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THE DIRECTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

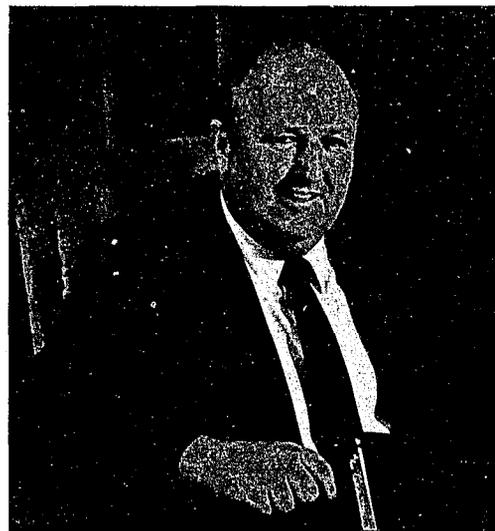
The guiding principle of the criminal justice system in the State of California is the preservation of public safety. The Department of Corrections (CDC) carries out its public safety responsibility primarily by controlling convicted offenders through institutional housing and parole supervision.

As a part of public protection and offender accountability, we believe that those removed from the community should spend their time being productive in work, educational, industrial and community programs to the extent public safety allows. While fulfilling its primary mission, the Department is committed to providing offenders with opportunities to take responsibility for and improve their lives. In this regard, inmates are provided an opportunity to learn job skills through work programs and academic or vocational education so they can increase their potential for a successful return to society.

The work performed by inmates and parolees benefits all Californians by directly reducing the costs of operating correctional facilities and by providing a wide variety of services to the local community. Inmates work inside the prison on projects which benefit the community; while outside the institution minimum security inmate work crews and parolees provide services in the community. In 1989 alone, the California Department of Corrections (CDC) provided in excess of \$50 million in community services statewide.

The following summarizes the services provided to California communities by CDC's institutions, conservation camps, and parole regions. I feel that this best demonstrates our commitment to being a good neighbor and community partner while giving the offender an opportunity to give something back to our communities.

JAMES ROWLAND
Director, CDC





INTRODUCTION

Inmates and parolees of the California Department of Corrections (CDC) are being utilized to provide significant support to federal, state, and local agencies, and to the community at large. Services range from fighting forest fires and clearing litter from public highways to cleaning high school band uniforms. During 1989, 6.5 million hours of community service was delivered by CDC inmates alone with a value to the community conservatively estimated to be in excess of \$50 million. Were it not for the inmate involvement in providing services and labor to these agencies and to the community, many needed tasks simply would not have been accomplished or would have been done only through an increase in taxes.

Inmates working on federal projects generally provide forest and range improvements for either the Bureau of Land Management or the U. S. Forest Service with other federal agencies receiving assistance upon request.

Services performed for state agencies includes work for the Departments of Forestry and Fire Protection, Transportation, Parks and Recreation, and Water Resources. Inmates provide fire fighting, control, and prevention; highway litter control; park and recreation area maintenance; forest, stream, and fishery conservation; and search-and-rescue services. Chairs and couches are reupholstered for state hospitals, colleges, and universities and business forms, letterheads, calendars, and brochures are printed for both state and local government agencies.

Services provided to cities and counties include road and drainage clearance, tree trimming, fairground preparation, restoration projects, mutual assistance, park maintenance, motor pool and other vocational shop services. Local agencies and school districts receive a wide range of services including weed abatement, dry cleaning of



school band uniforms, painting and landscaping local community buildings and facilities, and participation in selected inmate and parolee led group discussions for teenagers aimed at drug abuse and delinquency prevention. Mutual aid activities include providing personnel to assist with crowd and traffic control in emergencies, or assisting in searches for lost children and other missing persons.

In addition to performing many tasks which serve to reduce or avoid costs of operating public agencies, inmates work inside the prison on projects which benefit the community directly; such as crafting wooden toys and repairing bicycles for needy children



through the Toys for Tots program, recording audio-cassette tapes for the blind, and recycling eyeglasses for distribution by community organizations. Outside, minimum security work crews and parolees help with beautification of public buildings and parks to include installation of works of art such as murals, paintings, and mosaic entry ways through the Arts-in-Corrections program; cut firewood for distribution to designated low income seniors; and perform many other tasks which may be deferred or not done because money is lacking, such as clearing debris, picking up trash, and planting trees. They also build fish habitats, construct signs, maintain and repair school buses and fire trucks.

The following material presents a narrative and pictorial summary of the community services provided by inmates and parolees at each CDC institution, conservation camp, and parole region. This overview was compiled by the Office of Community Resources Development based upon narrative summary and pictures provided by each institution, camp, and parole region.

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

AVENAL STATE PRISON, AVENAL

Community services activities provided by Avenal State Prison (ASP) include community work crews, vocational printing services, Men's Advisory Committee fund raisers, and Drug Prevention seminars. The services that are provided to the various recipients in the community agencies such as federal, state, county and city agencies, plus local schools and special districts, contribute to the betterment of the local community and enhance the image of the Department of Corrections' relationship within the community.

The various services provide money saving benefits to special projects that may not have been completed without the use of inmate labor; they have provided beneficial information to the local community which has increased the knowledge of corrections relative to potential employment, allay fears the community may have, and also serve to present a positive image of the Department.

Avenal State Prison is involved in community projects, both in the community and behind the walls in the institution. In addition to the regular inmate community work crew, we have a female inmate Caltrans crew. The majority of the work done by the inmate work crews within the community is of a routine nature. In contrast, all of the community services projects done behind the walls are of a one-time nature.

A fifteen-inmate work crew provides services to the City of Avenal in the form of maintenance to little league ball park; general maintenance to Floyd Rice City Park; street and storm drain cleaning; landscaping, weeding, maintenance for water and sewage treatment plant. The Caltrans inmate work crew provides roadside clean-up and maintenance, cut and burn fire lines, and roadside weed abatement.

Community service projects inside the prison have been mostly provided through two of ASP's vocational education programs: graphic arts (printing) and carpentry.

Printing services have been provided for various city, county, and local agencies. A special brochure was printed for West Hills College Truck Driving Training program. Programs for the State conference and annual reports booklets were done for the Citizens' Advisory Committee. Currently under consideration, is a project for Hanford Centennial Book Committee.

ASP's carpentry program has provided the City of Avenal with highway directional signs made out of redwood; two drop boxes were built for the community book drive which in turn provided literary material for ASP's facility libraries; a house model built to scale is used for training city volunteer firemen; also built for fire fighter training are stretchers made out of wood for emergency medical transportation.

A second community betterment project was implemented in Fiscal Year 1989/90. The Youth/Adult Awareness Program (YAAP) is an effort in the fight against substance abuse. The members of the speakers bureau are both male and female prison inmates dedicated to taking their stories to both parents and youth of the local communities. The project was launched in October 1989 to coincide with ASP's involvement with "Red Ribbon Week". The program is currently offered to adult community groups and elementary, and secondary schools. Plans are being worked on to expand to the Kings County Juvenile Center Facility as part of an education program provided for first time juvenile offenders.



Avenal State Prison staff, the Men's Advisory Committee and the Centerforce staff joined forces in organizing and conducting a fund raiser to help abused children. The funds were raised through a can collection drive during June and July of 1989. The five hundred dollars raised, went to Comprehensive Youth Services, a non-profit community organization committed to helping both the parents of abused children and victims of child abuse. The agency's purpose is to provide extensive services in the areas of family counselling and group shelters for children who are removed from their home.

CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL CENTER, SUSANVILLE

The major program mission of California Correctional Center (CCC) is to train inmates as forest fire fighters for the 17 Northern Conservation Camps jointly administered by the California Department of Corrections, and the Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention (CDF).

Inmates assigned to the conservation camps are routinely involved in conservation work on city, county, state, and federal lands. During fires these inmates act as front line fire fighters, and during floods they provide sand bagging and other flood control functions.

In addition to fire, flood, and conservation projects several conservation camps are involved in vocational education projects.

CCC has 47 vocational education classes at the Main and Lassen units. These classes range from total automotive services, through mill and cabinet, sheetmetal/welding, upholstery, metal cutting, electronics, heating ventilation/solar, to silk screening. All of these classes provide services to local, state, and federal government agencies. The mill and cabinet shops completely built the furnishings for the Lassen Justice Court. The silk screening class produced and delivered vehicle decals for the Susanville Police and Fire Departments, and are currently customizing decals for all of the local rural fire departments. One project which has received international recognition is the vocational Wild Horse Training program. Wild horses captured by the Bureau of Land Management are trained using a "Resistance Free" training process. These horses have then been put up for citizen adoption and placed back into federal service for "round up" of other wild horses and federal cattle raising projects at the Lompoc Federal Prison. These horses are rounded up to prevent over grazing, such management prevents these horses from starvation or over competition of food sources for other wild animals.

CCC has two city, and two county crews which provide contract work for city and county parks and public works departments. These crews have also provided clean-up of the county fair grounds and the schools when they are closed to the students. During flooding these same crews assisted in sand bagging to prevent flood damage to private property.

The vocational automotive classes are maintaining a schedule of completing reconstruction of one fire truck a month. Local, state, and federal fire fighting agencies have their fire trucks completely reconstructed. Many of the Lassen County rural fire departments would be without equipment if it weren't for the efforts of CCC's vocational classes. CDF identifies local rural fire equipment needs and acquires equipment from

federal surplus. These vehicles are then taken to CCC for reconstruction for service to these fire districts.

CCC is also active in the community by providing inmate speakers to local schools and civic groups to speak on topics of crime and punishment and problems associated with drug and alcohol abuse. The schools routinely have students that are identified as "at risk" attend lecture programs at the institutions with inmates who have shared such negative behaviors in their youth.

The local hospital and institutions committee of Alcoholics Anonymous is actively involved in the institution. On occasion, inmates have been taken to the community alcohol recovery house to share with residents mutual concerns on alcohol related problems.

Staff at CCC are very active in the community. Reserve officers in the Sheriff's and Police Departments are employees at CCC. CCC staff also serve on school boards, civic groups, and little league.

NORTHERN CONSERVATION CAMPS

At Knocti Conservation Camp near Clear Lake, California, there is a vocational auto body shop which performs auto body reconstruction for local fire departments. In many cases if it weren't for the efforts of the vocational students, the local fire department would be without equipment.

At Intermountain Conservation Camp in northern Lassen County, there is a vocational sheet metal/welding program. Inmates build all types of metal fabricated projects, such as fire hose drying racks, fire truck equipment storage bins, fire look-out stations, and barbecue pits to name a few.

At Ell River Conservation Camp, a vocational program of upholstery is provided. Projects include re-upholstery of city, county, state, and federal products such as vehicle seats, couches and other related furniture. Approximately 1,500 inmate fire fighters can be called to any fire statewide from the Northern Conservation Camps.

CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, TEHACHAPI

Inmates at the California Correctional Institution successfully completed a variety of community service projects throughout the year. Many projects are completed in the various vocational programs within the institution, and other projects are completed by inmates who work on crews that go into the surrounding community. All projects result in a two-fold benefit of not only giving inmates constructive, positive projects to work on and feel pride in accomplishing, but also in giving the community or community agency a needed service that might not be otherwise obtained because of a lack of manpower or money.

Eighteen different vocational programs are in operation at the California Correctional Institution, and virtually all of them have worked on projects for a community agency. Band uniforms have been dry-cleaned for local schools; vehicles refurbished (body repaired, painted, and seats re-upholstered) for the City of Tehachapi, county fire department, and local school district; park benches constructed for Tehachapi's parks; "911" decals printed for the county fire department; and brochures printed for Tehachapi's city museum. Requests must come from a tax-supported agency and all projects are completed under the concept of a "lesson" within the vocational program. Three community service projects are accepted, on the average, each month for completion in one of the vocational trades.



California Correctional Institution currently has three inmate work crews, each consisting of eight to nine men, that work out in the community Monday through Friday. Two of the crews are assigned specifically to assist Caltrans, and these inmates pick up trash along the highways in Eastern Kern County; hundreds of bags of trash are picked up

each month. These inmates also help keep Caltrans equipment and equipment yard clean.

The third work crew is the "community crew" and these inmates participate in a variety of projects in the Tehachapi area, including weed clearance and general maintenance in the parks and around the schools (when not in session); digging fence post holes for the city; steam cleaning equipment at the Tehachapi city maintenance yard; and general clean-up and maintenance of a local lake during its closed season. Most of the projects are coordinated through the City Manager's office or the local Parks and Recreation manager.



A "special" community service project is arranged periodically throughout the year at the institution for juveniles referred by the Kern County Probation Department. A tour of one of the units is arranged for 10 to 15 juveniles on probation. The tours are conducted by staff and two to four carefully selected inmates, and are concluded with a discussion between these inmates and the youngsters. The goal is to encourage these juveniles to turn away from their delinquent choices before the problems lead to Youth Authority or Corrections' confinement. Emphasis is placed on choices and responsibility.

The three outside inmate work crews and the inmates working in the ongoing projects in various vocational programs within the institution add up to considerable total inmate hours devoted toward community projects and a subsequent significant value to the community in terms of a cost savings to the community. In 1988, inmates worked approximately 38,700 hours on community-related projects for an estimated total value of \$270,893 to the community and community agencies.

Cummings Valley Conservation Camp

Twenty inmates, housed in Unit I of California Correctional Institution, comprise the Cummings Valley Conservation Camp Crew. These inmates fight forest fires, maintain State parks, plant trees, build fire breaks, and clear streams for purposes of flood control. Projects are provided for the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Kern County Fire Department, and the California Department of Forestry. In 1989, emergency fire-fighting was performed in the counties of San Diego, Kern, Monterey, and San Benito. The crew works Monday through Friday on non-emergency projects and in 1989 performed 8,743 total hours on these projects, at an estimated value to the community agencies of \$62,201. Seasonal fire activity hours for 1989 totalled 9,348, at an estimated combined value of \$93,480 to the affected counties.



CALIFORNIA INSTITUTION FOR MEN, CHINO

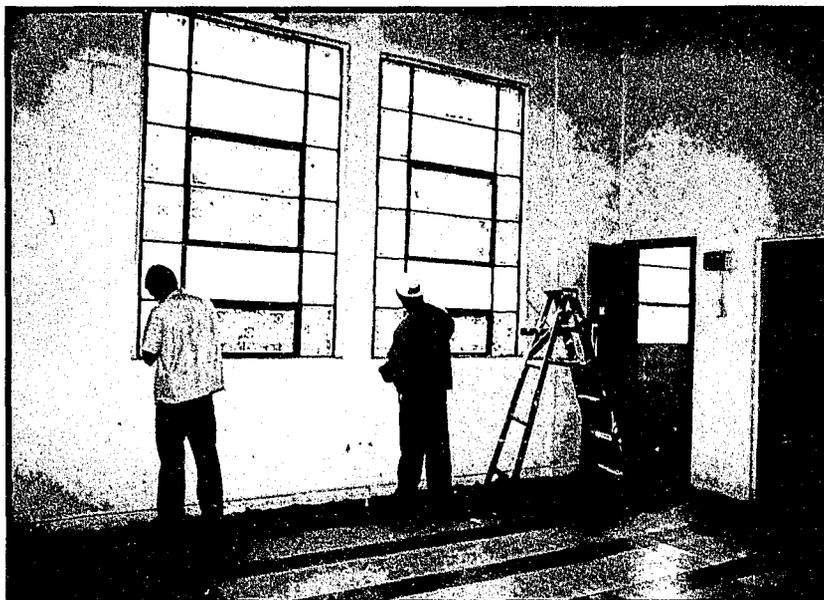
COMMUNITY SERVICE CREWS

The California Institution for Men (CIM) provides two crews to the City of Chino. The services of these crews are coordinated through the Chino Director of Parks and Recreation.



Crew #4 provides services to six public parks within the Chino city limits. These services include the pickup of debris in and around the parks, moving park furniture, cleaning restrooms, painting park benches, cleaning picnic tables, emptying all trash containers, and cleaning all areas.

Crew #3 provides services to Chino city and county government buildings that are used by the public. The services provided by this crew include painting of city fire stations, refurbishing the Boxing Club, refurbishing the holding cells and evidence room at the Chino Police Department, and the cleaning and painting of recreational buildings.



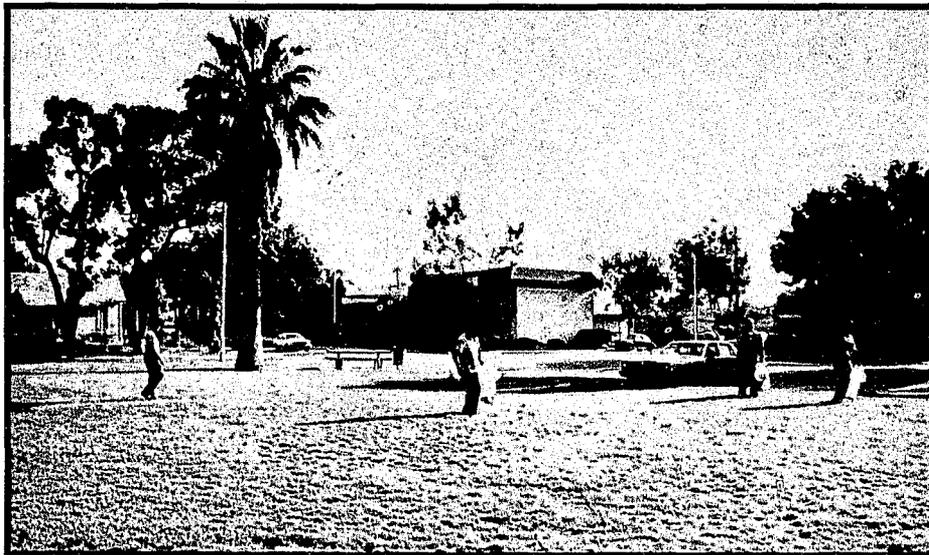
The City of Chino provides an area in their Building Maintenance Division building for this crew. The inmate crew utilizes this area for refurbishing picnic tables, building cabinets for city offices, and other maintenance projects that require indoor work areas.

PRISON PREVENTERS

Prison Preventers is a self-help group that was formed in 1966. It is composed of a group of prison inmates that through contact with the community hope to act as a deterrent to potential lawbreakers. They speak to schools, civic groups, and military groups about their experiences.

