**Survey Comment Report** 



Logan 2022-23
MQPL Survey
Comments

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#### Introduction

Logan Correctional Center is a multi-security female prison within the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) that housed 986 people on December 6, 2022. The John Howard Association of Illinois (JHA) conducted a modified short Measuring the Quality of Prison Life (MQPL) survey by passing out the MQPL survey and an informed consent notice/instruction sheet, and collecting completed surveys by hand, and distributing a privileged mail prepaid business reply envelope addressed to JHA to those who had not completed the survey in the time allotted, so that every person incarcerated at Logan had an opportunity to participate in the voluntary and anonymous survey if they chose to do so. JHA received 410 responses to the MQPL survey from people at Logan through February 15, 2023, representing approximately 42% of the static population.

Below are the comments from the MQPL surveys for the open-ended survey questions followed by some of the marginalia comments. Please note:

- All blank answers have been omitted
- Names and other personally identifying details have been redacted
- Spelling and grammar have been lightly edited for understanding and to account for possible transcriber typos.

#### **Open-Ended Survey Questions**

### Q12. What are the most <u>positive</u> things about life in this prison?

- That as long as you don't have any problems w/ other inmates you exist to live another day. If you don't have any questions or needs you're not a problem or inconvenience to staff
- 2. Don't let anyone get in your head and stay on the right path
- Meeting new people
- 4. I feel lucky to have the kind of movement we have here. Access to outside. I like that I can open my windows. That I can isolate if I want to.
- 5. The west care program to help you to be clean/sober

- 6. That we have keys to are room programming and a chance to rehabilitate myself
- 7. Having a sober mind and I can think more clearly and see what person I truly am.
- 8. I only had 24 months to do but the mental health program
- 9. Absolutely nothing this place is a hazard. Not up to code. The water tastes like copper.
- 10. That I will be leaving this hell hole. Other than that nothing. This place is a lawsuit waiting to happen if it's not happening now
- 11. Fresh air, movement around the community
- 12. Being able to use the phone to reach family. But if you live on Center wing you get an hr at night & one At Day the other wings get 4hr A day. Also the Dog Program. I loved the Dog Program I learned a lot
- 13. That I have an out date
- 14. Im sober. I received my medication
- 15. WestCare but that ends in a year then you have to leave the structure and the program and go to another house on grounds which is crazy, they call it "the jungle" because of how people act, and staff lets them get away with the fighting, the harassment, the sexual relationships, etc.
- 16. The fact I have an outdate. Because NOTHING here is fair. We are living inhumanly.
- 17. Some of the people here
- 18. The jobs get 1/2 of days now
- 19. The ability to walk to chow
- 20. Own light switch in rooms tablets & televisions
- 21. I am in the Westcare program House
- 22. Nothing
- 23. The mental health program
- 24. We get fed and have a metal bed to sleep on
- 25. Having a second chance
- 26. Nothing
- 27. The way the staff communicate on a humane level with us.
- 28. Is that there are programs, such as Drug treatment, that give me hope, and Earned Days for Another Chance At life outside prison
- 29. It got me off the streets + Im sober now
- 30. None
- 31. That I've maintained sobriety
- 32. So far my Dental Care
- 33. Take what you got and make a change with your life
- 34. Commissary...when they have everything
- 35. I can't think of anything
- 36. Being in WestCare
- 37. Getting home to my Family
- 38. Nothing
- 39. Nothing!
- 40. Having an outdate and knowing its coming to an end

- 41. I honestly have NOTHING positive to say about this prison!
- 42. The school and teachers here
- 43. Im able to talk to family on the phone
- 44. My outdate [DATE REDACTED], 2023. However I was forced to max out as a sex offender [NAME REDACTED]
- 45. Contracts
- 46. That's a hard question. It's not ran like a prison
- 47. talking to my kid or having a video visit
- 48. My outdate
- 49. Paws program, school
- 50. The Helping Paws Program + North Park University's School of Restorative Arts
- 51. paws program
- 52. I get to be apart of the PAWS program. one of the most successful rehabilitation groups in the penal institute
- 53. The Helping Paws program and Defy ventures
- 54. The Helping Paws Programs because it gives me the chance to give back to the community
- 55. Knowing I have an outdate
- 56. The programs/Jobs
- 57. My job, a few friends of 20+ years
- 58. Being able to interact with the dogs, going to work/school, not being on quarantine
- 59. The dogs
- 60. I am in the dog program
- 61. I'm in the paws program and they are not only helping me be a better me they are teaching me how to train dogs to help people
- 62. nothing
- 63. I've met wonderful supportive people who want to make things better... if they only had a chance
- 64. my assignment, college being able to work my way in going home and I enjoy doing both.
- 65. Helping paws program, ...... My Art work.
- 66. I can't think of anything!
- 67. me having an outdate to get home to my kids
- 68. some staff is understanding, outside contact but it takes 30 days to get approved
- 69. groups, bible studies, jobs
- 70. im about to leave. That is the only positive thing I can say about this place.
- 71. there is nothing positive.
- 72. the other inmates are supportive.
- 73. when we can get things donated to use. Also programs for people who get days
- 74. being able to work/have an assignment.
- 75. I am able to correct thing about myself for reentry into society.
- 76. My outdate.
- 77. going home
- 78. none

- 79. the staff from srgnts to co's are helpful the nutrition is a lot better. The programs to get days off sentencing.
- 80. having hope
- 81. when we do have programs, it does turn out to be successful.
- 82. daily I search to find just one
- 83. N/A
- 84. they offer job & school assignments... it helps as a distraction. I've met a lot of good women.
- 85. that I am still alive
- 86. being able to talk to my family when allowed
- 87. that if you have a problem and you approach the person in charge with respect you can get the problem solve, you have to have a good attitude when speaking to someone that you need help from
- 88. only thing I can think of good is a fear of the ladies here will help new ones out.
- 89. nothing
- 90. the classes to help better yourself and the programs, going to school and work
- 91. I have been gifted opportunities to work, school good unit. I Don't get into Trouble + get Tickets. I have Been able to focus on my goals.
- 92. We grow to become clean
- 93. Nothing!
- 94. Nothing At All
- 95. Nothing
- 96. I honestly Dont no anything Positive about this Prison.
- 97. Going to my job daily + the phone
- 98. None they don't help us work on change all they do is try to write us tickets and want us to fail
- 99. Time to think, read, & study
- 100. There arent any in my opinion
- 101. Thinking of going home
- 102. you have a lot of time to think due to being locked down
- 103. Neutral
- 104. None
- 105. The Knowledge I gain From individuals in custody!
- 106. some of the programs as education & substance abuse
- 107. None. No rehabilitation
- 108. Nothing. Ive been here since I was 23 and I had to get on psych meds to "feel better" or cope with my prison stay
- 109. Separations from Alcohol
- 110. Thinking of going Home
- 111. Save my life
- 112. I dont Know. Because there isnt really Nothing positive here.
- 113. There are No positive things About it!
- 114. Socialization
- 115. Education, mental health staff, Positive inmates

- 116. Nothing but totally is a big change in me and my family
- 117. Nothing
- 118. Nothing
- 119. [ILLEGIBLE] time
- 120. group, meetings
- 121. Its like having a home
- 122. Mental health really tries to help us
- 123. The Groups we have with **[NAMES REDACTED]** have Groups Monday-Friday. But we don't have a BHT for Evening Classes. I am not happy about that one!
- 124. being on a housing w/a patio thats it patio is the best! and if you get lucky to land in a good Room!!! houses w/out a patio have no outdoor sitting space!!
- 125. All the programs that have started
- 126. There literally isn't anything. It's boring, depressing. We are just a number that nobody cares about.
- 127. That I get to go home to my kids
- 128. N/A
- 129. Praying for a closer out date so I can get out of this hell of violence and abuse
- 130. Nothing
- 131. I can contact my family every day, unfortunately, everyone can't do this.
- 132. I have met some good people in here, but the prison should be condemned
- 133. There is nothing positive about this prison!
- 134. We have good wardens **[NAMES REDACTED]**. The mental health is great. The staff does try to help us when we need it
- 135. Schools, different classes, thats about it
- 136. School
- 137. None at all
- 138. I really can't see anything positive about this prison
- 139. You can go to school and get your GED or do college classes and get enough credits for your associates. Do bible studies. Work.
- 140. I get to study and teach myself what is right and wrong.
- 141. I have a bed, there's food but not decent, and I'm out of the elements
- 142. College courses, bible studies, job, chapel
- 143. Trying to get released. Visiting loved ones.
- 144. Fighting for freedom daily
- 145. You have a lot of time to think
- 146. Ability to interact with other inmates in the unit
- 147. The fact that I am here, I've been able to reevaluate myself and see what it is I need to work on before I go back into society. But I <u>must</u> take the initiative to better myself. I have been locked up for almost [20+] years. There have been many programs available to me. That is no longer so.
- 148. None
- 149. The sky in the morning when I go to chow, for it is gorgeous as well as throughout the day
- 150. There are some good people you meet and become close with.

- 151. There is nothing positive about this place
- 152. Northwestern University prison education program!
- 153. I'm my own lawyer, I have my health, people say I'm a very positive person, I'm determined to go to Decatur very very soon.
- 154. Physical visits with family and talking to them on the phone. Having a bible and other christian books.
- 155. I get to use the phone to call family. Sometimes there is a lot of arguments over the phone but that is the IICs causing that issue, not the prison staff. Unless they want to add a couple phones to use.
- 156. Myself
- 157. I got a chance to be sober for an extended period of time. So that I could become a better person to myself. I actually learned how to really love myself, faults and all.
- 158. Nothing
- 159. Contracts, gym, yard, and being able to go outside
- 160. I have an out date
- 161. Visits, but they have decreased those and made it so difficult for families to have appt. 8 days in advance is too much when school schedules are considered.
- 162. Logan doesn't help support a lot of positive motivation.
- 163. Some of the people (inmates) I meet. Other than that, there is nothing positive. I have been here for [20+] years and this prison has not offered me anything to be a better person.
- 164. Having a job assignment or going to school
- 165. I cannot think of one
- 166. Women coming together trying
- 167. Me teaching and preaching God's word to staff and inmates. Me praying for staff, Logan, inmates. Staff giving out bible verses. A few good officers and staff that treat me with respect etc. Prison ministry for God's Glory.
- 168. We are able to shop commissary, go to church
- 169. That you have an out date
- 170. N/A
- 171. It was supposed to be to go to school and get a job. I'm in seg for refusing housing for feeling unsafe and they refuse to move me to a different house.
- 172. Being able to shower and brush my teeth
- 173. It's really loud back here. Almost like lesbian summer camp
- 174. The other inmates are kind and extremely helpful to me. My counselor is very resourceful.
- 175. For me, I'm not locked down 23 and 1. I get to talk to my family at times which helps. They keep me going. That's about it.
- 176. None
- 177. We are able to attend school.
- 178. Nothing
- 179. Not a damn thing
- 180. Getting days to go HOME

- 181. Schooling
- 182. Approved jobs & programs that get days off your sentence
- 183. That I have people here for me because my family can't be.
- 184. Some People (officials) do care...
- 185. The NORTHWESTERN PROGRAM is a BEACON OF HOPE but a second cohort is "up in the air" due to the administrations lack of support
- 186. Honing my Tattoo skills
- 187. School. Mental health. All available groups. Drug treatment program.
- 188. they give us plenty of time out of our cells. the medical staff.
- 189. Contracts to obtain days, people we meet, my out date
- 190. Nothing, & outdate
- 191. Theres really nothing positive about life in this prison. I've been locked up [20+] years come [DATE REDACTED], 2023 and Ive seen so many people Ive known Take their lives because of the way of they are treated and/or ignored when asking for help. [NAME REDACTED] for Example, asking to talk to somebody while in seg, was ignored, and hung herself
- 192. Being able to stay in contact with my Family
- 193. It saved me from the evil on the outside that was coming way
- 194. Release
- 195. you get to tell your story & help others
- 196. You get a key to your cell, good cable
- 197. There are programs to help if people want to improve
- 198. Education. But if you have Life, its almost impossible to get in
- 199. The officers are better than they were when we first arrived.
- 200. most units have their own key to room to prevent staff abuses like keeping locked in to prevent gym/yard
- 201. Intimate relationships are allowed on the most part.
- 202. MENTAL HEALTH GROUPS.
- 203. the girls on 8 try to help
- 204. I feel safe. Most of the staff are polite
- 205. Nothing
- 206. The mental health treatment, housing, staff
- 207. I learned not to trust everyone
- 208. Nothing. We cant shop, it takes 30 days for us to call home.
- 209. Some Education, Cable, Commissary when we do go once a month if they haven't ran out of stuff to sell us, phone calls, mail, emails, donations if the warden allows, which sometimes are turned **around.**
- 210. Staying focused and planning my outdate. getting in programs.
- 211. Helping paws and school when your even able to get into school.
- 212. I'm in the dog program
- 213. The family/friends at home who love me and the prospect of release through the courts in the very near future. As for positive things about life in this prison—NOTHING. And that is sad for I've served [30+] years already. Thank God for FAITH in my heart.

- 214. Helping Paws program/school (when you can get in because it goes by a list and every time new people come in no matter where you are on the list short-timers get the school because they get days off sentence. 85% 100% don't receive days so we're pushed to bottom of list
- 215. Programs like helping paws, WestCare. We need more programs!
- 216. The opportunities I have been given and take the time to do them well. Trying to make the best out of being here.
- 217. The programs offer skills we can use when we get home we just need more programs
- 218. That this place is awful and disrespectful workers not all but most. I will so not be back to a place who treats us and dehumanizes women. This makes me sad how people are treated and how they have to live.
- 219. getting in the Dog Program, learning trades. Some staff look at you like a human being and not your crime
- 220. The job opportunities, learning hands on trades i.e. plumber, electrician
- 221. If you score high enough you can get to Vocational School through Lake Land College. You do have some officers here that treat you like you are human and really care.
- 222. The only thing I can think of that's positive is you are allowed any job of your choosing
- 223. friendships, meals, comfortable beds
- 224. Getting out of here safe and alive, this prison is all lies and jokes
- 225. The college programs are really good but need more. If you need help you can go to a friend, staff are no help. Or contact people on outside to call springfield
- 226. I really can't say there is ANY besides you waking up to see another day that brings me closer to home. Because if you are an Inmate with lots of time they have NO groups, schooling or anything to keep us Hopeful and motivated
- 227. Get to meet new people
- 228. Once on grounds you have keys to your own cell and they do offer a few programs or groups
- 229. I hope that one day they will abolish Truth in Sentencing and bring back a parole system for us all
- 230. The college/post-GED programs that are finally running + available even to long-timers
- 231. that I will never come back. I am able to use the phone and go to school
- 232. NOTHING
- 233. That I have a outdate
- 234. I Stay my Room all the time.
- 235. 50% off, contracts to get more time off
- 236. Nothing
- 237. Church, and supportive fellow inmates
- 238. your outdate
- 239. me waking up everyday in my Right state of mind.

