Message from the Executive Director

We hope everyone is having a safe, healthy, and relaxing summer. During May and June, the CIC was working diligently to present voting information to residents in custody. Our team communicated directly with candidates and worked closely with the Board of Elections and the Department of Corrections to ensure that incarcerated residents were as informed as possible. We are incredibly proud of our staff, and we hope to continue such efforts in the future.

The CIC recently returned to the CTF and CDF to follow-up on our recommendations made to the DOC in March and April. A few of the CIC’s recommendations were implemented, such as the use of mattresses for pregnant women and extended stays at the CCB. Additionally, READY center services are now directly accessible at the Reeves Center, which is located at 2000 14th St. NW. You may review the CIC’s original findings and recommendations concerning CTF, CDF, and CCB HERE. An overview of our recent findings is forthcoming, which will address any improvements made by the DOC, as well as any issues outstanding since our agency’s prior inspections. We will continue to regularly communicate with the DOC to address conditions of confinement at the DC Jail. In the coming weeks, we will also publish a report that explores the female population at CTF.

Last month, the CIC completed our BOP inspection of FCI Ft. Dix in New Jersey. We invited subject matter expert, MORCA, to accompany our agency in an effort to connect Ft. Dix residents with DC specific re-entry resources. Our office also conducted follow-up mailings for residents who either requested it or were unable to speak with our team on-site, which will be incorporated into our final report on the facility.

Lastly, the USP Victorville inspection report has been added to the CIC website. USP Victorville is a maximum-security federal BOP facility for adult males, located in Adelanto, California. USP Victorville is approximately 2,590 miles from Washington, DC. Please read more about the CIC’s findings and recommendations for USP Victorville HERE.

Donald Isaac, Sr.
RESIDENTS IN CUSTODY

D.C. adults in BOP Custody:
Regardless of Residency:
2,653
*Increase since June 2022 (2,637 Adults in Custody)

D.C. adults in DOC Custody:
1,365
*Decrease since June 2022 (1,366 Adults in Custody)

BOP & COVID-19 as of July 11, 2022 (source: bop.gov/coronavirus)

Bureau of Prisons Personnel
- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Tested Positive: 338
- Total Number of Personnel Who Have Recovered: 13,151
Total Number of Lives Lost Among Personnel: 7

Total Number of Coronavirus Vaccine Doses Administered: 323,887

Bureau of Prisons Residents in Custody
(Includes all residents as well as DC Residents)
- Total Number of Residents Who Have Tested Positive: 520
- Total Number of Residents Who Have Recovered: 49,809
Total Numbers of Lives Lost Among Residents: 301 (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

COMMUNITY EVENTS
Busboys and Poets comes together with Justice Arts Coalition 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.
The Justice Policy Fellowship is open to people who have experienced previous incarceration, including those who were previously confined in a jail, prison, or detention center and those with only a juvenile record who were committed to detention. Applicants do not need to have completed a college degree but will need to have taken some college or postsecondary courses. These individuals must have a strong desire to gain and develop higher education policy skills, and a passion for increasing access to higher education for directly impacted individuals.

Applicants should also have fewer than five years of professional, entrepreneurial, or community-engagement experience. Does this sound like you or someone you know? Apply HERE!

The Education Trust is looking to invite individuals who are formerly incarcerated to serve as our second cohort of Justice Fellows.

The goals of the Justice Fellows Policy Program are to:
- Elevate the voices and lived experiences of individuals who are directly impacted by the legal system
- Provide high-quality professional development in higher education policy analysis and advocacy, as well as public speaking, media engagement, and coalition building

Application Period is Open from June 15 – July 31, 2022

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.
Charged
by Emily Bazelon

In Charged, Emily Bazelon reveals how prosecutorial and judicial power are two of the missing pieces in the mass incarceration puzzle.

Charged follows the story of two young people caught up in the criminal justice system. Bazelon tracks both cases — from arrest and charging to trial and sentencing — and illustrates just how criminal prosecutions can go wrong and, more important, why they don’t have to.

Bazelon also details the second chances they prosecutors can extend, and follows a wave of reform-minded D.A.s who can hopefully point the country toward a different and profoundly better future.

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