

PA BUDGET WOES

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HI, HOW IS EVERYONE DOING? I HOPE GOOD. TODAY WE WERE DISCUSSING THE PA BUDGET. THE BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS IS OVER \$2 BILLION DOLLARS. DOES ANYONE REALIZE HOW MUCH MONEY IS SPENT ON LOCKING PEOPLE UP? I KNOW A GUY IN HERE WHO HAS MADE PAROLE BUT HE'S FROM ARIZONA. HE DOESN'T HAVE A PLACE TO GO AND SINCE HE'S FROM ARIZONA, THEY WONT LET HIM GO TO A HALF WAY HOUSE. HE'S A DRUG DEALER. NOT A VIOLENT OFFENDER. SO HE IS BEING FORCED TO MAX-OUT. HE HAS TO SIT HER FOR ABOUT ANOTHER 6 YEARS UNTIL HE MAXES OUT BECAUSE HE HAS NO PLACE TO LIVE IN PA. AT AROUND 30-35 GRAND PER YEAR, THATS AN EASY \$200,000 O TAX PAYER MONEY BEING WASTED ON KEEPING SOMEONE IN PRISON WHO ALREADY MADE PAROLE. THE POLITICS BEHIND LETTING PEOPLE GO HOME IS RIDICULOUS. I RAN THE FUND RAISER SALE FOR THE CHURCH IN HERE. WE MADE OVER \$1,500 FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD BANK, BUT WE CAN'T EVEN HAND OUT THE STUFF THAT THE MEN ORDERED UNTIL THE PA DEPT. OF CORRECTION ALLOWS THE PRISON CHAPLAINS BACK INTO THE PRISONS. SO NOW THE FOOD BANK MUST WAIT FOR THEIR DONATION CHECK. THE POLITICS BEHIND EVERYTHING IS FBREAKIN STUPID. I HAVE SPENT YEARS TRYING TO LOSE MY ACCENT, CHANGE MY VOCABULARY, I TRY TO REFINE WHO I AM, BUT WHRN THINGS LIKE THIS HAPPEN, I JUST WANT TO SCREAM. THERE IS SO MUCH WASTED MONEY IN HERE. A FEW YEARS AGO THE GOVERNOR DIDN'T SIGN THE BUDGET ON TIME AND THE GUARDS WERE NOT BEING PAID. SO WHAT HAPPENED WAS THE GUARDS WENT AND COLLECTED WELFARE. NOT ALL WERE ABLE, THE ONES WITH WIVES WHO MADE GOOD MONEY DIDN'T QUALIFY, BUT ALOT OF GUARDS COLLECTED WELFARE. THEN WHEN THE BUDGET WAS SIGNED, THE GUARDS ALL COLLECTED HUGE PAY CHECKS OF THE BACK PAY FOR ALL THE HOURS THEY WORKED WITHOUT BEING PAID. SO THEY GOT THE CHECKS AND THE WELFARE. BUT WE'RE TOLD IT IS NOT IN THE BUDGET TO PUT AIR CONDITIONING IN THE PRISON. IT IS ABOUT 90 DEGREES IN MY CELL RIGHT NOW. I AM SITTING ON A METAL BED FRAME AND I HAVE SWEAT DRIPPING FROM MY HEAD. THE BAD NEWS IS IT'S ONLY 11:15 AM. WAIT UNTIL 4 PM WHEN IT'S ABOUT 100 IN HERE. WE HAVE ELDERLY PEOPLE IN HERE TOO. MEN WHO HAVE BEEN HERE 40-50 YEARS, WHO CANNOT HANDLE THE HEAT. BUT WE ARE TREATED LIKE TRASH. THE PRISON BUYS HUGE FANS TO KEEP THE GUARDS COOL AND EVERY CIVILIAN STAFF MEMBER IN THIS PRISON HAS EITHER CENTRAL AIR OR A/C UNITS IN THE AREA THEY WORK. WHAT ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE? WE'RE JUST TRASH SO WE GET TREATED AS SUCH. IN THIS PRISON STAFF CAN BRING IN THEIR CARS TO HAVE THEM FIXED AND CLEANED USING PRISONER LABOR. WE GET PAID 19¢ AN HOUR AND EVERYTHING ELSE IS BILLED TO THE TAX PAYERS SO THE STAFF MAKE OUT LIKE BANDITS. ONE GUARD BROUGHT IN A SMALL BOAT TO BE WORKED