- 240. You come across people who have made a mistake in their life and watch them change and grow in life. You find another family.
- 241. For some of us, we can be in a room where we get along work together Ive had a cellie now for [5+] yrs that's the same person and managed to still live in a cell together, we're each others support systems
- 242. My friends
- 243. going home to my family
- 244. Not being locked 24 hrs in a cell
- 245. Nothing positive. Nothing substantial
- 246. Nothing, we have no groups or nothing
- 247. We get commissary
- 248. The friendship(s) I can build w/select people.
- 249. Being able to work when not locked down from covid.
- 250. The ability to further education/NPEP, however not every has the opportunity because of outdates and there is no positive reinforcements for positive behavior. Negative behavior gets rewarded and the administration seems to want to push Northwestern prison education program from the institution before others can attend.
- 251. you have the chance to reflect, release, and get yourself together on a mental note
- 252. Brought me back to my relationship with God.
- 253. Them allowing North Park and Northwestern to bring their Bachelor's and Master's educational programming into this facility
- 254. The most positive thing about life in prison is being able to go to yard at least twice a week. And being able to get 1 free move per year to the housing unit you want to live on in order to be comfortable
- 255. We can shower when we want.
- 256. Meaningful opportunity to Education IF you have a sentence less than 5 yrs (which I don't). Violence does not permeate our population. I do not have to wake up in fear. We do not have Gangs in this facility.
- 257. The Northwestern Prison Education Program
- 258. Contact with outside support staff helping when going through anything, officers that we actually get along with and feel comfortable talking to.
- 259. None
- 260. The inmates that we meet here become family and a positive force in your life. We strive to better each other. The mental health team really cares (except **[NAME REDACTED]**)
- 261. The openness and ability to hang out with other people at anytime of day in general population ie being able to have multiple solid social supports on the inside. Staff very rarely enforce the rules against hanging out in hallways and room visiting which allows that openness, otherwise this prison would be far worse.
- 262. Would have to say being alive.
- 263. Access to the phone.
- 264. I can work and get days
- 265. Can take school classes. And educate myself

- 266. I met new people and made new friends through this journey in my life.
- 267. place to sleep + shower
- 268. I am currently enrolled in Northwestern and I receive visits
- 269. You are able to get out of your cell & interact with people
- 270. commissary only
- 271. The positive things about this prison is the support system you create amongst your fellow inmates. Warden **[NAME REDACTED]** is another positive because she is not for anything but what's right.
- 272. What is positive is if you want to change theirs nothing but time to reflect + better yourself before its time to be released or ask 4 a earlier release.
- 273. I have the ability to focus on schooling because I fought to get in however the administration makes classes extremely hard to get to on time. It's been quite a struggle
- 274. Nothing! Because this prison seems more like it designed to hinder our growth rather than "rehabilitate" or provide positive sources for "everyone" to get the help they need over the course of incarceration. And Long termers have to wait 5 to 6 years short to get proof base treatment programming
- 275. Their aren't Any, Except contracts
- 276. Getting up and going home
- 277. Meeting new people, well positive people, getting into groups to learn better coping skills.
- 278. My job!
- 279. Mental health treatment and commissary. Also groups & school.
- 280. Being able to use the phone
- 281. You learn to appreciate a lot of things in the life. I'm leaving soon I never coming back again
- 282. Theres numerous opportunities far as schooling goes.
- 283. Contracts
- 284. there is a masters degree program and I got in. At this time I would say that is all I have seen in [20+] years that offers true positivity, any idea of positivity is where we are not required to walk on eggshells in order to fit in with the people in the program (other inmates) in order to not get kicked out and where the person in charge of the program offer true leadership and want our success as people not as "good inmates"
- 285. The most positive things about life in this prison is the opportunity for higher Education + the food.
- 286. Overall, if I am respectful and keep my head down (stay to myself), I am left along by staff. I have a great job/school situation, which allows me to get things done when I need help.
- 287. The friends I have made in the [10+] yrs I have been locked up
- 288. N/A
- 289. Nothing about this prison is positive

- 290. Honestly nothing Ive been here since [DATE REDACTED], 2022 and have NOTHING. Ive been trying to get into school, a job, and groups. Dont get to do anything
- 291. being able to get days, no being raped
- 292. IF you don't have no where to live.
- 293. That if I really need something another inmate will help me locked in cell all day—out to use restroom.
- 294. I have a good room + good roommates. That's about it. I have GOD!!
- 295. Nothing at all.
- 296. Getting out early
- 297. work
- 298. I have an outdate & can make it sooner if the people w/ 5 or less years can go before people w/ more years.
- 299. That it's been [10+] years for me, and I'm still alive and standing strong. I never thought I would make it this far.
- 300. wanting to change and never coming back to prison
- 301. Zero. Nada
- 302. If you are able to work and get to know staff you stay can be more comfortable.
- 303. the next step I will be home to my family there no positive thing happening here...
- 304. That the girls help each other all the time more than staff or any program they have here.
- 305. Mental Health services
- 306. learn from your mistakes you are the only help you have
- 307. none
- 308. Cable t.v. channels
- 309. Some of the C.O.s are very helpful, treat people like actual people, and care
- 310. I have nothing positive to say about Logan C.C.
- 311. I have nothing positive to say about Logan CC. It has not offered me anything to help me become a productive Citizen when I am released from custody.
- 312. theres nothing positive!
- 313. Nothing, Nothing at all
- 314. Making it out alive
- 315. That I'm finally getting out of here and Im allowed to get days
- 316. Some of the people you meet, occasionally, some of the staff are helpful.
- 317. There are some good people I have met.
- 318. That I'll get to leave it soon. That we get to go to work/school/meals.
- 319. Dental care and dayroom time
- 320. To never come back being locked in a cell for a year have's mess alot of people up mentally, physically and emotionally.
- 321. The only positive thing about this prison, is the "Helping Paws Program"
- 322. NONE Absolutely
- 323. We have the ability to obtain a Master's degree
- 324. I have an opportunity away from the outside world in order to rethink my life and better myself.

- 325. not a thing
- 326. you have nothing but time to think about your crime and try to be a better individual and make a positive plan for your release.
- 327. The most positive things are school, work and getting to eat.
- 328. Cosmetology school
- 329. Leaving the unit for chow, work + passes. Outside time is helpful.
- 330. Nothing!
- 331. WOW! NOT ONE THING COMES TO MIND—maybe self reflection. but its on you they do NADA ZERO!
- 332. Being able to attend school & receive good time in spite of my lengthy sentence
- 333. Learning how to work on me
- 334. Having an out date! Security do not provide a safe environment. They are lax in their jobs. They sleep on the job. Administration are complicit in the laziness of security and healthcare.
- 335. nothing
- 336. Calling home to you love one and going on visit
- 337. mental that I needed and a chance to be sober so I can fine ways to cope better and school hopefully
- 338. Going to school. However they don't get you books to take to your cell to study. Nor do carpentry/construction teacher teach math.
- 339. Mental Health genuinely tries to help us. Medical care is a disgrace, but Mental Health helps us.
- 340. nothing I sit in a cell all day and when I do come out I am a minimum and I am with maximum prisoner my 1 hour out
- 341. When commissary has everything and we can get full off of things we buy.
- 342. Nothing
- 343. Free Bible study!
- 344. Kept up in the place to keep for long terms
- 345. The people you revolve yourself with!
- 346. Nothing
- 347. Visits
- 348. Nothing
- 349. The groups
- 350. For some, the laws change every year that is made available to where those who have been incarcerated for decades with football numbers could have a chance at freedom sooner rather than later
- 351. My Job, my mental Health team
- 352. It has kept me alive
- 353. Freedom of movement more so than at Dwight. More variety of jobs. Hot pots, real razors, flowers, more cameras. Better care packages.
- 354. Work on yourself, if you can. They have jobs & days now for people that work
- 355. there is none

# Q13. What are the most <u>negative</u> things about life in this prison?

- Clinical and clerical errors in IIC. Lack of staff that cause more stress on everyone.
   IIC and staff. Untrained staff. Problematic IIC's ignored requests/needs.
   Commissary issues
- 2. The black mold in the kitchen and shower/bathrooms. Being able to get proper healthcare when needed
- 3. People that get in other people's business
- 4. Chaos
- 5. Getting proper medical attention may never happen for a lot of people. With the hours I work my phone time is very limited. Very cheap hair products and skin products. Food that is served is not healthy. No air conditioning. Water is very hot at times
- 6. The way we are treated like animals
- 7. People dying here because HCU staff didn't properly follow protocol
- 8. The old timers and lifers have a warped mindset that they own and run things. They act as c/o's more than the actual C/o's and manipulate new individuals
- 9. N/A
- 10. No heat. Mold everywhere the water, lack of commissary birds pooping in kitchen, toilets breaking down, lack of staff counselors, not putting us in for days leaks everywhere
- 11. That they don't care about us. The way they have us living in black mold the way they feed us and house us with NO HEAT no air conditioning in the summer. The way the run out of supplies the long wait list to see healthcare
- 12. Staff don't treat you with respect. We only get commissary once a month. The food is a joke.
- 13. Bullying, violence, not fair about how they give job assignments, ie give them to the same people over and over. Use 85% offenders in all good jobs that actually give days now as in dog program.
- 14. The staff. They are negative in everything. More than us incarcerated people. If they are miserable you are going to be miserable
- 15. There is only commissary shopping once a month, very understaffed. That I didn't receive my 365 days on my 1st time to prison (everything)
- 16. Inmates/longtimers run this facility and treat new or shortimes like trash and get away w/ it. The men here get better treatment than REAL WOMEN staff do nothing to stop poor treatment to inmates by inmates
- 17. everywhere is always "short staffed," there are too many people cramped in this prison, mass incarceration is real, too many people not enough staff, can't get into school without waiting forever, Commissary is down to once per month + half of the time they are out of most things. some of the chow hall food isnt edible, like the

- Hot Dog. The showers have missing tiles, Black mold growing on the walls & funk growing on the shower floor
- 18. The safety of us inmates against Bullys. Racism, The C/O's treat us like trash. Roaches in the kitchen.
- 19. you can't fight behind bars. It's so hard to fight (like OP's)
- 20. The school programs goes by your outdate in order to get enrolled in the classes
- 21. There is not enough rehabilitation classes/services for inmates to do better. There is not enough classes or schools for individuals in custody. We cannot get education or help.
- 22. Staff, mental health treatment lines, job assignments unavailable, school unavailable no shoes available to purchase, personals & laundry soap not sold at commissary more than not
- 23. The transgender men are treated better than Female inmates
- 24. We are not protected from bullies I was forced to live in a room physically abused. Because the warden has an annual only move slip and because I had a minor ticket for contraband, I couldn't even move. I was not protected. Twice [NAME REDACTED] physically abused me on camera once [DATE REDACTED], 2022 and a later date as well and internal affairs said they couldn't see anything on camera. They wait until someone is severely injured until they move someone. Now inmates ostracize me in this program of westcare the warden is aware and still wont help accommodate a simple reprieve like moving me to a 2 man. Its obvious, and she even told me herself (Warden [NAME REDACTED]) they would look into it and know how inmates act and that she would move me. All lies.
- 25. The dietary selection. & the amount of time we get to eat. Also how the state pays for TransGender medical Bullshit. & we can't even get the things real women need!
- 26. Lack of rehabilitation, poor food, bad Cos, lack of answers, dirty facility, Very Bad Health Care
- 27. The staff
- 28. The staff
- 29. The inmates causing unnecessary Drama
- 30. Hard to get visits or even see my family! or even disability capable to set up visits! (my mother) Some of the staff Behavior with inmates. Favoritism. Placement (not considering moving inmates when theres problems).
- 31. everything else its Bad
- 32. everything
- 33. Lack of stability, no order
- 34. No one pays attention to inmate needs
- 35. Bullying
- 36. Almost everything
- 37. all of it
- 38. The Food and Transgenders (male inmates)
- 39. Being here with out my family and money
- 40. the commissary is terrible, chow food is gross, staff are rude

- 41. Staff +Security, Won't let family visit on video/in person due to a felony conviction from 10 yrs ago with NO IDOC Record! Bullshit!
- 42. Your forced to act a fool to get anything done Because your punished for Going about things correctly. everyone is considered a "thief" and a "liar." no one is allowed to be Different we are "Grouped"
- 43. Staff members don't care, they are sleeping with inmates, our commissary is a joke, our water has legionella, our showers, have leeches, our housing units have black mold & asbestos, The housing units are falling in on us
- 44. The CO, lieutenant has told me to handle business which means fight behind closed doors
- 45. Dietary doesn't serve enough food.
- 46. Life
- 47. Working for 1/2 a day when the men get a whole day
- 48. can't shop, can't get covid days, don't have access to hygiene products, half the time staff are not professional, health care, dental
- 49. People bullying one another. medical don't take me serious
- 50. they are letting men that still want sex with women to come here. It is not safe for us here no more!
- 51. Healthcare, Dietary, Commissary, living conditions of the housing units, water, garbage burning outside our housing unit, coal plant
- 52. The dehumanizing treatment we receive from staff. The way the prison deals with education. Commissary—lack of shop days + items
- 53. being punished for what others do. Sometimes a few people control things on the unit
- 54. being lock up for long time
- 55. Health care and living conditions
- 56. The food portions and commissary
- 57. Dietary, not receiving a reason of denial of not seeing my son in 4 yrs. He was in prison for a firearm and finished parole 4 yrs ago & the warden year after year denies him.
- 58. No one's consistent, wardens lie, housing units are falling apart, no programs or days for long timers
- 59. You sometimes don't get the right help you need
- 60. Upper staff. Food. Treatment to bad inmates left to do as they please No punishment
- 61. Quarantine, drama, some COs! COs get their feelings hurt and they treat everybody like crap!
- 62. Favoritism to the transexuals/genders. They get away with a lot and then when they mess things up rules are changed for us and they continue manipulating the system.
- 63. Disrespect of the elderly
- 64. THE separation from family
- 65. everything, healthcare, mental healthy, visits, commissary, state issued "things". Everything