ARTS-IN-CORRECTIONS

The Arts-in-Corrections program at CIM has contributed to various community projects. These include making 50 Anti-Drug signs for the City of Chino, a mural for the Chino Community Center, educational art toys for Casa Colina (the children's physical rehabilitation center in Pomona), an exhibition for the City of Chino Arts Express Festival, and a mural for the Los Angeles County University of Southern California (USC) Medical Center.



VOCATIONAL EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

The Vocational Print Shop produces many projects for community programs. These include a special information booklet for senior citizens, coloring books for the Chino Police Department for disadvantaged children, and 25,000 "Play It Safe" books for latch-key children.

The community service projects performed by the inmates at CIM in 1989 totaled 12,908 hours with a value to the community of \$90,356.

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTION FOR WOMEN, FRONTERA

At the close of a Community Betterment presentation, eighth graders at a local junior high school gather around the California Institution for Women (CIW) inmate speakers to ask more questions. Inmate speakers from CIW's Community Betterment Diversion program give presentations at local schools, hospital, and to other community groups. Three inmates per each speaking engagement are selected on a rotational basis from a pool of six to nine Community Betterment participants to make presentations several times a month. On some occasions the Community Betterment panelists have spoken to as many as 500 high school students a day.



Champion Publication Photo

Presentations consist of each inmate panelist sharing some of her personal history and how her lifestyle led to her incarceration. The program endeavors to address issues of concern to young people in particular, while primarily focusing on crime and substance abuse diversion. Audiences have the opportunity to ask questions and then discuss issues with the inmates as a panel or to direct comments to individual presenters.

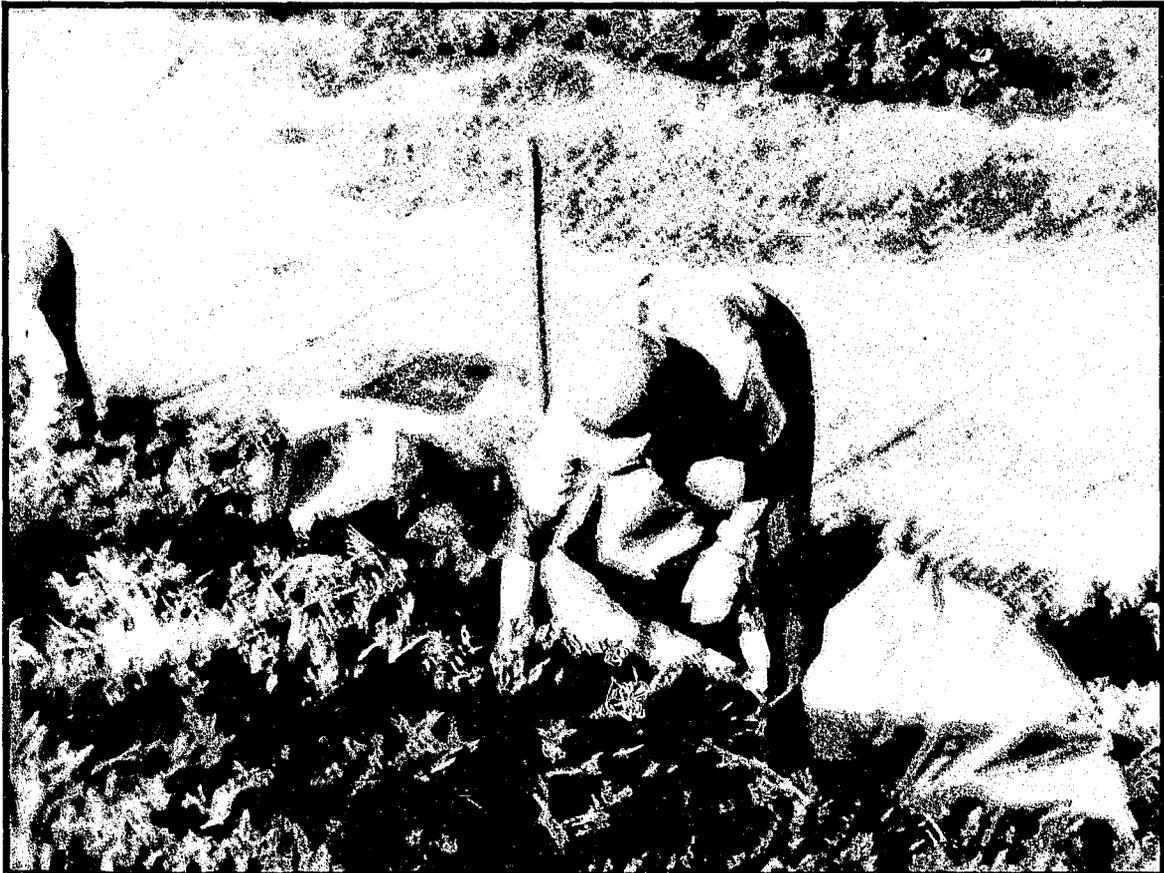
Community Betterment's goal is based upon a straight forward approach in providing information without glamorizing, preaching, or frightening audiences. Inmates convey

stories of what brought them to prison and prison life in this straight forward manner with an emphasis on informing young people of the realities and consequences of criminal activity and substance abuse. Presentations are targeted for populations of young students viewed to be at high risk with the intent of helping to change attitudes and suggest alternatives, such as recommending the student see a counselor.

Volunteer staff escorts and inmates feel the program is making a positive impact by providing a direct service to local and surrounding communities. To quote one inmate speaker, "This program is great. It's giving my doing time a purpose because I'm giving something back." By contributing in a way that helps build their own sense of worth while feeling good about helping to deter others from self destructive lifestyles, CIW inmates are indeed giving something back.

Inmates housed at CIW annually contribute over 16,000 hours to roadside maintenance projects for Caltrans. The estimated savings this service provides is valued at approximately \$118,000 annually.

One crew of ten inmates departs daily from CIW to work on projects along nearby freeways. Inmates pick up trash, weed, plant ice plants, and prune overgrown trees and bushes along freeway banks. On rainy days, they move inside to help clean out the Caltrans garage.



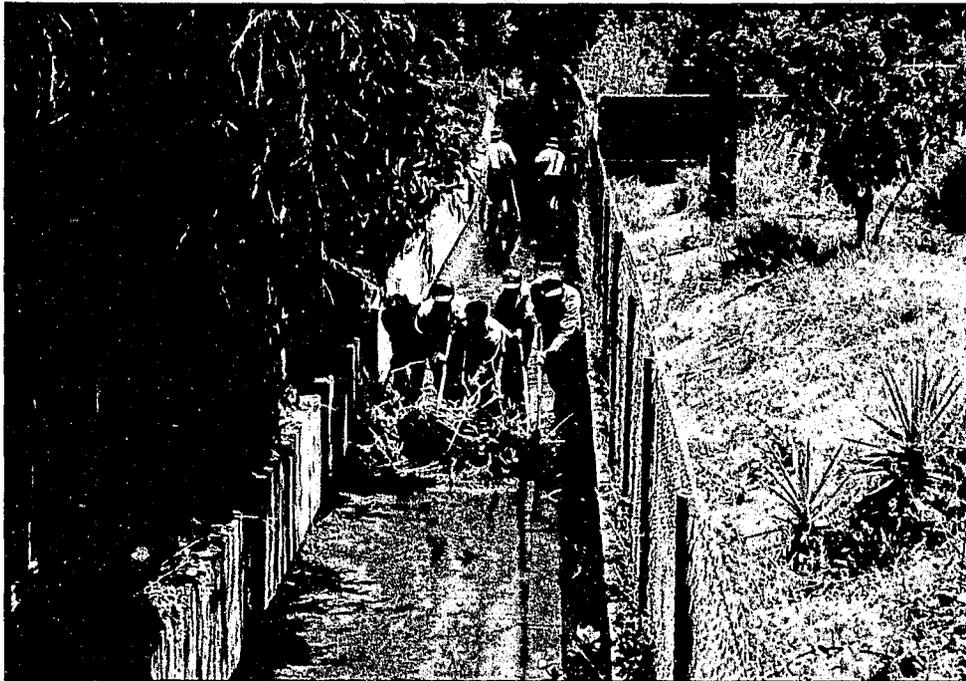
CALIFORNIA MENS COLONY, SAN LUIS OBISPO

The California Mens Colony (CMC) provides many tax saving services for the benefit of the local city, county, state, and federal agencies. The institution provided a total of 287,420 hours of community service valued at \$2,290,149, but cost the community only \$263,462 saving \$2,026,686 or 88.5 percent during the past year.

COMMUNITY SERVICES PERFORMED IN THE COMMUNITY

Community Service Work Crews

Throughout the year, the CMC provides up to ten Community Services Work crews daily. Each crew consists of 8-15 inmates and at least one correctional officer. The staff-supervised crews travel throughout the county by bus and have worked for nearly all the tax supported agencies in San Luis Obispo County. In 1989 the Community Service Work Crews provided over 71,792 hours of service valued at \$484,598, which included park maintenance, road litter and beach cleanup, and general weed abatement. The actual cost paid by the local government agencies was \$55,078 which represents savings of 88.6 percent.



One area that is seldom seen by citizens but is probably the most valuable of all the Community Service Work Crew jobs is the creek maintenance program. On an annual basis, 32 miles of creek bed is maintained by an inmate crew during the months of May through September for the City of San Luis Obispo.

The purpose of cleaning creeks is to provide a proficient vehicle for the free flow of water through the stream, drainage channel or water course. Blockage of any type will hinder this effort and possibly cause unnecessary erosion or flooding. Proper flow of the stream assists the flow measuring stations, existing water control facilities, private and residential properties, and other structures necessary for public health and welfare.



The Community Work Crew program provided a seven inmate creek maintenance crew which worked 3,282 hours over a five month period. The projected cost of creek cleaning was \$22,974. The total cost was \$1,739.50, saving the City of San Luis Obispo \$21,234.50.

A special project this year was the Community Service Crew's participation in the pier cleanup after a fire that almost destroyed two piers and many commercial fishing boats in Morro Bay. The inmates provided 606 hours of labor and saved the city over \$4,000 of non-budgeted funds.

National Guard Crew

Other services provided in the community by the CMC include work crews for the National Guard (Camp San Luis).

A crew of 50 inmates annually provides approximately 80,000 hours of services for the California National Guard at Camp San Luis. The National Guard Crew provides clerical, culinary, and miscellaneous support services, as well as the general maintenance and cleanup of the National Guard Camp. These services save the National Guard Camp and the taxpayer more than \$450,000 per year.

Camp Cuesta

Since 1963, the California Men's Colony has had a camp located on its grounds. Camp Cuesta consists of up to 85 minimum level inmates who work with the California Department of Forestry (CDF) to provide services throughout San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara County. The Camp Cuesta crew generally provides heavy, labor intensive services. These inmates perform conservation work for local and state agencies, as well as provide creek and beach maintenance. There were over 137,500 hours of services provided last year; approximately 51,000 of these hours were involved with fighting fires throughout California. During the past year the Camp Cuesta Crew provided services to the CDF valued in excess of \$1.1 million.

INNER INSTITUTION COMMUNITY SERVICES

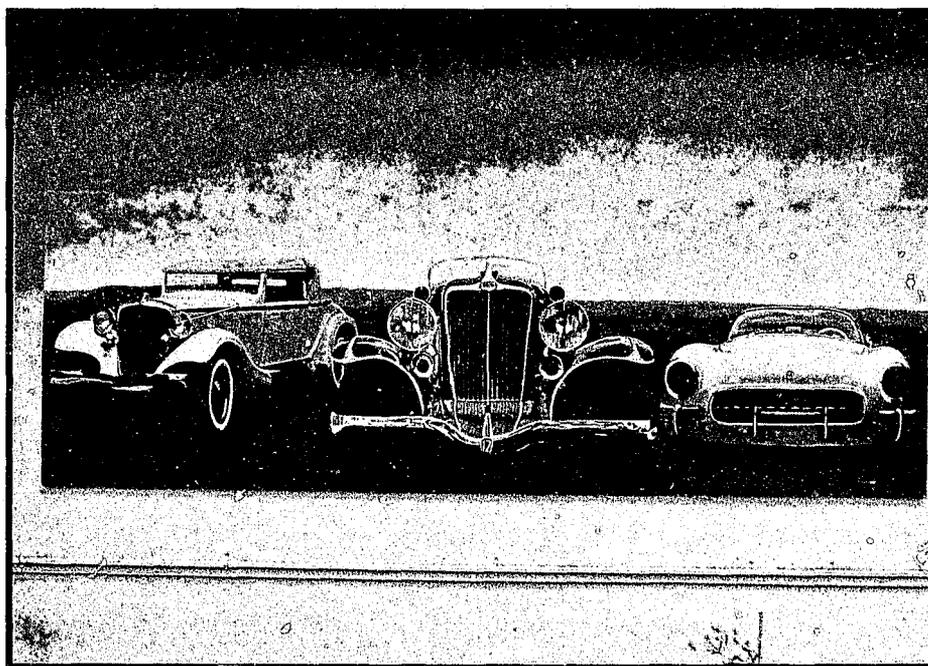
Services provided inside the institution for outside, tax supported agencies are basically from two sources; Vocational Education and Arts-in-Corrections.

Vocational Education

The Vocational Education program provides many cost avoidance services for local agencies as well as the Department of Corrections, while giving inmates practical and realistic training projects. Services provided to outside agencies range from dry cleaning of 360 sleeping bags and flack vests (dry cleaning program), kitchen remodeling (sheet metal program) and bench and park equipment construction (welding program). Small engine repair has rebuilt chain saws for the CDF and vocational upholstery has repaired furniture for the CDF and Camp San Luis. The combined efforts of vocational auto, body and fender repair with vocational upholstery have provided the rebuilding of historic fire trucks, an antique paddy wagon, and renovation of a motor home (mobile command base) for the Sheriff's Department. As an example of a vocational program, the sheet metal program alone has saved the taxpayer over 1.5 million dollars in cost avoidance projects.

Arts-in-Corrections

The Arts-in-Corrections program has a ten-inmate crew that produces portable painted and ceramic murals and other artworks designed for public places. The tax supported agencies are only charged the cost of materials. Designs are coordinated with site representatives. The crew has produced murals for the prison as well as for the San Luis Obispo County Airport, Employment Development Department, Department of Motor Vehicles, Charles Paddock Zoo, and California Polytechnic State University.



This program has even extended its services as far as Crescent City by providing a mural for its airport.

SUMMARY

Historically, the CMC has always provided a wide variety of cost effective services for the good of the community. These services will continue to be maintained or expanded in an effort to demonstrate that, as a good neighbor, the institution is concerned about its relationship with its neighboring communities and with maintaining the high quality of life found on the Central Coast. The institution is currently involved in developing Victim Assistance and Awareness programs. A committee of inmates, staff, and administrators are combining their efforts in providing support to local victim services agencies such as the Rape Crisis Center, Child Protective Services Agency, Women's Shelter, etc.

CALIFORNIA MEDICAL FACILITY, VACAVILLE

Each year, the California Medical Facility (CMF) provides approximately two million dollars in community services. Inmates work inside the institution on various projects, as well as off grounds to provide a public service.

Outside Work Crews

The CMF has four inmate work crews providing various maintenance service for the City of Vacaville, Napa State Hospital, Travis Air Force Base, and Keating Park. At Keating Park, some of the work done by inmate crews include ground maintenance, clearing debris, picking up trash, trimming trees, and painting buildings. For many years, CMF has maintained and provided for the City of Vacaville the use of a large baseball park located on institution property. It is the largest baseball park in the city.

Operation Santa Claus

To assist needy children in the Sacramento and Solano County areas, CMF has an agreement with Sacramento's "Operation Santa Claus" to refurbish bicycles which are given to children throughout the year. Inmates repair and refurbish the bicycles at the institution. While this is a year-long project, most of the bicycles are distributed to the children during the Christmas season.

Project Last Chance

This juvenile diversion program at CMF provides counseling to juveniles and their parents. The goal of Project Last Chance is to prevent or deter juvenile delinquents from becoming further involved with the criminal justice system. The program consists of groups of juveniles and their parents coming to the institution once a month, on three Saturdays. Inmates share their past experiences with juveniles in a direct, low key, confronting approach, thereby creating a "safe" atmosphere in which youth can express their concerns and problems. Through this program, juveniles learn viable alternatives to their inappropriate behavior. This project is supported by local law enforcement agencies.

Victim Offender Reconciliation Group (VORG)

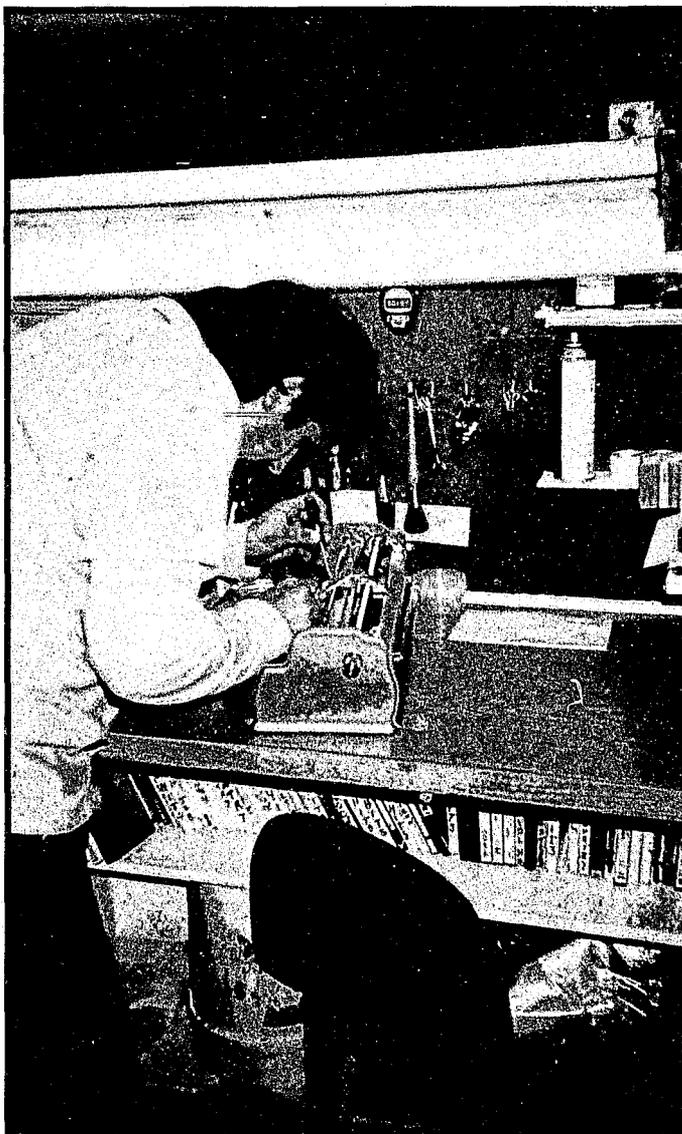
Once a week, the VORG program brings inmates, victims, and advocates of victims' rights into the institution to actively engage CMF felons in frank dialogue. The purpose is to reduce crime by increasing awareness on the part of the offender as to the negative, long-term impact of crime on the victim, victim's friends, and family.

