

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Inter-Office Communications

To: Bryan Collier
Deputy Executive Director

Date: October 7, 2011

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager of Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 5 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report. Estelle, Ellis, and Stevenson will begin on October 1, 2011; Ramsey and Stringfellow will begin on November 1, 2011. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 36 with 3636 beds.

Performance Measure: The chaplaincy administration has met with the following units to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: September 1, 2011 – Luther and Pack; September 6, 2011 – Clemens; September 7, 2011 – Powledge and Coffield; September 8, 2011 – Units in the Gatesville Area; September 13, 2011 – Willacy County State Jail; September 14, 2012 – Lopez and Segovia.

The following tentative meetings are being scheduled to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: October 2011, Huntsville and Boyd Units, Region 4 Warden's Meeting, November 2011, Region 5 Warden's Meeting

Recruitment efforts: During the month of September 2011 over 800 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events.

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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: November 9, 2011

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager of Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 4 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report (Crain, Mt. View, Woodman and Pack). These will begin December 31, 2011. Ramsey will begin November 16, 2011 and Stringfellow will begin November 28, 2011. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 41 with 3982 beds.

Performance Measure: The chaplaincy administration has met with the following units to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Duncan, September 22, 2011; Lewis, September 26, 2011; Region IV Warden's Meeting, October 19, 2011; Huntsville Unit, November 2, 2011.

The following tentative meetings are being scheduled to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: C. Moore and Cole State Jail – November 17, 2011; Boyd and Michael – December 7, 2011.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of September 2011 over 600 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Several have expressed interest and we are scheduling follow up visits to verify their interest. These numbers will be included in next month's report.

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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: December 8, 2011

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager of Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 3 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report (Hughes, Marlin and Duncan), these will begin January 31, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 44 with 4093 beds.

Performance Measure: The chaplaincy administration met with the following unit to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Walls Unit, November 2, 2011; Lychner, November 29, 2011.

The following tentative meetings have been scheduled to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Boyd, Cole/Moore, December 6, 2011; Michael, December 7, 2011; Telford, December 12, 2011.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of November 2011 over 700 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 200 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
Deputy Executive Director

Date: January 6, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 8 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report (Powledge, Lewis, Lopez, Segovia, Cole, Lynaugh, Fort Stockton and Clemens Units), these will begin on or before February 29, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 52 with 4518 beds.

Performance Measure: The following meetings were held to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Cole/Moore, December 6, 2011; Michael, December 7, 2011; Telford, December 12, 2011. As noted in the aforementioned, the Cole unit will begin February. The other facilities noted are in the planning stage.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of December 2011 over 470 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 180 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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Inter-Office Communications

To: Bryan Collier
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Date: February 12, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 3 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report (Sanchez, Lychner and Boyd); these will begin on or before March 31, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 55 with 4687 beds.

Performance Measure: The following initial meetings are scheduled to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Stiles and Gist on February 15, 2012. Follow-up meetings held with wardens, unit staff and volunteers: January 9, 2012, Fort Stockton; January 17, 2012, Lopez/Segovia. A follow up meeting has been tentatively schedule for Garza East on March 7, 2012.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of January, 2012 over 500 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 200 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: March 12, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 2 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report: Goodman will begin on or before March 31, 2012 and Luther will begin on or before April, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 57 with 4740 beds.

Performance Measure: The following units implemented FBD in February: Clemens, Lewis, Lopez, Segovia, Cole, Lynaugh, and Fort Stockton. The following initial meeting is scheduled to discuss the establishment of faith based dorm: Robertson, March 21, 2012.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of February, 2012 over 750 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 100 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: April 11, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 4 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report: Briscoe and Cotulla will begin on or before April 30, 2012 and Garza East and McConnell will begin on or before May 31, 2012. The Luther is still on schedule to begin on or before April 30, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 61 with 4922 beds by May 31, 2012.

Performance Measure: The following units implemented FBD in March: Powledge, Sanchez State Jail, Lychner State Jail, Boyd and Goodman The following initial meeting was held to discuss the establishment of faith based dorm: Robertson, March 21, 2012.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of March, 2012 over 525 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 90 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: May 10, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 2 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report: Stiles and Gist will begin on or before June 30, 2012; McConnell was on last month's report and is still scheduled to begin on or before May 31, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 62 with 5040 beds by June 30, 2012.