- 66. The Lack of consideration about Quality of Life for "The Long Timers" we are often an overlooked demographic.
- 67. There is nothing that they do (staff) to motivate us to do our time in a positive way. They show more unconcern than concern. Medline, healthcare
- 68. no consistency, no structure, the bad is always reinforced then the ones that are doing right. We get talked down to, use being in a program against us. If we speak up humbling. Never being stocked up with commissary, not being able to see my family because of not being vaccinated but staff aren't and they come and go. Health care always losing the sign up sheets and never call you.
- 69. how people treat new people
- 70. staff, not having things we need
- 71. not having no support.
- 72. most staff see you as a number that's it
- 73. the staff abuse of power and staff/wardens really don't care about our well beings
- 74. extremely disorganized. Inmate run. Disrespectful staff, dirty, do not provide adequate hygiene products. Almost inedible food!
- 75. there arent many programs available. You have to ask and ask to get something done. This is dead time.
- 76. half of the staff doesn't care, our food is awful, we haven't had the opportunity to shop in 30 days. Medical is a joke.
- 77. the staff here is not good. We are still people. But we get treated like were not even people. Yes we messed up but people still need a second chance
- 78. no consistency. One day it is one thing, the next is completely different
- 79. The way we are treated and bad living arrangements
- 80. The staff + inconsistency
- 81. TREATMENT BY STAFF
- 82. no heat in dietary for weaks, no programs, no hot wells, no hot boxes
- 83. the gang activities. Some rotten CO's i.e. some unfair staff members
- 84. abuse, physical-emotional
- 85. lack of consistency and regard for persons in custody as human beings
- 86. that good behavior gets you nowhere. And the way staff are aggressive in the manner of how they talk and treat us.
- 87. inconsistency, injustice,
- 88. I don't know
- 89. the staff forgets we're human. Talk to us degrading like we're nothing. Commissary sucks. They don't sell the proper hygiene products we need.
- 90. the officers + sgts treating us like we are not human beings, the living situations, the food, commissary school
- 91. other inmates; not getting medical treatment when needed
- 92. not being thought of as a person.
- 93. that they mix people in custody with other people problems that they know have serious mental and attitudes together that are bullys + expect them not to bully you + you have only two option PCU or Seg.

- 94. the need to stop placing people with mental issues with people that will bully them. And make there stay hard. There is no structure to how they place people. Other then that the help here is down and cant keep people here to keep the prison up and going. commissary is a issue due to them not always having what we need sometimes we have to do without.
- 95. they let you die and they don't do nothing about it
- 96. being told what to do. Hanging around negative violent people in here
- 97. It is hard at times to get things Accomplished. Staff **is** good, But when you sign up for a Job or Healthcare, They say "You're on the list." This system is Broken and does not work.
- 98. Segregation is not clean
- 99. There is no rehabilitation via the prison. No matter how much you change as a person for the good, you still have the same amount of time in your sentence. This is just a human warehouse. Were not allowed to have relationships, like normal human beings, even though it's therapy. There's no good healthcare, they don't help us!
- 100. Staff beat in lie on me in other inmates they use our freedom over our head in denied us program in outta cell
- 101. how the C.O. treat you
- 102. the safety in security of the Facility I was stab by a man here
- 103. We are locked on the D wing for 22 hours a day + I am minimum security
- 104. They don't treat us like human beings They belittle us as woman
- 105. Inhumane conditions, too hot in room, no fan. No one answers request slips or questions
- 106. They keep us locked down constantly they talk horrible to us the dietary is worse than bad
- 107. the staff!!!
- 108. No mental help with groups on grieving support or the right medicine. Any classes to better ourselves are hard to get in
- 109. Everything
- 110. everything
- 111. The Conduct of staff and the treatment on the D-wing (15)
- 112. staff, locked down all the time, treated unfairly
- 113. People still getting high on psych drugs. Bullying. No yard time. Staff threatening prisoners.
- 114. I havent been in any programs or school since ive been here. They pick and choose who to put on real "ground"
- 115. Unhuman living condition. No yard. Water so Hot it Burns my Skin
- 116. not being treated fairly
- 117. I feel mental health can't help me.
- 118. Negative
- 119. Everything the staff is very disrespectful and they do not help anybody
- 120. peoples moods

- 121. Racism, Transgender biasedness, Disrespectful C.O's in Mental health, having Keys to cells in G.P. Not enough Food on tray, Not having yard on Mental health since 8-5-22, Lack of healthy choices on commissary, Mental health is isolated from GP during activities
- 122. fights + arguments
- 123. you cant get in school, you cant work, officers treated you poorly, they deny you crises and im in a cell on 15 when this is General population
- 124. they dont let you go to school or work
- 125. coming back
- 126. nothing
- 127. Food Is Limited In Selections
- 128. The beds are old, the food is poor, no outside time, alot of fights, not much for education classes for people that want school or for long timers
- 129. The Healthcare really sucks here at Logan it has been months before I got the help from the Nurse Practitioner. There is a lawsuit against the Wexford Health Care because They are refusing inmates the Health Care they really need! We Don't Have a Chapel like we were promised! The Wardens stole the Grant money to Build with, where the Racquetball court used to be at (but they took it down)!! There was Grant money to remove the old Central Dining Room but The Past Warden Stole the money to do that! The Commissary is terrible, no laundry soap!

  No cable cords! The cable sucks!
- 130. Not allowed visits if visitor is not vaccinated I want contact w/ my family too! and when warden [NAME REDACTED] allowed NON vaccinated it no eating, no drinking + no contact!!! lack of adequate Dental + Medical care!!
- 131. It's hard to get into groups, classes, or programs. The water is in poor condition. The bathroom is in horrible condition and toilets constantly leak or break. The walls and ceilings are falling apart. The workers don't care about anyone, even more if you are 85% or 100%.
- 132. Officers are sleeping with inmates
- 133. Everything about this place is negative.
- 134. Being away from my family
- 135. Food (not enough), commissary prices too high to survive, treatment, officers playing cards with 3 or 4 other officers and telling us they can't do anything for us because they are busy (playing fucking cards and games)
- 136. The medical treatment (I need medical help), officers treat us horrible, commissary: no shoes, no clothes, no personals. Treat black people better, medical mental physical.
- 137. Everything
- 138. The most negative things about life in this prison is that long timers (people with 20 plus years to do) are ineligible to be in programs, drug treatment for example, because of the short timers who get 1st option. Even if one is eligible for day, the long timers are immediately exempt. I had a drug problem and I believe that if I get the tools I need, I can practice utilizing them now, because drugs is still a problem

- in prison. Why do you think users/abusers keep coming back? Psych, painkillers, Grass are considered drugs (substitutes all day **long**)
- 139. The bullying, sex in rooms, commissary, trying to talk to majors and wardens, finding out information concerning getting released and rehabilitated, doctor who comes, the housing units with mold, broken pipes, no cold water in showers, mattresses that can support people.
- 140. Don't have enough to do, no programs.
- 141. I can not get the proper nutrition I need to survive in here. I am **[50+]** years old. The medical attention is so awful, especially by the doctor. She will not save my life. I need to go to an hospital. I need to use the toilet. It hurts so bad.
- 142. The mistreatment that goes on here
- 143. Healthcare
- 144. Allowing aggressive inmates to be on this unit #6, which houses older, handicapped ladies. There are many instances of bullying by younger ones.
- 145. The health, safety, and well being along with the mental stress in the life of the sick, disabled, and elderly, that we will not get the health care we need here.
- 146. Mostly everything in here is negative.
- 147. They are not consistent. Not letting us get donated items (Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day)
- 148. Not keeping up with maintenance, not enough clothes or bedding, not having classes that teach people how to not come back, not enough medical staff that give a damn, food portion for dietary are children's meals, moral decisions are not allowed, security lets too much violence (horseplay) happen.
- 149. The food, health care, water, things falling apart, leaking toilets, heat not correct, mold, birds in chow hall, no heat in chow hall, my job **[REDACTED]** people who should not be here, rude uncaring staff, commissary, clothing no crotches or no clothes period. I can go on and on.
- 150. Food, water, sanitation, not have to wait a month for phone # approved. Health care, special medical diet reinstated. Housing, needs to be aggression level and age. Clothing, have not had sheets or towels in 10 years. Commissary should provide shoes and clothes. No have to pay to get help from the law clerks.
- 151. Medical care, mental health, security stuff
- 152. Mental health, medical, negative security staff
- 153. The staff, certain inmates bullying
- 154. Food, lack of things to do, lack of education for those who are past GED, some have but not enough
- 155. Healthcare, the living conditions (mold, plumbing), officers beating up inmates. On Friday evening, [DATE REDACTED], 2022, [STAFF NAME REDACTED] literally banged inmate [NAME REDACTED]'s head into the wall at [LOCATION REDACTED]. They put her in segregation. [STAFF NAME REDACTED] watched! This is Logan Correctional facility.
- 156. You are constantly talked down to, ignored, or called negative names.
- 157. Many staff referring to us as bitches and having men here with penis, even though they're trans, they are having sex and making this prison co-ed. Also, transgender

- get a single cell as soon as they arrive, as long as they have a penis, but females have to earn a single cell. Also, people getting killed as well as taking their own life to escape this [ILLEGIBLE]
- 158. The male officers beating on inmates and nothing being done about it.
- 159. Everything, especially staff and healthcare
- 160. Everything.
- 161. Not being patient about my legal work, or getting a denial on my legal work. The fear of losing and not changing my long incarceration date of [DATE REDACTED] to [DATE REDACTED], 2024.
- 162. Some of the officers are very hateful in their speech towards us. Like "nobody cares about you!" "Just use them as speed bumps." The officers are poor at deescalating verbal altercations between inmates. They run out of much needed items in commissary. The food is poor quality.
- 163. Staff treatment is disrespectful, and they aren't supposed to be gender specific anymore. I feel disrespected when they call me a "lady." They purposely call me a lady: you have very few COs that are mindful but most are not. If you are a certain group of flirtatious women, then you can get away with stuff or if you're a snitch for **[ILLEGIBLE]**
- 164. Guards
- 165. The people that come in and out, the staff, the level of prejudice pisses me off on a constant basis.
- 166. Everything, the staff go by who's been here the longest and who's family calls here more
- 167. The phone situation, be better if calling was allowed on tablets
- 168. The treatment, how we don't even have shoes or clothes or food
- 169. Not enough outside time. They have recently taken away even more patio opportunities
- 170. Logan staff treat the trouble makers better than they do the people that don't get tickets or cause disruptions. Seems like they give in so that they do not have to deal with these problematic individuals.
- 171. The staff and all about "Logan"
- 172. The correctional officers and all the free time that inmates receive
- 173. Lack of compassion by the staff, limited access to telephone (covid), requirement for visitors to be vaccinated, low commissary inventory
- 174. Staff, food, programs
- 175. A lot of negative in this prison, cannot write it all on this survey. Commissary, state pay. Women's Prison, we are locked up with physical men on housing units, transgenders, etc. It's not ok, women get raped. DCFS-caseworker here, [NAME REDACTED], it not helping me with my DCFS case, she will not contact DCFS for me, when I told her in [DATE REDACTED] my 9 month is not safe in foster care and my caseworker is not handling my case. Inmates selling bleach and disinfectant cleaners. Then porters have no cleaners to clean. Hard to get proper medical treatment.
- 176. Being 23 and 1, when you are dayroom restricted for a long period of time.

- 177. These people don't care if you're trying to get help or not
- 178. The treatment, the lack of consistency, and the behavior of some of the staff
- 179. Everything. I'm locked in a room all the time, whether seg/P.C.
- 180. The disrespect from staff, they don't know how to speak to you no matter what the issue may be
- 181. The warden hates us and doesn't believe we deserve anything good. Commissary sucks ass. It takes too long to get a job. There's never anything valuable on commissary. I had to go with no socks for 2 months. We can't even get donations anymore. It's so RACIST here. NO CONSISTANCY!
- 182. Not all of the staff are bad but some will literally lie on you to get you in trouble or seg. They can lay hands on you and when you report it, no one comes to help you. Staff can do and say anything to you with no consequences.
- 183. How we are treated like we don't even exist. And how this whole prison has no structure from the wardens down to the officers. They never take us serious. I can say **[NAMES REDACTED]**, Just to name a few are fair on every level.
- 184. I'm transgender, and treated like a criminal
- 185. This prison rewards bad behavior. They treat us like numbers instead of human beings.
- 186. Everything
- 187. everything
- 188. 1. C.O. 2. Healthcare treatment 3. Commissary
- 189. Staff's cruel treatment & the unfairness. In order to get things done you have to act out. When 1 person does something wrong they punish us all
- 190. the X-house
- 191. That the inmates run the prison and not the officers.
- 192. Almost everything...
- 193. BULLYS, Max offenders should NOT live with medium & especially not minimum offenders.
- 194. BULLIES
- 195. The C/O's call us horrible names & are very disrespectful. Commissary always being out of things we need
- 196. the food is nasty
- 197. Staff/C/O's, Water, living conditions, treatment, Beds are disgusting (mattress), the confiscate everything from us to help it be more suitable. Commissary, they never have soap or food & we still have to shop. They overprice everything, 15 inch TV is \$250.00. If you don't have \$ you struggle. Food in dietary
- 198. Food, the officers
- 199. People being bullied and staff paying no attention to it. Just recently inmate **[NAME REDACTED]** on House 1 hung herself from the bed when left in the room alone. another inmate who "supposedly" died from Covid vaccine, blood clot, but in fact was beat and died, here at Logan by 2 inmates
- 200. The staff and the inmates cause to much Drama
- 201. How these young inmates are running it
- 202. no air conditioning, no programs for rehabilitation