The cornerstone of the VORG program is the weekly workshop session when outside guests come to the institution and meet with inmates in the program for discussion of a specific topic. These discussions normally cover four areas of concern: violent crime, drug-related crime, gang-related crime, and property crime. The sessions are loosely structured in order to promote a free exchange of experiences and feelings. Restitution by inmates in the program to victims' rights groups is also a component of the program. Quarterly, inmates conduct fund raisers in order to donate funds to victims rights organizations.

Volunteers Of Vacaville (Blind Project)

The Volunteers of Vacaville, otherwise known as the Blind Project, is a non-profit organization created in 1960 at the CMF. Its purpose is to assist in the education, rehabilitation, and independence of visually or perceptually handicapped persons. This unique, nationally acclaimed project is governed by an independent Board of Directors who set the operational guidelines of the project and perform public relations work.

The Blind Project services, performed primarily by inmates, includes the transcription of text books onto tapes, duplication of already-transcribed books, and the mass distribution of recreational books on tape. Braille repair is available to individuals, organizations, or schools. Many clients are those persons who qualify to receive the United States Postal designation of "Free Material for the Blind" mailing privileges. The Blind Project provides services to clients who live throughout the United States and in several other countries.



Funding for the Blind Project is through public donations, repair of brailers, and a nominal client membership fee.

CALIFORNIA REHABILITATION CENTER, NORCO

With 140 full-time inmate assignments devoted exclusively to community services, as well as a number of special projects, the California Rehabilitation Center (CRC) is a leader among CDC institutions.

Norco City Crews

Every morning between 30 and 40 inmates are picked up by the Parks and Recreation and Public Works Departments of the City of Norco. These inmates are carefully screened to ensure that they present no danger to the community. While on the job they are always within sight of a Correctional Officer.

These crews perform such tasks as maintaining hiking and equestrian trails, weed abatement, grounds maintenance, and litter pickup. They also have undertaken special projects, such as building backstops for ball fields.

The crews enable the City of Norco to provide a much higher level of service to its citizens than would otherwise be possible. Each year approximately 54,000 hours, with a value of \$378,000 are provided to the city. The Norco City Crews are also invaluable to CRC in maintaining its good will with the local community.

Christmas Scene

The Women's Painting and Building Maintenance and Minor Repair classes were transformed into Santa's workshop for a week in December, producing a train, a horse, and lots of elves, stars, and candy canes. The scene was prominently displayed on the lawn of the Norco Community Center.

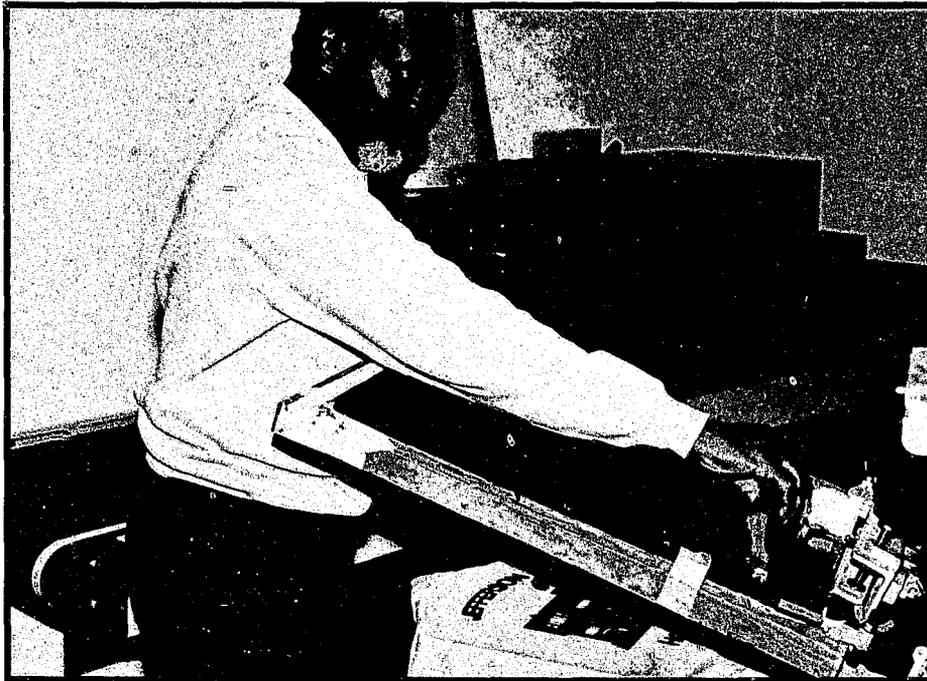
The project required 600 hours of inmate labor, valued at \$4,200.



Printing

CRC's Vocational Offset Printing class provides for all of the institution's printing needs, and also manages to do work for local governmental and educational programs. The most frequent agency served is the Norco Parks and Recreation Department. Other "customers" have included Sierra College and the Riverside County Mental Health Department.

Community service printing is definitely a win-win situation for CRC. The local agencies



receive top quality printed materials and only have to provide the paper. CRC receives excellent real-world training opportunities for its inmates.

CRC's Vocational Offset Printing program provides about 900 inmate hours per year, with a value of \$6,300, to the local community.

Screen Printing

When the Riverside County Department of Mental Health wanted to provide a stronger spirit of identity for its drop-in center, they asked if CRC could design and print T-shirts. Program participants now proudly wear their shirts, which provided the Screen Printing class with its first experience in T-shirt printing, a commercially valuable skill. Twenty-five hours of inmate labor were contributed for this project, with a value of \$175.

Blanket Cleaning

Following a major forest fire Camp Norco had 70 blankets from its emergency evacuation shelter which needed cleaning. CRC's Vocational Dry Cleaning program came to the rescue, cleaning the blankets in readiness for the next similar need. This project used 70 hours of inmate labor, valued at \$490.



Caltrans Crews

Twenty female inmates work full-time for the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), performing freeway right-of-way maintenance and cleanup. As with the Norco City Crews, the Caltrans Crews enable the State to maintain freeway right-of-ways at a much higher standard of both beauty and safety than would otherwise be possible. Furthermore, they do it at virtually no cost to Caltrans. CRC provides about 20,000 annual hours of inmate labor to Caltrans, with a value of \$140,000.

Rocking Horses For Victims

When two vocational classes teamed up to produce a rocking horse and wagon, staff members were clamoring to buy them. Unfortunately, products of inmate labor cannot be sold directly to private citizens. However, the Maintenance class instructor wanted to use the items to benefit victims. With the help from the Riverside County Victim/Witness Program, his vision is a reality. The Victim's Emergency Fund is buying the materials, the classes are making the attractive toys, and the Emergency Fund is selling them with a sufficient markup to permit a significant benefit. Through the end of December, the project required 480 hours of inmate time, valued at \$3,360.

Espejo

It is well known that a large proportion of prisoners have substance abuse problems. Through Espejo (Spanish for "mirror"), others can benefit from their experiences. Carefully selected panels of inmates give drug prevention talks in local schools, in the hope that some of the students will see their own future reflected in the inmate and will be moved to change their direction. During FY 89/90, approximately 50 hours will be donated with a value of \$350.

Crafts For Abused Children

Thirty-six children, ages 5-12, live together in suburban Orange County, recovering from severe sexual abuse. Thanks to 80 CRC inmates and staff members, these children had a merrier Christmas in 1989. With materials provided by the Telephone Company Pioneers, the inmates eagerly volunteered their time to produce handmade gifts and ornaments. Approximately 420 hours of inmate time, valued at \$2,940, were contributed to this victim assistance effort.



Fire Truck Restoration

Three inmates working at the CRC Firehouse are spending their days meticulously restoring a vintage fire engine belonging to the City of Redlands. When it is finished, before the end of FY 89/90, over 5,500 hours of inmate labor will have been contributed, with a value of \$38,500.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY - CAMP NORCO

The State Department of Forestry maintains camps throughout California, which use Department of Corrections' inmates for fire fighting and fire prevention activities. One of those facilities, Camp Norco, is staffed by 80 CRC inmates. They provide approximately 125,000 hours of service per year. Valuing fire fighting time at \$10.00 per hour and other time is \$7.00 per hour, this amounts to \$1.3 million worth of labor per year. Considered in terms of forest land saved from fire, the value is impossible to assess.

Additionally, Camp Norco crews have donated labor to Riverside County parks, the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Forest Service, and other jurisdictions in the area. They are currently developing youth soccer facilities at a county park.

CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON, CORCORAN

California State Prison, Corcoran (CSP, C) is involved in various community service projects which provide benefit to the local community.

COMMUNITY WORK CREWS

CSP, C currently has three work crews assigned to work within the City of Corcoran or around its fringes. The work crews are assigned to City Parks and Recreation, the Public Works Department, and Caltrans.

In addition to the above, in order to make way for construction of the Delano Prison, the inmate work crews at CSP, C were also involved in building burrows for the relocation of the endangered Tipton Kangaroo Rats.



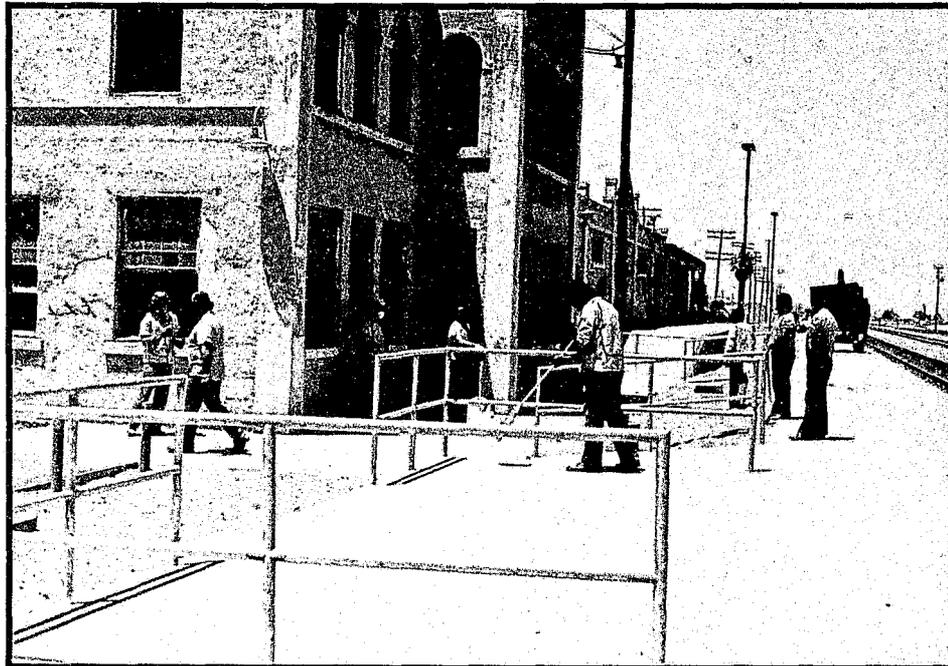
During the period of January 1, 1989 through December 31, 1989, CSP, C provided approximately \$134,000 of inmate labor toward restoration and beautification projects within the community of Corcoran. This figure will undoubtedly increase in the near future since CSP, C will be starting two additional work crews.

City Parks and Recreation

The Parks and Recreation work crew has been involved in revitalizing the City's parks. Work includes painting playground equipment, installation of drinking fountains, planting trees and shrubs, and general maintenance of the much neglected parks.

Public Works Department

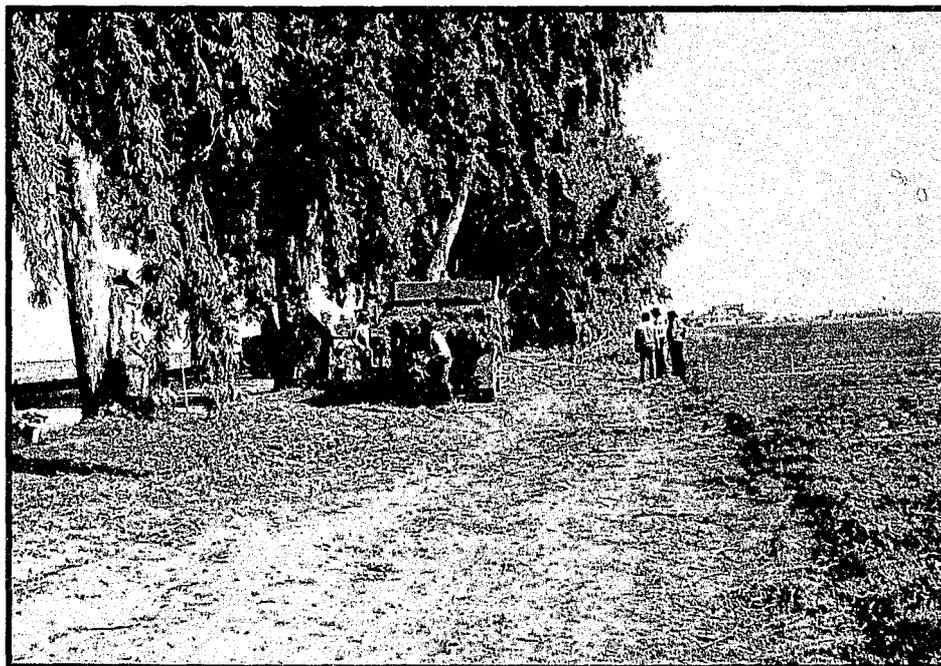
This work crew has spent countless hours on beautifying the major thoroughfares into



the community. In addition to working on the main entrances, the work crew worked on restoring the City's train depot station in preparation for the Amtrak dedication. Work involved general maintenance and planting of trees and flowers around the depot area.

Caltrans

The Caltrans work crew involves working on projects within District Six. Projects generally include roadside maintenance of roads and highways under the State's jurisdiction.



CSP, C is in the preliminary stages of a project

that will result in the production of concrete blocks. The inmates at the institution will be manufacturing the concrete blocks which will eventually be used by Caltrans on their state highway projects.

VICTIMS AWARENESS ACTIVITIES

The month of April has been declared as Child Abuse Prevention and Victims Awareness Month. Consequently, CSP, C is attempting to involve inmates in institutional based fundraising activities which will provide recognition and acknowledgment of the innocent victims of crimes, i.e., abused children. It is anticipated that this will become an annual fundraiser.

Lift-a-thon

In coordination with the Governor's declaration of April as "Child Abuse Prevention Month", CSP, C is conducting a weight lifting competition between facilities within the institution. The Lift-a-thon will provide funds raised through inmate pledges and staff donations which will in turn be donated to the Children's Victim Fund in Kings County.

In order to augment the funds raised for the Children's Victim Fund, a request has been made from the local community foundation to consider matching the funds raised within the institution up to \$2,000.

Food Sales

In addition to the Lift-A-Thon during the month of April, each of the facilities at CSP, C will be having a food sale with 10% of the gross sales going towards a victims program within Kings County. Also, the victims coordinator will be conducting a Sees candy sale which will include all inmates and staff at CSP, C with proceeds going toward the Children's Victim Fund.

VOCATIONAL SHOP PROJECTS

CSP, C's vocational shops had three inmates who provided approximately 210 hours of service to the community to remodel the City's mobile jail and construct a street banner which were both used in celebrating the City's 75th Diamond Jubilee Anniversary.

YOUTH ORIENTED PROGRAMS

Another Way Program

CSP, C provides a delinquency prevention program called "Another Way" which is aimed at deterring high risk youth from involvement with illegal activities, especially as it relates to alcohol and drug abuse. During the 1898 calendar year there were three inmates participating in the program which conducted 14 presentations to high risk youth in juvenile hall and community schools.

Red Ribbon Week

CSP, C was instrumental in developing the local Corcoran Drug and Alcohol Abuse Task Force which conducts the community Red Ribbon Week activities in conjunction with the institution during the month of October. Inmates from the institution's Another Way program participated in anti-drug/alcohol speaking engagements at the local schools. During the 1989 Red Ribbon Week campaign, CSP, C distributed about 1,500 red ribbons to its employees. Additionally inmates from Level I and Level III participated in anti-drug/alcohol contests.

Institutional Based Program

Plans are underway to start an institutional based juvenile diversion program with inmates from Level III. This program will be developed utilizing a reality-oriented, group discussion model with "hard core" juveniles and Level III inmates. It is anticipated the program will be in operation by mid-1990.

CSP, C in coordination with the local fire department and Corcoran Christians for Emergency Aid conducted a Toys for Tots program to benefit the needy children in the community. Six firehouse inmates worked on repairing and repainting old and broken toys donated by the community. In addition to the repair work done by the inmates, the institution also conducted an employee toy drive which resulted in many new toys being donated to needy children. In 1989 there were approximately 80 children in the community that directly benefited from this program.



CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON, FOLSOM

California State Prison at Folsom is proud to inform the community of the many inmate community service projects and fund raisers currently being performed by inmates assigned to work crews or as volunteers totaling about 340,00 man hours.



Residents of the greater Sacramento area, Galt and Folsom are familiar with the community work crews seen daily in the area. However, many are unaware that these crews represent over 308,000 man hours. These hours are distributed among six work projects as follows:

***Maintenance, landscape, janitorial and construction services provided by 45 inmates throughout the year assist the City of Folsom in maintaining public access areas. This amounts to 64,800 hours of work valued at \$523,400.

*** Maintenance, landscape and construction services provided by 15 inmates throughout the year assist State Parks and Recreation in maintaining neat and clean recreation sites. This amounts to 22,080 hours of work valued at \$154,560.

***Maintenance, landscape, and construction services provided by 45 inmates throughout the year assist Caltrans in maintaining public access roads. This amounts to 64,800 hours of work valued at \$523,400.

