

District 7 Monthly Report for Corrections: December 2023

1. TAVARES DETENTION CENTER:

FEMALE KEY LEADER - TERESA K: teresakehr@msn.com

There are 3 past volunteers on board this month plus a new volunteer, so we now have 6 volunteers versus the 2 we've had for past 2 months. We had some issues with a guard not letting girls go to the meetings. We're not supposed to be at pods until 6:30, so will wait in chaplain's office after our arrival time of 6:15. Attendance at meetings has gone down slightly in both meetings. Informed Program Coordinator about guards change in time to enter pods. Not sure why the number of inmates attending has dropped. Maybe not passing it on to others that there are meetings. *****NEED FEMALE VOLUNTEERS 10 Years Sober*****

MALE KEY LEADER - JIM Z: VOMBEE09@yahoo.com

We successfully completed the month of December with all 3 PODS receiving Friday night AA meetings (Schedule Attached for Chair to view). We currently have 3 candidates in the review process with the Program Coordinator plus 2 more to begin training shortly. We're stretched a little thin right now because 2 of our regulars are unavailable for January.

*****NEED MALE VOLUNTEERS*****

2. SUMTER DETENTION CENTER:

FEMALE ACTING KEY LEADER - PATTI D: correctionschair@lakecountyyaa.com

We now have 7 volunteers with 2 as Back-ups if someone last minute gets sick. On the months when there are 5 Wednesdays, we are able to get all volunteers to attend 2 times. Everything is going well. Working with the Program Coordinator to find out how we can get the Grapevines to the women since we're only allowed to give them a pocket size Big Book. There are a lot of regulars and all of them participate and know that it's time to change their people, places, and things. Very rewarding. We've added another Pod so there are 3 Pods we rotate with 2 each week. *****NO FEMALE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THIS TIME – FULL*****

MALE KEY LEADER - ED Y: edward9880@gmail.com

The volunteers made all the scheduled meetings. I was able to fill in for one meeting. Christmas did not happen but not because our volunteers did not show. A glitch on their end. 2023 was a good year for this program. Literature in form of Big Books and Grapevines has been allowed to be distributed by our volunteers with reporting to the jail personnel. Meeting attendance is up and down but volunteers remain enthusiastic.

*****NO MALE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THIS TIME – FULL*****

3. COLEMAN FEDERAL INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY - CORRESPONDANCE PROGRAM:

MALE KEY LEADER: DAVID C: DJCOHEA@gmail.com

Currently, we are putting the Correspondence Program ON HOLD. ******ON HOLD******

4. COLEMAN FEDERAL INSTITUTIONAL FACILITY:

ACTING KEY LEADER - PATTI D: correctionschair@lakecountyyaa.com

Lockdown continues. One Unit is available for an AA meeting and we need 2 male volunteers.

Awaiting approval to bring in meetings to 4 other Units.

******NEED MALE/FEMALE VOLUNTEERS: REQUIRE 4-HOUR PRISON TRAINING******

5. LAKECOUNTY/CLERMONT STATE FACILITY: **ON HOLD******

6. BUSHNELL STATE: to TBD.

Need volunteers trained/background checks. Researching Point of Contact to initiate meetings.

7. I have key to District's lockbox at Central Office. I mail the checks to the District Treasurer's site. I have receipts to reimburse Corrections for envelopes and stamps because we've been using our stamps and envelopes. This has been ongoing for a couple years now. I have no problem doing this when I collect Pink Can monies.

8. We need GSR's and Central Office Reps to continue to promote needs for a new Pink Can Treasurer, Corrections Literature Person, Male and Female Volunteers at Tavares. With 10+ years of sobriety and State and Federal Prisons. I have flyers if anyone would like to take some to their group.

9. Webmaster has this Monthly Corrections Report and the Pink Can report on the link: "Reports". On the Corrections Website is the requirements for Volunteers at each Corrections Facility. He has also assisted me in cleaning up Corrections Site. He did an outstanding job supporting the needs of Chair. Thank you.

10. Also in new business is it possible to have an Agenda where if there's old or new business and sequential reports, etc. We used to have one at every meeting.

Sincerely, Yours In Service, Patti D. Corrections Chair