- 203. The staff Don't care they just come to get a check
- 204. People die here. There is favoritism amongst longtimers our grievances go unheard they just tell us anything to shut us up. There is not enough job opportunity
- 205. Structurally the place is falling apart. Heat in the chow hall is non-existent, and there is mold everywhere
- 206. The way we are treated By staff
- 207. The over-all condition & commissary
- 208. HealthCare can't even get in to sick call let alone see a doctor. Every day, all day, we breathe BLACK MOLD, ASBESTOS, AND COAL DUST. Food.
- 209. The mental health units were rebuilt without viewable outside windows + they make you depressed + claustrophobic. Living on MHU with violent, crazy inmates who enjoy causing trouble. MHU lockdowns for one person's abuses or suicide attempt
- 210. Discrimination, hatred, animosity by staff and administration towards trans women.
- 211. You are not able to attend certain classes because of your outdate
- 212. cannot contact my friends + family
- 213. Its boring not many opportunities for activities. Commissary is always out of so many things.
- 214. Dayroom limited
- 215. The food, no air conditioning, staff looking up peoples cases and talking about them, Warden [NAME REDACTED], not enough drug treatment long timers need drug treatment too. Staff that are bullies. The Healthcare.
- 216. Stay positive to keep away from negative people
- 217. The food, Health care, staff threatening inmates, inmates threatening inmates, staff threatening to ticket over minor things to take our good time.
- 218. The way staff call us out of our names treat us look up our case like **[NAME REDACTED]** and throw it in your face, how they work together even when you're not guilty of a disciplinary report (write up) but still found guilty, not stocking enough commissary and limiting the amounts repeatedly. We could buy 12 chips, then 6, now 3 and this has to last for a month because we barely shop twice a month. Not enough food on the tray. Not being able to get proper healthcare because no one cares so you're given tylenol and turned away **[ILLEGIBLE]** Your issue is minor to find later it was serious
- 219. Around negative inmates 24/7 throughout the day
- 220. NOT being able to get into school because of a waiting list and that intakes go first from someone that's been waiting to get into school
- 221. No visits cause of vaccine restrictions. Food—causing major health issues. No nutrients, no meats that aren't processed. Not enough schooling & access to phones. Healthcare.
- 222. The oppression of COVID protocols w/ regard to quarantines, testing, mask wearing, lack of socialization, overbearing isolation, lack of adequate and ample commissary products in every area, and the complete disregard for my personhood by this prison/staff.

- 223. Commissary is horrible ever since Covid they never have basic essentials as soap/hygiene/laundry soap. Food. and only shop once a month limit us to certain items. we work 7 days a week 365 days a year but only get 1 laundry soap and 4 bars when they have it? How can we survive off of no food or Hygiene + Dietary don't feed you properly if you get a good meal you get a very small portion of it because staff get as much as they want.
- 224. Mental health is a joke! do I have to be housed at MHUs to be listened to?
- 225. The way we are treated by officers and staff. Not all of us steal and/or are bad people. Kindness goes a long way.
- 226. Things are different every day, nothing goes as planned.
- 227. Officers being disrespectful to an Individual in custody. No reform if you want to reform you have to do it yourself like I did I'm walking out with a bachelor degree + an associate's degree. None that this prison has done for me.
- 228. Staff who have issues at home or don't like their lives come to work and treat us like crap. Commissary sucks, we are the only prison that shops once a month barely hitting \$100 because nothing is in stock. And food we are served is like feeding portions a 3 year old gets and the majority of it goes in the garbage because it's not good. If they spend a few more dollars on stuff they know we will eat they wouldn't waste so much food.
- 229. medical attention is subpar. medline is at unpredictable times. writ paperwork, x-rays, follow up appointments get lost
- 230. The Building conditions, The Healthcare negligence, Commissary, Dietary food servings, Quarantine, Mental Health care, Lack of Programs, Visitation, No incentive, Water quality, Air Quality on the houses, Bad Behavior is rewarded, Coal Smoke, Fire safety. They make women wear men's clothing
- 231. If you don't have a certain amount of time you are not allowed to participate in certain programs
- 232. the showers, the frequency of commissary, the boredom
- 233. The guards are liars
- 234. Mental Health is a joke your not taken seriously they cant help with your living environment. **[NAME REDACTED]** controls all moves has too much power. No security and I am constantly bullied with no help. There is no structure or jobs or programs.
- 235. The most negative things about life in prison is Idle time, missing your loved ones, the food, the housing, the phone lines, and all upper staff makes so many promises of change and wanting to help but nothing gets done.
- 236. The food and no good shampoo or body soap or female wash and need to press the issue about mob action and sex with others in room and shower
- 237. Most groups even school is constantly being cancelled. And they won't do much but put people on waiting lists...forever. They tell everyone who is serving a short time that they don't have enough time. IE not enough time for the drug program but it's those of us on the way out that need it most. Instead there are people who don't get out for 10 years doing the program

- 238. Staff and administration seem to believe we are here for them to punish by constant oppression. The removal of good, meaningful programs such as peer-led tutoring and the USDL Bakery Apprenticeship. The continued COVID restrictions on our in person visits. I've not seen my grandkids in more than 3 years. Terrible oppression, specifically by constantly taking away even the most basic things, little by little, gradually causing even the strongest of us to contemplate suicide or at least fall into deep depression—and absolutely no one cares. Decisions are made that affect our lives and those who make these decisions have NO regard for the effect it has on us. This healthcare team spends their time playing "defense" regarding anything that I personally have gone to them about. Often my [REDACTED] medication is not available when I need it. I've gone as long as 3 weeks without my [MEDICATION NAME REDACTED]. I had massive amounts of spider bites on my knee. It was swollen, seeping, and had cellulitis causing the knee to be grotesquely disfigured, it took 6 days of horrible pain and itching before an officer saw it and pestered healthcare to do something. It took 2 months for it to go away. There was no follow-up at all. Discipline/Structure has been thrown out the window. Everyone is punished for one person's infraction. Or the worst behaviors are encouraged. The most aggressive inmates get many privileges such as all day dayroom and phone use. While the less aggressive are yelled at if we ask to sit in the dayroom to study or do our college homework. Bullying is allowed by staff because they, too, seem afraid of being called racist or transphobic.
- 239. C/O's are intimidated by Black inmates and notoriously bad inmates + allow them to dictate how housing units are run
- 240. everything.
- 241. EVERYTHING
- 242. The healthcare and the lack of education
- 243. Controlled by inmate.
- 244. family being vaccinated to visit, having to use the toilet right next to someone with no wall—degrading. last but not least I've told counselors since first day...a group was using election equipment on me, then psych are no one has helped [ILLEGIBLE] when spoke to me concerning it. Y2K and voice to skull.
- 245. No matter how good you are you are viewed as a liar. you have to be a constant trouble maker to have an issue addressed & solved.
- 246. our living environment, our commissary selections
- 247. Everything
- 248. having to still quarantine for COVID does something to me mentally not being able to move around go work, visits so forth.
- 249. You are judged on your crime and your treated poorly because your in prison. They do not have a way to improve rehabilitate yourself to the outside world
- 250. Where do I begin, our security is more important than as a person, they mixed up which is unsafe. The healthcare is so bad as well as mental health. The covid restrictions here are ridiculous. If you have problems, staff (IA) won't help you, you basically have to stay away from them or get into a fight to be moved, especially if on the same unit.

- 251. incarcerated people that do bad stuffs get everything they want. staff let it happen. incarcerated people that doing good stuff get nothing
- 252. I am afraid of being in prison
- 253. Drama, people having sex. Not much movement
- 254. you have to do things over + over to get things done + so much more
- 255. People talk mean to each other
- 256. they took away goodtime
- 257. Some of these people here are monsters! the way CO's/Sgt./LT's talk to us.
- 258. Inmates who act up the most get what they want people who behave get nothing
- 259. **[NAME REDACTED]** is the negative reinforcement for the prisons. The behavior he displays isn't conducive to positive change. He threatens and manhandles women. Security is another issue. Staff antagonizes bad situations. Staff consistently refuses people who apply for P.C.U.
- 260. Most of the staff/administration sucks, and don't care about us, and it shows on a daily
- 261. Can't get into work or schooling or get proper healthcare needed
- 262. The treatment of individuals in custody by staff. The obvious racism prejudice and lack of empathy for us as humans. Also the lack of healthcare. There is absolutely no real treatment for our medical issues. We're all treated as liars. Total disregard for our physical + mental health
- 263. The most negative things are that the C.O.'s don't treat you like humans for real. There are only a few. Healthcare doesn't really care about our health. We have to sign up for sick call multiple times before getting seen. Then when we finally do get seen, they just give us medicine before actually checking seeing what the issue is.
- 264. We can barely use phone. We never get to shop.
- 265. There is no structure, consistency, or humane treatment. staff gossip like highschoolers + base their decisions/treatment off of their gossip + personal opinions rather than acting as professionals. There is an utter lack of outdoor activity, and absolutely no one is held accountable for their poor behavior. Bad behavior is rewarded here. There isn't any positive gain for individuals who behave accordingly or better themselves or rehabilitate.
- 266. I am treated with hostility because we are in this program. We are treated with hostility because we are in this program.
- 267. Commissary is only once a month. There isn't enough items to get through the month. When you first get here you only get a \$30 shop with no clothes, no groups for people with shorter time, no drug treatment
- 268. All of them
- 269. Inequality. This place is built on phobia's, gossip and racism amongst the staff
- 270. Food. Dietary food is bleh most days so I depend on commissary for the bulk of my calorie intake. Commissary has been horrible this year so I've been consistently underweight.
- 271. Being in prison.
- 272. Quality of housing units. Staff conduct

- 273. Disrespect from staff. Food little portion and uneatible. Poor medical, and staff in healthcare! Commissary need better supply, clothes and others things
- 274. Being around so many people. And bullies
- 275. Disrespect by staff. food is under portion and inedible. Healthcare sucks, commissary needs better products in personal hygiene, clothes, and food.
- 276. your just a # to the guards
- 277. The staff are violent and racist toward offenders
- 278. Staff treat us like we are nothing they treat us as if we are not human
- 279. The way some staff speak to us
- 280. The negatives about this prison are the officers take everything personal. Also the officers not being professional treating us as if we are less than because we are incarcerated.
- 281. We're subjected to change at any time. our contact with family on the outside is constantly being tested, minimized, not given. The fact entire houses are locked down for people who test positive and removed.
- 282. we are frequently only given a maximum of 1 call a day being we aren't able to call more than either our children or parents your only allowed school if you are a short termer. Because of Covid many visits are canceled. our visits are shorter than they been since I been here, we are allowed out 1 1/2 6 rms @ a time
- 283. No consistency, no feeling of safety. Administration has no concern for our personal experiences when it's about our livelihood.
- 284. Many things. Phone time is limited and the living areas are very poor theres mold, mildew everywhere it causes major health hazards and stress on the human body. the water supply is contaminated the plumbing is bad. the food portions are to small and gross. Commissary sucks very expensive. Staff is rude.
- 285. everything
- 286. everything
- 287. the food, some of the people that think their better than others.
- 288. housing + roommate issues. staff unable to help solve any issues—even counselors
- 289. The staff and how were treated and also the <u>healthcare</u> (major)
- 290. It's like some/most officers don't do their job, also in seg/disciplinary you can't have a pillow or pillow case but your allowed your tablet and television
- 291. The inhumane treatment. No proper grievance process or disciplinary hearings. were automatically guilty. The staff are rude, aggressive, disrespectful and demeaning. commissary is always out of stuff. There are no programs, barely any rehabilitation. They put people in segregation for no good reason. They mistaked my identity and incarcerated me. No safety. less than adequate healthcare. no consistencies. wardens NEVER come talk to us. People keep dying, due to negligence.
- 292. Race-disrespectful officer.
- 293. I've been in the X house for 35 days I thought that was not fair. Some people been there only 3 weeks.
- 294. Healthcare, Dietary is poor

- 295. Prison
- 296. 1) Commissary is only offered once per month (it's a lie if they claim otherwise) and usually there's no food or soap we are limited as if we shop regularly which means we never have appropriate or equal hygiene and food comparable to men.
  2) healthcare is horrible. I had a broken [REDACTED] for over a month! It NOW requires surgery a year later. the doctor is from a rehab clinic—she is only interested in prescribing suboxone to addicts. She has no concern for aging long timers pain management. she does not even allow surgeon/specialist recommendations post surgery. She has many of us in excruciating pain. we do our grievances but none of you care about helping women. Grievances continue to be lost of destroyed.
  3) Placement officers create volatile living situations on purpose.
- 297. The most negative things are that commissary has been out of stock and prisoners run the units
- 298. COVID. In the community, quarantine no longer exists, but in here we are still tested weekly and put on quarantine and/or moved when we're positive. Currently I will miss my Christmas visit due to quarantine, which is especially devastating to me because I recently lost my Grandma, and also had surgery.
- 1) Healthcare doing what they want even if it's illegal.
   2) Excessive force by officers.
   3) Not enough food on Dietary trays especially for those that can't afford food.
- 300. everything
- 301. Staff & the prison messed up system
- 302. The way some CO's, Healthcare and inmates treat you so terrible even when you dont do anything. ALSO once again not being able to do ANYTHING to better myself
- 303. discrimination, staff, mold, houses 41, 14, 15, warden [NAME REDACTED], and healthcare
- 304. To Far from your Family. No Freedom.
- 305. Staff is not concerned about safety at all. never supported by any staff members when you find your own support, the placement team keeps you away from that inmate
- 306. They give you X amount of years + there is no parole + nothing. no programs to better yourself. only 1/2 days credit for one of the toughest jobs. Dietary. they lock you up + throw away the key!!
- 307. That the C/O's talk down on people that came back.
- 308. Seeing people fight
- 309. not at home
- 310. We need a better ladder to climb up on top bunk. I'm [40+] should I even be on a top bunk? It's scary
- 311. There is a lot of stuff that happens to us around here and it don't matter who we tell, Nothing and I mean nothing ever happens.
- 312. Being away from home.
- 313. everything everyday 24/7 365:(

