

Georgia Department of Correction
"Hopeless but Scared"

~~_____~~ I have been locked up almost 27 years. Our voices should be heard loud and clear behind the walls. We have to leave in this prison system. Guards and civilians workers goes home everyday. Often times we speak up - people becomes self righteous towards denying your parole because you speak the truth. I have never seen so many people in my life on this earth that will fight the truth with all cost. No matter what they dont gain from denying or lying about the truth. Which makes me wonder do you like what is going or is you part of the problem.

I have never seen so many people held accountable for telling the truth because you are an inmate. Inmates are not dumb they know when something is wrong with them etc. The scare of the ~~the~~ whole every situation in the Department of Correction. The law has been taught to stick together no matter if its a lie. So the inmates has gotten clever to schemes of ~~law~~ the law if the law is not right and dont care about us. Why should we care about them unless they beneficial to us. That the way the staff treats us, the inmates quote. This is how the word personal dealings enter the Georgia Department of Correction. That statement alone will break down any human being that cares for others.

Its true the law has been taught to stick together no matter if its a lie. I seen people Disciplinary report where lies been documented. I've seen people who also deserved Disciplinary report for their

Action. But what if both parties wrong the inmate and staff. I have seen inmates punished and nothing happened to that staff member. Then other times I've seen both parties punished. From 2013 until now the system in the Georgia Department of Correction has crashed under various leadership over a ~~long~~ period of time. Things only gets worst. Now this has taken the Georgia Department of Correction (system) into a humongous plunge from disciplinary problems to now Contraband Cellphones, drugs, weapons, suicides, extreme mental issues and personal dealing.

The truth of the matter staff don't get paid that much, the same for a inmates that are housed in facilities without pay working their butts off ~~on~~ doing free labor. Not everyone in prison don't know how to make things happen for them and their family or just themselves. Many of the inmates knew what a hustle was, even if they had to sell drugs or work hard on a job that paid. On the other hand many was just wing addicts on a job or jobless addict.

Due to the shortage of officer and officers that staff that would join their clubs. Everything came into effect ~~as~~ up above. I understand every inmate point of view as to why they do what they do, however, does it make it right absolutely no. I understand every staff member that chooses the road of personal dealing. Does it makes it right absolutely no. Everyone trying to put the shortage of staff on Covid. There was a shortage before Covid. In the early 2000's there was a huge budget cut. Where we couldn't use as much water. and they let a whole shift of General population Counselor and officers go. They had 4 shifts

that the Correctional officers worked. Due to the Budget cut. The Department of Correction downsized employees. I have been in the system a long time I pay attention. That is what suppose to happen, we the inmates has to live here. Times has gotten hard for inmates and their families. The Department of Correction does not feed us enough in here. Many people are on meds that increase their ~~app~~ appetites. They get up eating throughout the night. For example, my bunkmate are on strong mental health drugs. Her meds causes her to go to bed sometimes at 4pm. All throughout the night she gets up hungry. Even if the prison gave her PM snacks, which constant tub sandwiches and a fruit it wouldn't be enough. We have staff ~~do~~ that don't want no inmates to bring food out of the dining hall. A lot of the inmates don't get store like that because when they go ~~through~~ ~~the~~ through Diagnostic Women they are putting visitation in to get approved for financial and visitation. Only to get to General Population in prison. This person on mental health drugs they are constantly hungry. What do you think is going to happen. They either going to personal deal, run drugs or try to get a family member to put money on somebody else books, which somebody in the Department of Correction or else I pay has blocked inmates from using another inmates information to get money on 1-800-number. We keep hearing it was because of scams. Nobody wants to take up our spending limit on the store which is \$80.00 Nobody want to help the helpless inmates that where many of the inmates was on mental health on the streets or either court ordered. If our price goes up on our store it should be automatic

Increase of \$20.00 on store. It's not fair that inmates in Georgia is not paid. But we are expected to get out in pay fines or restitution. They paid the person Industry ~~the~~ a couple of times that was it. When you want people to do better. you have to give them the tools to want to do better. Not ~~the~~ constantly take things from them because someone feel their behavior is 100% right. Nobody can't never get perfect. It's almost as if inmates had to be very perfect before they are reward a release when we living in a imperfect system.

I called the walls a city within a city. Because behind the walls is drugs selling and using. People has become hopeless and scared all at the same time. I want to use Hart who killed the kitchen worker at Smith State Prison. He was in for voluntary manslaughter he didn't have a date until 2043. The kitchen worker probably gave him a little hope. At least she thought of him in a special way. Hart was working in the kitchen, emptying slop buckets etc. I worked in the prison kitchen it's not a easy job. Hart being in prison probably already mixing with him as a man and the sentence he had. Both parties felt they needed each other. Personal dealing is wrong. Nobody deserve to die the way both parties died. The ~~prob~~ problem here is sin. Prisons was at its best when they allowed church behind the walls. People lives where changing. They was given hope as people would come in minister to them that sat in the same place they are now. If the Department of Correction wants the system to be better we need church back behind the walls. Situations like this would never happen if we had church behind the walls.

