

VETERANS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM
4TH QUARTER REPORT
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This has been a strange (BAD) year for our Incarcerated Associates and Veterans. Most institutions have been on lock down since March. I'm not sure about most states but Ohio had a couple of prisons hit extremely hard with Covid and lost several inmates. Fortunately, none of our Incarcerated Chapters were affected. I heard that the wardens are issuing phone cards and extra postage stamps to help ease the lack of visitations. I plan to send out copies of the "Veteran" magazine to institutions since they have no internet and can't read the new one.

AVVA is currently reviewing the policy on Incarcerated Associates. It was voted on and passed that Associates no longer needed to be veterans. This has created several new issues that need to be addressed such as dues structure and nomenclature to name a few.

I am still pursuing the issue of Felons being granted permission to Veterans Homes after release. Especially veterans who have shown no violence or crimes in several years. I hope to report some favorable news by the next quarter.

Respectfully submitted,
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