- 314. A lot of staff members like to purposefully cause drama between individuals in custody.
- 315. Water quality, rules are not easily communicated—They're spread by word of mouth from inmate to inmate, there's no incentive for being "good"/trouble free, healthcare is poor
- 316. They got us living in condemned building mold/electricity problems/only 30 mins a day out my room.
- 317. because I came as a parole violator and am done with my parole time and am doing time for a new case they dont want to put me in a new case so I won't get my good time
- 318. Everything else
- 319. you are pretty much on your own as far as your rehabilitation goes. you are only a # to staff. most staff does not care about individuals
- 320. our safety is at Risk, Bullying is a factor. They don't Take Health issues serious
- 321. condemned living areas, Staff is untrained, unprofessional, doesn't work together, filthy kitchen w/ cockroaches, commissary
- 322. racism. staff always right, never held accountable. inappropriate relations between staff and individuals in custody causing favoritism.
- 323. The mental health treatment and the medical treatment are HORRIBLE!
- 324. confined to a single cell—only allowed out 2 1/2 hrs/day. No rec time. Restricted chow-movement after 2 pm b/c of security level
- 325. I am confined to a single man cell 23 hours a day but they say I am in General population. Because of my escape level I am segregated to eat alone in my cell, I'm not aloud to have a job, attend school or go to recreational activities unless it is between hours of 8AM-2PM
- 326. living conditions + food
- 327. Everything
- 328. The suicidal thoughts
- 329. They treat every one the same. They treat you like a criminal
- 330. Prisoners run things we are not treated well. The food. The conditions in which we are made to live. The slow process in which things get done.
- 331. Not good healthcare or Dental care. I feel like we eat the same stuff all the time, and commissary is always out of something.
- 332. There's not enough phones for the amount of people. Food portions are too small. We don't get to go to commissary enough. There's a lot of bullying. It's a fight to use a phone or a shower or a sink or get your laundry done
- 333. corrupt + rude C.O.'s
- 334. Mentally and restrictive Housing and the Justice committee. Also IA.
- 335. everything, this place is disgusting and falling down around us everyday. They dont feed us adequate means, either.
- 336. IA/INTEL. Adj. committee. Warden. placement
- 337. There is no air conditioning, staff looks up cases and talks about them to other inmates, not enough programming, can't have visits with unvaccinated people

- 338. The max security & high aggression inmates are housed in the same building on the same wing with medium & minimum inmates. They're housed in the same room's w/ medium inmates. they run the prison & get to go into any rooms, even minimum ones, w/o punishment.
- 339. working in Dietary w/ no heat. Just being around these women + staff
- 340. covid lockdown for individuals who have not tested positive are kept lockdown and kept from going to school and programs.
- 341. Not enough time outside, The way staff treats us.
- 342. People and racism
- 343. It takes a very long time to be able to see a doctor. This prison is basically run by the prisoners. The amount of food at mealtime is inadequate. There is mold growing throughout the bathroom + showers. Shopping for commissary once per month is not enough. There are not any options for appropriate shoes available majority of the time. There is a lot of blatant favoritism. Job opportunities are scarce. Options for those here for 1 year or less are minimal.
- 344. Everything!
- 345. diet/living cond/Housing/Lack of Church/Bible Study, Classes/groups/fresh air/NO positivity = Bitter Not Better. There is NO correction—Chg name to Circus—welcome to Insanity!
- 346. My mental state isn't taken serious enough. How staff reward bad behavior. How we are being treated as a whole. How staff enforces their own rules. Everyone is held accountable for another individual in custody behavior which sometimes result in cruel & unusual punishment.
- 347. The staff not keeping it consistently about the rules and following them like they all should.
- 348. Security do not provide a safe environment. They are lax in their jobs. They sleep on the job. Administration are complicit in the laziness of security and healthcare.
- 349. treatment by HCU staff. treatment by staff + wardens. Living standards. Food. being judged by our cases
- 350. When you are getting bullied and ask to be move they just let it happen they dont care you cant not talk to the warden she never around
- 351. the staff CO here when I first got saw how bad off I was and says things like I have pussy problems because I washed myself constantly when I first got here **cuz**OCD
- 352. The Jobs are dead end. No promotion. The schools don't Allow you to take the books to your cells to study. There are no math class for construction class
- 353. **[NAME REDACTED]** + Logan Admin **[NAMES REDACTED]** Held me Down, Held me Back And Harassed me. I filed a PREA for sexual Harassment.
- 354. Inmate bullying, inmate job availability is only for a small group of pampered girls, Bad Food in chowhall, horrible commissary as well as constant shortages every shop, horrible medical and dental care. No reason as to why decisions are made and no enforcement of Rules or memos.
- 355. everyone should at least have a job or go to school Regardless what grade they are on. Officers that hear tickets are very unfair.

- 356. The Food, the people, the commissary, the housing
- 357. Bullying between inmates
- 358. Sharing a space could been a short life
- 359. The staff don't treat people very well, RTU don't get to come out for yard.
- 360. Treatment, Dietary food, commissary, staff, Living conditions not getting enough Hygienes. No school No groups
- 361. Staff
- 362. Staff, food, commissary, visits not working
- 363. Everything
- 364. You're treated poorly because you're a inmate
- 365. There are no groups, programs, or schooling (classes) for long-termers to better (educate) themselves
- 366. The treatment of inmates, They reward bad behavior and you get no positive rewards for good behavior
- 367. Everyone dying due to 911 situations, fights, seizures, Health issues not being treated.
- 368. Staff's indifference towards us. Staff/guards calling us n\*\*\*\*rs, bitches and cunts. Male staff's constant inappropriate flirting and constant sexual conquests done in front of all of us, out in open, no consequences.
- 369. Because I have too much time I can't get into school
- 370. the fact that they lie + some people do what they want to so they do not have to deal with them

# Q14. What suggestions do you have for improvement in this prison?

- 1. Better and more staff. Stop overworking workers! Commissary items/inventory/schedule needs to be more accurate
- 2. More staff especially in records and such officers
- Communication
- 4. Better organization
- Listen to the basic needs of people. Keep aggressive violent people together. To have cold and hot water in shower. Need better brushes for long hair. Better personal items. Need healthier food
- 6. Better care like better and clean mattress they are Terrible
- 7. Better food, plus commissary item HCU needs to improve on how they handle things
- 8. Make everyone do some sort of group. Apply all rules to everyone, no favoritism, have the C/O's be more aware
- 9. N/a

- 10. Closing it down and building everything over. It's mold and asbestos here Holes everywhere if the men were moved why were we put here???? Stop stealing grant money
- 11. To rebuild this place from the ground up. To use the grant money and fund money for what its supposed to be used for. Give whole days for work.
- 12. More people would go home if people who were 50% were utilized in the dog program day for day. Instead they keep mostly 85, 100% and lifers in the program that was not intended to be used this way. It was to teach a skill that you could go home and use as a job, dog training, walking, grooming, etc
- 13. Air conditioner. Would help staff and inmates. Summer is the most horrible for us all. That when there are more fights. Between staff and inmates
- 14. That it be shut down, its not safe environment to have prisoners
- 15. Staff must be made to follow the rules. Longtimers need to be kept separate. Common sense needs to be used to when dealing w/ complaints. They prison must be taken back from the inmates
- 16. Shut it down, TRY to get rid of the Black mold & asbestos?? Condemn it & Start over?
- 17. Tear it down. Us women need a new prison! They moved men from here for a reason!
- 18. Closing this place down and re do it all, logan website says closed on it so why are people here?
- 19. Allow better programming for women going home. better groups for women that have anger problems too.
- 20. More classes
- 21. improve work & living conditions. staff & inmates
- 22. Keep the men (transgender) out of here they are dangerous/violent sex criminals (rapists), serial killers, etc...
- 23. Safer regulations on the TRANS-MEN being here. More people need to be considered for EDSC days.
- 24. SHUT It DOWN/Condemn it
- treat + feed us like Adults
- 26. Trail the staff better were human not animals
- 27. More Discipline when Bullying Occurs
- 28. Better maintenance. Water. Condemned Houses. No AC available through summer time!
- 29. everything
- 30. To many suggestions
- 31. For everyone to be on the same page
- Listen to inmates more
- 33. I could write a book
- 34. none
- 35. To not allow biological males with murder charges to live among female inmates
- 36. Getting better
- 37. more individuals deserve EDSC days

- 38. Tear It Down, Build a new one, + keep inmates with High Security away from low security!
- 39. Counseling groups Better healthcare more life improvement
- 40. I am not sure they could improve anything they have let it go on for too long...
- 41. Shut it Down
- 42. Better training
- 43. Make the contracts even as the men get, a whole day. Not a 1
- 44. Better + more staff. Commissary with stacked inventory. Better access to health + dental care.
- 45. Pay attention to US 1 n 1 We need shoes. that you don't tie
- 46. make the men Have the Change Before they are Allowed Here
- 47. Get right medical help for us, improve water/air quality, stop burning
- 48. Programming to reduce recidivism. It seems as if this institution is against higher education and positive programming
- 49. looking at people as individuals. be more supportive of groups
- 50. Build new living Quarters or shut it down. feed us nutritional meals for a better quality of life
- 51. We have to have a certain amount of hygiene, food, and clothes that has to fit inside of a small box and theres "lifers" who lives here permanently and its not guaranteed that we will shop or have those particular things
- 52. That family connection is made, a healthier diet at dietary & commissary, more programs
- 53. Let us go home close this place down
- 54. provide more help for those who seek it and not ignore them thinking its to get attention
- 55. All new staff (wardens) that listen + act up on things that could help us + care about us not lie to us all the time
- 56. Stop quarantine! Outside these walls you don't even need to quarantine after exposure! I don't know about anyone else but being on quarantine doesn't help my mental health it gives me the opportunity to get in my head and think negative
- 57. I suggest that health care and administrators start seeing us as women, daughters, mothers and wives with family instead of people just looking for attention
- 58. to get better hair products for white hair. To bring the grooming program back
- 59. offer more products for females instead of male products.
- 60. I have 1% of opportunities
- 61. there is no real incentive to do MORE or do BETTER other than the self motivation a few keep.
- 62. more programs, more activities to keep us busy
- 63. watching inmates better. Not having favorites. Not placing new inmates with lifers!
- 64. New Admin
- 65. the COs to be more respectful and treat the inmates with respect and treat them as human beings not animals
- 66. more options to better your life

- 67. be better doing intake they have people sitting for weeks just to get medically cleared without waiting for test results to come back
- 68. C/Os getting in trouble for the way they speak + disrespect us -a warden/C/Os that really care to work among us.
- 69. it needs to get organized-structure! Intake need more guidance than just a book thrown @ them.
- 70. more programs, better food
- 71. improve food. Allow us to shop. See people in a timely manner for medical. Get our mail to us sooner than 3 weeks out
- 72. better mental health a new warden. Been going down hill since shes been here
- 73. be consistent on all fronts
- 74. Better behavior from c/o better food and living arrangements
- 75. more care + better supervision by staff.
- 76. getting people who actually care about us in charge.
- 77. starts with staff
- 78. checks + balances over looking at the duties and behaviors of staff
- 79. Abolish or inclusivity of incarcerated individuals, ideas on betterment
- 80. don't pass the buck, deal with situations weather they matter to officers or not
- 81. if the staff cant stick together, nothing is consistent here. Needs a better staff!
- 82. consistency, approachability, fairness
- 83. N/A
- 84. better commissary. Better staff.
- 85. to improve workers on treating us like humans + letting us go to school to get GED or go to college before we go home
- 86. not putting short timers with lifers
- 87. Tear it down. Us women need a new prison! They moved men from here for a reason!
- 88. that they try + not have bullies with people in custody in the same cells and they listen + watch the person we let them know are having serious mental problems before they react with tried suicide or harm one of us.
- 89. Get the housing units fixed up the way they need to be most these units are nasty and unhealthy for use to live in them. There is so much mold and mildew in these places its not healthy for use to live in.
- 90. is not like they goin do nothing about it
- 91. that they can treat all inmates the same rather new or old. And have us to apply and obey all rules have a list on every housing unit and make all the COs treat us all the same that all rules apply to all inmates instead of having favorites
- 92. Hire fulltime Healthcare staff! I have been Neglected on Dental due to A Dentist coming twice a week. I've been trying to get a Cavity filled for over a year. I am told, "I'm on a list." These "Lists" don't work
- 93. Using the Phone, going to classes
- 94. Allow long timers to work their way up & out of prison. Provide rehabilitation. Reward good behavior. Have some structure. Allow inmates to have relationships, like normal human beings. Provide good healthcare.

