

- I'M BACK AGAIN - 12/16/12

HEY FOLKS I'M BACK AGAIN (3) I RECENTLY TRANSFERED AND FIND MYSELF AT A MINIMUM SECURITY FACILITY IN CHOWCHILLA, CALIFORNIA. IT WAS A FACILITY FOR WOMEN SO IT DOESN'T REALLY RESEMBLE A PRISON (WHICH IS NICE). I RECENTLY FIND MYSELF ON A "EXAMINE WHAT YOU TOLERATE" THING. IT'S A DIFFICULT ENOUGH QUESTION ON THE STREETS, BUT, IN A CONFINED PLACE LIKE PRISON WHERE THERE IS LITTLE TO NO CONTROL OF ANYTHING IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE BUT I LIKE THE IMPOSSIBLE. HOW MUCH DO WE TOLERATE ON A DAILY BASIS? HOW HONEST ARE WE WITH OUR FEELINGS WITH OTHERS? PARTNERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS, CO-WORKERS. IN HERE THAT KIND OF THING CAN BE DANGEROUS (SADLY) I RECENTLY WAS FORCED TO MAKE A LIFE ALTERING DECISION. AFTER ARRIVING AT THIS INSTITUTION (C.D.C.R.) - CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS & REHABILITATION DECIDED THEY WANT ALL TRANSGENDERS IN 1 OF 9 PRISONS AND THIS IS NOT ONE OF THEM. SO NO I GET OFF THE HORMONES TO STAY HERE WITH MY PARTNER OF 7 YEARS WHO I LOVE WITH ALL MY HEART OR NO I CONTINUE THE HORMONE TREATMENT AND LOSE THE LOVE OF MY LIFE? DO THE HORMONES MAKE ME? I HAVE NOT BEEN OFF THEM FOR ALMOST A DECADE -

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OF COURSE THERE WAS NO QUESTION
AS TO WHAT I WILL DO. THE QUESTION
NOW IS HOW WILL NOT TAKING THEM
AFFECT ME? AM I STILL A WOMAN,
AM I STILL TRANS. SEEMS LIKE ALL
THERE ARE RIGHT NOW ARE QUESTIONS
WITH NO ANSWERS —

WELL FRIENDS THAT IS WHAT IS
GOING ON IN MY LIFE RIGHT NOW
IF YOU HAVE ANY INSIGHTS LET
ME KNOW!

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