***Maintenance, carpentry, construction, landscape, janitorial and culinary services provided by 40 inmates throughout the year at the Richard McGee Training Center ensure a neat and clean environment for personnel of the Department of Corrections. This amounts to 51,600 hours of work valued at \$361,900.

***Repair of tricycles, bicycles and broken toys provided by 15 inmates throughout the year, in conjunction with the U.S. Marine Corps, assists the Toys for Tots repair program. This amounts to 22,080 hours of work valued at \$154,560.

The projects inmates are actively participating in as volunteers totalling approximately 32,000 man hours are described as follows:

***Fund raiser week in conjunction with a community effort currently includes 25 inmates annually assisting in the Walk America project, formally known as the March of Dimes. This amounts to 125 hours of work valued at \$875.

***One fund raiser event has allowed 50 inmates throughout the year to compete with local health clubs in the name of charity. Inmates donate about 1,600 hours of their own time. This usually results in a \$1,000 donation from the event sponsor to a charity of the sponsor's choice.



***Aluminum can collection has been coordinated by three inmates all year long under the Convict for Kids project. Inmates have donated about 4,716 hours of their own time. This results in a hearty donation to Muscular Dystrophy (usually over \$2,000).

***Reading of Books for the Blind provided by 12 inmates throughout the year under the Project for Visually Impaired assists members of the community who are visually impaired. The inmate hours amount to 17,280 and are valued at \$120,960.

***Assistance to schools in the construction of tables, silk screen T-shirts, and support for the "Say No To Drugs" campaign is provided by 40 inmates throughout the year to the Rescue and Folsom/Cordova School Districts in their campaign against the use of drugs. This amounts to 2,400 hours of work valued at \$16,800.00.

***The construction/manufacture of toys under the Hobby program is provided by 15 inmates who donate 1,200 hours of time. Their products are provided to needy children in conjunction with the Toys for Tots program.

***Printed calendars are provided by five inmates all year long to the Elks Lodge. The 200 hours of donated time is valued at \$1,400. These calendars are distributed throughout the community.

***Designated victims fund raisers for causes, such as earthquake relief and Carmen Salcido (slashing victim), are conducted with the assistance of staff. To date, about 500 inmates have participated in donating about 4,000 hours of time.



CALIFORNIA STATE PRISON, SAN QUENTIN

California's oldest correctional institution, San Quentin State Prison, is proud of the diversity of community service activities its staff and inmates provide to the San Francisco Bay Area and beyond.

Each working day at least 24 inmates provide highway maintenance services to Caltrans and to cities within Marin County, clearing brush from creeks and roadways, preparing sandbags for winter storms, painting fences, etc.



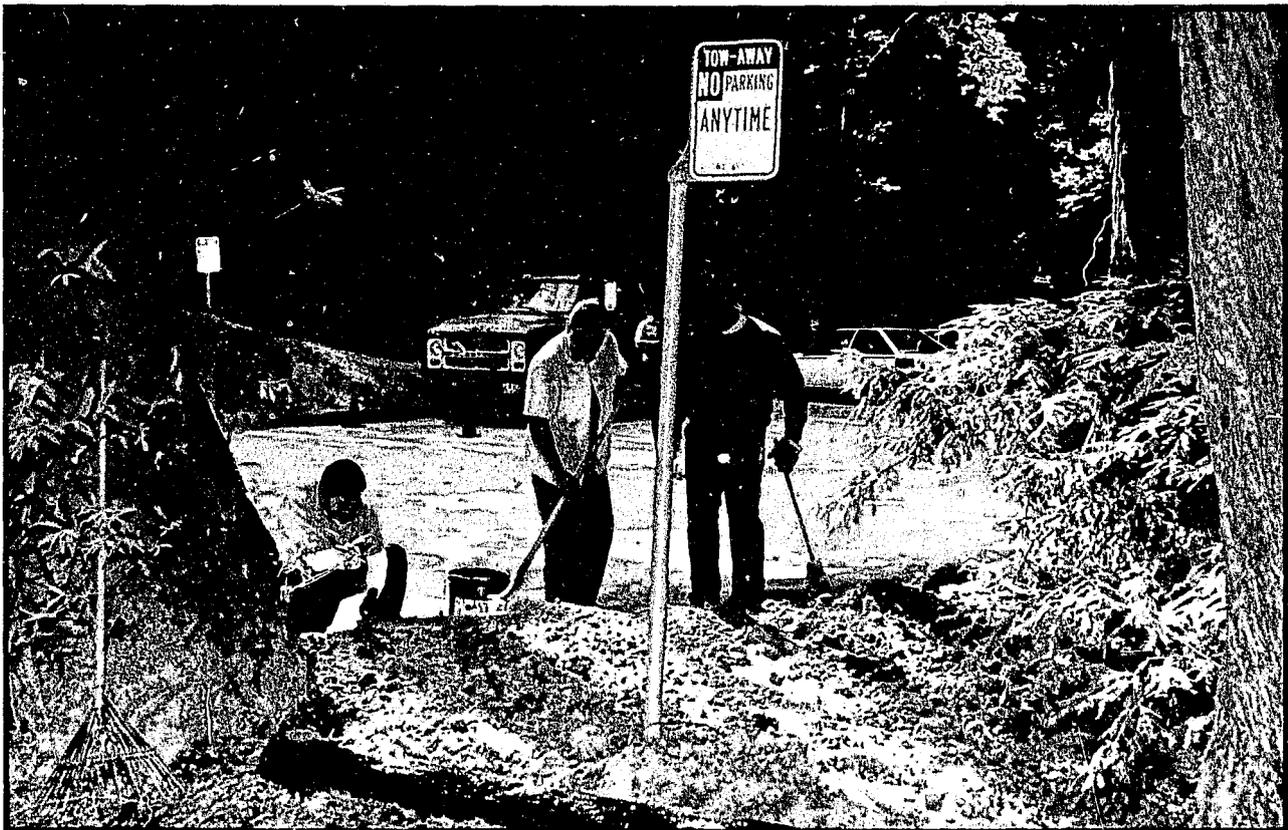
Nearly 3,000 individuals in developing nations now have the benefit of improved sight as a result of the Help the World See project sponsored by the University of California at Berkeley, School of Optometry. Inmates refurbish discarded eyeglasses, measure and label the prescriptions and prepare them for teams of eye doctors who yearly provide free medical care to individuals unable to receive private eye care.

For 25 years, the SQUIRES organization has been actively dedicated to juvenile delinquency prevention. Inmates meet with youth-at-risk three weekends per month, holding group counseling sessions.

Vocational education projects are particularly gratifying in that inmates learn skills they can use when paroled while helping the community. Joint efforts between vocational sheet metal, welding, electric, and machine shop have provided the Sonoma Developmental Center with wheelchair parts, modified horse saddles, clothing racks, and patient alarm buttons. Clients in a sheltered workshop for the developmentally disabled have expanded their employability potential due to modified equipment fabricated by vocational machine shop. A specially designed vacuum unit decreased the time needed to upholster customized wheelchairs from 8 hours per chair to 45 minutes.

Whether raising funds for earthquake victims, victims of crime, or victims of muscular dystrophy, San Quentin is ready to respond. After the October 1989 earthquake, \$1,600 was raised for the American Red Cross. Over \$3,500 has been raised for citizens of crime either through Arts-in-Corrections programs or contributions. Each year San Quentin's Vietnam Veterans group contributes over \$5,000 to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, in addition to providing a \$500 yearly scholarship to a child of a Vietnam veteran.

It is estimated that on a yearly basis, San Quentin inmates provide over 50,000 hours of labor to the outside community at a cost savings to state and local agencies of over \$350,000.



CORRECTIONAL TRAINING FACILITY, SOLEDAD

Correctional Training Facility (CTF) community work crews on an ongoing basis are responsible for:

- * A regular general maintenance and grounds care of the Monterey County Natividad Boys' Ranch.
- * The trimming of trees in residential areas for the cities of Salinas, Gonzales, Soledad, and occasionally other towns in Monterey County.
- * The weekly custodial service for Gonzales High School.
- * The monthly landscape, cleaning, and grooming of buildings and grounds of the Old Whaling Station Museum in Monterey.
- * Painting murals on gymnasium and dining room walls in various public schools.
- * Grounds grooming, painting, and minor repairs at several County and City Schools in Monterey County.
- * Making, repairing, and maintaining playground equipment for local schools and parks.
- * Sanding and repainting picnic tables on an annual basis for parks in Monterey County and local city parks.
- * Restoring and painting antique farm equipment and other historical artifacts for the Monterey County Rural Life Historical Museum in King City.
- * Restoring and making structural improvements on the grounds and buildings at the Soledad Adobe House.
- * Annually preparing Watsonville Airport grounds for the Watsonville Air Show, this also includes clean up after the weekend of the show.
- * Annually doing the complete setting up of the Salinas International Air Show, including erecting of bleachers, box seats, chalet tents, VIP tents, setting up of temporary landscaping around the VIP areas (approximately one-half mile in length). Dismantling is also included. This is two weeks out of every year.
- * Providing labor alongside union carpenters by giving assistance to refurbishing of the Lockwook Community Center.
- * Assisting at Lake San Antonio with fish propagation project (currently at a standstill due to drought conditions).
- * Refurbishing of Castroville Community Center.

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- * Providing regular maintenance at Salinas golf courses.
 - * Cemetery grooming for two cities.

Vocational programs have been providing the following services to the communities around CTF:

- * Body work and painting of emergency vehicles, specifically for the Department of Forestry (CDF).
- * Annually printing of the CDF's annual report for the entire State.
- * Printing a complex overlapping brochure for the Monterey County Department of Social Services.
- * Building fire rings, picnic area lockers and tables for the California Department of Parks and Recreation.
- * Building children's classroom furniture (stoves, refrigerators, etc.) for three "latch-key" programs in Monterey County.
- * Providing plants four times a year to Hearst Castle.

The "Soledad Clowns" make frequent public appearances at festivals and events in the area. Examples of this are: The Greenfield Broccoli Festival, the Monterey Festival of Trees, the United Way Hot Air Balloon Affair, etc. They are trained by professional clowns and are in constant demand throughout the community.



The "Blind Project" interacts with the Perkins School for the Blind, the California Department of Education, The Flying Doctors, the Lions Club, the U.C. Berkeley School of Optometry and many interested citizens in providing tapes of transcribed books,

braille repair services, copies of books in braille, eye glasses gathering and sorting, and a host of other general services to blind people and schools for the blind.

The Advocates for Survivors of Crime (ASC) program at Soledad is jointly shared with a coalition of organizations in Monterey County which are providing services for victims of all sorts of maladies, from crime to disease. Representatives of Victims Groups are involved in our Pre-Release Programs, other educational classes, the Citizens' Advisory Committee and in a variety of projects which provide toys, articles of clothing, food, etc., for people who are less fortunate. Joint fund raisers such as bake sales, flower sales, and barbecue dinner sales have been successful in maintaining a good working relationship between the prison and victims advocates.

Citizens' Advisory Committee members are active in the many towns in Monterey County, holding forums and town hall meetings in order to provide information to local citizens in the entire community.

Inmates in a North Facility horticulture program donated over this past growing season many thousands of pounds of vegetables from donated seeds to the Alliance on Aging in the county. During the October 17, 1989 earthquake, much of this food was also diverted to the displaced families hardest hit by the quake.

The United Way/State Campaign has been a successful interaction event each year and donations for the 1989/90 campaign reflected a 60+ percent increase over the previous year. A total figure of \$25,000 has been reached at the time of this writing. We have provided a "loaned executive" to the United Way and are creators of the Pancake Breakfasts for the Hot Air Balloon Affair which attracts 40 balloons and several thousand people who attend the competitive events of ballooning. CTF's breakfasts are well received in the early hours of the competition. This year over \$3,000 was netted from the breakfasts. One hundred percent of the profits from the breakfasts go to the United Way above and beyond the campaign monies raised.

Between Prison Awareness Day which takes our special programs out into a community setting (church parking lot, etc.) and the various Career Days (i.e., Hartnell College) where Special Emergency Response Team (SERT) members, paroles, local law enforcement agencies, etc., join in displaying career options to young people, a lot more exposure as to what CTF is all about is presented. A Substance Abuse Day in Salinas is being planned for later in 1990 which will involve many agencies and a large community hall. A similar public education forum is being thought about for Victims Rights at some indefinite time.

"Books by Mail" is a highly successful library exchange program which has now been going on for several years.

In education, we are actively involved in the Nellie Thomas reading program and the VIP self-esteem program.

CHUCKAWALLA VALLEY STATE PRISON, BLYTHE

Chuckawalla Valley State Prison's community services are summarized as follows:

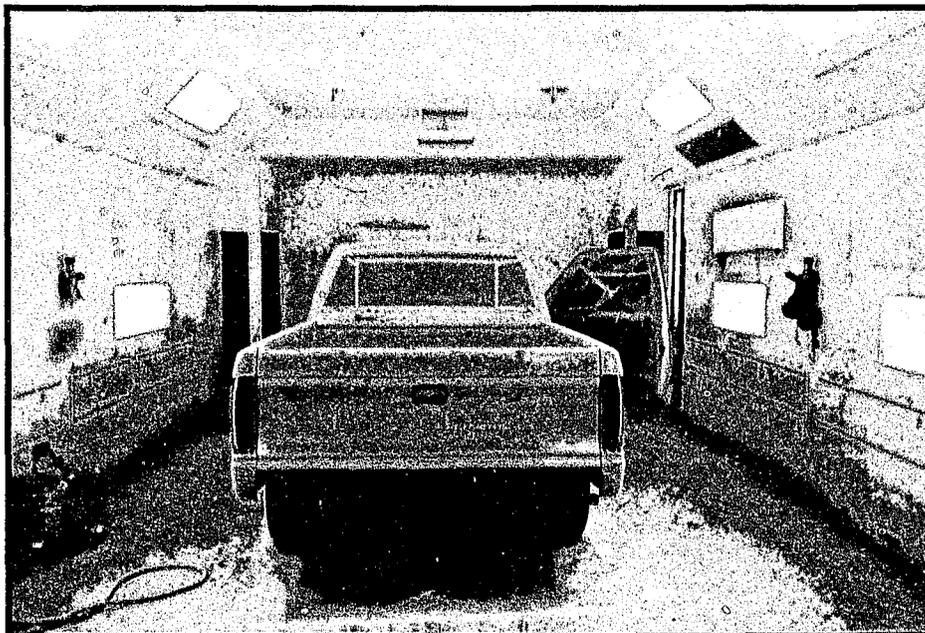
Community Work Crews

Presently, Chuckawalla Valley State Prison (CVSP) has two work crews in the City of Blythe. Crew number one was started May 23, 1989 and crew number two was initiated December 6, 1989. Recently, the crews have been assembling and painting new trash dumpsters. As these new dumpsters were put into service the old dumpsters were steam cleaned and repaired. Additionally, the crews have been occupied with cleaning alleys, the city water treatment plant, and cleaning and trimming the trees in the city park. The estimated value, for both crews, to the City of Blythe from May to December has been \$51,401.

Vocational Auto Body

Chuckawalla Valley State Prison auto body paint and repair class is repairing and painting buses for the Palo Verde Valley Unified School District and repairing and painting for the City of Blythe.

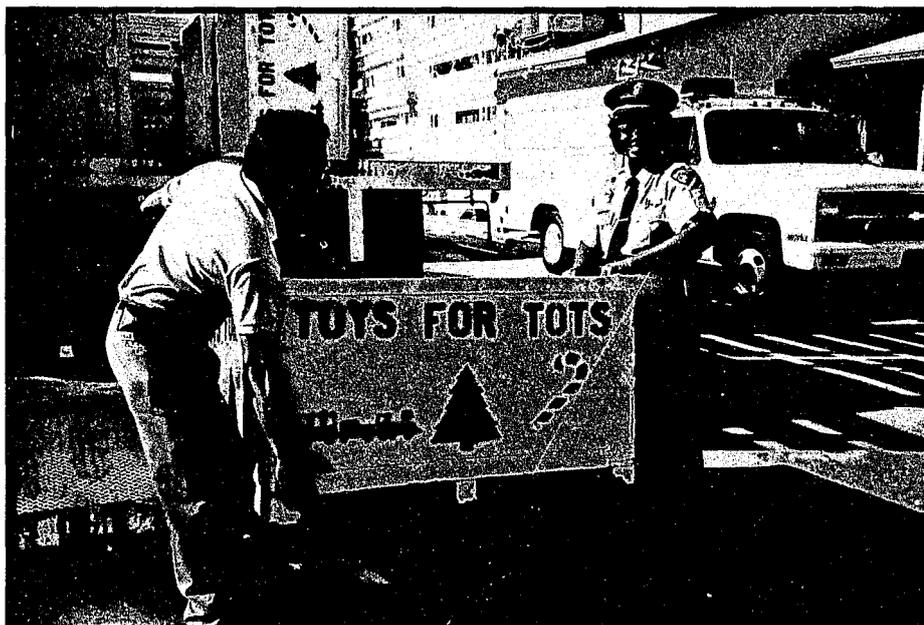
Inmates have the opportunity to learn marketable skills and the school district and city get needed work done on their vehicles at a reduced price. The estimated value of this service has been \$1,754.



Toys For Tots Project

Chuckawalla Valley State Prison, California Department of Forestry, and CVSP's Citizens' Advisory Committee are jointly sponsoring the "Toys for Tots" project. This project provides for the repair of damaged toys at the prison site using inmate labor. Once repaired, the toys are stored at the prison until Christmas time when they will be distributed to needy children in the Blythe area. Names of needy families are provided by the Department of Social Services, Blythe Ministerial Association, and Palo Verde Valley School District. As a community service project, CVSP's Womens' Liaison Council and Palo Verde 4-H Clubs were involved with gift wrapping, preparing food baskets and distribution.

Chuckawalla Valley State Prison's "Toys for Tots" project started in September 8, 1989; however, the project is ongoing and toys will be collected and repaired throughout the year. One inmate working full-time repairs and cleans the damaged toys. Over 3,000 toys will be distributed this Christmas. The inmate worked 450 hours at an estimated value of \$3,150.



Fund Raisers For Victims Of Crime

Chuckawalla Valley State Prison sponsored a Victim of Crime fund raiser in November of 1989. As a result, staff and inmates raised approximately \$200 for the crime victims' fund. The fund is to be used to help a crime victim in Blythe. The victim is a child who suffered parental abuse and neglect. The money will be used to provide professional tutoring, in order to help the child recover scholastically.

