CMCA 2024 CORRECTIONAL MINISTRIES SUMMIT

Keeping Your Sanity through your Loved Ones' Incarceration and Return





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PRESENTATION OBJECTIVES

Why Help the Families of the Incarcerated?

How You Can Help

Importance of Family Self-Care



WHY HELP THE FAMILIES?

- No doubt chaos in the home
- Don't know what to do
- Don't realize they may be aiding problematic behaviors
- Make of break successful re-entry

FAMILIES RESPOND

- FEAR
- RESENTMENT
- ANGER
- GUILT
- SHAME

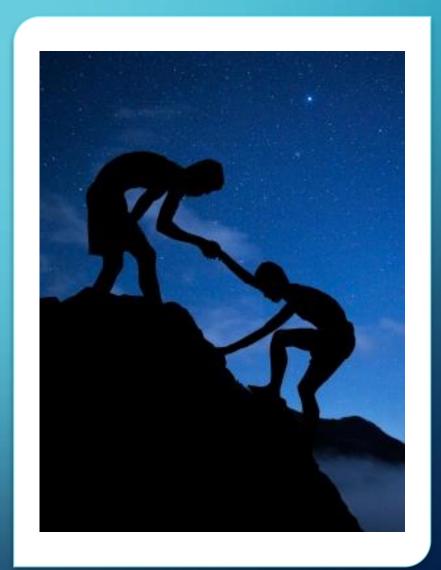




REFLECTION TIME

HOW YOU CAN HELP THEM

- **AWARENESS**
- **EDUCATION**
- >SUPPORT/RESOURCES





A SHORT VIDEO





- ADDICTION
- MENTAL HEALTH
- INCARCERATION



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- Collective
- Individual



•FAMILY DYNAMICS

- Culture Differences
- Family Roles



FAMILY ROLES

- THE ADDICTED PERSON
- THE HERO
- THE SCAPEGOAT
- THE CARETAKER
- THE MASCOT
- THE LOST CHILD



ENABLING/CODEPENDENCY

- ☐ Minimizes problem
- Makes excuses for them
- ☐ Takes care of bills
- □ Provides money

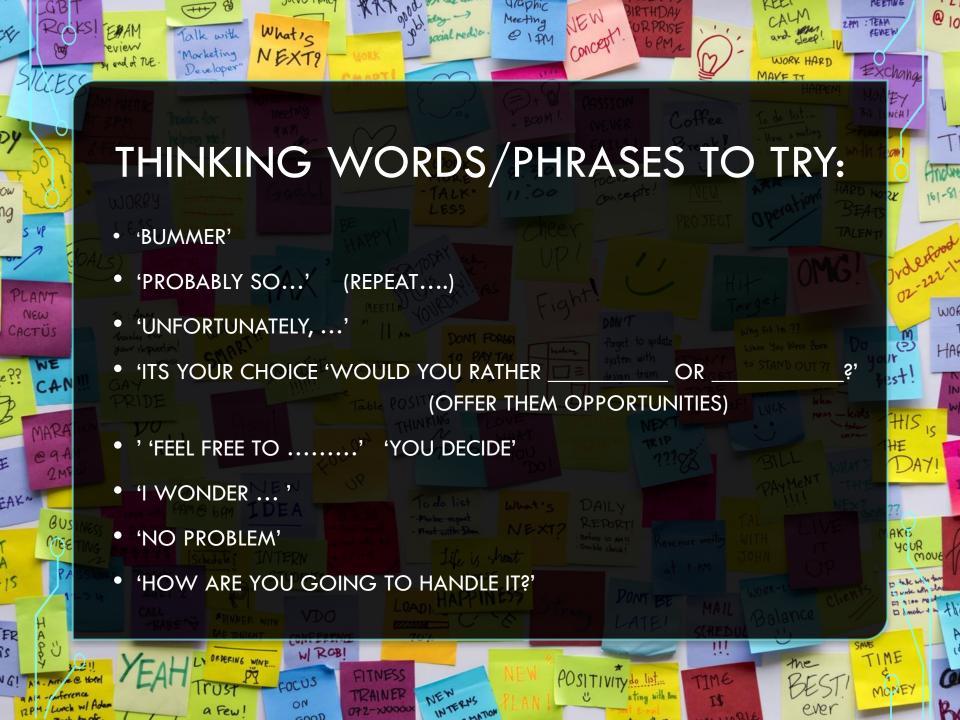
MANIPULATION

- ☐ Lies/Steamrolls
- □ Deny
- ☐ Plays victim
- ☐ Gaslights

BOUNDARIES

- □ Courage
- ☐ Communications
- □ Consistency

*Identify the fence



SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

- CHURCH
- PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING
- SUPPORT GROUPS
 - AL-anon
 - Parents of Addicted Loved Ones
 - Celebrate Recovery
- YOU TUBE
 - Amber Hollingsworth 'Put the Shovel Down'

RESOURCES:

Books:

Parenting Teens with Love and Logic/Cline and Fay Boundaries/Cloud and Townsend Parenting at the Intersections/Ramesh and Saaral Set Boundaries and Find Peace/Tawwab Break the Cycle/Blique Writing my Wrongs/Senchor Letters to the Sons of Society/Senghor Just Mercy/Stevenson Chasing the Scream/Hari

Web:

with Senghor)

Put the Shovel Down (video series/Hollingsworth)
Nuggets (animated short film)
Everything You Think You Know About Addiction Is
Wrong (TedTalk with Hari)
Why Your Worst Deeds Don't Define You (TedTalk





IMPORTANCE OF SELF CARE

- Neurological
- Physical
- Emotional
- Spiritual



TWO 'BONUS'
SELF CARE
SUGGESTIONS

- **I**FORGIVENESS
- REBUILD TRUST

Summary

Providing:

- Awareness,
- > Education,
- Support and Resources,
- Self Help Initiatives

...can help families keep their sanity as they prepare them for their loved ones' return home from incarceration.



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