CORRECTIONS CORRESPONDENCE

A.A. Members on the Outside Write Letters to A.A. Members on the Inside.

Do 12th Step Work by writing letters to people who are incarcerated and want the A.A. message.



How it Works:

You get mailed the contact information of an inmate of the same gender from another part of the country. You then perform 12th Step Work by writing a page or two of your experience, strength, and hope and correspond back and forth with the inmate through the mail. It is your choice whether you'd like to use your home mailing address or use a P.O. Box of your choosing in order to correspond with the inmate. The General Service Office will not give the inmate your contact information. Once the General Service Office sends you the mailing address of an inmate, it will be up to you to write them a letter and give them an address where they can write back to you.

Why:

There is usually a long waiting lists of inmates who have written to the General Service Office who are waiting to receive a letter from an A.A. members. There is especially a need for male volunteers.

Suggested Requirements:

One year or more of sobriety and a working knowledge of the 12 Steps.

It is also suggested that you only participate in this service if you are serious about it and will follow through.

How to Get Started:

E-mail corrections@aa.org with your contact information. Be sure to include your full name, gender, mailing address, telephone number, and how many inmates that you would like to correspond with. It suggested that you begin with one.