#PrisonersToo – Lifting Up the Needs & Voices of Incarcerated Survivors

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JDI’s Mission

Just Detention International is a health and human rights organization that seeks to end sexual abuse in all forms of detention.
JDI’s Mission

JDI carries out its mission by:

- Working with corrections officials, rape crisis advocates, and policymakers to make detention facilities safe
- Promoting public attitudes that value the dignity and safety of people in detention
- Supporting incarcerated survivors of sexual abuse and sexual harassment
JDI’s Core Principle

No matter what crime a person may have committed, rape is not part of the penalty.
Workshop Objectives

• Understand that facilities that adopt a trauma-informed approach can support incarcerated survivors in their healing

• Identify the ways that trauma-informed programming can be incorporated into existing victim services

• Provide compassionate messages that will help incarcerated survivors feel connected to the outside world and support their healing
Potentially Traumatic Events

**ABUSE**
- Emotional
- Sexual
- Physical
- Domestic Violence
- Witnessing Violence
- Bullying
- Cyberbullying
- Institutional

**CHRONIC STRESS**
- Medical Procedures
- Poverty
- Racism
- Community Trauma
- Historical Trauma
- Family with Substance Abuse

**LOSS**
- Death
- Abandonment
- Neglect
- Separation
- Natural Disaster
- Accidents
- Terrorism
- War
PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA ARE:

- 15x More Likely To Commit Suicide
- 2.5x More Likely To Smoke Tobacco
- 3x More Likely To Have Serious Job Problems
- 3x More Likely To Experience Depression
- 4x More Likely To Develop STD
- 4x More Likely To Inject Drugs
- 4x More Likely To Become An Alcoholic
- 3x More Likely To Use Antidepressant Medication
- 3x More Likely To Be Absent From Work

National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Summary of National Findings SAMHSA (2012)
Trauma-Informed Approach
Guiding Principles

- Safety
- Trustworthiness & Transparency
- Peer Support
- Collaboration & Mutuality
- Empowerment Voice & Choice
- Cultural, Historical & Gender Issues

https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/infographics/6_principles_trauma_info.htm
Blooming Within These Walls

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From #MeToo to #PrisonersToo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R4cOizEu3zk
Cultural Transformation
Kaleidoscope of Change
Durational Art
Your Turn – Art Workshop
“We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty.”

- Maya Angelou
QUESTIONS
Contact Us

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