- 95. to punish staff in fire them for the wrong doing investigate all allegation against staff
- 96. to get rid of [NAMES REDACTED] and a bunch of more C.O.'s
- 97. I feel like they need better staff
- 98. Fixing all the housing units that are broken. Having more program units. So we BETTER OURselfs!
- 99. For Staff to treat us better And to work on helping us instead of trying to Always harass us
- 100. An introductory session, orientation so questions are answered, sensitivity training, reduction in racism allowed
- 101. better food better chances for school/work etc.
- 102. The mold, the showers are not working, no cold water. The Roof is Leaking. Toilets don't work.
- 103. ?
- 104. tried down
- 105. Better staff, better commissary! & better placement
- 106. A lot can't think of right now
- 107. EVERYTHING
- 108. Build a new one Have the White Shirt +CO/ take class for How to be decent to Inmates
- 109. equal treatment
- 110. work on mental health
- 111. I think they should have more programs for new people instead of just having them sit around awaiting trouble. I also Don't think people should be help in restrictive housing for no reason
- 112. donating packages or receiving things from family
- 113. New Administration, More healthy Choices, More Food Donations, More Trade Programs, Crisis/psych Training
- 114. they Need to Be able to give good credit for my case to where I can get out sooner
- 115. to be treated better, allow everybody a chance in school let us go to grounds
- 116. have the officers treat you better and to get to use the resources offered to us like school and jobs
- 117. not coming back
- 118. nothing
- 119. More Different opportunity Selections
- 120. New Beds, lower costs on commissary, more schooling for longtimers, better food in chow hall/Bigger portions
- 121. Get Caring Correctional Officers to work on the H. units that would be understanding of the inmates needs. We have Correctional officers that are like Hitler that work here. THEY NEED TO KNOCK THIS PRISON DOWN! THE PRISON IS FALLING DOWN
- 122. fire the entire administration + high Ranking Lts sgt's + majors! start from scratch!!! I feel like a child caught between Divorced parents who cant get along to save their own lives

- 123. Fix what's broken
- 124. It needs shut down.
- 125. Better food
- 126. People that truly help us in healthcare and want us healthy and able to function. More programs to help us get through our bits and get out. Lower prices on commissary. Other ways to get our views noticed.
- 127. Better food, more shopping days, more classes
- 128. More better food on trays, lower prices on commissary items, more mental health services, more programming, consistency, better involvement and support from warden, better wing conditions, more humane treatment by employees
- 129. Real food, get real doctors (more than 1), get items we can use on commissary.
- 130. These COs need to do their job besides just coming and get a check.
- 131. Give long timers incentives to a wholesome quality of life. Programs such as knitting, crockery, sewing (industry garment dept) was taken away when we moved here from Dwight. We were lied to about us continuing in sewing. We need a pay raise! It's impossible to live off state pay.
- 132. To have this prison renovated (redone), close it down, have all that's wrong with buildings fixed, then reopened. They need to quit giving short timers days and think of long timers who have been in 10+ years.
- 133. More programs.
- 134. The wardens need to help inmates more. Do an inmate call line. Or at least take me seriously.
- 135. I have none
- 136. Healthcare upgrade and more qualified staff in the health care
- 137. To keep younger inmates at separate units. To make HCU more accessible to people and not make them wait 2 or more days for being seen.
- 138. Less pill-pushing and more writs for medical issues that can't be done here or allowed even some kind of tentative release for this somehow.
- 139. Change warden
- 140. To get back the donated items for the food. Be consistent, don't change from one day to the next.
- 141. Mandatory classes for everyone in the prison to stay busy and to learn other ways to live besides disobeying the law. Idle hands lead to fights and other bad decisions.
- 142. Start all over
- 143. Better food, commissary, health care. Provide bottled water. Patio for all units. Over 50 years rec time. Good behavior should be rewarded. When we qualify for good time, we should hot have to wait until 3 years short, when the law gives 365 days if you have more than 5 years, otherwise it is 6 months.
- Release people who have been locked up for 20 years or more with good discipline record
- 145. Too late for suggestion, no one listens anyway
- 146. Every rule followed, everyone
- 147. Improve food, lower commissary prices, sell more + better quality items

- 148. Healthcare definitely needs to be improved. The inside of buildings need to be fixed. We don't have proper clothing, linen, towels, etc. for intakes coming in or inmates that are here.
- 149. Start with the staff not being so insensitive towards women's needs and medical problems.
- 150. Fix the kitchen heat, attend to my medical needs, and hire individuals who actually want to work and not just receive a paycheck. Start a zumba class and other positive groups.
- 151. A lot need to be done. Better food, cable, more games.
- 152. I suggest that everything needs improvement
- 153. More education/assign to cells by aggression levels/racially balance cells/hire different staff/fire the warden
- 154. We need more toilet paper and toothbrushes, toothpaste For once or twice a week. Maybe 3 rolls. 2 toothbrush. 1 toothpaste during COVID.
- 155. Allow us to grow a huge garden and use the food for our meals and snacks. We need 20 minutes to eat our meals. We get 8 to 12 minutes to eat and have no napkins.
- 156. For staff to actually take the classes to use gender inclusive language, like they were supposed to according to Monroe v Jeffreys case. And for them to just respect people as people. Prison needs repercussions for staff that don't respect IIC's or when the call IIC out of their name/gender.
- 157. Get new staff who care
- 158. House all individuals that want to be in love-relationships together on a 3-winged unit. If the work put them on center wing in 2-man cells. The rest on North and South wings. And when the lovers fight each other, put them in seg for a year. I believe this will discourage domestic violence among individuals in custody.
- 159. For a whole new trained crew of staff
- 160. Calling on tablets, change good time stipulations
- 161. Fix commissary, up state pay, don't make the tabe so hard
- 162. Open the restriction on visits up and allow us more outside time. Especially when we are guarantined and all stuck together. More fresh air would help.
- 163. Change classification criteria for long-term individuals. Reward good behavior instead of putting all in one category. There is no real incentive to be a model inmate. Bad behavior is rewarded.
- 164. To improve this prison you would have to start all over from the ground up. The wardens are a joke, which causes the C/Os to be a bigger joke.
- 165. The should add more beneficial programs
- 166. Better staff training, trained administrators, non-governmental agencies consistently monitoring the prison and holding them accountable, programming geared towards rehabilitation
- 167. For everyone to be treated like we're someone, not just a number. Don't let us dwell in our mistakes, help us learn from them.
- 168. Logan prison very inconsistent in every area. Needs to be closed down, a lot of illegal conditions. Water is making a lot of us inmates sick, kidney pain, bladder,

- stomach problems. Staff to help mothers involved with DCFS to get in person visits with children, DCFS case to be handled correctly. Need help to do service required by DCFS while in prison. Hard to get proper medical treatment.
- 169. No longer allowing us to be dayroom restricted, take patio, or make us B-grade. Water temps fixed, more mental health involvement.
- 170. That they get more groups for people that want to get help
- 171. We need a better chain of command, we need more groups that focus on change and correcting behavior. We all need to be treated the same and fairly. Our placement, staff shows favoritism and she doesn't do her job fairly.
- 172. More cameras, programs for people with time, put a different officer in placement, that lady is rude and she acts like an inmate.
- 173. Better commissary. It will make the inmates a lot happier. MORE CONSISTANCY
- 174. Staff need to actually hold each other accountable for wrongdoing.
- 175. That they have self-respect/Respect. And just have some structure because if the person who's in charge ain't serious, how they expect to take them serious. So I'll say have some structure, cuz this place have not even 1%
- 176. Staff and officers need more and better training on how to interact with us offenders.
- 177. Send us home to get the help we need. Cause we ain't getting it here.
- 178. Close it down and build new with new staff
- 179. Staff need to treat us like we're human beings, at least care about certain situations. Better healthcare treatment. Find better vendors.
- 180. Better food and better staff
- 181. all new staff. People who actually care & have morals, respect & integrity. More opportunity for us all. wardens included.
- 182. Being able to contact your Immediate family members
- 183. Get better ways of getting stuff for us to do.
- 184. To run it like a prison and not a Mommy Day Camp.
- 185. MAKE STAFF CARE! Make incentives for good behavior. Create an environment that embodies conflict resolution methods and restorative justice techniques.
- 186. Separate Minimum's & Max offenders
- 187. letting "long timers" go to school. feeding us better. Better commissary.
- 188. get better food
- 189. To be treated like a human. Give everyone new mattresses. Dietary feeds the staff/C/O's better. They have salad bars & better food, we deserve good meals also. Offer us better items on commissary. Work on the units everything is molded & broken.
- 190. Respect.
- 191. Teach your staff how to properly deal with people and I think they should have more than a ged to work here
- 192. a lot of things needs to be changed in this place
- 193. The food, cleaning it up, getting away from the mold
- 194. air conditioning
- 195. Fix the Black mold, get better staff, get schooling for those that want it. + Jobs

- 196. To interview more professional staff
- 197. Better Living areas. The water is awful. The food Is not cooked and prepare right some days you cannot eat it
- 198. Get rid of the black mold! It can cause cancer. Especially for longtime guests
- 199. Treat us with more respect
- 200. More Groups/Programs. Deep cleaning crew. Better activities/stuff on tablets. Better T.V. The movie channel kept a lot of people out of trouble.
- 201. Stop spending money trying to fix the unfixable. We have several condemned buildings and I would bet that with proper inspection the whole placed should be condemned. Find a safe environment to keep us in and close this place. Our life is at stack as well as staff.
- 202. close MHU 41 with tiny windows and sharing toilets that flush poo next door. Redo plumbing for solo toilets. Only close movement for high or low side messing up count. Reopen restaurant management to learn how to cook necessary life skill. Need college for longtimers.
- 203. Remove Warden [NAME REDACTED], and MH [REDACTED], and IA [REDACTED]
- 204. More programs for Long Termers. More ways to get days. Listen to us when we report inappropriate behavior from male C.O.'s
- 205. visits/correspondence need re-evaluated
- 206. Improve commissary. Have art classes. Teach piano + guitar. Have a band or orchestra like they do in Alaska prisons
- 207. Keep men out
- 208. Salad bar, air conditioning, more drug treatment, a different Warden. Change in staff that don't have good track records. Need to give us hygiene products shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, baby powder, etc.
- 209. Keep tabs on the facility more often
- 210. Treating us like humans. Letting us shop for food. Taking mental health more serious. It should not take 2 weeks to be seen for sick call. We need to be able to shop more often for our basic needs.
- 211. Staff needs to be corrected at all cost regarding their behavior towards the incarcerated when we can prove it because they continue with the behavior because nothing is ever done so they think it's okay to treat us any kind of way. we still be hungry after eating and need bigger portions. we need to shop for sure twice a week if not more. We have t.v.s with no sound in the dayroom like our dayroom t.v. on house 8. Health care needs to take our health more serious and stop being lazy or taking short cuts because we could have and I've seen people have a more serious problem that progresses because Health care wouldn't do more to check it. More education opportunities.
- 212. really everything needs changes
- 213. to let people get into school no matter what there outdate is and have more programs to help with our chance at life outside these gates.

- 214. Stop Wexford from running our Healthcare. Changing doctors and nurses every other month. give us real foods, more fruit + veg. Stop Banning our families from Covid—all staff is not vaccinated. why prohibit my 10 yr old grandson from coming his mom has a right to choose not to vaccinate him.
- 215. Lifting a complete housing unit quarantine when someone tests positive and only isolating that or those individuals; as for commissary, change vendor contract; as for staff treatment and lack of regard for our personhood—only God can change that, so PRAYER would help.
- 216. Improvements would be to Bring Parole back to IL give us a chance with long sentences. Earn days get RID of T.I.S. (truth in sentencing.) Because 85%-100%-ers don't get time off it only goes to our master file to be reviewed when we go home? Doesn't make sense. We need classes for people who have been locked up 10+ years. Computer tech classes. More programming. Give us a skill CDL classes. Something to go back into Society and not return.
- 217. More productives all around
- 218. To properly place individuals who need to be here. Cut down the population of non-violent offenders.
- 219. It's too big to run properly, shut it down & split us in half at different institutions.
- 220. Officers do not need to talk to individuals in custody with foul language. Respect goes both ways. Not a one way. Medical needs to be more concerning stop giving wrong diagnosis. Stop guessing it's taken me 9 mo to get something done.
- 221. Undercover boss this and get to the bottom of the problem because when you come here they get a heads up and puts on like they are doing their jobs.
- 222. Commissary prices are too high for state-pay, lower prices or increase job payments, female clothing needs to be offered not men sizes. have better consistency in health care
- 223. More programs, Better water, Buildings that aren't falling in and w/o asbestos. Healthcare that treats us like humans. Incentive programs. No more Quarantine. Phone # approval in less than a month. Fire safety plans + protocols. Better workout equipment. Give us the food that's ordered for us instead of making it all for staff.
- 224. On a whole everyone should have the same privileges. no matter if you are a lifer or not
- 225. just better overall cleanliness with Covid still being present
- 226. Shut it down completely
- 227. More mental health give them some control over the SMI make Mrtu available for all SMI people stop drugging us up give us therapy + counseling
- 228. Change Administration to someone with structure, someone who cares to help. Improve change Inside of here. More activities
- 229. Staff should have a desk on each wing or a better camera in the hallways and don't give them no pills to get high off westcare
- 230. fix the commissary! it's all we have and they run out of everything always. Also intake is terrible. I still wasn't given my 3 pairs of socks from 4 1/2 months ago. Its cold. But the commissary limit needs to change. The limit is too small for only

- shopping every 3-4 weeks. And add more to the menu. We only eat the same 15 things. It's repetitive.
- 231. Bring back a parole system that allows us to earn a chance to get out of prison. This administration is anti-inmate. We need wardens who care and focus on rehabilitation with (ultimately) prisoners being released back into society. Reward positive behavior.
- 232. Firm, Fair + Consistent! No one even tries to adhere to that anymore; they just pacify the trouble makers
- 233. work on getting NA & AA meetings, more respect from C.O.'s, treated like equals just because we made mistakes
- 234. STRUCTURE
- 235. We need more focus on mental Health for everyone not just the transgenders.
- 236. Listen to what weed need. Commissary.
- 237. Have some administration that is willing to listen to us. that has to be here for changes here
- 238. Better housing far as cleanliness and foundation, our loved one should be able to send care packages where commissary lacks in providing
- 239. People who are truly concern about inmates. reconstruction of the entire prison
- 240. Get things to Do for Long timer, Just because we have time To Do does not mean we should not be Happy.
- 241. The phones should be on the tablets (it keeps down confusion). The quality of food needs to be better. Schooling should be for everyone.
- 242. Better housing like splitting up high Aggression like on a housing Unit for high Aggression + security. give us recreational time. Have a better understanding on helping individuals out especially if they've never been a problem. To make this prison safe for both staff and Inmates in here. Everything!
- 243. no, incarcerated people in seg get away with stuff. when they get out seg, they get everything they want
- 244. send every body home
- 245. More structure and supervision
- 246. More opportunities for good time. more classes
- 247. more groups and events off our unit
- 248. close it down
- 249. More equality, us Being treated like people! less bullying
- 250. Structure and consistency. fairness
- 251. A New administration and the union spokesperson should not be a person who works here because it gives them more authority over the women. There should be two separate lanes.
- 252. To just free us all (individuals in custody) to incarcerated them (staff/administration)
- 253. Better, Consistent healthcare. Nurses who do not breach the hippa law. Training and enforcement for the staff to learn how to address and handle women. Consequences for the officers who do not comply with the moral + ethical code that should exist in this facility

- 254. More organization. More consistency
- 255. More outdoor activity. Reorganize group activities like recreation instead of keeping housing isolated. Higher education programs for long-sentence offenders. GET RID OF TRUTH-IN-SENTENCING—it's unconstitutional, denying people an opportunity to present to anyone whether one has been legitimately rehabilitated.
- 256. Abolitionist and reformist be a part of the administration
- 257. More items for us to buy, clothes we can buy, more workers to ensure we shop when we're supposed to. Bigger shops. Groups for people with shorter time ways to not re-offend. DRUG TREATMENT
- 258. Not any will matter
- 259. More education programs, More LTS programming and better placement officer's (job placement)
- 260. Better, healthier commissary
- 261. I don't know.
- 262. Sensitivity training for staff. Fixing all the maintenance problems
- 263. Better medical, better food and take better care of the housing unit.
- 264. Listen to people with mental health issues when housing them with others
- 265. Staff that isn't lazy & who follow rules
- 266. Better food, medical, improve the quality of the housing units. Helping people to find a place to live for those who don't have a parole site and have special cases
- 267. Better meals. More caring staff
- 268. Less violent emotional and verbal. The staff become more gender friendly
- 269. Talk with respect.
- 270. Truly acknowledging that our connection with our fellow inmates are vital to our survival emotionally and mentally officers need to treat us like humans and not just a number or our charges.
- 271. more time to use the phones. more time on visits. better assistance. more programs, sooner abilities to enroll in school. counseling. better things to send in + more that can be sent out, more trades.
- 272. more activities, more usage of phones and connections to outside support
- 273. More schooling, more jobs/programming. Less conflicting staff members. More phones + phone time
- 274. I feel "they" the higher up people who run this place should really make decisions based on the majority of complaints made by offenders. Because we live here we know what we need outside of what we should have.
- 275. Better staff who are not racist, living conditions the food, donations, How staff treat us
- 276. shut it down
- 277. More programs
- 278. improve problem-solving, especially regarding housing and roommate issues
- 279. More NP in healthcare and doctor, we only have one. More programs
- 280. At least let us have a pillow in seg/disciplinary, and approved officers' behavior
- 281. Shut it down. These buildings are condemned, riddled with asbestos and black mold. The plumbing is less than adequate and maintenance doesn't maintain.

