid-19 restrictions in BOP facilities. We intend to continue survey distribution in conjunction with in-person inspections in order to maximize data and information gathering techniques. We look forward to continuing our work and fulfilling our mandate to monitor, inspect, and report on the conditions of confinement where DC adults in custody are held.

Donald Isaac, Sr.



Recently Published Reports

- Recent Covid-19 Concerns at Volunteers of America Re-entry Center
- The Implementation of DC Code 24-403.04 Motions for Compassionate Release As of March 16, 2021
- Department of Corrections (DOC) Site Visit Report
- Update on Covid-19 testing and early release data from the BOP

Community Events

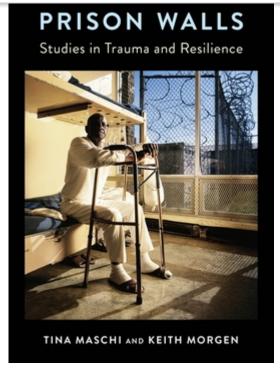
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a virtual 1D, 4D, and 7D Community Justice Advisory Network (CJAN) meeting



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What We're Reading: Resilience

Aging Behind Prison Walls: Studies in Trauma and Resilience by: Tina Maschi, Keith Morgen

Tina Maschi and Keith Morgen offer a data-driven analysis on the lives of incarcerated older people in *Aging Behind Prison Walls*. They explore the transferable resiliencies and coping strategies used by incarcerated aging adults to make meaning of their lives before, during, and after imprisonment. The book draws on extensive quantitative and qualitative research, as well as national datasets. They offer proposals at the community and national policy levels to address the pressing issues of incarcerated elders.



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