

Things are over the top

The deflection of time the guards work in the prison has cause the penal system to loose it's identity which it was built upon. Prisons was built for a place where a persons convicted or accused of crimes are ~~confined~~ confined; a penitentiary or a jail. The Penitentiary was established for punishment, and reform of criminals or wrongdoers.

Things have turned around today in this era because you have contraband, drugs, cellphones and gangs. Officers not doing right. What is wrong with the prison system. Why so much now? How can this generational curse be broken? How can the system get back on track? I been in this system 20 years almost. So I know this system has sunk.

First of all lets briefly discuss about the officers job description. When a officer enter these gates. It like they lock up with us. Yes they get to go home. But for 12 hours they are really locked away with us. When they enter in the prison. They have to be shocked down just like us. Some of their superior talk to them just like they talk to the inmates. Then they have to deal with all type of inmates. At my institution we have house severe mental health inmates. Imagine the officer who had to oversee these inmates. Fatigue and tired after they leave the institution.

I once was a security orderly. I use to think before I became that orderly. Heck all they do set in their. Kick it and just sitting around doing paperwork. I would found out something totally different. In this ~~office~~ building you had the Captain, Lt, Sgt, ~~and~~ Unit manager, Deputy warden of security and secretaries. Everyday it was something they had to deal with incident reports, take a inmate to lockdown for fighting, inmates stealing, inmate insubordinate to officer, inmate cutting on self.

inmate walk around with a black eyes girlfriend jumped on my
inmate refusing detail or to get up out of the bed to do detail in
the dorm, inmate jump on officer. When I say I would be
mentally tired when I come in from this detail. In they
would be mentally tired going home. I was so glad to
get off that detail because it was killing me emotionally.
I worked this detail for a year and month. I was so happy
to go back to regular sanitation I thought. Until my detail
officers would stick me working as ~~do~~ a orderly in locked
Unit (all the time). I never been to locked for anything
like getting into trouble. I have never had a DR (Disciplinary
Report). I try to ~~act~~ be example for my children even behind
these walls. I can't tell them to do something I am not doing.
So I was assigned to work as a orderly in the lockdown unit.
I guess you say what type of work you do there. We cleaned
cells as the inmates was release back on the prison or to go home.
~~we~~ also we clean showers, waxed floor, buff, mop, separate &
count laundry. When laundry is brought back. We placed by the
inmates doors. With the supervision of two officers that was
assigned to work lockdown. We help to give out the food trays
with the assistance of officers. Working lockdown is very emotionally
distressful for the officers and inmates (orderly). Cause whatever
the officer goes through, ~~except~~ for you're going to go through it as
a inmate (orderly). So what is average day like for working lockdown.
When I was working orderly. We had some special circumstance. There
was a death row female inmate. So thing was very over the top extra
tight. Everytime this inmate was moved to her appointment. We would
be put in a lockdown cell until she is taken complete. where she had to
go. When you first enter lockdown unit as a orderly. You are strip
search. Everything is coming off. Before you locked down unit you are
strip search nothing comes in. ~~Nothing~~ or goes out. Because of the
death row inmate. When we clean showers upstairs. We had to have
a guard with us. We was not allowed me when near her room.
alone. What is the atmosphere of locked? You have inmates in protect
custody. ~~when~~ they there for protection from someone who has jump
on them or they fear somebody might harm them. They house on the bottom
Range in segregation with a bunkmate. That maybe waiting to go ~~strip~~
~~Disciplinary~~ disciplinary report. court. I have never seen so many women
walking around with black eyes in my life. Then you have those who
cut or injure another inmate in isolation. Are they jump on the officer
they in isolation. When they ~~for~~ found guilty on their Disciplinary Report.
they are move to isolation. What is the difference between segregation

and isolation. Segregation is they receive store still isolation you allowed to have pencil, writing paper, envelope and stamps off the store. Only legal supplies. You are not allowed to buy food or personals. You have use the state soap, toothpaste basically everything they give you. Lockdown you get to bath Monday, Wednesday and Friday. If they have some offenders that are dangerous and violate the ~~Centers~~ to females Cents assist the officer in they showers and appoint because they have extra training for offenders like that. They are allowed yard 1hr a day. Anytime the officers are bring out of cell to one destination. The orderly has to go in a cell or ~~cell~~ janitorial closet. They have inspection in lockdown unit. Even though they in lockdown. Their rooms must be inspection ready. When the Warden and staff enter in they are to stand by their ~~attention~~ beds at attention. There is a flap on the upper window. That the warden opens in says Good morning, your alright. etc. See if they have any question? For her or staff. Let's talk about the behavior of the inmates housed in lockdown. They are very bad on the compound. Cursing the officer out and jumping on them or the next inmates. But when they get into lockdown. They crying wailing ~~and~~ Unit managers when am I getting out. Some of them get out a few hours, they are right back in lockdown a couple hours. Especially if they can't get where they love at. A lot of their lovers comes back their with them. There is a lot of yelling in lockdown. The officers are constantly them to quite down. When they can't get what they want from the warden, her staff. The cursing them out get more ~~insubordinate~~ insubordinate disciplinary report which is high charge. Some of them fight they inmates in segregation. Have to be moved to isolation. If one in lockdown still fighting. Then they try to get the orderly (us) to pass kites to ~~the~~ their friends and lover on the compound. We don't get involved. One day we was passing out trays. They have a bottom flap. That the officer open to slide they tray and drink in to them. One of the angry inmate threw the tray of food back out the flap along with the drink. ~~we~~ we got ~~for~~ some food on us. But thank God that heavy behind tray didn't hit us. Those trays are thick and could do some damage. Then you have the inmates that flood them to islets. When they angry. Water goes everywhere in orderly has to clean it up, ~~with~~ with a wet vamp. After so many days in lockdown. It began deal with the mental ~~cap~~ capacity down. So one day we had the orderly had went to our down after count had ~~be~~ clear like normal. We knew we had to do laundry so we come back a little bit early like 1:00pm. This particular day the phone rung down officer said. Your detail officer said come back to F-1 lockdown now. First thing I thinking oh lord somebody had flooded their cell. More work. The other orderly was coming out of her dorm. So we both was thinking the same thing. But when get to lockdown. The officer says go to room such and such. They gave us some bleach and gloves. When we entered that cell, you would think there was homicide committed. There was blood splatter on the walls, ~~the~~ bed, locker, ceiling and floor. When things like this happen. You only do what you told