- 282. Staff that listens, & actually tries to help. Not giving one person the say of people housing conditions
- 283. They needs to do their job on time release people from X house on time. Because some people wait too long.
- 284. Better conditions
- 285. 1) Healthcare where our needs—including pain for aging and post-surgery be taken care of as true patients. we aging inmates are NOT here for drugs. we're here for "murder" more often than not we don't deserve to be treated as addicts in rehab by doctors. (Nurse practitioner, actually agree with this) 2) More consideration for us already doing positive things 3) Incentive. 4) GED needs more attention. Longtimers don't get to participate this creates NO students eligible for vocational and college 3) more vocational options! 6) shop weekly like men do.
- 286. We need a real church with an attentive minister. We need a real gym.
- 287. I honestly don't know if any specific things will help institutionally, because it really comes down to individual staff members and the way they handle themselves, and individual people in custody + how they behave. All that said, eliminating COVID testing + quarantine needs to happen now.
- 288. fix healthcare and get new staff that care and actually care. Hold officer's accountable for there actions. Give us more food and also toilet paper and pads.
- 289. everything
- 290. Shut the whole prison down. Let female workers work with females. MenC/O's do not know how to talk to women nor do they know how to handle them.
- 291. more programs and groups even if you dont get days/contracts. more respect from ALL the employees because you can't get it from the inmates should at least get it from them.
- 292. for the administration to actual enforce the rules on their staff and reprimand their staff, and treat prisoners like humans and not animals
- 293. Give us Shorter time on our outdate
- 294. 1) let inmates help other inmates if staff is not going to help. 2) Keep all rules for everyone, don't pick and choose when to enforce them.
- 295. More Days. credit for work. You should get paid for your job + be able to go to school on the side to better yourself. I could have went to school + work but they want to pay you \$10 for school and not for your job!! BOGUS
- 296. To get Body cam's for the L.T.'s C/O's and Sergeant's
- 297. fix commissary
- 298. rebuild a new prison
- 299. Put the younger people in separate buildings than the mild matured people
- 300. They need to keep they hands to they selfs, treat us better and talk to us like we are humans.
- 301. what's the point...Nothing gets' done.
- 302. too many to list come see me in person or write conf to me directly [REDACTED]
- 303. Let everyone have a few chance at all activities available. Long timers are always left out
- 304. Staff needs better communication and professionalism

- 305. need more structure more programs for us to attend a lot stuff need fixing. we need people who care about this prison to see whats going on here.
- 306. They never will change your status. Dont want to give you any good time we deserve.
- 307. New Warden & Springfield need to be re employed
- 308. Shut it down. It is Falling apart.
- 309. train staff & all be on the same page. work to get women OUT instead of keeping them for the \$
- 310. more programs to improve morale both staff and individual in custody. more structure and discipline. more programs to help individuals return to communities as productive citizens
- 311. RTU needs investigated thoroughly, as does medical
- 312. Allow individuals in custody who are here for drug charges attend the only rehab program available to help better their lives when they ask for help to stay healthy + maintain sobriety
- 313. Treat everyone equal and give them equal opportunities regardless of their charge. I am serving time for a escape charge. I have never done anything within my incarceration to be treated as though I will escape or attempt to escape.
- 314. treatment and better food, fix whats wrong on the unit. get rid of the mold!
- 315. All of it.
- 316. Keeping it clean + responding to the problems of the individuals promptly
- 317. better training
- 318. Transgenders DO NOT BELONG with women. If you have a penis—you are a MAN! Better food, staff interactions.
- 319. They need different food and keep up on commissary. Get better Nurses + Doctors who care for us, and same with Dental.
- 320. Add phones to each unit. Let us shop more often. Give us more care packages. Add showers. Put washers/dryers in each wing. Issue more state clothing. General Maintenance. Air conditioning.
- 321. If they would follow the guide lines for the rules this would help.
- 322. To have things sent from home, such as clothes, shoes & personals, having care packages sent in thru on-line services, such as Amazon
- 323. That it should be completely shut down. Everything ran goes against the Constitution
- 324. Add programming, way to reward those of us that go without tickets
- 325. max security & high aggression inmates need to be housed separately from medium & minimum security inmates.
- 326. stop locking down the people who have not tested positive for covid and maintain the inmates that bully and like to fight. punish them. tickets do no good.
- 327. When shopping for commissary, there should be some kind of rotation that allows each unit a chance to shop for what they need. Everyone should be treated equally. Professional cleaning should be required at least 2x per year. There should be more programs to help us get home faster.
- 328. call me better yet visit me anytime to much to write/talk/text [REDACTED]

- 329. Stop rewarding bad behavior. Everyone should be treated as a human being & not be judged for being in prison.
- 330. For the staff + warden to run there prison and not let the inmates run it.
- 331. Staff members in control (wardens) to force or replace employees who do not follow their own rules and carry out their duties.
- 332. new wardens who actually RUN the place + listen + keep their word for starters. Treat us like humans and you'll get humans. Inmate benefit Funds where is it? It should be used for us. Staff changes + does what they want.
- 333. take aways the move sheet when people need have and look into the issues and move them Everybody dont want to end up in seg lock up 23 in 1
- 334. rise state pay and some CO need to treat people better some that is
- 335. construction/carpentry class need to allow text books to go to the cells to study at night. To do better on Tests, and for us to study and learn faster.
- 336. Close it Down, move the inmates to a better facility where the men + women staff Dont Hate + Kill the old, weak, sick, women without families and the Rich women with No worries.
- 337. We need to be modeled after Decatur Women's Prison, inmates do not run things, the Rules are always the same and general treatment of them is much better than here.
- 338. Separate the high level prisoner from the lower level prison. more Ed class
- 339. Things as in schooling should not go by outdates, the law library, the correctional officers treat us like we are not a human being. Dietary do not give us proper portions. Healthcare staff sucks, and dont do proper protocol.
- 340. improve food and commissary
- 341. I have a [ILLEGIBLE] to spend out [ILLEGIBLE] of life sentencing
- 342. More access to mental health recourses and parenting classes.
- 343. More opportunities. School, groups, treated like human beings. Better food commissary, Better staff
- 344. Change the warden
- 345. better (dietary) foods, better (cheaper) commissary, better treatment from staff
- 346. Shut down
- 347. for staff to care and treat us like a human being or equal.
- 348. Help us move forward...keep us alive!
- 349. It needs consistency. There is to much inconsistency. Every month theres something new going on and not necessarily good changes
- 350. P.C. and restricted housing to get at least 7 hrs out of cell time. More rec during the whole year.
- 351. I don't think it can be improved. It's been this way for years. There's too many males, for starters. We need a federal monitor office on grounds that will call us over to interview us. Two-three inmates interviewed per week.
- 352. Fix all plumbing, the air quality, better healthcare, more schooling for all women
- 353. there is a lot that would make it better

### Q15. Please write any other comments or feedback on this survey below.

- 1. Staff and IICs need to have solid rules/structure to follow. Not so much confusion and chaos. The mental anguish on both IIC and staff is devastating
- 2. Seems as if the ones that cause the most
- 3. This dentist pulled my teeth and told me they would give me my teeth and haven't can you please help me.
- 4. I just want to go home, or at least be able to speak to someone about my case
- 5. I like to maintain a positive attitude so complaining is hard for me. I try not to focus on all the negative. There are things that can be improved. Thi sis the best I can do for now. Thank you!
- 6. Although prison may suck we all have the choice of how we are going to do our bid. Upon incarceration I enrolled in school and applied for a job I since then got my G.E.D. and continue to work 4+ years hoping to get work release you gotta take the bitter w/ the sweet.
- 7. None/N/A
- 8. This place really needs to be checked out, it looks good on the outside but the problem is on the inside, it's falling apart they are not putting their money and funds towards this place and our well being. They hardly have vendors for our commissary let alone staff members. Building and basement are flooding the x house alone is a hazard. This place would never pass inspection. Legally. They feed us the same food every week because the freezers in the kitchen are broken kitchen crew is serving food with their coats and hats on because their is no heat which is unsanitary and inhumane we wait for sick call they prescribe only Tylenol and Ibuprofen for everything. Cameras don't work officers are being extra friendly to certain inmates. certain inmates can do things others can't Counselors half do their jobs they handpick those they want to help. We wait months for mail they give us 1/2 days for hard labor.
- 9. The fact the kitchen will not have heat for 14 weeks is insane that's in March its getting colder and colder most of the houses don't have heat either. They shop us once a month. They go up on the prices every month. They always run out of our necessities. I just received mail from July I'm a [JOB ASSIGNMENT REDACTED] I work in the dark because they have not fixed the lights.
- 10. Very unfair way to utilize the program. People should be rotated out. Instead they see themselves as elite, untouchable, not prisoners, protected, living by a different standard! The can walk anywhere on grounds unaccompanied in a max prison (no one else can) They have things sent in 3rd party they claim in lieu of the paws program. Special bedding etc. make it through shakedowns with all kinds of contraband. and lastly are even given 2 jobs that further take up another opportunity for an inmate who is a 50% and trying to acquire days to go home.

This is the most unfair use of a program. Yet nothing has been done to change this, No one is overseeing placement. They do what the want. The placement officers are not rotated so no chance for an opportunity [STAFF NAMES REDACTED] have been too long in positions. They overt laugh when they can treat and inmates life. These buildings are filthy basements underwater, Bathroom

- 11. I feel that the inmates with a lot of time should not have to wait until they are two yrs shy of going home to be able to get into school. There's people that come and go and are allowed to get days no matter how many times they come back, and there is some longtimers that just sit because they have too much time for education it makes no since.
- 12. This prison needs to be shut down, its very unsafe for people to be placed here.
- 13. Being here more than once this facility has gotten nothing but worse every year since 2013. It's like a kiddie camp not a maximum security facility the officers are so disrespectful everyone is treated the same in this case that is actually wrong some of the people here are actually trying to Better themselves. The condition of these Buildings + the Black mold + dilapidated houses we have to live in. The whole place should be Condemned-plus I haven't had a ticket in 2 years of incarceration and still dont Quality for good time credit on my sentence? It supposed to be for Good conduct??
- 14. There isn't enough positive & its mostly negative people running the place. The place is headed towards "condemned" like Dwight C.C. & should be, a lot of inmates feel oppressed, there is nothing to look forward to even the GTL goes the internet system they use & our visits end up getting cancelled. Commissary is so slim to none that people are pushing others out of the way to make sure they are in line to go, it's a "me first" characteristic for many even when it comes to getting on the phone. People are fighting over a place in line to use the phone to call home. The staff that this prison does have is verbally abused by inmates, Disrespected, Degraded as inmates treat other inmates as well if your not part of their "clique" the officers do nothing when they are talked to like that by inmates. Most of the classes they do offer eg. "Anger Management" they wont let you attend per an assessment? So I took the Anger Management Class through ACCI Lifeskills & was awarded a certificate but that counts for nothing here
- 15. this place is nasty needs to closed down and new one open. website says closed already
- 16. The food is nasty and our commissary does not allow us to buy everything that we need anymore. Such as real tennis shoes, white polo's jackets, coats and the food is very expensive.
- 17. We get treated inhumane. All cruel majority of the officers use their power to take advantage of inmates.
- 18. Been 20 years since my last time here (Dwight & Lincoln) I've been assaulted, bullied, and staff no cares. [STAFF NAMES REDACTED] Very helpful it's the staff below them that do not help out the inmates til concerns rise and become problematic