K.I.D. (Kids in Danger)

Approximately 40 children from ages 3 to 15, are presently being counseled for emotional, sexual, and physical abuse by Lutheran Social Services of Blythe. Inmates will be making Easter baskets for the children and the donation of candy and toys are being solicited. Soroptomist and CVSP's Womens' Liaison Council will be sponsoring this community project.

DEUEL VOCATIONAL INSTITUTION, TRACY

Deuel Vocational Institution (DVI) has traditionally attempted to involve the community in institutional issues that may have an adverse effect on public opinion. We feel a sound public information program is essential to achieving good community relations. To increase involvement of the community, this institution has the following programs:

Citizens Advisory Committee

Established by State statute, the objective of this committee is to promote communications between the institution and the community by holding regular meetings every other month with an appointed committee of community citizens. Through this committee, the institution will increase public awareness of the institution's operations.

Institutional Tours And Outside Speeches

Employees are encouraged to conduct institutional tours and make speeches to outside service clubs, trade associations, labor unions, educational groups, and other civic organizations within the community upon request of the interested public.

Special Community Service Projects Performed By Inmates

The vocational programs have made considerable contributions at a cost savings to the community at large. The auto shop does the routine maintenance on the transportation van used by the Dodd Memorial Visiting Center, a volunteer service organization that assists inmates' visitors in a variety of ways. The mill and cabinet shop makes all San Joaquin County's wooden signs, and made emergency backboards for the Tracy Fire Department. The upholstery shop re-upholstered some chairs and sofas for the Delta College Theater. The welding shop makes metal sign holders for Caltrans, barbecue pits for the County, and metal security grills for the Lodi City Jail. These are just a few ongoing projects performed by inmates assigned to vocational programs.

Deuel Vocational Institution now has a total of five Off Reservation Work crews. The inmate workers all live in the Minimum Dormitory Facility. They leave on buses early in the morning under the supervision of a Correctional Officer to report to work sites throughout the county. The services consist of roadside clean-up work (weed abatement and trash pick-up) along State and Country roads, painting fire stations, building projects, flood control work, and clean up of storm ponds and sanitary land fills. The crews have logged over 170,000 man hours of work in the community in 1989.

Acting in concert with the United States Marine Corps, DVI's inmates received 107 dilapidated bicycles from the Marine Corps. Utilizing inmate skills, institution tools and

parts donated from local bicycle shops, we returned 84 bicycles to the Marines to distribute to children for Christmas.

Additionally, the inmates assigned to the Vocational Woodshop made 167 toys from wood. These toys were delivered to the orphaned children at Mary Graham Hall in Stockton as Christmas presents.

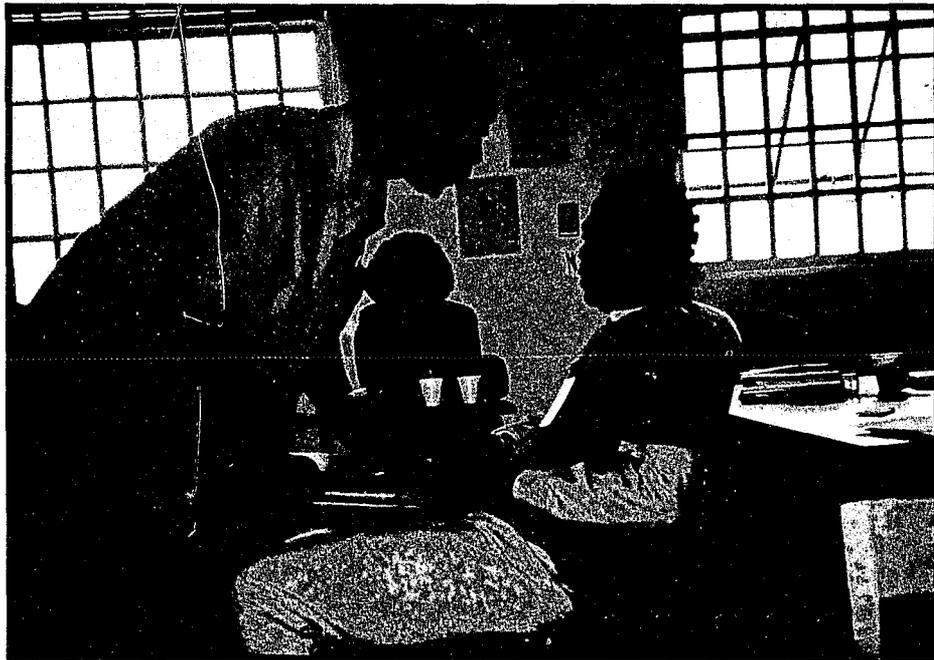
Straight Life Program

The general purpose of the Straight Life Program is to (1) reduce juvenile crime; (2) assist concerned community agencies who work directly with juvenile offenders and potential offenders in their efforts to free them from their misconceptions about crime and its consequences; (3) provide a new and valuable resources for the community and the criminal justice system; and (4) create an opportunity for DVI inmates to utilize their prison and/or life experience in a positive way.



The program is staffed by 19 inmates and volunteer DVI staff members. Juvenile referrals are accepted from schools, parents, social services, members of the judiciary community, as well as City/County government, and law enforcement agency officials from Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Fresno, and other surrounding areas. Juveniles between the ages of 10 to 17, male and female are eligible. Juveniles must be accompanied by their parents or guardians each session.

The program offers three consecutive sessions with juveniles and their parents/guardians. These sessions last approximately five hours (8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) each consecutive Saturday. The sessions are designed to develop a certain amount of inmate juvenile interactions in which the juveniles can confront problems, and experi-



ences that they might find difficult to discuss with their parents or other adults, without loss of face or fear of censorship.

To date, the program has served over 300 juveniles, of this number, only 20 juveniles turned out to be repeat offenders. Undetermined cost savings.

Victim Oriented Impact on Crime Education Series (V.O.I.C.E.S.)

VOICES is a program being piloted at DVI which attempts to make inmates aware of how their crimes affect the lives of their victims. Several guest speakers volunteer their time to come in and speak with the students on a variety of subjects. Exercises in self-esteem, self-awareness, human and family relations, and life skills are employed in this six week program. This is the only program of its kind in the nation.

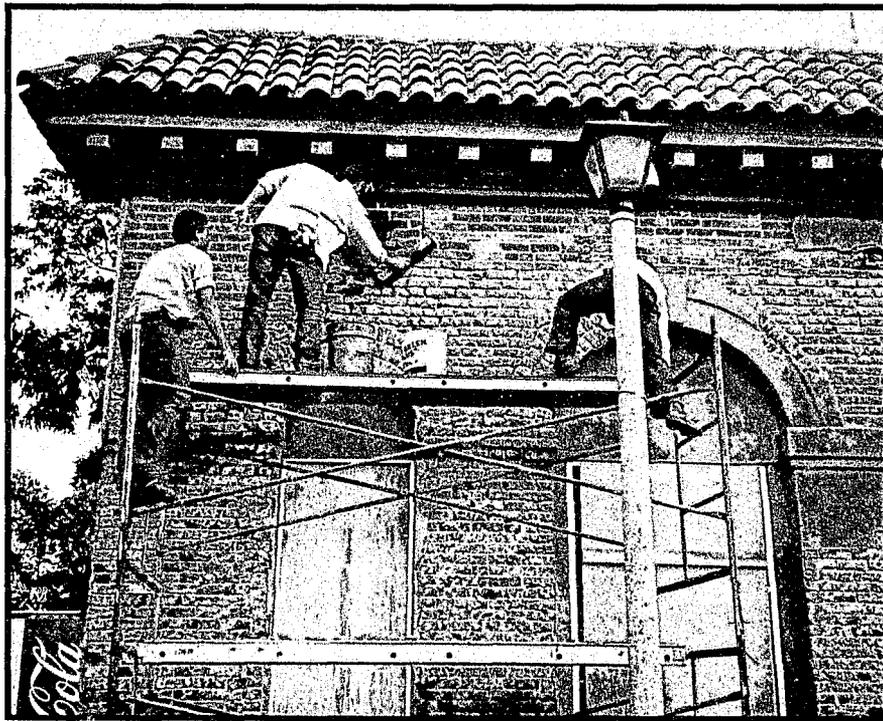
Substance Abuse Victory Education

In December of 1989, the Substance Abuse Victory Education (S.A.V.E.) program was initiated at DVI. The primary goal is to prevent and reduce further substance abuse and criminal activity. There are five objectives incorporated to assist the students: 1) substance abuse as it affects social interactions, relationships, physical and emotional health and financial resources; 2) the process of addiction and recovery; 3) the relationships between a healthy self-concept, values processing and drug-related decisions; 4) the community resources available for information, support, and treatment of substance abuse; and 5) the relationship between substance abuse and successful employment.

MULE CREEK STATE PRISON, IONE

Tax supported agencies in Amador County saw the first Mule Creek State Prison (MCSP) community work crew in April 1989. The second crew was activated several months later. Both of these crews work five days a week.

The projects that have been undertaken by these crews are: grounds maintenance, weed abatement for the City of Ione Cemetery, City of Ione Sewer Treatment Plant; repair/paint for livestock area for Amador County Fair Grounds; backstop repair/painting and rebuilding of snack bar for the Amador Unified School District; fence repair/ground maintenance for City of Amador; provided road cleanup/weed abatement for Caltrans; provide services to the Sacramento County Parks and Recreation at Rancho Seco Park. Renovation for Ione City Hall building and the School House Park for the City of Amador has begun.



Mule Creek State Prison Arts-in-Corrections' program has provided various services to the community, including development of a banner for the Plymouth Elementary School for National Red Ribbon Week; posters for the kick-off of the United California State Employees Campaign; drawing for the Amador County Fair Exhibit.

We also have a Speaker's Bureau consisting of approximately 20 employees in various job classifications who will, upon request, give presentations to local organizations.

Surplus wood has been provided to the Amador County Welfare Department in order to provide wood during the winter months, to low income senior citizens.

The victims' program is in the development stage and members of the community from Operation Care, Amador County Probation Department and Victim/Witness Program, the National Organization of Women and several Citizens' Advisory Committee members are active participants. Mule Creek State Prison held its first fund raiser for a victims' group, Operation Care (an organization for abused children and women). A power-lift competition was held with L.A. Workout members (a Sacramento based athletic club) and the inmates in Facility "A". Over \$1,300 was raised from this event.

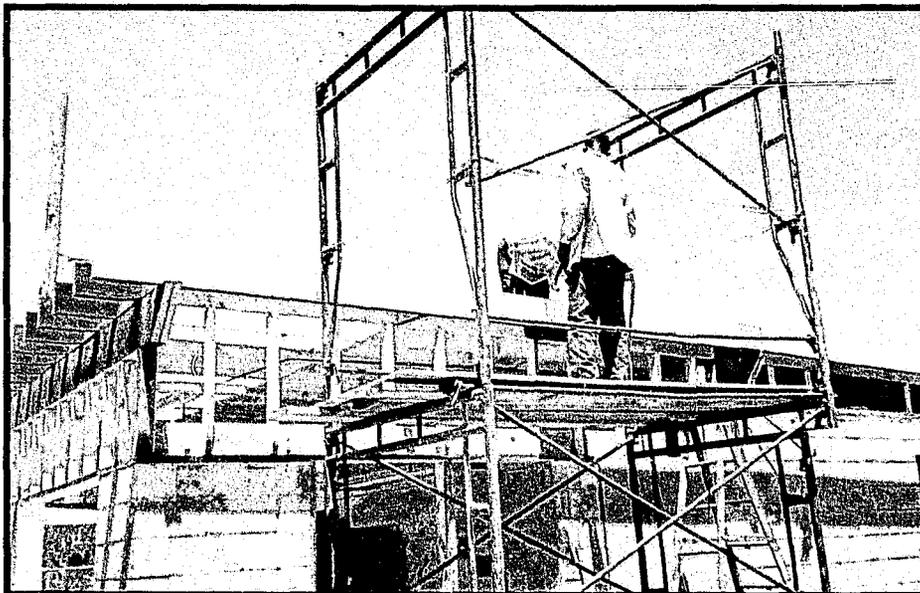
In conjunction with the Amador County Christmas Basket Committee, food, toys, and money was raised for low income families in the County by MCSP staff and inmates. The Vocational Mill and Cabinet Shop and Building Maintenance made wooden puzzles, stick horses, cars, trucks, etc. for this program.

The Vocational Mill and Cabinet Shop also made wooden candy canes for the City of lone as part of their Christmas street decorations.

Vocational Refrigeration and Air Conditioning is repairing refrigerators for State and governmental agencies in the county.

During 1989, MCSP has contributed approximately 15,000 hours of labor to our local community at a cost saving of \$105,000.

For 1990, MCSP is proposing to add two more Community Work crews. Inside programs will provide dry cleaning service of band uniforms for the local schools; build bookcases for the school district; transcribe books on audio cassettes for blind students at a local college; and repair of auto/trucks for governmental agencies.



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S FACILITY, STOCKTON

The following are examples of the community services at the Northern California Women's Facility (NCWF).

Red Ribbon Week

During National Red Ribbon Week, October 22-27 1989, the Inmate Self Help Group and Straight Talk sponsored a week of activities. Twenty inmates worked over 357 hours to prepare and participate with a dollar value to the community of \$2,499.



The week was kicked off with a religious service featuring an ex-drug user, followed by a presentation to 210 inmates by Mothers Against Drunk Drivers. The local PTA presidents and school officials were invited to attend a Straight Talk presentation which resulted in a referral for two outside speaking trips for Straight Talk. Staff night brought out 70 staff members and their families to listen to a Straight Talk presentation which resulted in two staff members signing up to be self help sponsors. The week concluded with a walk-a-thon. Approximately 120 inmates participated to raise \$750 for California drug free youth.

Straight Talk in the Community

NCWF's Straight Talk program is a juvenile diversion project which shall help to aid in the reduction of juvenile criminal activity by increasing awareness and offering alterna-

tives to lifestyles. The NCWF Straight Talk program provides a valuable resource for the community and the criminal justice system.

Three Straight Talk members traveled with the Community Resources Manager and one sponsor to Modesto High School and met with 376 students during five classes. They delivered a message against drugs, gangs, and life in prison. The students were very attentive and ask many questions at the end of each presentation.



The estimated value to the community was \$105. This does not really reflect the true value of the intent of the program to deter youth from truancy which will cost the state a great deal more in the long run.

Straight Talk Christmas Party

On December 12, 1989, 27 children from the Mary Graham Hall, a home for abused children, attended a Christmas party sponsored by the inmate self group and Straight Talk. The party was given by the inmates to accomplish several of the group's goals

which are to help victims, build self esteem and improve parenting skills.



Twenty inmates spent 200 hours in preparation for the event by sponsoring a candy sale to raise money for decorations, food, and presents. Most of the decorations were hand made as well as their costumes. This calculates to \$1,400 in value to the community. However, the dollar value did not appear to be the dominant factor, rather the impact of the children on the inmates and their abilities to interact with the children in a group setting.

PELICAN BAY STATE PRISON, CRESCENT CITY

Being the newest state prison and located within the County of Del Norte, it is and will remain the primary goal of this institution to build a strong community involvement. To accomplish this, PBSP has determined that community service must be a top priority.

When PBSP is at full capacity it will have close to 400 Level I inmates.. The intention is to provide up to ten 10-man inmate crews to perform community service. Therefore the following has been completed:

A contract with the County Parks and Recreation Department has been established to maintain eight parks or campgrounds, the Del Norte Airport, lands around the juvenile hall and mental health buildings. Also included are the two pauper cemeteries, as well as the Veterans of Foreign Wars Cemetery. Some of these areas have been let go for a number of years due to economics and lack of man-power.

A contract with Crescent City Harbor District will provide a labor force for routine maintenance of boat docks (after they are removed from water), cleanup of beaches, rest-rooms and additional projects as they become apparent.



A contract with California Parks and Recreation will provide labor for maintenance of State parks within Del Norte County and to assist in building hiking trails, cleaning campgrounds and day areas.

A contract with California Fish and Game will help maintain the local wildlife wetlands and provide labor for stream restoration and improve the habitat for fish reproduction.

Negotiations are presently ongoing with the U. S. Forest Service to clean acreage in

preparation for replanting, building fire breaks by clearing downed trees and brush. Inmates will be trained in planting seedlings and provide the laborforce to plant 63 acres of logged lands.

PBSP also plans to actively participate in the surrounding community fundraisers as they occur.

The City of Crescent City, Del Norte County Senior Center, Smith River Cemetery District, Redwood National Park, Del Norte Library District and Del Norte School District have also shown interest in PBSP assisting them with inmate labor projects.

PBSP will also have vocational education classes within Level IV General Population facilities.



These classes will include graphic arts, auto body, mill and cabinet, diesel mechanics, building maintenance, office services, mechanical drawing, carpentry, masonry and plumbing. These vocational skills can be utilized to provide services to local, State, and federal agencies.

R. J. DONOVAN CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, SAN DIEGO

The Richard J. Donovan Correctional Facility (RJDCF) continues to help keep San Diego, America's finest city, clean while providing meaningful jobs for inmates at the prison.

The prison has five inmate work crews assigned to work in the South and East areas of San Diego County. Each crew, under the supervision of a Department of Corrections' Correctional Officer, is transported from the prison to a designated work site. These Minimum Level inmates work in labor intensive jobs; i.e., cleaning, waxing, and detailing trolley cars; maintaining trolley stations, maintaining city parks and recreational equipment; weed abatement along freeways; clearing drainage and other labor intensive assignments.



The jobs in the community for inmates are made possible through Memorandum of Understanding and Inter-Agency Agreements between public agencies and RJDCF. Among the public agencies that have entered into agreement for inmate labor are the San Diego Trolley, Caltrans, and the City of Imperial Beach. Two of the agreements with local public agencies include a donation on behalf of the prison to the San Diego Crime Victims' Fund. The Crime Victims' Fund uses these funds to assist victims in emergency situations.

Other agencies that are scheduled to participate in this program are the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Sweetwater Authority, City of Chula Vista, and Southwestern Community College. The prison has plans to activate five additional inmate work crews by the end of 1990.

