US JIP Committee Report – February 2017

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NEWS

Inmate Requests:

<u>Midway Texas</u> – We had **2 inmate** requests from Midway, Texas this month. One new request and one was a second request from an inmate we heard from two months ago. The "repeat request" was not because he hadn't received our literature. ISO responded promptly to the original request. The tone of the second letter was quite different from the first. It is clear that the inmate, upon reading our literature, realized he DOES have a gambling problem and is reaching out for help. A *service opportunity* is open for any male member of our fellowship wishing to connect as a penpal.

Institutional Requests:

Arkansas State Prison - Volunteer Coordinator requested an SKR, which was sent by ISO.

Maine – A former chaplain of the Maine State Prison system requested information for an inmate he is working with.

Jacksonville FL Female – A most sincere letter was received by an inmate in Florida (Ocala) is seeking support and connection from the Jacksonville, FL area. She has served 7 years and anticipates another 17 months before release. Is fearful of future parole as she has not addressed her gambling issues and needs support in advance of parole. *Service Opportunity* for female GA member(s). ISO sent literature.

Only one literature request received and processed this month – Male Inmate- Midway, TX

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Male Pen Pal/Sponsor - TEXAS

An inmate in Allred (Iowa Park, TX) is seeking a sponsor who is willing to work the Steps with him via correspondence. (Carry over from last month. This opportunity is still open!)

Male Inmate in Midway/TEXAS – Penpal support needed (see above)

Female Inmate – FLORIDA

(See above) – Female in Ocala needs a penpal/sponsor from the Jacksonville area.

Meeting Assistance - PENNSYLVANIA

FCI McKean, Lewis Run, PA – Want help starting a meeting. (Carry over from January. This opportunity is still open!)

PLEASE CONTACT BEA A **TO VOLUNTEER** FOR ANY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES. CALL OR TEXT 702-812-1922. THANK YOU!