## OVERVIEW OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS INMATE PROGRAMS

- 65% of inmates participate in work assignments or some form of education or training.
- Religious/Work Programs:
  - o Religious programs at each institution are coordinated by the chaplain.
  - Work assignments address operational needs at the institution, such as cooks, clerks, or machinery operators.
  - o Program of Regimental Discipline ("Boot Camp") offers educational/life skills training, and manual labor and physical training, in a military-like setting.
  - Conservation camps offer inmates an opportunity to fight fires under the supervision of the Nevada Division of Forestry.
  - Restitution Program allows inmates to work outside the prison and return to the Restitution Center to live, while paying room/board and restitution to their victims.
  - O Silver State Industries is a self-supporting industrial program that includes the Department's ranch and Prison Industries (making furniture, metal fabrication, mattresses, print production, auto restoration, upholstery, and others).
  - O Casa Grande (transitional housing facility in Las Vegas during the last 4-6 months of sentence) offers job coaches, life skills/counseling, and substance abuse programs to employed inmates who pay rent based on their ability to pay.
- Counseling programs ranging from 3 to 12 months include: Offenders Acting in Solidarity to Insure Sobriety (OASIS); Addiction Recovery and Commitment to Healing (ARCH); A New Chance Helping Offenders Recover (ANCHOR); and Addiction Prevention Education (APE).
- Institutions offer nearly three dozen classes, including ABCs of Parenting, Conflict Resolution, Domestic Violence, Gang Awareness/Aftercare, Inside/Outside Dads, Emotion Management, Relationship Skills, Seeking Safety, STOP Sex Offender Core Program (I-IV), Structured Living, and Victim Awareness/Empathy.
- Institutions may also offer groups such as Alcoholics or Narcotics Anonymous, Diversion Therapy, Relapse Prevention, Spiritual Wellness, and Vet to Vet.

## OVERVIEW OF NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

- The Nevada Department of Education provides secondary education opportunities through the school district in which the institution is located, including vocational training, General Education Diplomas (GEDs), high school diplomas (HSDs), Adult Basic Education, and English as a Second Language (ESL).
- In Fiscal Year (FY) 2009, the Legislature allocated \$7.3 million for an enrollment of 5,263 at a cost of \$1,394 per student.
- Since FY 2003, enrollment has increased 52% while awards of GEDS increased 38% and HSDs increased 45%.
- Postsecondary education programs are administered by accredited colleges and universities and funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Correctional Education (Grants to States for Workplace and Community Transition Training of Incarcerated Youth Offender Program).
- In School Year 2008-2009, Postsecondary Education Programs were allocated \$243,739 and enrolled 214 youthful offenders.
- Inmates who are not eligible for grants may pay tuition/textbook costs and enroll in postsecondary courses.
- In School Year 2008-2009, 84 inmates paid to enroll in college courses.

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