In addition, the prison has provided opportunities for the Medium Security inmates to work on community projects inside the prison walls. The inmates in the vocational program have rebuilt utility carts for local high schools, painted a van for the San Diego Urban Corp., printed stationery for the State of California Conservation Corp's Advisory Committee, and dry cleaned band uniforms for another local high school.

During Fiscal Year 1989/90, the prison contributed over 32,000 hours of work, conservatively valued at \$229,000 to San Diego community.

San Diego Trolley Community Service Crew

The San Diego Trolley is one of five community service crews from RJDCF that is assigned work throughout the San Diego community under the direct supervision of a Correctional Officer. Ten to twelve inmates clean, wax, and detail the trolley cars. The inmates work at the downtown San Diego Trolley maintenance yard four days a week, ten hours a day (Tuesday to Friday).



The San Diego Trolley, a member of the Metropolitan Transit System (San Diego's Public Transit System), has enjoyed a savings in the cost of maintaining the trolley cars. Other benefits to the trolley cars include: extending the life of paint on the cars, therefore, saving on paint; a positive public opinion; and an increased use by the public of the trolleys. The San Diego Trolley General Manager has stated that a clean trolley car is perceived to be safe and is more apt to be used as a means of transportation by the average commuter.

The institution and the participating inmates have also realized benefits from this community project. The inmates have taken a sense of pride in their work and have a more positive self-esteem. The institution has received considerable media coverage on this community service project.

The agreement between RJDCF and San Diego Trolley is: the Trolley provides the Correctional Officer's salary and benefits and the inmates' pay number; donates a vehicle to provide the transportation for the inmates; provides a port-a-poty; and donates on behalf of RJDCF an average of \$400 a month to the San Diego Crime Victims' Fund.

The RJDCF provides 10 to 12 inmates, their lunches, water, and designates a Correctional Officer.

This agreement between RJDCF and the San Diego Trolley, Inc., has evolved into a viable community service project that has been of great benefit to the San Diego community.

While RJDCF is reimbursed for the cost of the Correctional Officer's salary and the inmates' pay number, the estimated savings to the Trolley remains \$7.00 per hour worked, for an average monthly savings to the Trolley of \$12,000.

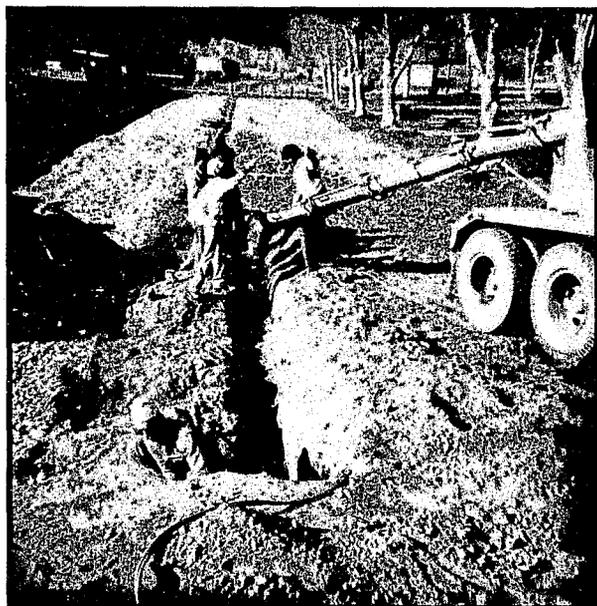
SIERRA CONSERVATION CENTER, JAMESTOWN

Communities within Tuolumne and Calaveras counties have been the recipients of a host of community service work performed by inmates from Sierra Conservation Center (SCC) and the camps it administers. During this past fiscal year, SCC's crew and vocational programs have contributed approximately one half million dollars in cost avoidance to a variety of tax supported agencies.

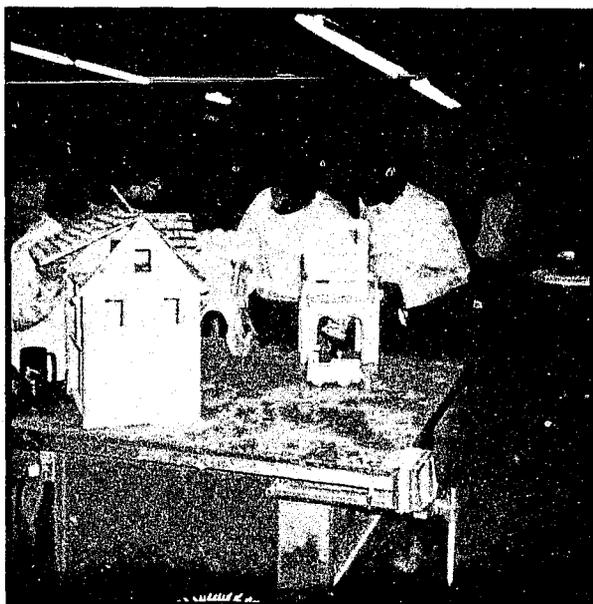
In addition to the work projects done by inmate labor, inmates and staff have also played an important role as lay counselors to youths in local schools and Probation Departments.

The Another Way program consists of inmates who volunteer to meet weekly and discuss issues related to their incarceration and what steps they will take to avoid future problems with re-arrest. Those inmates who meet specific criteria become eligible to speak to youths on issues of concern, i.e., substance abuse, negative peer influence, and gang activity.

The following captions give you some insight into the services rendered to the Mother Lode communities.



The City of Tuolumne requested Sierra Community crew's help in restoring what was once an historical train depot. Inmates work on the renovation of a rail line which will be used by the City of Tuolumne as a tourist excursion to other Mother Lode communities.



Sierra Conservation Center's vocational program has been working in a joint effort with the Tuolumne County Welfare Department for a "Toys for Tots" venture. The Mill and Cabinet Vocational program has, for the past 10 years, been building wooden toys from scrap wood. The finished product would then be donated to the County Welfare Department for distribution to families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children. Many of the wooden toys are unique, destined for kids who may have a special need for a particular toy.

The Another Way program was the brain child of an inmate who felt that his problems with crime could have been avoided if someone would have shared with him the consequences of anti-social behaviors. With the support staff, this inmate and others like him started what is known as the Another Way program. This inmate self-help program gives interested inmates an opportunity to discuss what they believe were contributors of anti-social behaviors. Inmate participants are encouraged to discuss ways to avoid the hazards of compulsive/impulsive behavior and detriments of substance abuse. With the assistance of staff sponsors,



inmates are able to divulge deep-seated feelings which may have had some bearing on their self-esteem or perception of others. Those inmates who become eligible to speak to outside community groups, usually schools and the Probation Department, enables the audience an opportunity to hear first hand from inmates the factors which lead to their incarceration. By sharing with students their experiences, it is felt this may serve as a form of reinforcement to avoid similar factors which lead to the inmates difficulties.

Victims' Fund Fund Raiser Event

The Calaveras Unit Yard sponsored a fund raiser for the Battered and Abused Children of Tuolumne and Stanislaus counties. The event pitted 31 of the 38 dormitories in a tug-

of-war contest. Each competitor was asked to donate one dollar or more from their Trust Accounts.

Although the tug-of-war contest was won by one dorm, over one thousand inmates participated directly or indirectly in the day long event. As a result of the inmates' fund raising efforts, Tuolumne and Stanislaus counties received \$5,790 between them for their respective Child Abuse programs.

The photograph below shows members of the Inmate Athletic Committee, presenting a check to a representative of the Tuolumne County Child Abuse Program while Lieutenant Burl Condit, Stockton Police Department, member of SCC's Community Advisory Committee, Mr. L. Valizan, Program Administrator, SCC looks on.



SOUTHERN CONSERVATION CAMPS

Sierra Conservation Center has functional and logistical responsibility for 19 camps that are spread out from as far as Sacramento County in the North to San Diego County in the South. Fourteen camps are jointly operated between SCC and California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF). The remaining five camps are jointly operated between SCC and the Los Angeles County Fire Department. Three of the 19 camps are female felon camps with inmates supplied by the California Institution for Women. Sierra Conservation Center retains functional and logistical responsibility for both the inmates and camps.

The camps have from 60 to 120 inmates. Eleven correctional personnel and 7 to 11 cooperating agency staff are assigned to each camp.

Training inmates for the Camp Program is a cooperative effort between the California Department of Corrections (CDC) and CDF. A special program of physical conditioning prepares inmates for hard work, staff instructs inmates in techniques of fire fighting, reforestation, cutting fuel breaks, and flood control prior to their camp assignment.

During an average fiscal year, camp crews spend more than a half million man-hours in fire suppression. In addition to fire fighting, inmate crews undertake fire hazard reduction, fire and truck trail construction, work related to the preservation and conservation of natural resources or other projects for State, County, or local agencies.

Many of the conservation camps also provide academic and vocational training. Vocational training may be related to in-camp projects such as sign painting, mill and cabinet, landscaping, and forestry trades.

The following pages include a description of the community services performed by each camp administered by SCC.

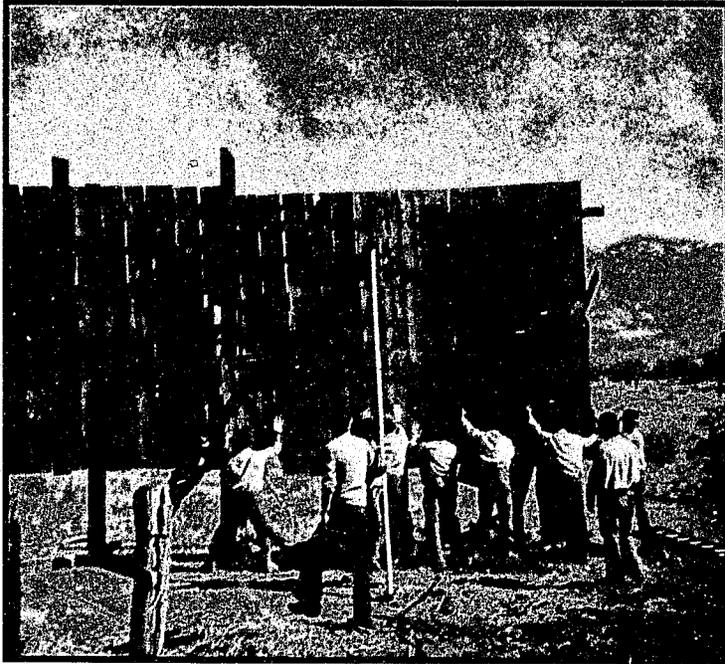
Miramonte Conservation Camp

The camp built in 1949 and centrally located in the Sierra Mountains in Central California, consists of three work project grade crews. (1) During the 88/89 F.Y., Miramonte Camp provided the State with 40,000 hours of hazard reduction and public resource improvement, with 20,000 hours of county ground and building maintenance, 8,000 hour of federal maintenance and rehabilitation. 2) This camp also operates a Mill and Cabinet Shop, a Welding Shop and a Truck Auto Body and Paint Shop which provided the state with 23,000 hours of production through the fiscal year. During the fire season, the camp maintains four fire fighting equipped fire crews with one fully contained mobile fire kitchen, providing fire fighting and service throughout the State of California on a daily basis, which equals 365 days of forest fire protection and fire fighting. Miramonte Conservation Camp provided 51,854 hours of fire fighting this last season alone, with the combination of the above services, Miramonte Camp produced a total of \$994,540 cost savings to the public.



Owens Valley Conservation Camp

At the request of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce, the inmates at Owens Valley CC #26 removed and rebuilt the Bishop Creek Recreation Area sign. This project was viewed as an opportunity to gain wider recognition by the local community and was greatly appreciated. Service projects of this nature are performed on an ongoing basis,



both in the community and in camp. Annual community service projects include: Painting of several buildings at Bishop City Park, and on a regular basis mow and maintain the City Park.

Since January 1, 1989, the crews from Owens Valley CC #26 have performed 1,009,992 man hours of community service. In addition, these crews put in 53,837 man hours fighting fires. The estimated value of the community service hours is \$7,069,944 and the fire fighting hours are estimated at \$538,370.

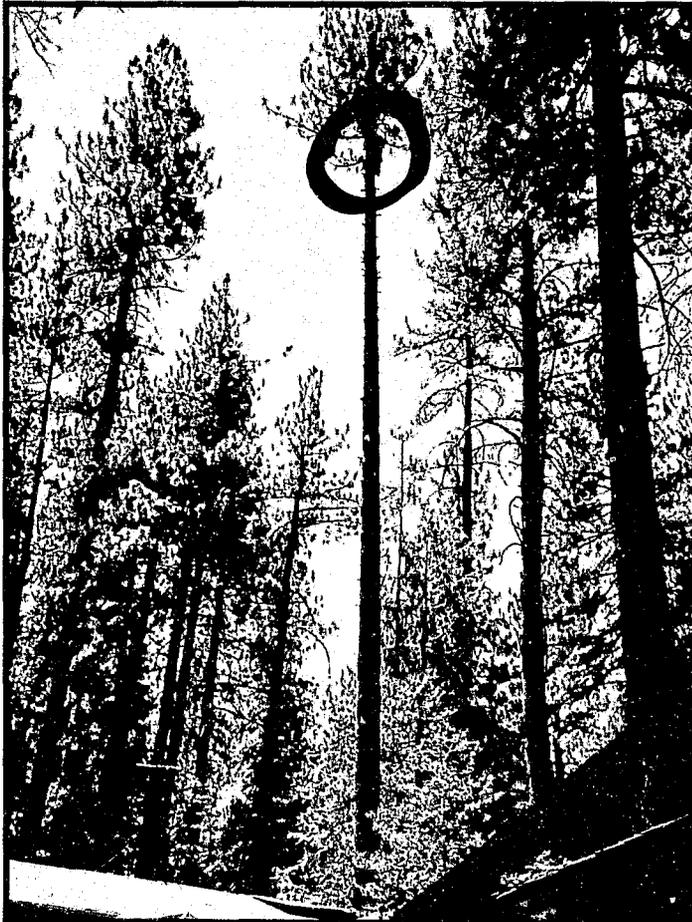
Francisquito Conservation Camp

At San Francisquito CC #4 we provide the service of community preservation to the Department of Forest Services and the local community by performing clean-ups and repairs to areas that are for the people of the community to enjoy and use, such as repair to camp grounds. One of these is the Los Cantillas Camp Grounds in Saugus, mainly used by the blind people of the community. We clean and make repairs to this area on a semi-monthly basis, at the approximate cost of \$7.00 per inmate per hour. This duty provides aid to the United States Forest Service and the people of the community of Saugus.



In the month of December, 1989, two crews of fire fighters from CC #4 fought the Pine Mountain Fire in the counties of Kern and Ventura. The crews were on the fire for 32 hours, at the approximate cost of \$10.00 per inmate per hour. Our crews consist of 14 men each. This was a benefit to the Counties of Kern and Ventura and the U. S. Forest Department.

Bautista Conservation Camp



In and around the local community of Hemet, California, Bautista Conservation Camp is known for its insect control crew. California Department of Forestry is mandated by State law to eradicate bug infested trees. The Bautista crew falls and sprays insect infested trees in the San Bernardino Mountains, San Jacinto District. The service directly benefits private citizens who have bug infested trees on their property. The service indirectly benefits the citizens of California because without the services the California forests would quickly become destroyed. The insect control crew works everyday, weather permitting. During 1989, the crew fell 1,450 trees and worked 22,350 man hours. An estimated cost savings to the community of approximately \$156,450.

Prado Conservation Camp

(1) Construction of new hiking trails at San Clemente and Doheny State Beaches by Prado Crews began in mid-summer 1989. Prado has had an ongoing agreement with this community to maintain the State beaches and construct new hiking trails. Approximately 17,424 man hours have been utilized this year. (2) San Dimas Experimental Forest involved planting more than 2,000 seedlings in the San Dimas Mountains. Approximately 7,544 man hours were contributed by Prado crews. (3) Prado Camp was involved in an eight hour media day hosted for approximately 200 reporters from the Los Angeles Metropolitan News Media on May 15, 1989. Prado Fire Kitchen served a

Bar-B-Que chicken lunch while Prado crews demonstrated hard line construction, hose lays and helitac. (4) Laguna Beach Fuel Break has been in progress for the past two years, with approximately 3,600 man hours having been devoted to cutting a fire line 500 to 1,000 feet wide and over 2-1/2 miles long. Savings to the surrounding communities for non-emergency project work is estimated at \$138,507. In addition, Prado crews responded to emergency situations amounting to an estimated savings of \$802,660 in man hours.



Puerta La Cruz Conservation Camp

Puerta La Cruz Conservation Camp has been an influence for various Indian reservations. Santa Ysabel Mission is in a remote location. Public funds for cemetery maintenance are limited. In an effort to maintain our positive community relationships, twice a year, shortly before Memorial Day and again before All Saints Day, Puerta La Cruz CC #14 supplies the necessary labor for needed landscape maintenance to not only Santa Ysabel Mission but to the cemeteries on the other three Indian reservations in the area, La Jolla, Los Coyotes and Mesa Grande. This provides the necessary fire hazard reduction for all of the cemeteries. This is a biannual project totaling 2,520 man hours, with a community savings of \$17,640.



Pilot Rock Conservation Camp

Pilot Rock CC #15 is involved with many community service programs that provide substantial savings to local, State and federal agencies. One of the major projects is the Insect Control Program. This involves Bark Beetle abatement within the San Bernardino National Forest zone of infestation, and covers all private land from Wrightwood in Los Angeles County, eastward across the top of San Bernardino to Big Bear and south to the Forest Falls area. Pilot Rock supplies two crews full time to this project, who are specialized in tree removal and treatment in and around structures. Due to their specialized training, these crews have also been utilized on numerous other tree removal projects. This highly visible project has strong public support and has produced a very good relationship with all parties involved, which include Public Utilities Companies, United States Forest Service, Caltrans, County Road, State Parks, and the general public; including also the California Department of Corrections and the California Department of Forestry. Total: 13 inmates x 12,992 hours x \$7.00 per hour = \$1,068.896 on a yearly basis.



Pilot Rock has two field grade crews who, on a daily basis, perform a variety of projects for various agencies within the San Bernardino Ranger Unit. The crews' primary functions are fire hazard reduction, soil erosion prevention, trail construction, and reforestation. Project agencies include the San Bernardino National Forest, Lake Silverwood State Park, Caltrans, Department of Water Resources (both Lake Gregory and Mojave Narrows). Total: 17 inmates x 12,992 hours x \$7.00 per hour = 2,020,864. Each year, Pilot Rock has a crew of six inmates who, through joint efforts of CDF and CDC, install Christmas lights for the City of Crestline. Total: 6 inmates 10 hours x \$7.00 per hour = \$420.00. A senior citizens group, The Crest Forest Women's Club, in joint efforts with Pilot Rock staff, held their yearly Christmas party for the inmates and their families to show how much they appreciate what this camp means to their community. Presents from the Women's Club were given to the children of the inmates, and there was a sing-a-long.

