

TO TIS , Revoked and soon to be released prisoners

And all others interested in participating

We need data on what you are given in the way of treatment, training in preparation for release as we only have anecdotal evidence right now. Please consider filling out this form as it will have many uses. FFUP is creating this form and sending it to other activist groups for tweaking so that we can all benefit from our new knowledge. If enough of you fill this out , we will have a powerful tool to use for real change. Please be honest and include data you consider favorable as well as unfavorable. We ask you to help if you can and add information you think we missed. Return the forms to: FFUP/ c/o peg Swan; 29631 Wild Rose Drive, Blue River, WI 53518. And thanks much to all who help.

Questions-

1) personal data:

name/ number/ prison /age and birth year / Demetrius Robertson #552375 Green Bay Corr. Inst. 24/199

what city/county did you reside before incarceration? Milwaukee Wisconsin

release date/length of time in prison/ 11-17-24 / 16 years to serve, 9 down, 7 left

crime convicted of/Date of crime for which you were convicted: are you TIS or OL? TIS, July - Nov 2008

guilty as charged(yes) (no)/length of sentence given ~~18 in 12 out~~ 18 in 12 out

Did you have a private lawyer? Public defender? Public defender

Add items you think are important but be factual focused and short.

For the rest of the questions, read the questions through and use that to answer. Take more paper if you need- just write the number on the new sheet of the question you are answering

2) support from outside:

Do you have family or friends in touch with you- do they visit/write/ help with funds/what difference does that make in your time in prison/ what could the prison do to make connections with family and friends easier?

Yes I have full outside support. Being loved, supported, and forgiven by my loved ones made it possible for me to love, support, and forgive myself and others.

3) Support growing up. There is talk these days that over incarceration cause crime? Do you agree? Did you have a father at home while growing up? Was your father incarcerated? Was any other member of your family incarcerated? Does yes or no to that question make a difference in your prison experience? Who were your role models as you grew up? How about gangs?

Positive and negatives about gang support in your life Clarify "over incarceration"

My father was in prison my entire childhood. It does make a difference in my prison experience. My uncle and T.V. characters were my role models.

I never got any "positive" support from a gang, only a sense of acceptance

5) support on the inside: were there people within the system , either staff or prisoners who helped you sustain yourself- or grow?

There were volunteers and inmates that participated in "Self Help" group. That group was very impactful for me.

4) Treatment received while incarcerated- are you mentally ill? If so , what is your diagnosis? Has your diagnosis been changed? What treatment have you received. State the name and years you received it and whether it was paper work , in person sessions with a therapist or groups sessions. Describe a session briefly and explain if it helped. Did the treatment help? add what you think is important. Be specific whenever you can.

5) For the mentally ill. How was treatment you received before incarceration? Did you have access to a mental health clinic or therapists. Describe help you were given and by whom. Was there anyone in your family who helped you cope or a friend? Was poverty a factor in your illness?

5) Training received while in prison : same thing as above- we want to know what you received, when, whether it was effective. IS there anything you can use once you get out?

Yes, HSED classes. Also, I received college credits for, Trades Math, Business Communication, Computer Literacy, and currently working of Business Math

5b).more on training and treatment: Did you receive your GED and how was that- are you a competent reader and writer? Are there any skills you learned that can be used once you are out? If you are an old law prisoner when you received this training is especially important, what training or treatment have you received since TIS was enacted? Was there treatment or treatment you asked for that you did not receive? Why?

yes. 1st question only.