

**Charles DaSilva
Corrections Programs Manager
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Charles DaSilva's experience started with the DDS population at Agnews Developmental Center working with patients with physical disabilities, and mental health issues. Charles also worked in after school programs and facilitated community-based groups, educating families on diversity, mental health, healthy leisure, and the benefits it brings to the family. He worked with Veterans primarily with the Community Living Center, the PTSD program, the addiction day treatment program, and the aquatic individual therapy program in Menlo Park. Later, he challenged himself and stumbled onto a different path, to start working with the incarcerated population, specifically level 4 incarcerated mental health patients at the Salinas Valley Psychiatric Program (SVPP), located inside the Salinas Valley State Prison. He has been working with incarcerated mental health patients for the past 22 years. During his 13 years at SVPP, Charles held the following positions: Rehabilitation Therapist, Supervisor Rehabilitation Therapist, Program Consultant, Program Assistant, Assistant Executive Director, and Hospital Administrator, and Executive Director. Continuing his passion for his community and working with the incarcerated mentally ill, he moved on to join the Monterey County Sheriff's Office to help incarcerated patients get the help they need to re-enter into their community prepared with resources so that they can become productive citizens in our society. He continues to promote his passion in the field of mental health, and educational programs, making sure that care is being provided to our incarcerated patients at the jail, so that they can be successful, better informed, and educated citizens in our community.