Mt. Gleason Conservation Camp

Mt. Gleason does not have one particular community service project that is well known in the community. However, the camp provides various services for the surrounding community. The camp has provided the following services to the listed agencies during the third quarter of 1989. (1) U. S. Forest Service Fuel Break, Gleason Plantation; USFS. Motorway, 12 Mile Road; USFS. Projects, Mill Plantation, Grizzly Flats. (2) California Aquaduct brush clearance/general maintenance. (3) Locally, Pacoima Warehouse - painting, general maintenance; Los Angeles County Fuel Breaks, Mill Creek Road; L.A. County Motorways; controlled burns. Mt.



Gleason has a grand total of fire fighting hours of 24,200 and community service hours totalling 15,053. The cost savings is approximately \$317,930.

Acton Conservation Camp

Acton Conservation Camp has a 90 bed capacity and is located approximately 20 miles south of Palmdale, California. The Camp is administered by the California Department

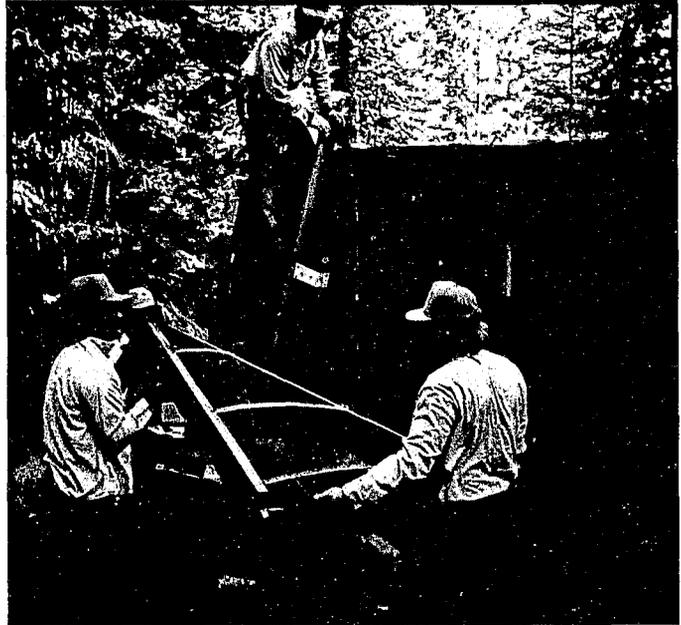


of Corrections and the Los Angeles County Fire Department. The main responsibility of the camp is to provide protection against wild land fires, with a priority in Los Angeles County, but available to go anywhere within the State. Last quarter, hand crews from Acton Camp provided 9,400 man hours involved in fire fighting, representing a savings of approximately \$94,000. to the tax payers. When they are not fighting fires, our hand crews provide services to various agencies such as the Department of Water and Power, U. S. Forest Service, Road Department and local city governments.

During the last quarter, Acton hand crews provided approximately 18,200 man hours to these agencies, representing a savings of approximately \$123,000. The local communities have been extremely supportive of our operation and continued good community relations is one of our major goals.

Vallecito Conservation Camp

Vallecito Conservation Camp has many conservation and public service related work projects. These projects are all in addition to the five fire crews which operate on emergencies such as wild land fires, floods, or search and rescue missions. Vallecito grade projects are undertaken for sponsoring agencies such as Caltrans, U. S. Forest Service, State of California Parks and Recreation Department, County of Calaveras, and many cities throughout Calaveras County. A sample of the type of work performed on grade projects



is our project at Calaveras Big Trees State Park, the sponsoring agency being California Department of Parks and Recreation. The crew works in a wide variety of public recreation, forest resource development and fire hazard reduction projects. One of the major focuses this past year was the North Grove Recreation Area. The camp crew provided the major labor force for the construction of access ramps and elevated walkways to enable the physically challenged to have access to the beautiful North Grove Trail. In addition, inmate crews of four inmates, or less, under the direction of trained park service staff, perform small but important projects such as building repairs, camp grounds maintenance, and construction of water tanks, as depicted in the photograph. The crew has been the recipient of many accolades from the California State Park Service at Big Trees State Park.

Growlersburg Conservation Camp

Community service at CC #33 consists of five work project grade crews, Vocational Mill and Cabinet program, Toys for Christmas Program, and a Juvenile Diversion program. These services are provided to city, county, state and federal governments and agencies. Services are provided to supply a readily available low cost skilled work force for the community and government agencies, and also to provide the camp inmates with necessary work skills and ethics. Total man hours provided during the 88/89 fiscal year



were: Fire fighting and emergencies-102,120; construction and maintenance - 144,185; furniture construction - 41,600; Christmas Bicycle Program - 720; for a cost savings to the public of \$2,326,735.

Mc Cain Valley Conservation Camp

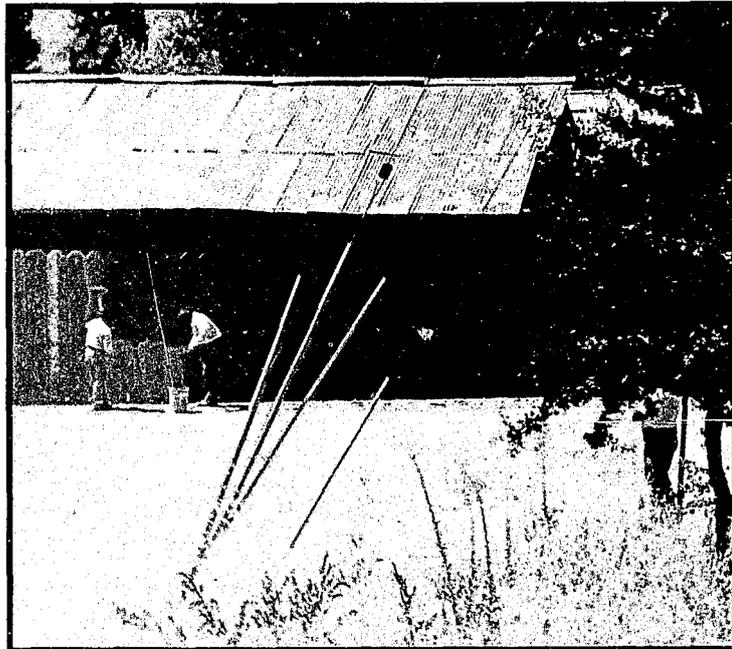


McCain Valley CC #21 currently has five inmate fire crews with an average of 14 inmates per crew. This year our fire crews responded to 26 fires, the majority being in the San Diego County area, for a total of 31,000 man hours, and a savings of approximately \$310,000. The camp has recently become involved in the building of a community park for the City of Jucumba. The camp supplies one crew and various construction equipment on a daily basis during the week. This represents a savings of over \$4,000 in labor, per week, and allows the community to have recreational facilities that could otherwise be beyond their financial means. We also provide one fire crew one day a week to

help maintain and develop the facilities at the Camp Railroad Historic Park. The participation in local projects is beneficial to both the community and the camp. By using the fire crews for labor, the communities are able to maintain parks and develop facilities, while at the same time, the fire crews are learning good working habits and the importance of team work, which is critical on the fire line.

Baseline Conservation Camp

Baseline work projects for the community include general maintenance and landscaping (which included building rock retaining walls and various types of cement work). The recipients were: Sonora Elementary School, Sonora Dome, Summerville High School, Columbia Community College, Sullivan Creek School, and Mother Lode Fairgrounds. Projects are worked on a daily basis, with work at the schools being done during vacation breaks. Crews have been involved working for the Bureau of Reclamation building new



camp sites, adding to existing boat ramps and creating fish habitat at Lake Done Pedro, New Melones Dam, Lake McClure and Lake McSwain. Baseline Camp also has inmates involved in a Juvenile Diversion program known as "Another Way", which speaks to juveniles in Stanislaus, Merced and Tuolumne Counties.

Green Valley Conservation Camp



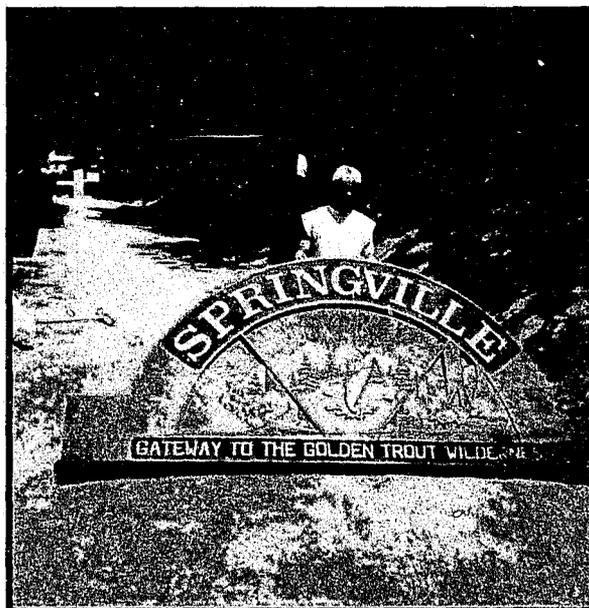
Recent major project emphasis has been concentrated on parks and recreation at three different facilities: 1) Folsom Lake - With increasing popularity of mountain biking, over ten miles of mountain bike trail were built along Folsom Lake. More trails are anticipated in 1990. Green Valley is now responsible for all horse trails and mountain bike trails around the lake. 2) Prairie City OHV Park - Crew #2 has started fire proofing around the majestic oaks scattered around the

motorcycle course. Fencing has been installed to divide activity areas, protect areas for rehabilitation, and to limit activity from areas for future use. Sixteen ramadas have been completed including barbecues and landscaping. 3) State Railroad Museum - has

20 miles of railroad right-of-way for an excursion train. Currently, only five miles are in use. Trees had grown through the ties and blackberries grew over the tracks. Green Valley crews have brushed an additional ten plus miles along the Sacramento River. Green Valley provided 131,808 inmate hours on these and other community projects for a cost savings of \$922,656. In addition, 26,916 inmate hours were provided for fire fighting at fire emergencies statewide for a cost savings of \$269,160.

Mountain Home Conservation Camp

The primary function of Mt. Home Camp, in addition to fire fighting and flood control, is the milling of lumber from downed timber and the production of signs used for federal, state, county, and city agencies. Other areas of accomplishment are noted as well. (1) Lake Kaweah near Three Rivers - Camp crews have built two playgrounds near camping areas, built and maintained nature trails, planted trees and installed irrigation channels. (2) Tulare County Fair - Crews routinely aid in upkeep and maintenance of the grounds. This year crews were used to prepare the "Fire Prevention Booth" sponsored by CDF. An eight-foot "Smokey the Bear" was



carved at Mt. Home from redwood and displayed at the booth. After festivities, crews were utilized for further cleanup and repairs. (3) Sequoia National Forest - a crew was used to tear down 13 old buildings at Camp Wishon. The site was then restored to a public camp ground. The project took 3,736 man hours, accounting for a savings of \$26,152. (4) Allenworth State Park - Crews constructed a six mile barbed wire fence which was greatly needed by Southern Tulare County. This project took a total of 5,846 man hours and saved the County approximately \$41,000.

Malibu Conservation Camp

Malibu Conservation Camp annually provides a community service donation to a needy family during the Christmas holidays. This is accomplished through joint efforts of the California Department of Corrections' staff and inmates in conjunction with the Los Angeles County Fire Department personnel.

The Church on the Way, L.A. County, provides the names of needy families. Donations are accepted from Malibu Camp staff and inmates to prepare a holiday meal basket.

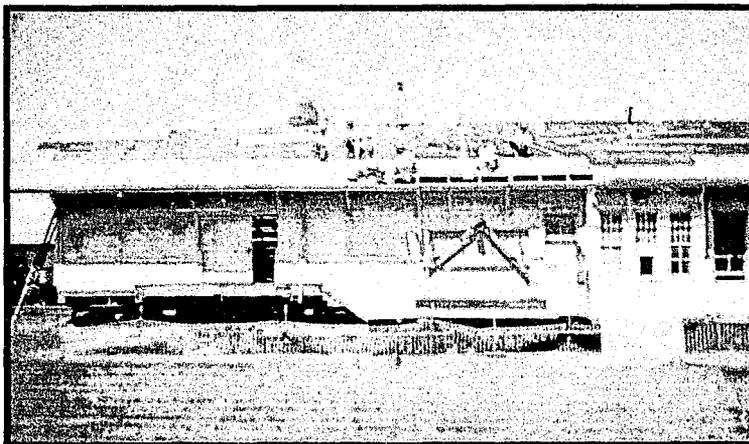
Julius Klein Conservation Camp

Julius Klein Camp has engaged in community service by involving their fire crews while not on fire fighting duties. Some of the services provided are: a monthly maintenance of local ranger stations and the Crystal Lake Recreational Area in the Angeles National Forest. (1) An agreement between Whittier and Conservation Camp (CC) #19 has allowed for the camp to be involved in an ongoing yearly park cleanup, involving approximately 4,000 inmate hours and a savings of \$28,000 in labor. (2) A demolition and reconstruction project in the City of Duarte, involving the Northview Middle School, has used approximately 1,500 inmate hours monthly and approximately \$10,500 in labor. (3) Other community projects include flood control projects and numerous separate daily or weekly cleanups throughout the surrounding cities that involve small cleanup projects. (4) One of the projects and numerous separate daily or weekly cleanups throughout the surrounding cities that the Camp has engaged in during work days that there is no fire fighting or fire prevention is with U.S. Forest Service removing graffiti in the Angeles National Forest.

Gabilan Conservation Camp

Gabilan CC #38 is involved in numerous community service projects at federal, state, and local government levels. There is an ever increasing demand for our project work crews in both San Benito and Monterey Counties. (1) One of the major projects Gabilan is currently working on is the restoration of historical King City Railroad Depot, as depicted in the photograph. The

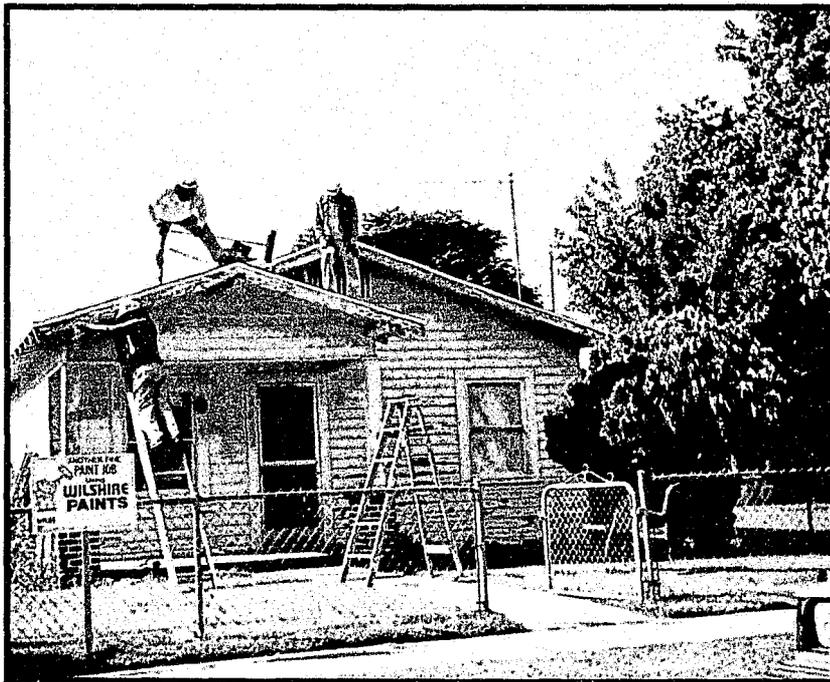
crews work five days a week on this project. Upon completion, the Railroad Depot will be a permanent structure for public view at its new location in the San Lorenzo Regional Park. (2) Gabilan fire crews have provided 211,824 hours of community service work this year for an estimated value of \$1,482,768 and 93,104 emergency hours



for the 1989 fire season, an estimated value of \$931,040. (3) The Camp is involved in a Juvenile Diversion project known as "Straight Forward". The purpose of this program is to aid teenagers in eliminating problems concerning high school drop-out, truancy, and negative contact with the criminal justice system through "rap sessions" with the Straight Forward inmates. The program has helped many troubled youths think differently about their lives, values and the direction in which they are heading.

PAROLE REGION I, SACRAMENTO

The following is an example of one the community service projects performed by parolees in the region.



The Fresno parole units are involved in a community effort to improve the appearance of the downtown area. Each year they paint and restore houses of low income senior citizens. The effort is coordinated by the Fresno Senior Citizen Advisory Council who identify and establish criteria for residents who are eligible to receive this service. The labor is provided by various organizations and the materials are provided by local paint distributors.

This year, the Fresno office painted three houses.

The Fresno parole office established liaison with the Fresno Senior Citizen Advisory Council (FSAC) and have indicated a willingness to participate in the program. The services are offered to low income families who generally are not physically able to paint their house but generally adds to the improved appearance of the neighborhood.





The house is prepared (all exposed wood prepared, and old chipped paint removed) before the actual painting occurs. The average house is painted in five hours and a larger house in about nine hours. There were approximately 25 parolees and 15 staff members involved in this year's project. It is estimated approximately \$350 of parolees' time was involved and another \$300 of staff time for a total of \$750. This does not include the cost of material as indicated above.



PAROLE REGION II, SAN FRANCISCO

The following projects represent community services contributions for Region II Paroles.

Region II has been involved in a number of activities utilizing both inmates (work furlough, RTC's) and parolees. In San Francisco, parolees assigned to the SARD unit have participated in cleaning city and county beaches by collecting litter in large plastic bags for later pick up by Caltrans crews. San Francisco parolees have also donated time and labor by assisting with meal preparation and cleanup at Glide Memorial Church and Saint Anthony's Kitchen. Glide and Saint Anthony provide hot meals to the homeless and the needy.

