District 7 Monthly Report for Corrections: October 2023

1. TAVARES DETENTION CENTER:

WOMEN- TERESA K: teresakehr@msn.com

We have two new women who are interested in volunteering. Thank you, to Patti, for her efforts to go to meetings and let women know that we need their help. We continue to have great attendance at our first meeting on Fridays and our 2nd meeting is pretty consistent with 4-5 women attending. Keep reminding myself that maybe I can be a sign of HOPE! ***WE NEED FEMALE VOLUNTEERS NOW!**

MEN- JIM Z: VOMBEE09@yahoo.com

I have decided to have two men for each pod this month (total of 8 volunteers) so we ca observe each other once more for training purposes before we begin bringing meetings into the new Pod: D-1, beginning in December. We have three volunteers that are unavailable in November. I have asked our volunteers to try to recruit more volunteers so we won' t fall short of providing meetings to the <u>now</u> three pods. All men agree it's a pleasure having the opportunity to perform this vital 12-step work. ***WE NEED MALE VOLUNTEERS NOW!**

2.SUMTER DETENTION CENTER:

WOMEN- ACTING KEY LEADER PATTI D: step7humbly@gmail.com

The Women's Detention Center is going well with groups of 8 and 12 for each Pod. We have just added another volunteer and another is awaiting training, background check and fingerprinting. We have enough volunteers now to cover 2 per week.

MEN- ED Y: edward9880@gmail.com

Sumter for Men is doing well. All six of our volunteers have been given small Big Books to distribute as they deem fit and have been fill out the required paperwork as per the jails request. I have had the opportunity to fill in a couple of times this month and can verify that all is well to date and all of volunteers have stayed sober.

3. COLEMAN FEDERAL INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY - CORRESPONDANCE PROGRAM:

DAVID C: DJCOHEA@gmail.com

Another inmate has finished the steps and there's another not far behind. Damond, Program Coordinator for Coleman Prison, and I have been working to get a new class (group) of inmates to work the steps, this time in USP2 (the other maximum security prison/unit). I've contacted our sponsor group and most are willing to help out with new sponsees. I have received the first program application from that group, so we should be getting started soon.

4. COLEMAN FEDERAL INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY:

PATTI D: step7humbly@gmail.com

Lockdown continues. Awaiting approval to bring in meetings. Correspondence Program is slow. Hopefully will pick up once lockdown is lifted. ***WE NEED MALE AND FEMALE VOLUNTEERS RIGHT NOW! TAKES TIME TO SET UP FOR 4-HOUR TRAINING!**

5.LAKECOUNTY/CLERMONT STATE FACILITY: MALE INMATES & VOLUNTEERS

ONLY-INSIDE MEETINGS. There have been some issues with bringing in meetings to this facility. For the time being we are not able to support this institution because of Bylaws and Tradition requirements of Corrections. There is hope that maybe in some future time we will be able to reconnect with this institution.

6.<u>BUSHNELL STATE FACILITY:</u> MALE INMATES/MALE & FEMALE VOLUNTEERS-INSIDE MEETINGS. Requirements to TBD.

NEED NEW KEY LEADER: to promote new volunteers and ensure rules are followed while in facility. *CORRECTIONS CHAIR: Researching new Point of Contact to initiate where and when meetings can start.