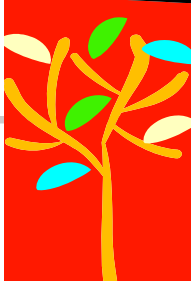


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THINK TANK EVENT

Introducing Legendary '19

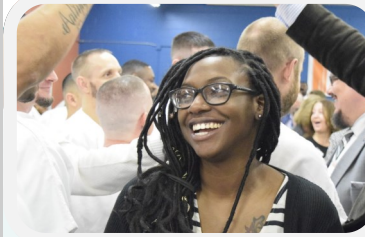
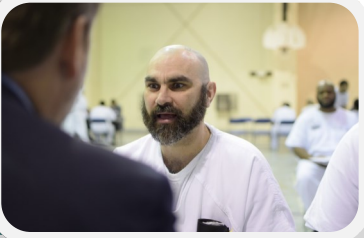
In March, Legendary '19 inaugurated their event schedule with their Think Tank event. This began with the customary tunnel of love. After the pray in CEO Brian Kelly was introduced and edified the room with some enlightening statements about who this group is, how far they have already come, and the heights to which they are headed. As it was the first time for many of the participants and executive volunteers to interact with each other, an icebreaker showed that we aren't all so different than we might have expected. This PEP tradition called "Walking the Line" helps to unify the group and remove any preconceived notions that might have lingered on either side of that blue line.

The group then moved to the gym to get down to brass tacks. Legendary had their first opportunity to shine as they presented their business plan ideas to the executive volunteers. The surprise and enthusiasm in the room was palpable as men and women in business suits were blown away by the brilliance of the men in white sitting in front of them. Executive volunteer Andrea W. said that this is one of her favorite events because she gets to hear about so many innovative ideas. Among her favorites was one participant's car seat app, envisioned to help protect children. Business relationships blossomed as connections were made. Several men recruited business plan advisors and future support was enlisted.

Once back in the PEP room, several members of the Legendary class had the occasion to explain how this program gives them a "Fresh Start Outlook" on life. David Kennemore credited PEP for giving him a chance at a new beginning in life. Robert Dozier said, "Please don't Google me, I'm not that guy anymore." Then Victor G. introduced Ismael K. to share a testimony that had the potential to reach all of those in the room.

Once we came to the pray-out we all shared our gratitude and farewells. It was an event that left everlasting memories for both the participants and attendants. There was joy and motivation that was brought forth from both sides. Most importantly the advice and experience that was shared set the pace for Legendary '19 to prepare for the long road ahead of them. Now we will look forward to the seed that was planted. To see the progress the next class will make and produce the fruits life requires of them.

- Terry Shipman, Journalist



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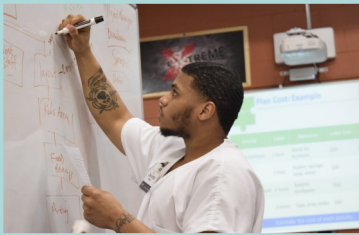
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PROJECT MANAGEMENT



Michele G. and Cindy V. build a house, while the returned to the Estes unit for Michele-Devonte team another session instructing planned a music festival for their Project Management the harmonious edification of Seminar. Both women are members of the Ft. Worth chapter of the Project Management Institute and consistent contributors and dedicated devotees of the Prison Entrepreneurship Program. This three day class teaches how to organize large projects, focusing on teamwork, delegation, and tools such as work breakdown systems.

Their efforts begin by splitting the class into halves, then electing project managers for each of the two teams. Next, Lengendary '19 chose Kanon Van Guilder to lead Cindy V.'s project team and Devonte Broadway to head up Michele G.'s squad. Projects for each group to plan were then chosen. The Cindy-Kanon group chose to

build a house, while the Michele-Devonte team planned a music festival for the harmonious edification of Austinites.

Cindy V. enjoys teaching the event to "each new class, seeing the lights go on with each new project charter." She knows that the techniques taught in the class will help these men with their business planning by showing them how to incorporate "risks, objectives, thought processes, organization, and discipline."

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