

PRISON ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM



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"Service is the rent we pay for the privilege of living on this earth."

-**N. Eldon Tanner**

Another issue of the PEP Chronicle keeps you up to date with the current Phase II class, Vision 2020, and tells you the truth like this saying we have in PEP: "The next class is the best class." So far Vision 2020 has been living up to that phrase. These Gentlemen are doing more than what the program requires and are at a higher grade percentage than what the past classes have shown. Most importantly, many have been rolling with the punches and have overlooked the challenges that come with phase II. Keep it up guys. In the long run you will look back and won't regret being part of a bigger vision than what you thought possible. Enjoy this issue and remember your most current PEP event. God bless.

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Vision '20 VCP Tunnel of Love



Jonathan Guerra giving his pitch



One on one with expert first time volunteer Jonathan L.



First time volunteer Korina S. sharing her thoughts on being a first time volunteer

The Power Of Change

If you are looking for imperfection, you will easily find it in PEP or the brothers you see working on their lives every day, but the best place to find it is in the mirror. Perfection is a noble goal but one which is ultimately unattainable on earth. It is not realistic to expect perfection in ourselves and unrealistic to demand perfection from others.

Change is something we can all take time and examine. Change is not something you can do for your children, spouse, friends, or family. It may workout for them in the long run, but ultimately it's about you. True change only comes when you have come to the place in your life were you hate the man you see in the mirror. Yes, you have to hate the man you see and hate everything about him. When you do only then can you become the man you were truly called and need to be. **Something to think about!**

Some of the volunteers said...

"The fact that you come here and you see the transformation first hand and you walk in that room and everyone is so excited to see you, you don't even feel like you are in prison."

-Jayson H.



"This country is full of potential, it was built by entrepreneurs...This country is full of opportunities."

-Jonathan L.

"Everyone has been incredibly welcoming and appreciative of me being here."

-Korina S.



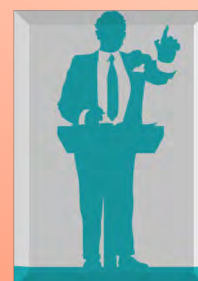
"Not only did I get more creative ideas, it was very clear that the graduates before them, the servant leaders are helping them out because they (Vision) really thought out the whole process."

-Kerri M.



"If you are not here for the long haul or that mountain top experience then you need to check yourself."

-Bryan Kelley



Event Collage



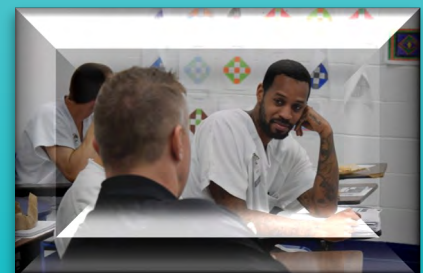
VISION 2020 - VCP -

Ideas, Inspiration and learning how to give a pitch



For this event our current Phase II class got a taste of knowing the pressure of introducing their business and giving a brief pitch of selling their concept. Six specific gentlemen stood out from the rest (see who on page 6). That is only a portion of what transpired at Vision 2020's Venture Capital Panel event, but in general everything went smoothly even though it occurred

during a unit lockdown. The class was introduced to several new volunteers and again to the ones who have been PEP partners for years. The event consisted of setting up eight panels to which the Phase II Vision 2020 class employed their recently acquired elevator pitch skills. Throughout the event there was mentoring and advice being shared back and forth between the executives and the participants. Several Vision brothers may have attracted potential investment opportunities, but all the participants garnered recognition and advice to further narrow the focus of their business plans in order to make them as viable as possible. Futures continue to be built here at the Estes unit through events like the VCP. Thank you to all who participated.





-VISION 2020'S VCP WINNERS-

Unexpected potential from the unexpected...



Jermaine Emebo
Get Right Get Tight Plumbing Co.



Jonathan McCarty
Empyrean Solutions



Alex Davis
BadFish Boat Rentals & Marina



Robbie Lee
Take Back Self-Storage Solutions



Mark Kadas
Fabulous Chocolate Fountains



Michael Jones II
La Vida Locum Staffing