

LETTER WRITING

PREP provides letters of support for Lifer men and women who will appear before the Board of Parole Hearing (BPH). The offer of transitional housing and references for employment are essential for a lifer to get a release date.

Letters are also written for Three Strikers who, because of the passage of PROP 36, have the opportunity for re-sentencing.

PRISON VISITING

One of the important services **PREP** offers is prison visits to many facilities in California. Visits provide a connection to the inmates: who write to us; who is in one of the correspondence programs; who will enter the Martin House; or who needs the human face of compassion and healing.



"I want to start by thanking you for the blessings you provide to us all inside these prison walls and out there I society. I pray for you all and all your organization. You all have changed my life's perspective. I feel comfortable, opening up with you and letting my true self speak." Gladimir-ASP

MENTORING

PREP seeks mentors to journey with men or women inmates and/or when a parolee is transitioning back into the community. Being a mentor is a rewarding experience: and "giver and the given" are equal and shared.

REFERENCES

References are provided for housing (transitional, sober living, recovery), for clothing, counseling, employment, transportation, and other needed referrals.

ART SHOW

Faith and Hope Beyond Prison Walls

A benefit art fair showcasing the Art of incarcerated is displayed annually at Homeboy Industries, Los Angeles.

This event helps raise awareness about the program services we provide, and helps keep out ministry alive and growing through the support of our friends and patrons.

PREP remains grateful to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Los Angeles, and to the Archdiocesan Catholic Center for their faithful support both in finances and assistance. We thank you.



NO ACT OF CHARITY IS FOREIGN TO THE SOCIETY

OASIS

OASIS is a monthly newsletter sent out to prisons. The primary purpose of OASIS is to assure inmates that **PREP** is here to educate, give updates, support and encouragement. The articles are submitted by inmates. We are here for you.

DONATIONS

PREP is deeply grateful for the support and financial assistance from friends, inmates prison facilities and donors. Please send your gift to :

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PREP: Our needs include funding for:

- Client Education
- Prison visits
- Client Needs
- Stipends for Volunteers
- Postage
- Transportation

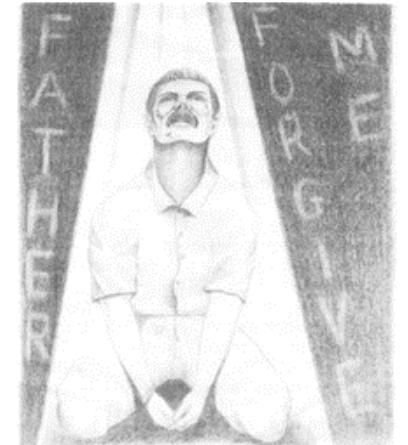


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The Partnership for Re-Entry Program (PREP) is a Restorative Justice Ministry of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

PREP seeks ways of improving the successful re-integration of parolees back into the community by providing inmates with pre-release self-help modular correspondence courses.



The ultimate goals of the **PREP** Program are to transform the individual to become productive members of society by reducing the populations of our jails and prisons which lessens the financial burden on taxpayers and makes our community safer and stronger.

Correspondence Courses

The Correspondence Courses currently offered by **PREP** are: **TURNING POINT, PARENTING, ANGER MANAGEMENT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, GANG AWARENESS & RECOVERY and VICTIM AWARENESS.** These courses are designed to give inmates tools to change their attitudes, thought patterns and their lives, making them both better human beings and productive members of the community upon release.

All of these correspondence courses focus on:

- Why I came to prison?
- How am I spending my prison time?
- What behaviors am I changing for my release back in the community?

Inmates learn proper ways to deal with peers, work supervisors, and life's daily stresses.

TURNING POINT is divided into Part I and Part II:
Part I, 8 Modules of 5 lessons each (40 lessons)
Part II, 8 Modules of 5 lessons each (40 lessons)

PARENTING is divided into Parts I, II and III: Each Part has 8 lessons, for a total of 24 lessons.

ANGER MANAGEMENT consists of 13 lessons.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE consists of 14 lessons.

GANG AWARENESS & RECOVERY consists of 15 lessons.

VICTIM AWARENESS consists of 15 lessons.

Upon completion of each of the **TURNING POINT** modules (Part I or Part II), and each/any of the other courses, the participant is issued a certificate of achievement.

TURNING POINT

TURNING POINT teaches life skills by providing the tools for inmates to find the reasons for their criminal behavior and correct this behavior.

PARENTING

PARENTING focuses on skills to improve family relations and health child development through self-examination.

ANGER MANAGEMENT

ANGER MANAGEMENT encourages some deep down soul-searching, recognizing triggers, and coping skills to understand that stressors will continue to exist and can be addressed in an effective non-violent manner.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE addresses the need to improve communication skills at home, social behavior in the work place and within the community.

GANG AWARENESS & RECOVERY

GANG AWARENESS & RECOVERY addresses the options available to those with the courage and determination to leave the lifestyle and move into the mainstream of society.

VICTIM AWARENESS

VICTIM AWARENESS focuses on you and your victim; it puts you into the shoes of your victim to better understand the impact and magnitude of your crime.

In-Prison Course

INSIGHT

INSIGHT, is an in-prison group program that prepares a lifer for his/her Board of Parole Hearing (BPH). Insight reflects on attitude, transcripts, psych reports, reflection of self, the commitment offense, forgiveness and remorse and transformation. Insight takes several sessions of group sharing, plus written work. Insight is a lifelong process. This program is also valuable to non-lifers who want to examine trauma and how it effect their present lifestyle.

PREP Staff & Volunteers hard at work!!



Alfredo



Thurston



Paul



Eric



Dale



Souriyo



Nora

Transitional Housing

THE MARTIN HOME



The Martin Home provides a living faith-based environment coupled with spiritual and practical guidance. The Martin Home is dedicated to supporting the committed efforts of those individuals who are transitioning from prison to the community in order to build a strong foundation for a new, positive, citizen with a chance at a productive future.

The services provided by The Martin Home include: Case Management, Education, Social Skills, Employment, Life Skills Classes (Transition goals, Money Management, Resume Writing, Utilizing Community Resources, and Computer Skills) the communication/learning skills needed to support transition back into the community.

The Martin Home requires both an acceptance and a monthly fee, which are both reasonable and negotiable. And, conversation regarding fees, rules, daily success and challenges are encouraged to aid in the continued peaceful environment.

For more information and housing contact:

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