Desperate people goes through desperate measure to get things. Getting drones, drugs, cell phone what ever they can get their ~~hands~~ on hands on to make money. Am I saying absolutely not but their has gotten be a change that makes a major impact on the lives of the inmates and employees in Georgia Department of Correction. I truly want to say its not the gangs only a problem. Its people who Department of Correction would never ~~be~~ suspect selling drug ~~and~~ to people that was addicts already on the street. and some people have become hopeless so now they are ~~entangled~~ entangled in drugs. Their are many drugs behind the walls meth, xanax, K-2, marijuana fentanyl molly, cocaine, etc. cigarette's etc. Seeing people mood swings change less than a second is scary. when drug and money is involve their is going ~~to~~ to be violence. Where their is alcohol - But their is going to be violence. Its the same way on the streets. A criminal will find a way to get what they want no matter ~~what~~ want even through a ~~drone~~ drone if many you was incarcerated no telling what the people in society would do. As you can see many of society people have flown contraband into the prison through a drone. So don't judge. Help!

Why I am on that as a inmate I am not to be punished for posting material on the internet with the help of others outside of prison. If the Georgia Department of Correction, Governor Kemp etc. Deny what I am saying they want the system to stay just like it is. We don't have no pen back if someone overdose. One girl overdose on fentanyl. The estate of drugs are serious in the Department of Correction. I don't take it lightly as you see people up for days that on meth. The K-2 is being applied to any

piece of paper to sell. It's applied to a tampon paper. They lace it with marijuana, K-2, bath salt, cigarette or a tea bag - tea from the inside dry it out in smoke it. They pop sockets or use the blow dryer to light what they call a joint. Reaction from all this stuff is rolling around the floor, passing out, running for no reason, stuck in postures for several minutes. We've seen people foaming from the mouth, eyes rolling in the back of their heads, masturbating in front of people because whatever they are on is causing their sex drive to rise.

I mostly stay in my cell because it is scary. One night I was on the phone with my family. This girl was so high her eyes begin to roll in the back of her head and she was throwing up blood and food. She was yelling Jesus help me. I was so scared I got off the phone and ran to my room praying.

To make a long story short if the inmates are not smoking they are chewing K-2. Wheelchairs and all. Just about every prison in the State of Georgia majority of the inmates are using some type of drug. Because everything has been taking from us because of lack of staff, people are hopeless behind the walls. One inmate said to me today. One of the main things I look for has been taking from me. I said what is ma'am she said ~~church~~ church. She looks forward to going to church, bible study and choir. I said I am along with you, ma'am. Understand.

Never the less, the only way things can change in the Department of Correction is re-vamping the way they do things. I feel that because of the bad ~~reputation~~ reputation they have ~~develop~~ develop because of the

things ~~have~~ happened as result of shortage of staff. Many business, organization and non-profit has faced the same obstacles because of shortage of staff. They end up having to down staff or businesses. As a result many of these places end up closing down completely, which that will never happen for the prison because people remains coming back ~~for that reason~~. To answer many people questions why didn't they keep a convicted felon, like Greer who has been convicted 19 times. Or you cannot force time on nobody that the judge didn't give or you cannot over sentence.

People like Greer who hijack that bus in Atlanta and killed one passenger probably was high. Due to the way the system is. He probably was a product of the atmosphere that is in prison right now. Greer needed help but he didn't get it. Staying high is not helping no inmate at all. Just say all the drugs are taken up right. What will the inmates have to look forward to? They going to be left into a spiral of depression.

Conclusion

I feel that all writing paper should be taken up. As well hair dryer and place on the wall like they use to be. Secondly, I believe we should all be allowed some type of social media and be able to face time who we want to, but monitored. We should be able to have a job online and get paid. If we violate any rules, we can be penalized and charged with a new crime. I feel that the Department of Correction should hire mental health counselor and Peer counselor each dorm that is post certified as well to be able to reverse the dorms and

Shake-down. Dorms that are violent. I believe they should create special opposition like a unit to be in those dorms with mental health counselor and Peer counselor. A lot of the issue every inmate is having is result of mental health issue. ~~that that they should do by the~~ These staff members are to work in the daytime. I think the ~~language~~ language should be change on the hiring staff of Correction. Should be change to Security staff at nights and weekends. I believe if the Department of Correction try this way things will change for as the system.

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