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California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), Division of Rehabilitative Programs (DRP)
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Parolees + DAPO Staff + BCBC Staff = 1 Happy Garden!

Mesa Vista School in Oroville has a new garden, thanks to the hard work of the Butte County [Community Based Coalition](#) (BCBC) parolees, staff and DAPO's Sierra District staff. Volunteers rehabilitated the greenhouse and flower beds during this special-needs K-8 school's spring break. Garden beds are ready for planting, and the 'seeds for success' have already been sewn!



CDCR contracts with Butte County Office of Education to provide co-located parolee reintegration services in the Butte County Sheriff complex in Oroville. This project's success spurred the group to plan future projects with the school.

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Sharing Success



Keith Wagoner, former inmate and Offender Mentor Certification Program graduate, and Director Tidwell

The Coalition of Alcohol and Drug Associations in California held its annual Public Policy Conference on April 29, 2014. Alcohol and drug treatment associations and professionals from throughout the state gathered to hear about progress being made to treat substance use disorder and mental health. Presentations were made by numerous agencies, including the Department of Health Care Services and County Alcohol and Drug Program Administrators of California; and several legislators, including the Honorable Jim Beall, Jr., Senate Committee Chair on Mental Health, and the Honorable Ed Hernandez, Senate Health Committee Chair.

DRP gave a well-received progress report on initiatives to help offenders leave prison with better tools to manage different life events, and the importance of providing a spectrum of services to meet their needs post-release. Director Tidwell shared DRP's emphasis to:

- Strengthen linkages between institutions, communities, and providers
- Ensure program availability
- Provide evidence-based curriculum
- Perform Program Accountability Reviews
- Maintain data collection
- Ensure sound outcomes

Former inmate Keith Wagoner shared his own path to success in the community, which started with his enrollment in, and graduation from, the [Offender Mentor Certification Program](#) at [California State Prison-Solano](#). He credited the program with instilling skills and values that helped him "turn his life around".

Today!

Motivational Interviewing Moves Toward Internal Sustainability

A group of dedicated Correctional Counselors from various institutions are participating in DRP's first internal sustainability training on [Motivational Interviewing](#) (MI-1). MI-1 provides correctional staff with tools to encourage open communication in all aspects of their lives and support DRP rehabilitative initiatives. The goal of this new training program is to develop CDCR staff who will train new correctional hires on MI-1 techniques.

The counselors, all of whom completed MI-1, underwent a detailed selection process. Upon being chosen to participate, they took the 3-day Trainer Development course offered by [California Corporate College](#) (CA CC). CA CC Master Trainers Ken Hurdle and Steve Luallin coached them in training, presentation and delivery of MI-1 for CDCR staff.

Counselors studying and practicing to become MI-1 Internal Trainers include:

CCC	Linda McAndrews, CCII
CCI	Denise Rhodes, CCI
HDSP	Chevi Amrein, CCII
HQ CDCR	Nicole Danbacher, CCII
ISP	Krystal Davis, CCII
RJD	Chantelle York, CCI
SCC	Rosland Ali, CCI

(Note: above shown left to right in photo below with CA CC's Ken Hurdle, Rhiannon Surrenda and Steve Luallin)

MCSP	Riann Giovacchini, CCII
NKSP	Isaac Garza, CCII
SOL	Eric Racklin, CCI



DRP salutes these counselors and institutions for their contributions and ongoing support of MI sustainability.

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The right inmate in the right program at the right time:

ARCAID Machine: Parolee Roadmap to Rehabilitation!

Academic Programs

Increase inmate reading levels to minimum 9th grade level and achieve a GED or high school diploma. Access to college courses also available

Career Technical Education

Prepares inmates for viable vocational career paths upon release by training to industry certification levels

Cognitive Behavioral Treatment

Provides evidence-based treatment for Substance Abuse, Anger Management, Family Relationships and Criminal Thinking

Offender Mentor Certification

Trains and certifies long-term inmates as interns by California Association of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselors (CAADAC) to assist as mentors in various substance abuse treatment programs

Pre-Employment Transition

Provides job readiness skills including job search, resume, interviewing, financial skills, access to career centers

California Identification Card

Assists in obtaining state-issued I.D. cards used to secure employment, housing, bank accounts, travel, and more

Reentry Hubs

Provide relevant training and services to eligible and interested inmates within 4 years of release

Step-Down Program

Provides alternatives to criminal gang lifestyle to reduce confinement in Security Housing Units (SHU)

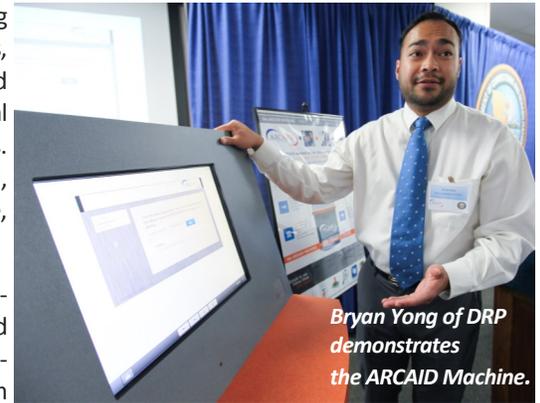
Long Term Offender Program

Provides evidenced-based treatment programming in criminogenic behavior to inmates serving long-term sentences

The Division of Rehabilitative Programs (DRP), Office of Enterprise Information Services (EIS) and Division of Adult Parole Operations are placing new computer kiosks in parole offices. The **Automated Rehabilitation Catalog and Information Discovery (ARCAID) Machine** can assist parolees in finding and locating a wide range of available community resources including substance abuse treatment, sober living environments, health services, employment assistance, child care, and necessary government services like DMV, Social Security and veteran-related administrative offices. Future versions will offer more information for medical, dental, mental health, family services, living assistance, and legal services.