ON. THEY JUST BUILT A FANCY EXPENSIVE DECK FOR GUARDS TO SIT ON OUTSIDE BUT WE CAN'T GET OUR WOODEN ALTAR FIXED FOR CATHOLIC MASS. EVERYTHING IN PRISON IS PRO STAFF. LETS BUY WHATEVER WE CAN FOR STAFF AND SCREW THE MEN & WOMEN IN HERE. STAFF GET REAL ANGUS BEEF CHEESEBURGERS, WE GET SOY BURGERS INFUSED WITH BEEF FLAVORED FAT, AND NO CHEESE. THE FOOD IS VERY UNHEALTHY. IF IT WASN'T FOR CHICKEN ONCE A MONTH, I'D BE A VEGETARIAN. ME, AN ITALIAN WHO LOVES MEAT. THE BUDGET IS A MESS. THEY DON'T LET IN THE CHAPLAINS, THEY ELIMINATE SCHOOL PROGRAMS, CLASSES, THEY END TEACHING COURSES. THEY DON'T TEACH YOU ANYTHING IN HERE. I JUST WISH PEOPLE ON THE OUTSIDE KNEW THE TRUTH. THEY THINK EVERYTHING IS A FREE RIDE IN HERE BUT IT'S NOT. MY CABLE ISN'T FREE. THE FOOD IS SO BAD I DON'T WANT TO EAT ALOT OF IT. I TRY NOT TO ASSUME ABOUT THINGS I AM NOT SURE ABOUT, SO PLEASE DON'T ASSUME ABOUT PRISON. I'D GIVE MY LIFE IF I COULD HAVE JUST 1 YEAR IN THE WORD WITH MY DAUGHTER TO PREPARE HER FOR LIFE. SHE'S ALMOST 17 AND SHE IS NOT READY. BUT WHEN SHE IS 18, THATS IT, READY OR NOT, THE WORLD DOES NOT WAIT. MY BROTHER IS STARTING A DONATION SITE FOR KRISTA, WHEN IT IS UP & RUNNING, I'LL LET YOU KNOW. ANYTHING I CAN DO T HELP HER, FOR HER FUTURE, I MUST. SHE DIDN'T ASK FOR THIS LIFE AND SHE DOESN'T DESERVE TO SUFFER. WHEN I CALLED KRISTA ON THE 22nd, SHE TOLD ME SHE WAS SAD AND FEELING LONELY AND SHE PUT A BELT AROUND HER NECK AND TRIED TO HANG HERSELF. I WAS IN SHOCK. WHAT WOULD MAKE A CHILD WANT TO END THEIR OWN LIFE. I AM SCARED TO DEATH FOR HER. I SIT UP AT NIGHT PRAYING I NEVER RECEIVE A VISIT FROM STAFF TELLING ME SHE IS GONE. WHEN MY JUSTINE WAS KILLED, LIFE WAS A NIGHTMARE FOR ME. MY GRANDMOM LOST 2 OF HER CHILDREN BEFORE SHE DIED, SHE SAID THE PAIN NEVER LEAVES YOU AND IT IS THE WORST THING YOU CAN FACE IN LIFE. SO NOW I HAVE ANOTHER WORRY ON MY MIND. WELL I JUST FELT LIKE TALKING, HOPE I DIDN'T BORE ANYONE TOO MUCH. AS FOR 2 PEOPLE OUT THERE, HEATHER+J AND #THIS GIRL CARES, I HOPE YOU'S RECEIVED MY RESPONSES AND AM LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU'S. TAKE CARE, STAY SAFE, GO ENJOY YOUR SUMMER. GOD BLESS, CIAO.

PS: I HAVE FILED ANOTHER APPEAL IN THE FEDERAL COURTS BECAUSE I AM NOT GUILTY OF 1st DEGREE MURDER. I DID TAKE A MANS LIFE BUT IT WAS NOT PLANNED NOR DID I WANT IT TO HAPPEN. I ALMOST GAVE UP BUT I HAVE TO STAY STRONG AND FIGHT FOR MY DAUGHTER.