

Message from the Executive Director



This month, CIC staff facilitated a Ward 7 council forum at DC jail on May 21, 2024. All Ward 7 candidates were invited to present their platforms and answer questions from DC jail residents. The CIC thanks the DOC and all Ward 7 candidates for their participation.

From May 28-30, 2024, the CIC observed in-person voting at the Department of Corrections (DOC). This marks the second year the CIC has partnered with the Board or Elections (BOE) to ensure all incarcerated DC residents may exercise their right to vote. The CIC will publish a joint report with the BOE providing an overview and assessment on this process.

On May 29th, CIC staff inspected the Volunteers of America (VOA) halfway house in Baltimore, Maryland. The VOA currently houses the largest number of DC Code offenders returning from Bureau of Prison (BOP) custody and will continue to do so until the new halfway house is operational in DC. A report on this inspection is forthcoming.

This month, the CIC and BOP conducted our Quarterly Meeting, during which information and updates were shared between agencies. Important topics covered included the application of First Step Act time credits to applicable DC Code offenses and a follow-up on the discretionary policies implemented at Federal Correctional Complex Florence that the CIC identified earlier this year.

Finally, the CIC will present our film "IRAA: Creating Hope" on August 8, 2024 at MLK Library. The showing is open to all. Additional information on the showing will be posted to the CIC website and social media pages. The CIC would like to thank you all IRAA participants, DC governmental partners, CIC staff, and editor Emma Hidem for their work on this project.

-Donald Isaac



Below are recently published reports from the CIC, including BOP and DOC inspection reports, and CIC Info Sheets.

BOP Reports

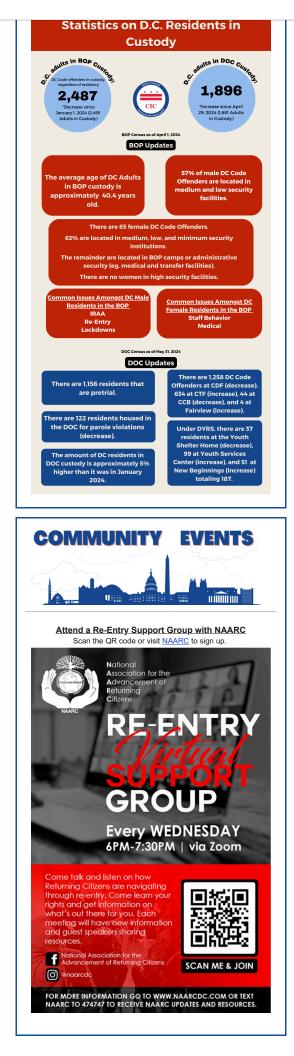
ECI Coleman Low & Medium USP Coleman II ECI Florence Volunteers of America (VOA) USP Hazelton ECI Hazelton SFF Hazelton USP McCreaty USP Pollock

DOC Reports

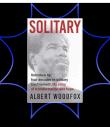
CDF, CTF, & CCB Quarterly Inspection: December 2023 CTF Women's Facilities - May 2023 CTF and CDF Quarterly Inspection: April 2023 CCB Quarterly Inspection: April 2023

Additional Resources

CIC Annual Report. DOC Annual Report 2023 BOP Administrative Remedies Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 DOC Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 BOP Medical Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 BOP Programming Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 BOP Programming Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 BOP Resentry Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 BOP Sentencing Calculation Follow-Up Recommendations Report 2023 Contact Information for Fairview Facility CIC Info Sheets



What We're Reading



Solitary: Unbroken by Four Decades in Solitary Confinement. My Story of Transformation and Hope

by Albert Woodfox

<u>Solitary</u> is the unforgettable life story of a man who served more than four decades in solitary confinement — in a 6-foot by 9-foot cell, 23 hours a day, in notorious Angola prison in Louisiana — all for a crime he did not commit. That Albert Woodfox survived was, in itself, a feat of extraordinary endurance against the violence and deprivation he faced daily. That he was able to emerge whole from his odyssey within America's prison and judicial systems is a triumph of the human spirit, and makes his book a clarion call to reform the inhumanity of solitary confinement in the U.S. and around the world.



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