In Oakland, work furlough inmates from Volunteers of America (VOA) have been involved in picking up trash and debris on the streets of that city. The crew goes out on Saturdays and is under the supervision of a correctional officer assigned to Region II's transportation team.

Another Oakland project is the 415 Society for Alameda County. In this instance, selected parolees are assigned to county parks to help keep them clean. The parolees collect trash, clear brush, and assist with the general maintenance of the grounds.

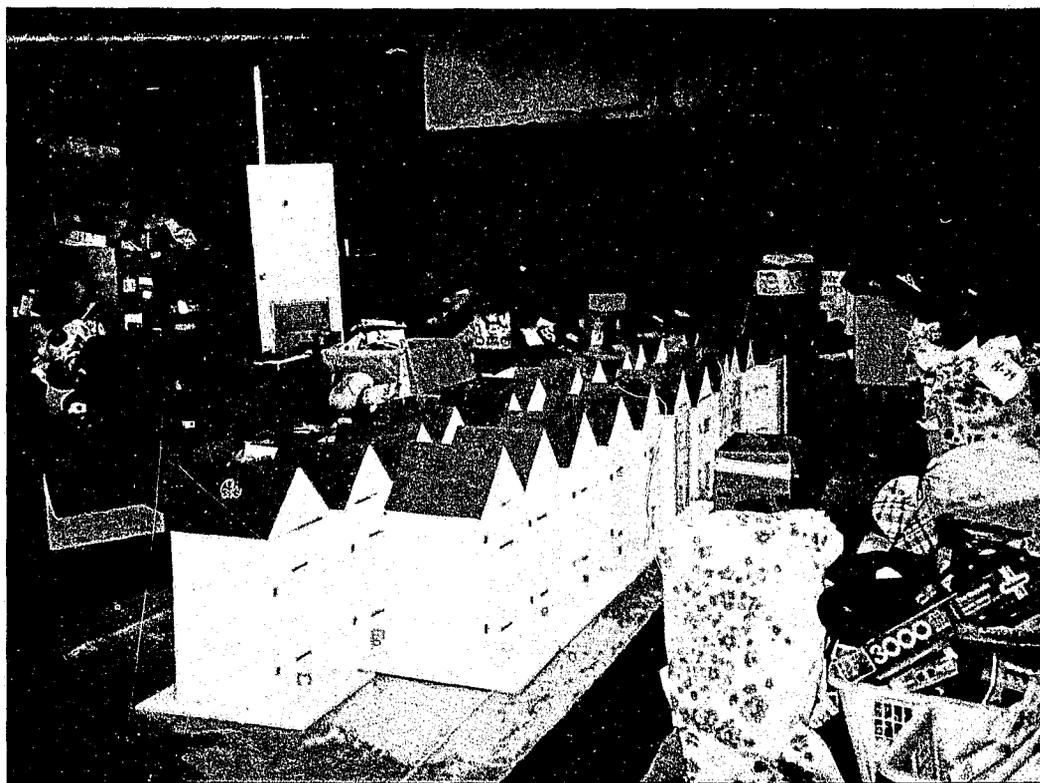


Still another Oakland project has parolees performing community service at the Telegraph Avenue Community Center. The center provides free clothing and food for the needy. Parolees are referred there to work a set number of hours/days as determined by the Unit Supervisor. Parolees sort and mark clothes, put items on hangers and assist in bagging food items. They may also be assigned to yard work or to maintenance projects at the facility.

The Hayward Parole Unit had been contacted by the California National Guard to enlist our support in clearing weeds, brush, and debris from the Guard grounds in that city. Parolees participated in the project and did an outstanding job. It is hoped that a written agreement will soon be entered into to make this an ongoing venture.

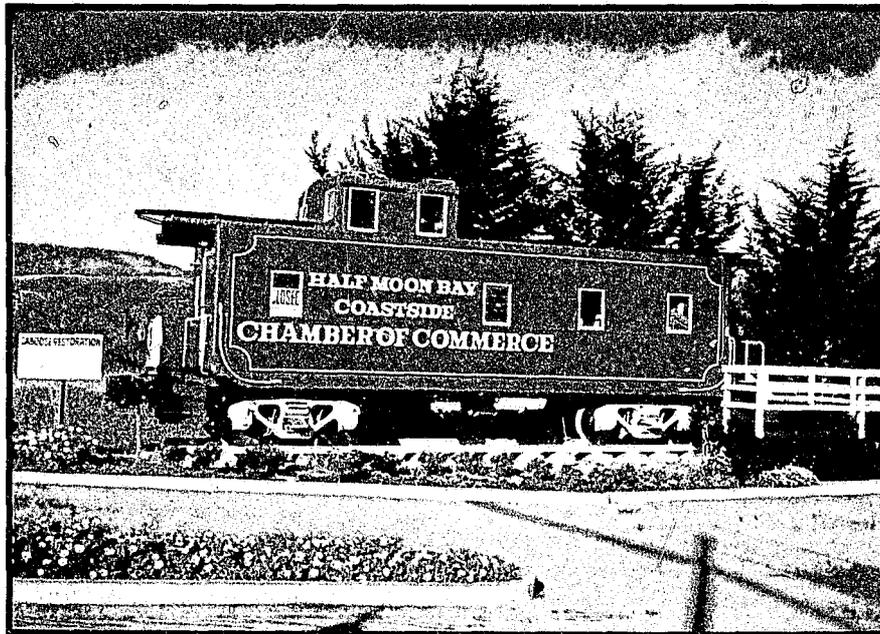
Parolees living in Vallejo (Solano County) are performing public service by cleaning and washing Vallejo Police Department vehicles. In addition, they are performing general cleanup chores in and around the police station. It is anticipated that parolees living in Fairfield (Solano County) will assist the Solano County Economic Opportunity Council by collecting litter and cleaning up county parks.. Final preparations are in progress and a May 1, 1990 is targeted for the kickoff.

Five inmates from Hidden Valley Ranch (RTC facility) constructed wooden toys and delivered them to the Coastside Community Center in Half Moon Bay in time for Christmas distribution to needy children. The toys consisted of various size trucks and doll houses. Local merchants donated the materials and several children had a happy Christmas as a result of the inmates' efforts.





Other Hidden Valley Ranch inmates restored a caboose for the City of Half Moon Bay. The caboose, used as an office for the local Chamber of Commerce was badly in need of restoration due to the effects of weathering and lack of routine care. The finished project was most impressive. The inmates and staff assigned to monitor the work were gratefully acknowledged by the Chamber and local citizenry.



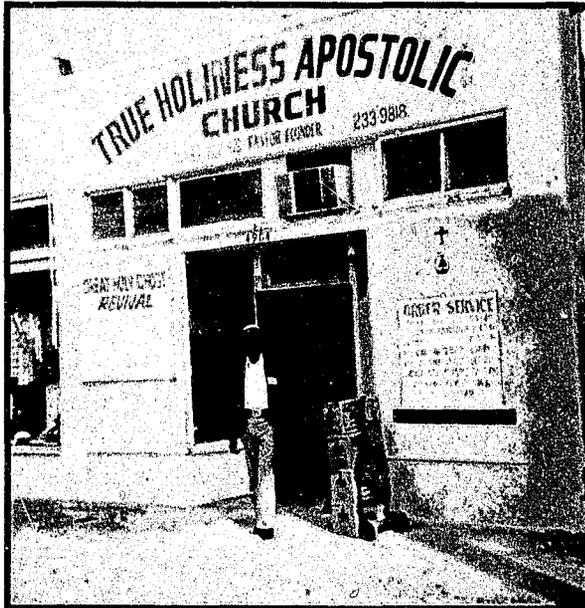
On Fridays, selected Hidden Valley Ranch inmates go to Half Moon Bay High School and participate in a regularly scheduled anti-drug campaign. The school district is very pleased with the inmate participation and the inmates themselves take pride in their contribution.

The most recent community service project for Region II involves work furlough inmates living on a naval base in Oakland and their keep by painting and performing plumbing, electrical, and carpentry tasks throughout the base. The inmates were formerly housed at VOA West in Oakland but had to be relocated as a result of structural damage to the facility from the October 17, 1989 earthquake.

PAROLE REGION III, LOS ANGELES

The Church Project involved painting over local gang graffiti at the True Holiness Apostolic Church, 4904 Broadway, Los Angeles, California. A four-man inmate crew headed by James Smith, PSA assigned to Central City Community Center took three

days to smite the spray paint plague. Pastor Roberts and his congregation rejoiced. Estimated value of service is \$672.



Operation Touch Up went into full swing in December 1989. Work Furlough inmate crews from Central City Community Center began fighting the war against graffiti. At the request of the Los Angeles Police Department's Southwest Division, a crew of four inmates supervised by Central City Community Center maintenance person, Otha Jones, painted over unsightly scribbling at 29th and Vermont and at

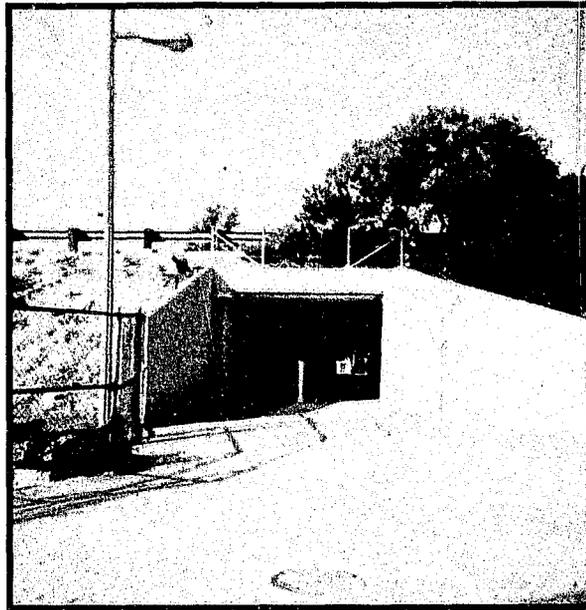
Exposition and Vermont Boulevard in Los Angeles. The Police Department supplied the paint and Central Community Center inmates provided the community service over a two-day period. Estimated value of the labor is \$224 for the two-day work. The Exposition Park community residents benefit greatly through this community beautification endeavor.

The Tunnel Project involves cleaning and painting a freeway pedestrian underpass located at 38th Street and Harbor freeway. As indicated in the "Before" photograph, the tunnel is a target of local gangs and vagrants. Its appearance was an eyesore and hazardous to residents in the 9th District, City of Los Angeles. On



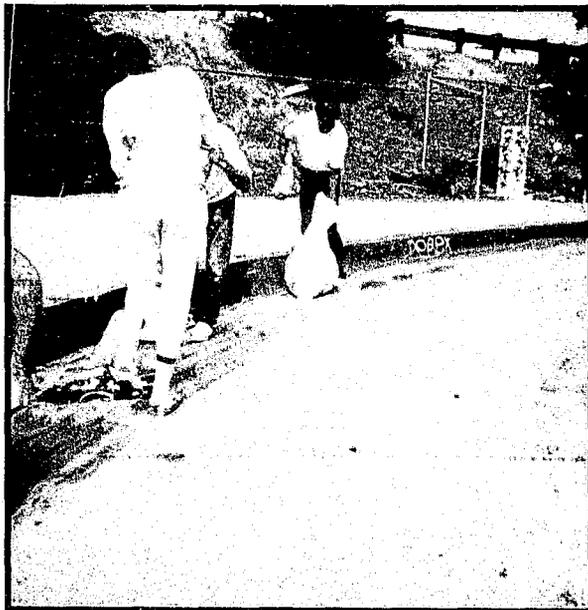
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October 25, 1989, a four-man inmate crew from Central City Community Center (State Operated Work Furlough Center) swept, washed, and painted the tunnel weekly under the supervision of Maintenance Person, Otha Jones. Ironically, the gang members have given up spray painting their graffiti in the tunnel. They have literally been worn down by the weekly maintenance. Community response has been outstanding. During the initial three week renovation, value of service provided is estimated at \$5,880. Weekly upkeep is estimated at \$112 a week.



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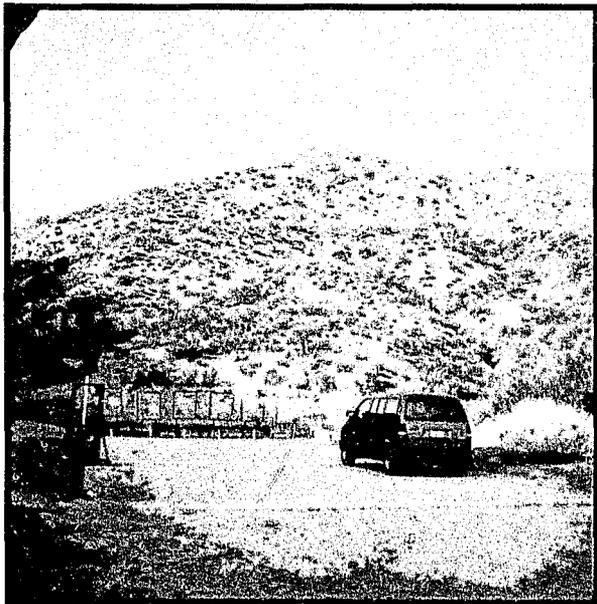
Operation Street Sweep involves daily cleaning of local streets in the 9th District of Los Angeles by inmate work crews. Twice a day work crews of seven to eight inmates sweep up dirt, rubbish, and bag trash in the neighborhood surrounding the Central City



Community Center. Correctional staff escort and supervise these crews. Community approval has been overwhelming. The inmates who are not yet eligible to go out on work furlough and those with no community job learn the value of work and community pride. The weekly community service investment is estimated at \$2,100 a week.

Hollywood Re-entry is a contract facility of Behavioral Systems Southwest. The primary community service project is at Hungry Valley State Vehicular Recreation Area. The 2,000 acres within Hungry Valley are under the direct management and supervision of the California Department of Parks and Recreation. The photographs highlight the Pistol Range which is regularly used by parole agents for firearms training and qualification. Previous services provided in the park area have included cleaning and maintenance of the Pistol Range, roadside refuse collection, and other

tasks recommended by the park superintendent. Firearms range space is a valuable commodity in the Los Angeles basin. Due in part to the services which can be provided by CDC inmates, the park superintendent has welcomed the Parole Division to use the Range without charge to the Department of Corrections. This was particularly beneficial during the last few months when numerous .9 mm automatic pistol transition courses were conducted at the Hungry Valley Range. General clean up and maintenance in other areas of the park were also beneficial to the general public. The goal is to provide a bimonthly crew of 11 inmates. The estimate for the calendar year 1990 is 528 inmate hours at the recreation area. Based upon the \$7.00 per hour formula, this represents a volunteer value of \$3,696 in addition to the goodwill generated by the program.



PAROLE REGION IV, SANTA ANA

The following are examples of services provided to the community by various offices and facilities in Parole Region IV.

On November 17 and 18, 1989, staff of Region IV's Orange District Parole Office sponsored a car wash and barbecue in the parole unit's parking lot. Parolees are re-entry inmates provided a good deal of work force necessary and were assisted by parole agents and clerical staff who volunteered their expertise. The Santa Ana style barbecue consisted of baked beans, hot dogs, chips, salsa, and soft drinks. Posters, flyers, helium balloons, word of mouth was used to announce the event to the community and neighboring public agencies.



At the end of the two day event, a sum of \$750 was raised. The proceeds were proudly donated to a Live-In Center in Orange, California which provides housing and assistance to abused and neglected children. Unit Supervisors Linda George and Henry Harris indicated that, in view of the enthusiasm of staff and support from the community, this could become a semi-annual event.

On December 9, 1989, parole agents and supervisors of Region IV's Moreno Valley Parole Unit conducted a food drive within the community. The purpose of the drive was two-fold: (1) to contribute to the Region IV Community Service plan, and (2) to provide support to a Victims of Domestic Violence organization. The drive netted approximately

\$400 worth of non-perishable food items. The designated benefactor of this drive was "Horizon House," a local shelter and support group for battered women. Unit Supervisor Donna Sellers was greatly impressed with the enthusiasm demonstrated in this project. In view of the enthusiasm expressed by staff, she felt there is a good possibility that some type of fund raiser may become an annual event.

On December 16, 1989, parole agents of Region IV's Moreno Valley Unit co-sponsored and chaperoned a Christmas party for underprivileged children. The children's party was held at Riverside's Bobby Bonds Community Services Center and was attended by approximately one hundred children. Parole Region IV staff contributed to refreshments and entertainment, which consisted of Agents Wanda Simmons and Jackie Powell leading the children in Christmas carols, a clown handing out balloons, and real live Santa Claus. Community volunteer Dan Kuster was Santa, when the originally scheduled "jolly and bearded gentleman" ran into transportation difficulty. Gift packs were contributed by the local chapter of "Friends Outside." The event was viewed as an overwhelming success in helping to provide the elements of hope goodwill for children, who otherwise might miss out on the meaning and significance of this holiday tradition-Christmas.



Baker Return To Custody Facility

Baker Return To Custody Facility community service crew provides grounds keeping services for the Baker Community Services District in Baker, California. We provide service at Huffman Park, and at their community services building.

The Baker Community Services District is unable to employ staff to perform these functions. Our inmates provide labor that was not available prior to the establishment of our facility. We provide a crew of 10 inmates on a daily basis, and they work six to eight hours a day. During the last year, we have provided over 14,400 hours of labor worth approximately \$100,000 to the community.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To more adequately reflect the need for an ongoing advisory function, the Director recently announced a restructuring of the Public Service and Camp Diversification Work Group. The name of this group is changed to the Community Services Advisory Committee.

This Committee will continue to provide an advisory function for the Department and the Director and is chaired by Warden George Ingle, Mule Creek State Prison. Mr. Gregg Harding, Deputy Director, serves as Vice-Chair of the group. Membership consists of selected Department of Corrections' staff representing Institutions, Paroles, Camps, Prison Industry Authority, Office of Community Resources Development, Evaluation and Compliance Division, and representation from the public sector.

The mission of the Advisory Committee is to provide assistance to the Department of Corrections in efforts to increase the range of community service projects carried out by inmates and parolees. In coordination with the Office of Community Resources Development, the Advisory Committee will conduct field surveys, community resource contact activities and inter agency liaison efforts to assist in the identification, analysis, and prioritization of appropriate community service programs.

In pursuit of their ongoing responsibility, the Advisory Committee will meet periodically to identify community service resources, to identify needs and methodologies and to make recommendations to the Director and Executive Staff.

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