



Utah Department of Corrections Volunteer Overview

Presentation to the Prison Relocation & Development Authority
August 29, 2013





“Whether the Draper-site prison is relocated or stays, volunteers matter.”

Rollin Cook, Executive Director – Utah Department of Corrections





Current Volunteer Duties at the Utah State Prison *Draper Site*

Religious Worship and Number of Volunteers

Baptist Services: 9

True Vine Baptists: 1

Calvary Chapel: 18

Disciples of Christ: 1

Siddha Yoga: 5

Non-Denominational: 24

LDS Worship Service: 166

Pagan: 1

Presbyterian: 1

Catholic Mass: 1

Protestant: 9

Islamic/Muslim: 5

Native American: 13

Tibetan Buddhism Meditation: 1



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Religious Education Classes and Number of Volunteers

Assembly of God: 39

Calvary Fellowship: 1

Catholic Bible Study: 8

Jehovah's Witnesses: 61

LDS Relief Society: 19

LDS Family Home Evening: 284

Baptist Bible Study: 3

Christian Ministry: 3

Gospel Doctrine: 7

LDS Institute: 51

Prison Fellowship: 5

Prison Smart Program: 3



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Community Service and Number of Volunteers

Alcoholics Anonymous: 33

Enrichment Night: 2

Family History Center: 197

Narcotics Anonymous: 20

Sex Alcoholics Anonymous: 13

LDS Addiction Recovery: 108

Crochet Program: 7

Transition: 12

NAMI: 1

Cultural Awareness: 3

Veterans Administration: 3



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Life Skill/Education Services and Number of Volunteers

Parenting: 13

Library: 1

Exercise: 9

Going Out/Going In (Self Esteem): 3

Your Parole Requires Extensive Preparation: 51

Education: 5

Music: 4

Intern Services and Number of Volunteers

Medical: 2

Treatment: 9



Religious Land Use and Institutional Persons Act (*RLUIPA*)

- Prohibits the Government from imposing a “substantial burden” on prisoners’ religious practices unless officials can show a compelling need for the restrictions.
- Even if a compelling governmental interest exists, any regulation that imposes a substantial burden on an inmate’s religious exercise must be the *least restrictive means* of furthering that interest.
- Challenges associated with *RLUIPA*
 - Availability of volunteers of a particular religion
 - Constraints in delivery of worship
 - Does religion allow recordings of services and delivery system for recordings?



Current Volunteer Locations

Utah County Volunteers – 161 Total

American Fork/Highland: 37

Eagle Mountain: 6

Lindon: 7

Saratoga Springs: 12

Cedar Hills: 4

Provo: 17

Spanish Fork: 2

Alpine: 14

Cedar Valley: 2

Lehi: 40

Orem: 14

Pleasant Grove: 2

Elk Ridge: 1

Springville: 3



Current Volunteer Locations

Salt Lake County Volunteers – 1,071 Total

Bluffdale/Riverton/Herriman: 121
South Jordan/West Jordan: 154
West Valley/Kearns/Taylorsville: 122
Murray/Holladay: 145
Midvale/Sandy: 238
Draper: 146
Salt Lake City: 145



Current Volunteer Locations

Davis/Weber County Volunteers – 39 Total

North Salt Lake: 6

Farmington/Centerville: 2

Layton/Syracuse: 11

Bountiful/Woods Cross: 9

Fruit Heights/Kaysville: 6

Ogden: 5

Summit/Wasatch County Volunteers – 14 Total

Coalville: 2

Oakley: 1

Heber City: 3

Park City: 2

Kamas: 3

Wanship: 1

Midway: 2



Current Volunteer Locations

Tooele County Volunteers – 7 Total

Grantsville: 4

Tooele/Stansbury Park: 3

Sanpete County Volunteers – 1 Total

Mount Pleasant: 1

San Juan County Volunteers – 1 Total

Blanding: 1



County Summary for Volunteer Locations

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San Juan County Volunteers – 1 Total

Sanpete County Volunteers – 1 Total

Summit/Wasatch County Volunteers – 14 Total

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TOTAL Count of Volunteers – 1,294



Current Space for Volunteers

- Three Non-Denominational Chapels: *Wasatch, Oquirrh, and Timpanogos*
- Eight classrooms and associated yards to accommodate diverse religious activities.
- All Seven Housing Units utilize multipurpose rooms, visiting areas, barrier visiting booths, associated yards, and non-scheduled therapy/education classrooms: *Wasatch, Oquirrh, Timpanogos, Promontory, Lone Peak, Olympus, and Uinta*



“Volunteers are a KEY resource and they, and our staff, are as important as water or power for prison operations.”

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Volunteer Presenters

- Pat Buniva ~ *Volunteer Coordinator, Catholic Diocese, Salt Lake City*
- Daniel Igomodu ~ *Non-Denominational Volunteer*
- Peter Asiamah ~ *Non-Denominational Volunteer*
- Paul Hewitt ~ *Prison Ministry Program Lead, Wasatch Presbyterian Church*
- Wayne Parker ~ *Regional Director, LDS Correctional Services*



Questions & Answers

