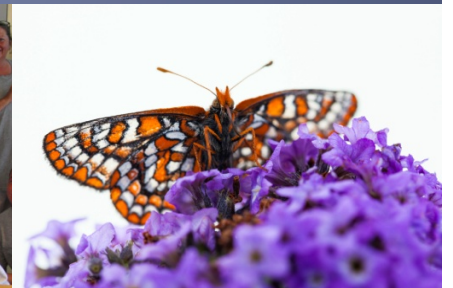




BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

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Incarceration:

- 2.2 million incarcerated in the US
- 96% of incarcerated men and women in Washington will be released
- Investing in education and training



SPP Statewide

- 113 programs in all 12 WA prisons
- 50+ partner organizations
- 3,000 inmate program participants



SPP Essential Components

- Bringing nature “inside”
- Safe and sustainable operations
- Engagement and education
- **Partnerships with multiple benefits**
- Evaluation and dissemination



Science & Conservation

- Native Plant Conservation Nurseries
 - 4 prairie sites & 1 sagebrush steppe site
- Rearing Endangered Checkerspot Butterflies
- Rearing Endangered Oregon Spotted Frogs
- Rearing Monarch Butterflies
- Rehabilitating Western Pond Turtles
- Beekeeping



Major Collaborators



Establishing Successful Conservation Programs

- Join an on-going effort to increase capacity
- Work with established protocols when available
- Consider local and regional needs
- Inquire about available resources
- Dedicate time to safety training



Developing Partnerships

- Identify suitable partners
- Find common ground
- Invest time: develop the partnership
- Leverage resources: don't reinvent the wheel!
- Consider proper training/education



Collaboration!

- It takes a team: no single owner
- Share successes and challenges
- Not all teams are the same
- Each team member has valuable expertise and skills
- Be adaptable and patient
- Support resources available



Conservation Projects: Core Team

- Inmate Science Technicians
- DOC Liaison
- DOC Facility Leadership (Superintendent or Associate)
- Collaborating Project Scientist or Conservation Partner
- Research Associate and/or Program Coordinator (student or contractor)
- Program Manager



Partnering with Corrections

Corrections staff:

- Experts on safety and security
- Day to day supervision
- Help build partnerships and support within the facility
- Have many talents!



Partnering with Academic Institutions

Students and faculty can help with:

- Education components
- Program coordination
- Research
- Planning and visioning and more!





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