



Hinda Reentry Bulletin

Welcome to the first pilot issue of the Hinda Reentry Bulletin. Its purpose is to give an authentic voice to our Hinda family. It also will also allow us to share, on a quarterly basis, upcoming Hinda courses, events, spiritual insights, items of political and legal interest, employment and other opportunities that might interest you.

In April, we surveyed clients in our REENTRY EDUCATION PROGRAM and there was significant interest (60%) in receiving a bulletin.

This bulletin belongs to all of us, and we would like to invite everyone to contribute articles, personal stories and links to newsworthy information and jobs.

We are also holding a **competition for a name for the newsletter with a prize of a gift card.** Please send all articles for consideration and names for the competition to michael@hindahelps.com. We have an editing board consisting of three of our own members who will review all submissions.

Thoughts/comments are always welcome!

Thanks to Michael, Rebecca, and Aryeh for their hard work in making this bulletin happen.

LIVING WITH THE TIMES

Purpose to Darkness

By Tzvi Freeman

At the outset of Creation, He removed all light. And that is the source of all that ever goes wrong.

Why did He remove the light? Why did He choose that things could go wrong? [READ MORE](#)

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CHALLENGES & SUCCESSES IN REENTRY

In this testimonial, Paul Rothschild describes his understanding of how choices and accountability relate both to his past and his new, hopeful, productive present. [READ MORE](#)

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UPCOMING HINDA COURSES AND EVENTS

For up-to-date information and to register - www.hindahelps.com/upcoming-courses

We are running several courses to help you build critical skills post incarceration in the new year.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT – If you want to improve your technical skills on ZOOM, PowerPoint, email, internet searching, etc., through 10 min.-long skills building sessions, please contact Michael at michael@hindahelps.com to register.

February: JUMPSTART YOUR CAREER– Defining yourself, Finding Meaningful Employment, Successful Interviewing, Writing Better Resumes, Job Searching

We are going to be running workshops to help any of our clients looking for or seeking to improve their employment. Registration to this course will be limited, as the course will be customized to each person's specific needs by experts. An invitation to apply will be sent by email.

March: LEGAL PANEL – DEALING WITH LEGAL ISSUES POST-INCARCERATION

David Grosky, assisted by Michael, will be facilitating a legal panel on important current issues for those reentering. Guest speakers include legal experts on reentry, Alan Mills Esq., Elizabeth Kelley, Esq., and Charles Isaacs, Equal Justice Fellow, among others.

May-June: LEARN HOW TO RESOLVE CONFLICT - MEDIATION IN THE FAMILY

Learn how to deal better with family, spouses, children, employers and social prejudice, anger and trauma. Dr. Kutzen and David will be leading this course on mediating conflict.

June: MANAGE YOUR FINANCES FOR SUCCESS POST-INCARCERATION

Stay tuned for more information on this exciting course. Joel Keyser will be leading seminars on dealing with critical financial management challenges and strategies post incarceration.

July-August: VICTIMS SURVIVORS AND OFFENDERS – WHERE IS JUSTICE?

This course will look at the cycle of trauma from victim to offender and how to break the cycle. Dr. Golden is the director of the New Hope Clinic, a licensed sex therapist, and an expert on addiction and domestic violence who will lead this course, in addition to our own Hinda experts.

PICS/PTSD – We are continuing with courses related to integrating post-incarceration. There has been some interest in continuing a PICS (Post-Incarceration Syndrome) support group once the course ends. If you are interested, please contact Jay at Jay@hindahelps.com.

The PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM will continue in the new year. Contact Abby at abigail.rabinowitz@hindahelps.com for more information.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Watch your email for upcoming events:

- Feb. 6 Tu B'Shvat
- March 7 Purim
- April 5 Passover
- May 21 HINDA ANNUAL EVENT
- May 26 Shavuot

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Sell Credit card Processing

Nationwide SALES

Merchanthelpers.com

Contact: Victor Attisha 586 945 2505

Description:

Salary: 50% of residual revenue plus bonuses, varies as commission based, once you make the sale you get a monthly commission (about \$100/month per client or more as much as \$500/month/sale)

Training: Need to be trained

Hours: You make your own hours

No restrictions as to the type of felony

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HAPPENING NATIONALLY

Task Force on Long Sentences: the Council on Criminal Justice just released a report that I hope will interest everyone: [Reflections on Long Prison Sentences: A Conversation with Crime Survivors, Formerly Incarcerated People, and Family Members.](#)

Storytelling Series: FAMM launched last month, [FREE TO SUCCEED](#). Every day, it seems, we see a new story about someone who got out of prison and screwed up. Left unsaid is that for everyone who fails, there are thousands who are succeeding. We never hear about them.



[Brennan Center for Justice](#)

America can't quit its reliance on mass incarceration until we confront our approach to punishment. Here's our series on the current state of extreme criminal punishment and how we got here.

<https://www.brennancenter.org/series/punitive-excess>



The Marshall Project involves journalistic coverage of criminal justice issues, including Reentry, and solicits writing from those who are or have been incarcerated:

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/records/6-re-entry>

SENTENCING LAW AND POLICY

An Affiliate of the Law Professor Blogs Network

Doug Berman, Professor of Law at Ohio State University, has a superb and frequently-updated blog on criminal justice, developments in the courts, in legislatures in the legal profession, and in research, at both state and federal levels:

<http://sentencing.typepad.com>



The Council of State Governments (CSG) Justice Center features an article about a newly-signed bill on criminal justice, including funding for mental health initiatives:

<https://csgjusticecenter.org/2023/01/05/president-biden-signs-spending-bill-funding-key-criminal-justice-programs/>

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Twitter Silly by Rabbi Binyomin

I find
That I don't mind
The grind

Our enemies who try to make the world Jew-less are clueless
Many have tried & failed time & time again It will never happen - Am Israel Chai

All I'm saying is
sometimes the best ingredient to add
to the most serious of situations
is a bit of silliness

Joke of the Week

(From Chabad Naples Jewish Community Center)

$2 + 1 = ?$

A joke is told about a newlywed couple, who some months after the wedding the wife turns to her husband saying, "Darling, I have great news for you. Pretty soon, we're going to be three in this house instead of two."

Her husband runs to her with a smile on his face and delight in his eyes... As he is hugging her, she says, "I'm so glad that you feel this way about my mother moving in with us..."