Each machine is a robust, durable kiosk featuring a user-friendly touch-screen interface, a dedicated printer, and a network connection to CDCR's database of community resources. Parolees can select a nearby resource from the category of their choice, view maps and contact information for their selections, and print directions to help them on their way. The self-guided interface makes it easy for parolees to find resources. CDCR anticipates the ARCAID machines will increase utilization of rehabilitative programs while reducing parolees' dependence on staff for research and referrals.

The kiosks have been initially placed at 18 parole offices throughout the state. Offices include: Anaheim, Antelope Valley, Bakersfield, Chula Vista, El Monte, Fresno, Irvine, Los Angeles (Central), Oakland, Richmond, Riverside, Sacramento, Salinas, San Bernadino, San Francisco, San Jose, Santa Ana, Stockton and Van Nuys. These will be fully operational by August. Plans are underway to introduce the ARCAID Machine in adult institutions and more parole offices in the future.



Bryan Yong of DRP demonstrates the ARCAID Machine.

DRP's **Community Reentry Services** and **Performance Evaluation, Data and Fidelity** units collaborated with **Division of Adult Parole Operations'** EIS Parole Automation Unit to design and implement this online tool which will ultimately automate program scheduling, and usage tracking. Please contact arcaidmachine@cdcr.ca.gov.



Jerry Riggs, Unit Supv., Sacramento Metro 5 Parole Unit, shows parolee Jayson Proctor how to find and locate services using ARCAID.

"Parolee involvement in rehabilitative programs within the community is critical to reducing their recidivism rate. These new machines will be an additional resource for offenders to get and find the assistance they need."
Dan Stone, Director, DAPO

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DRP funds a growing network of focused evidence-based Community and Reentry Services throughout California to help offenders transform their lives and successfully reintegrate into society:

Computer Literacy Learning Centers (CLLC):

Certified teachers provide computer-based courses for basic reading, writing and math

Day Reporting Centers (DRC) and Community Based Coalition (CBC):

“One Stop Shops” address parolee’s needs through assessment and placement in classes and support services. Education, life skills, financial and employment training, substance abuse and counseling. Some transition housing available

Female Offender Treatment and Employment Program (FOTEP):

Gender-responsive residential treatment services for women and their children

Parolee Service Centers (PSC):

Residential programs provide group and family reunification, life, employment skills

Parolee Services Network (PSN):

Residential and Outpatient alcohol and drug treatment centers in 17 counties encourage clean and sober reintegration into society

Residential Multi-Service Centers (RSMC):

Housing, substance abuse treatment and independent living skills to help at-risk parolees transition back into the community

Substance Abuse Services Coordination Agencies (SASCA):

Community-based residential and outpatient sober-living treatment facilities in each region promote pro-social behavior that reduces potential for relapse or recidivism

Substance Abuse Treatment and Recovery Program (STAR):

Certified instructors provide substance abuse treatment education in select parole offices



College Degrees Conferred Upon Inmates

On June 4, 2014, 49 inmates at [Ironwood State Prison](#) will receive their Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree from Palo Verde Community College’s independent study program. Degrees are being earned in Arts & Humanities, Business Technology, Business Management, Math & Science, Social & Behavioral Studies, and Liberal Arts. 25% of these graduates are within one year of release. Certificates of Study will be awarded to 54 inmates.

On June 5, 2014, 9 inmates at [Chuckawalla Valley State Prison](#) will receive college degrees and 18 inmates will receive college certificate program completions. Associate degrees are being awarded in Business Management, Arts & Humanities, and Social & Behavioral Sciences. Several degrees will be cum laude, and one is magna cum laude. A Bachelor’s degree from Onesimus Bible Correspondence College will also be presented.

Other recent graduations throughout the state include:

🎓 [California Men’s Colony](#) recognized 9 inmates who earned Associate of Science degrees from Lassen and Coastline Community Colleges. 3 other inmates earned Certificates of Completion.

🎓 11 Inmates earned A.A. degrees at [California State Prison-San Quentin](#). One inmate earned his Bachelor of Arts degree through a long-distance educational program.

🎓 [California State Prison-Solano](#) awarded 12 A.A. degrees to inmates on May 7, 2014.

🎓 Seven (7) inmates at [California State Prison-Sacramento](#) were awarded A.A. degrees on May 2, 2014.

DRP congratulates these graduates, and salutes all institutional educators for their hard work!

Congratulations to Class of 2014:

Valley State Prison Graduates 183 Inmates



Chief Deputy Warden F. P. Field III presents a diploma to an inmate who earned both an A.A. in Business and an A.S. in Social Behavior Sciences.

On Wednesday, May 7, 2014, 183 inmates participated in a graduation ceremony that saw two inmates receive college degrees and 181 receive their General Education Degree (GED). The key note speaker was Valley State Prison (VSP) Adult School Principal Zack Patrick. Also on hand to congratulate the diploma recipients was F. P. Field III, VSP Chief Deputy Warden.

The overall message of the event was to take stock in your future and move in a new direction. Chief Deputy Warden Field stated, “It is encouraging to stand before a large group of men and to praise their success. For many of these inmates, this graduation is the first step in a journey to overcome their past and to better themselves for their future. I am very proud of our facility and the educational administration for their commitment to these inmate students”.

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Sierra Conservation Center (SCC) Recognizes 126 GED Recipients and 42 CTE Program Completions



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