by the officer. We remembered who was in that cell. This particular inmates is
a self mutilator. In the midst of us cleaning the cell up. Another inmate cuts their
wrist. We had to stop and go to a empty cell while ~~waited~~ everything was over,
so we had to clean that cell. That particular day was very emotional distress.
for the officers and the orderlies. I cried that night ~~at prison every~~ evening
and ~~my~~ majority of the night when I get back to my dorm. It bothered me that
someone would go the far to end their ^{truly} ~~life~~ ^{life} because she lived. My heart was
broken. Now imagine a officer who has to see this type of situation all the time
we are talking about over top situations today. When I was working in security
as a orderly. I was cleaning the bathroom when I had a voice say no you didn't
who told you to come in. The other orderly was in the closet getting ready to run
the water in the bucket to mop and buff. I heard something like somebody was
scuffling. I peep out the bathroom and I begin to walk so I can see if it was
all right cause I know she was in there by herself. There was a inmate in there
had her by the hair, beating and kicking her. They had brief going on in for split
shift. I bang on that door yelling somebody go help it. It was about 15 to 20
officers swarm to get this inmate. Security door normally locked but somebody
forgot to lock it. This particular inmate girlfriend had gotten shipped to another
prison. So she was willing to do what it take to get where she was. I wrote a
statement what I seen but I cried that night. Because that could have been my
family that work in the prison. That day when I left security I was emotional
~~distress~~ distress along with the staff. For me I don't understand of a inmate
want to go - they keep doing negative thing to get out of your institution let them
go be somebody else headache. Her and girlfriend ~~what~~ wasn't nothing but
trouble. Shortly after that I learned she was around the corner the whole
time waiting to get to the Lt. The ~~inmates~~ other inmates knew it. So why in
the same hall they didn't let no other authority know about it. I was mad.
you don't put people lives in jeopardy. I say about 2013 things begin to change
drastically because guards all over the United States would be put on what
we call a 12 hour shift. Which has been a disastrous judgment call. A lot
officers' left this job called correction because they had families they had to
take care of. Correctional officers' use to work 8 hour shifts that was
less stressful and they could enjoy their personal life and family. Now you
have officers' who had heart, develop ~~career~~ cancer and many other ~~illness~~
illness because they are stress out with this 12 hours because sometimes
they don't ~~have~~ have relief from their job. Sometimes they work up to 16 hrs.
Some officers' have almost lost their lives in car ~~crash~~ crash end up in ICU.
Some officers' has fall ~~and~~ asleep behind the wheel on the way home and
crash in a car wreck in died. The officers' do not get breaks because it's
not enough staff at the prisons. There are more inmates than staff. Sometimes
~~we~~ we get mail and some not because there not enough staff. You have
Deputy Warden having to come out their office to monitor walks and inmates

The 12 hour shift has put everybody in the Connecticut facilities doing double work, having to come in on their off day because they don't have enough workers. It's not that officers' underpay only causing them to bring cell phone, drugs and contraband. They don't have no accountability ~~partner~~ partner on each post it usually be ~~officers~~ two officers for some post, other post required two to three officers. Since the 12 hour shift there had been riots and more DR than when the officers was on 8 hr shift ^{am} 6 to 2 pm, 2 pm to 10 pm, ~~10 to~~ 10 pm to 2 am, split shift 7 am to 4 pm. There was less infraction with staff and inmates. Staff was fully equipped to do their job because they had the manpower. Now because they don't have the manpower and working long hours. A lot of things don't get done that suppose to be done and needs to be done. The staff is tired of the 12 hours wishing that somebody would change it back to 8 hours because it's too stressful. When the shift was 8 hours the inmates had so much activities ~~for~~ for recreation, gym and pavillion when they get to their dorm. All they wanted to do is take a shower and go to bed. The DR was down. One thing I learned in life when you don't have no where to release negative energy. You going to get bad behavior pattern. In this situation the officers, their family members ~~and~~ being robbed of having a productive life. That's not fair. Yes they chose this career but still that don't give anybody a license to take advantage of another human. This job is the most ~~str~~ strained job beside military. I am asking whoever change their job to 12 hrs could they ~~also~~ consider changing their hours back to 8 hrs. All over the United States (Department of Correction). Things are too over the top.

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