Performance Measure: The following units implemented FBD in April: Luther, Briscoe, Cotulla and Garza East.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of April, 2012 over 500 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 90 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: June 4, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 1 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report: Coffield will begin on or before July 31, 2012; Stiles and Gist were on last month's report and are still scheduled to begin on or before June 30, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 63 with 5126 beds by July 31, 2012.

Performance Measure: The following unit implemented a FBD in May: McConnell. The following tentative meetings are being scheduled in June to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Scott Unit and Henley Unit

Recruitment efforts: During the month of May, 2012 over 400 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 120 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
Deputy Executive Director

Date: July 12, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have not added a proposed Faith Based Dorm since last month's report. Coffield was on last month's report and is still scheduled to begin on or before July 31, 2012. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 63 with 5126 beds by July 31, 2012.

Performance Measure: The following units implemented a FBD in June: Stiles and Gist. The following meetings were held in June to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: Scott Unit, Henley Unit and a presentation was made to the Region V Wardens and chaplains at the Region V Warden's meeting in Plainview.

Recruitment efforts: During the month of June, 2012 over 600 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 60 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.


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To: Bryan Collier
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Date: August 10, 2012

From: Bill Pierce 
Manager I - Chaplaincy Operations
Rehabilitation Programs Division

Subject: Faith Based Dorm
Executive Update

Summary: We have added 1 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report: Formby State Jail will begin on or before September 30, 2012. Coffield was on last month's report and is scheduled to begin on or before August 31, 2012. Coffield was delayed starting because of a 3 week lockdown during July. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 64 with 5168 beds by September 30, 2012.

Performance Measure

Recruitment efforts: During the month of July, 2012 over 425 volunteers were contacted via phone calls, letters and volunteer appreciation events. Of those contacted over 150 have expressed interest and the unit chaplains are coordinating follow-up conversations.

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Executive Update - Faith Based Dorms

Summary: We have added 5 proposed Faith Based Dorms since last month's report. Estelle, Ellis, and Stevenson will begin on October 1, 2011; Ramsey and Stringfellow will begin on November 1, 2011. This will bring the total of Units with Faith Based Dorms to 36 with 3636 beds

The following prospective units have tentative meetings scheduled to discuss the establishment of faith based dorms: September 1, 2011 – Luther and Pack; September 6, 2011 – Clemens; September 7, 2011 – Powledge and Coffield; September 8, 2011 – Units in the Gatesville Area; September 13, 2011 – Willacy County State Jail; September 14, 2012 – Lopez and Segovia

We have re-evaluated our process to obtain Faith Based Dorms to include a more targeted approach for recruitment. There are 21 of the 111 units that may not be suitable for FBD due to their missions, such as extensive treatment, medical, psych and short term housed offenders. The 21 Units are:

Treatment Units – East Texas treatment Facility, Glossbrenner, Halbert, Hamilton, Havins, Jester I, Johnston and Sayle,

Medical/Psych Units – Hospital Galveston, Jester 4, Skyview, Young Medical and Hodge (MROP),

Intake Facilities – Gurney, Middleton, Holliday, Garza West and Byrd,

Short Term (ISF) Units - Baten ISF, South Texas ISF and West Texas ISF.

We have established a performance measure and monitoring process with an expectation for the regional chaplains to establish Faith Based Dorms in their regions with strong coordination with Richard Lopez, Director of Chaplaincy Support and Bill Pierce, Manager I – Chaplaincy Operations.

Performance Measure: At a minimum each regional chaplain shall ensure on a monthly basis that the unit chaplains are making every effort to recruit volunteers for the faith based dorm initiative. Each regional chaplain will strive to maintain the existing faith based dorms, establish a faith based dorm or increase the capacity of an existing faith based dorm in their region each month. These efforts shall be documented and reported monthly.

Monitoring Process: The regional chaplains shall report monthly to Bill Pierce and Chaplain Lopez the recruiting efforts of the chaplains in their region. In addition, the faith based dorms that have begun as well of those being proposed, shall be reported.