

## 2021-2022 Community Outreach and Engagement

### **Giving Back to Crime Victims' Groups Through CALPIA's Joint and Free Venture Programs**

- CDCR incarcerated individuals who participate in CALPIA programs are giving back to various crime victims' support, groups throughout the state for a total of more than \$18,000. The money comes from incarcerated individuals participating in CALPIA's Joint or Free Venture Programs at four California institutions. Incarcerated individuals initially pay for all court-ordered compensation and the remaining collected restitution is placed in a "Generic Restitution Fund" for local crime victim organizations. Institution's where incarcerated individuals made donations: Central California Women's Facility, San Quentin State Prison, N.A. Chaderjian Youth Correctional Facility, and California Correctional Center.

Press Release: <https://www.calpia.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/calpia/news/Press-Release-12-20-2021-PIA.pdf>

Inside CDCR: <https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/insidecdcr/2022/01/03/incarcerated-give-back-to-crime-victims-through-calpia-programs/>

**Our Promise Charitable Campaign** – Our Promise Charitable Campaign kicked off in September 2021, that provided all employees with the opportunity to donate to their favorite nonprofit organizations. There are thousands of nonprofit organizations represented in Our Promise to care for communities and causes.

**CDCR, CCHCS spread holiday cheer through acts of kindness** - Across the state, CDCR/CCHCS programs, offices and institutions are helping their communities this holiday season. Through fundraisers, toy drives, or feeding the hungry, staff go above and beyond to help those in need. We want to hear from your institution (CDCR, CCHCS and DJJ) so others can help as well. Send the details to the editor following these guidelines.

Inside CDCR: <https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/insidecdcr/2021/12/02/cdcr-spreads-holiday-cheer-through-acts-of-kindness/>

**Avenal prison donates supplies to firefighting first responders** – Money and supplies were provided by Avenal State Prison (ASP) staff to aid the first responders at the KNP and Three Rivers fires threatening the giant sequoias. This was part of a joint fundraiser with CSP-Corcoran and the Substance Abuse Treatment Facility.

The KNP Complex Fire is estimated to have burned approximately 85,952 acres (120 square miles) and was started from a lightning strike. As of October 8, the fire was 11% contained. The ASP staff never hesitate to render aid when the surrounding communities are in need.

Inside CDCR: <https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/insidecdcr/2021/10/14/avenal-prison-donates-supplies-to-firefighting-first-responders/>

**CALPIA Donates to Twin Lakes Bank Food** –CALPIA was happy to help support the local food bank, Twin Lakes Food Bank, during the holiday season. CALPIA employees dropped off hundreds of pounds of non-perishable food during November and December 2022.

**Giving Back to Crime Victims' Groups Through CALPIA's Joint and Free Venture Programs**

- CDCR incarcerated individuals who participate in CALPIA programs are giving back to various crime victims' support groups throughout the state for a total of more than \$45,000. The money comes from incarcerated individuals participating in CALPIA's Joint or Free Venture Programs at five California institutions. Incarcerated individuals initially pay for all court-ordered compensation and the remaining collected restitution is placed in a "Generic Restitution Fund" for local crime victim organizations. Institution's where incarcerated individuals made donations: Central California Women's Facility, San Quentin State Prison, N.A. Chaderjian Youth Correctional Facility, and California Correctional Center in Susanville.

<https://www.calpia.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/calpia/news/PressRelease-1-27-2023-PIA.pdf>

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**Sacramento Children's Home Holiday Giving Program** - CALPIA participated in the Sacramento Children's Home Holiday Giving Program! CALPIA's support granted holiday wishes to approximately 1,500 babies and school-aged children in need throughout Sacramento. Donations were dropped off to the Sacramento Children's Home on Friday, December 16th, 2022.

**Civil Servants for Santa** – CALPIA Staff Provide Shopping Assistance

In December, CALPIA staff at Chuckawalla Valley State Prison and Ironwood State Prison provided shopping assistance at ACE Hardware for one hundred underprivileged children and their families living in the Blythe area. This event was an outstanding representation of those in our organization giving back to the community during the holidays.

Palo Verde Times: <https://www.pvvt.com/news/>