FS Midwinter Newsflash

Hello Fair Shake readers ~

A few things came across my desk recently that might be of interest to you if you are returning to CA, serving time for a sex offense, or hoping for a reentry resource hotline that offers resources and coaching.

If none of these interest you, please disregard this newsflash.

For those of you still with me, here we go:

I watched a webinar recently created and presented by a very odd group of organizations: Amity Foundation, Center for Employment Opportunities, the CA Dept. of Corr. and Rehab (CDCR), the Anti-Recidivism Coalition and the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative (that's right...private philanthropy is driving this ship).

In the video they said that everyone who is returning to any location in CA can reach out to these groups for support (and no matter where you are going, THEY will coordinate to assist you).

Amity Foundation 3745 S Grand Ave Los Angeles, CA 90007 213-741-2276 www.amityfdn.org

Help pay rent for up to a year! Clothes! Employment! Open to Everyone! Amity will help you WHEREVER you are going in the state!

CENTER FOR EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (CEO Works)

They offer stimulation \$\$\$ to get a jumpstart and also employment information ceoworks.org They are available in 30 cities across the country. (and the list is growing constantly) To find out more about where else they are located, please write to the HQ:

CEO

50 Broadway, 18th Floor New York, NY 10004 212.422.4430 info@ceoworks.org I don't know if this email addy will accept corrlinks requests: If they do, will you please let me know? Thanks!!

Los Angeles - CEO 1320 East 7th St, Suite 260 Los Angeles, CA 90021 (323) 357-6305

San Diego - CEO 303 A St Suite 100 San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 684-4810.

Oakland - CEO 464 7th St Oakland, CA 94607 (510) 251-2240.

Sacramento - CEO 713 9th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (916) 794-4526. San Bernardino - CEO 1630 South E Street, Suite A San Bernardino, CA 92408 (909) 380-8822

San Jose - CEO 521 Parrott St. San Jose, CA 95112 (408) 684-8731

Marin - CEO 3100 Kerner Blvd, Suite C1 San Rafael, CA 94901 (415) 878-1530.

Solano - CEO 1411 Oliver Road, Suite 120. Fairfield, CA 94534 (707) 515-0468.

Fresno - CEO 2600 Ventura St. Suite 202 Fresno, CA 93721 559-777-7116

Riverside - CEO 1159 Iowa Ave, Suite C Riverside, CA 92507 It's new, so call the LA # for now: (323) 357-6305

ANTI-RECIDIVISM COALITION Will make sure you have a ride from any prison in CA to wherever you are releasing to!

They offer many programs including a peer mentorship program.

Write or call: Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC) Los Angeles Office 1320 East 7th St, Suite 260 Los Angeles, CA 90021 (213) 955-5885

ONCE FALLEN CORRLINKS NEWSLETTER! Once Fallen's Informational CorrLinks Newsletter (The ICoN)

Inside the ICoN

The ICoN's mission is to keep incarcerated "sex offenders" informed of important news and other information related to treatment and about the laws the may face upon reentry into society. These are the kinds of articles you'll find in the newsletter:

· Inmate Sound-off: Inmate-submitted letters and thoughts

- · Legal Round-up: Brief summaries of important legal decisions impacting sex offenders
- Q&A: Inmate questions answered
- · Activist Central: News from sex offender legal reform activism
- Treatment News: News related to treatment
- · Treatment & Activist Contacts: Contact info for treatment and activism organizations

Once Fallen will answer inmate inquiries and offer some information whenever possible. Once Fallen DOES NOT provide attorney services for appeals/ lawyer referrals/ legal aid/ sentencing issues or people finder/ penpal/ mail forwarding functions.

HOW TO Receive the ICoN:

Email me directly at iamthefallen1@yahoo.com in order to automatically receive the newsletter. I do not offer backissues.

RESOURCES REMINDER:

MISSISSIPPI LIBRARY COMMISSION

I've heard from newsletter readers that the Mississippi Library Commission "provides a free email service to inmates through Corrlinks that allows inmates to ask questions and have a librarian look up and provide a sourced and reliable answer to the best of their ability. I really LOVE the service they provide and it has been IMMENSELY helpful to myself and other inmates."

Another person said: "We ask questions, they send answers - usually within a day or two, or longer if they need to do some research. It is essentially Google for inmates, and it's free! If stuff doesn't fit into an email, they will mail you the information, up to 15 pages, free! They are VERY good..."

You can reach them here: MLCReference@gmail.com

POSITIVE TRANSITIONING: CALL FOR RESOURCES - 24/7 Resources and Listening Line 614-573-0464 Resources in Employment, Housing, Education, Coaching/Mentoring and Legal Assistance. (they did not offer an email address) www.positivetransitioning.org

Aunt Bertha ONLINE DATABASE: All kinds of resources! www.auntbertha.com

2-1-1 - CALL 211 to talk with someone or find your resources at www.211.org

A FEW QUOTES FOR YOU TO PONDER ALONE OR WITH OTHERS:

"It is difficult to get a man to understand something when his salary depends on his not understanding it." - Upton Sinclair

"Attention is a limited resource, so pay attention to where you pay attention." - Howard Rheingold

Do not wait, the time will never be just right. Start where you stand, and work with whatever tools you may have at your command. Better tools will be found as you go a long." - Napolean Hill

There are only two days in the year that nothing can be done. One is called yesterday and the other is called tomorrow, so today is the right day to love, believe, do and mostly live. - Dalai Lama

We become the stories we tell ourselves. - Tom Asacker

"Nothing is more desirable than to be released from an affliction, but nothing is more frightening than to be divested of a crutch." - James Baldwin

It is often an assumption that because we are sitting in the same room, we are sitting in the same reality. - Orland Bishop

As always, I am just a messenger. I share information I hear and find. Only you can truly evaluate these resources! I hope you will share your experiences so I can either promote them...or delete them from the FS Resource Directory! We have to make reentry successful together. Ubuntu!

I'm wishing you all the best!

We're on the last day (hopefully) of the deep freeze here in WI. I'm ready to get outside for more than 10 min at a time \sim :)

Ubuntu! ~ sue

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