- 19. I feel like our significant others should be allowed to visit even if they have a history of incarceration. I don't have anyone else for support. We been together 8 years. He's all I have
- Ive had an injury since [DATE REDACTED, MONTHS PRIOR] and I still have not went to a hospital for care of injured arm and Back. Ive had [MULTIPLE] Back Surgeries
- 21. Staff bully + harass everyone including each other today [DATE REDACTED]/22 on House 1 I witness a C/O push the other + the one being bullied was cursing out inmates
- 22. You all are doing a great Job!
- 23. Thank you.
- 24. No comments They don't listen anyways
- 25. I have been assaulted with no help from CO's or Lieutenant
- 26. I've only gotten worse here. I hate my life here. It doesn't make me want to be better.
- 27. When I lived on 15 D wing I was locked in my cell almost 24 hours a day I was subjected to the Fear and harassment of male inmates who identified themselves as women! Most of these men were in for murder. I am currently involved in a lawsuit here with that as a factor + had to live through for 7 months
- 28. They need to help us more and more
- 29. I feel more people deserve to receive EDSC days
- 30. The staff sucks, they feed us like we are children + refuses to give us bottled water + no good lotion or soap in our store. The mold +asbestos is out of control/everywhere in Logan
- 31. none at this time
- 32. the men get better commissary as well as more opportunity to get contracts
- 33. This place is falling apart. The health care and dental care are almost nonexistent. Living with mold and decay. It's hard to be able to talk to counselors. I haven't been given days credit I was supposed to get months ago. Staff are not qualified and not trained long enough. They are always short staffed.
- 34. Thank you
- 35. Please care about us! Most us have been Abused, Beaten, Raped and more This is not Healthy Emotionally Mentally. these men are physically much stronger than we are. Someone must care about us! What about our Rights as women!?
- 36. Warden [NAME REDACTED] is really trying to help make positive changes to the prison. We are thankful for that but she needs support from Springfield and other Administrators here to work with her
- 37. I believe the visiting room procedures need to change. So many women have been unable to see family (including children) since Covid procedures were implemented. The restrictions of 2 1/2 hr. visits + the need to schedule in advance make it harder, not the mention the vaccination requirements
- 38. unvaccinated family members should be allowed to visit some people have reasons for being unvaccinated

- 39. Programs take too long to get into. The requirements and the process for certain drug programs Need improvement
- 40. Discipline is needed for the ones who keep on breaking the rules over & over again instead of giving them what they want
- 41. Nothing can improve in this place you have to know people to get what you need or act like an ass, we're lied to on a daily basis and then have to act like things are good when officials come around. This place is not prison it's a daycare!
- 42. Most officers have their hands tied, if they write tickets they all throwed out, the men never get punished, you must pray each day your not hurt by another inmate, even if you are they only get 3 day punishment, no one cares. no visits with family for over 3 years because of covid which is a joke, healthcare doesn't separate + no one wears masks you must move + be punished if your sick. Food is awful + NO commissary to help out
- 43. You should ask questions about the nurses. One nurse told someone that they should be happy about what meds they get because their in prison. The messed up thing is that they tried to give them someone elses medication and expected them to take it!
- 44. I feel like this place really needs to be fixed from the inside out and not the other way around. There's more concern about appearance than whats really going on behind the scenes. It's difficult to have good mental health when visitation with family is restricted due to political issues, due to covid. We're not clowns or puppets where we should be expected to look or act a certain way when visitors come.
- 45. medical issues they look over them
- 46. This prison is not to rehabilitate anyone. The living conditions are bad & they would let us die before they help us.
- 47. long timers are people too! This is our home... please remember that in your decision making
- 48. also, they need to better regulate our medication and stop opening up our time release capsules
- 49. I was attacked through the gates and it was swept under the rug! My numbers still aren't approved
- 50. would love to speak to more people who care + want to make positive change
- 51. we don't get to shop regularly we have gone without commissary for over 2 month.
- 52. this was a very good survey, these questions were needed to be asked and answered thank you so much ♥
- 53. they barely let us order commissary, we cant participate in programs
- 54. to many people have died & to many women have done with out the right med & mental health. This warden that we have. She is not right or fit to be our warden to much has happen & still going to if all wardens are still here.
- 55. This prison needs to be shut down
- 56. overall for an old prison I give it a 6 1/2
- 57. thank you for all your service

- 58. we need the appropriate things in our rooms to maintain compliance like shelves, hooks so that we, as a whole, can follow this rule
- 59. N/A
- 60. our plumbing & heat is not good. Everyday something is either breaking or falling apart
- 61. N/A
- 62. why are we being held in an abandoned prison with mold and bacteria in the water. It shows on are fingernails.
- 63. That the prison should have groups for women that have completed 20 years or more that lifers that have done 25 years or more should have a support person because we are not counted as important as women with an outdate even if that person as ex 50 years. The old timers feel like useless people (Dead Women walking) yet we are the support for the women with outdates we help the staff keep them positive but we have no one but God to pull us day by day. We have no activities no special nothing we just sit + wait for a short time say she can't do her 5 years + we tell them they can if we are done 25 years+ Thank you
- 64. they need a new system for schooling there are people here that needs schooling but cant get in due to there out date I feel like that's not far. If the ladies need school or group why does it have to be so hard to do that. I feel like the prison needs more things for us to do to help some of us the right skills we need to stay out of trouble. most these programs feel like they are either not open or cant run due to no one to do the class.
- 65. logan need a better health care, they don't help us when we really be in pain since I bein look up the peoples died, and they didn't care, that's because they sent them back on the unit.
- 66. make the co's be strict on all the inmates and sergeants plus lieutenants as well too many favoritisms going on in prison and letting a lot of things get over look with violence and all sexual relations in here going in each other rooms and fighting in rooms and bathrooms were no cameras are at.
- 67. Our Healthcare Needs A lot of Help! Especially our Dental, we Need Adequate LTS. Our gym is condemned, we have "gym" on [ILLEGIBLE] unit once a week. We need our gym back
- 68. Thanks for being concerned about how we really feel
- 69. the warden Major is allowing staff to beat on us daily place bogus staff asst on us silence us for speakin out against Abuse in spray us with mace we are denied program in jobs in we are lock in our cell 23 hours in 30 min on housing unit 15 D wing we are in Fear of the admin in we need Help we Have no fair treatment its the staff way or the Highway
- 70. My name is [REDACTED] on [DATE REDACTED], 2022 I was stab in the Face by a male inmate name [REDACTED] I was rush to the hospital in receive 9 stiches
- 71. Please help us get out of our cells. And Staff that care. All they do is yell in youre face. Also medical!
- 72. That the Lt was listening and Now is arguing with me
- 73. None.

- 74. They should Not be able to house us FEMALES with MALE inmates nor should they be able to house minimum security with maximum security inmates!
- 75. My health is in danger + I'm not getting the help I need to better myself
- 76. Don't Need it being a new prison build a new one
- 77. The Fact that the Lt is watching and listening to us fill out this survey is going to backfire on Every Individual at this table and on the D wing
- 78. They have the windows on 15 D Housing Unit windows bolted, no cold water in cells. No way to control the temp in cells, its not general population. We are housed with the opposite sex against our will.
- 79. is this going to help?
- 80. The co are chewing Tobacco and Spitting on the way to Chow. Shower Hot water.

  Bugs
- 81. Trangenders are not treat right
- 82. None
- 83. I am being held on a restrictive housing unit where I'm only allowed 1 1/2 hour out sometimes less. Its my first time in prison they don't have many programs available for me to help me get home or to stay out of trouble. The heat is Always unbearable we dont have cold water only 2 working showers some of the male staff is very disrespectful
- 84. none
- 85. This prison needs to Be able to get good credit against my case and we have not had yard since August 5th. And they need to give us more free time like outside or more gym.
- 86. no comments, thank you
- 87. Black mold in showers, no consistencies any where in this prison, some guards are really rude, they run out of cleaning supplies and pads and toilet paper, food in chow hall is cold and small portions, place is dirty and some rooms on mental health wing don't work, not allowed to have Books in seg. Seg time for a fight is 7 to 28 days
- 88. Why Can't us inmates have the Health Care that we Deserve? Why Can't we get Gym so we have exercise that we Deserve? I HAVEN'T GOT MY ALLERGY MEDICATION!
- 89. female prisons arent run by "gangs" this place works on "give the bad kid the cookie." Ive been fighting for 6 yrs, for a Pagan/Wicca Service Chaplin says its not his job to find someone. Ive been Recently compared to a White Supremacy group for my Pentacle ★ A Devil worshiper, + asked if I was going to sacrifice animals! (All by staff!!!) Have been cussed out for picking up pine cones for my altar in my cell NOW I'm told I cannot have my altar cloths because I may strangle someone!! I Repeatedly sent Requests to go to the space used as a chapel for my sabbath + was never given a Response. Ive grieved this issue now all the way to the ARB and again was told my grievance was frivolous and denied of the keeping of my altar cloth but A.D.5.10.110 [ILLEGIBLE] that can be worn at all [ILLEGIBLE] Continued... Muslim's keep their prayer rug in their cells it is similar purpose! I use it for prayer meditation + Divination. Ive been threatened

with physical violence by officer [NAME REDACTED] (whom I told him triggers me because of his looks + stature of my late husband, whom was my victim in my case due to Domestic Violence. I have been diagnosed w/ PTSD Ive also asked this C/O "please dont get so close to me or come towards me in Swift moving aggressive way" and then explained why - I thought he was understanding until later he cussed me out for laughing to loudly - outside - going to yard I cussed him back, he got stupid asked me if I "needed my ass kicked again." Ive been told by Lt. [NAME REDACTED] "I dont care what your fucking Religion is - stop picking shit (acorns + pinecones off the ground." While he stood in my cell directly in front of me + I couldn't move off my bed. These male C/O's go out of their way to threaten, intimidate, and be aggressive simply because they can! They mis-label Trans-men as "Ladies" Every chance they get, Dont sell womens shoes currently No longer can order medical shoes from H/C However \*Officer [NAME **REDACTED**] not sure the spelling! is Always calm, polite, and always used proper gender pronouns or will ask "Excuse me what do you prefer?" More people Die of mis-diagnosed or ignored until its to late, from cancer - have you checked how many have breast cancer?!

- 90. The rules change every day, nothing is ever the same from day to day. The guards have no problem calling you stupid, bitch, retarded, and many other names. When you report the problems with staff to internal affairs, nothing ever happens because they say everything is unfounded. Then the guard will come back and say "you all think your voice matters when it doesn't." The dogs are treated better than the humans here. When we get sick, we barely get seen. We have been losing our hair with no help. We need help here!!!
- 91. We need better stuff in prison. We don't have nothing.
- 92. Please help us in here. You don't know how it really is in here.
- 93. Need covid test for COs and staff that come in from outside
- 94. They need to bring donations back to Logan CC. The COs need to treat us with more respect, like they want to be treated
- 95. The recidivism rate is astronomical and no one seems to be concerned about the ones who have sat in prison for 10 plus years straight. I understand we long timers are sentenced according to our crime. However, we long timers have had a change of heart and mind, although continuing to deteriorate physically and sometimes spiritually because we are considered lost causes. Whereas the drug users and abusers who continue to repeat their offenses, to once again be offered credited days, is absurd to me. The state continues to spend money on those who apparently haven't made up their minds to change. What could be done for long timers to make us feel valued. Our rehabilitation comes from self motivation because we qualify for nothing. But get this: the public has a problem with our release back into society. I get it, but obviously no one else has.
- 96. The food could be better, especially the meats and commissary could have healthier foods as well as lower prices. The mattresses could be replaced by better ones. Overall, the whole prison needs an uplift. They have us buy expensive TVs just so we can't watch all channels due to the cable wiring. Also, if we have sons,

- daughters, or husbands incarcerated, we should be able to have video visits once a month. Also, the people who have been locked up 10+ years should receive good days. Their are many of us elderly people who have been locked up, that costs more than you receive for us. Our health is depleting and we get worse by the day.
- 97. The officers shouldn't have the right to put hands on women. Things that are donated to this prison for us shouldn't be giving to staff as a perk. Staff should have to buy the food that we get, because we can't buy the things that are donated. We are living in unbelievable conditions. And the warden is saying that we don't deserve any donation. Every time we get donations, the warden has been going through the bags and taking out all the good things and giving them to their staff.
- 98. There are so many things that need to be fixed such as the showers so people in wheel chairs can turn on the shower without help because they can't reach up to turn the water on. Why can't we have Netflix or some type of move cable paid channel please. Why doesn't comm get spinach, green beans, cranberry juice, dried prunes to help people such as myself go to the toilet. I personally feel like I am slowly being ignored by the Medical staff. All my medical passes and writs are always cancelled. I have [MULTIPLE DIAGNOSES REDACTED] through my whole body
- 99. Where is the help? The wardens do not care.
- 100. We need better health care and staff that follow up with any issues, every individual in custody
- 101. Over 60 years old inmates don't have much to look forward to, just watch TV, play games on their tablets.
- 102. We have a lady on this unit on South side that has strangled, hit, threatened one of her roommates that had cancer. She (this lady doing this) gets away with it. She makes shanks, throws them away so that she doesn't have to go to seg.
- 103. Whenever sick, all they want to give is tylenol and ibuprofen. Forever to get treated for sickness. Noone seems like they really care about us as people, just numbers or disgusting people.
- 104. I feel like we should not be housed with the men who are transgendering to female. I feel like we should be housed by aggression levels, age, and disciplinary status. We should be moved when we ask to move from a bully and not have to wait, the bully should be moved. The beauty shop be open more than one or two days a month.
- 105. Logan correctional center needs to be closed because of suicides, health care, mental health, mold, cancer that women are getting diagnosed with. The water is affected with old pipes. Sewage. Many women have fluid in their lungs from being incarcerated in Logan CC. There are birds in the chow hall pooping down on our food tables, us.
- 106. After 30 years, this is the most despicable time I have served, the worst I've lived, and the worst I've been treated

- 107. I would like John Howard to propose a bill that would make it so the Governor has 1 year from date of hearing of the PRB for clemencies to answer. Many people wait years and then are denied. This is heart breaking for them and they could be working and on other avenues rather than waiting. If you don't know how to write the bill, I do. I successfully wrote the postpartum mitigating factor bill, which passed 0 in house and 2 against in Senate. Would you sponsor this?
- 108. I have a slogan, "there are no rules in Logan!" I say this because they don't care about anything. Of course, every officer is not bad, in fact, there are more that give a damn than don't. But it's like the old saying, "one rotten apple will spoil the whole bunch!"
- 109. We shouldn't have to be forced to use broken equipment from the HCU. When one has medical problems, we shouldn't be made fun of. We should be addressed by our name, not bitches and cunts!! We shouldn't be housed w/ the transgenders, it causes further trauma to some I mean, look at how many of them beat up, cut, or rape females in here. Even those going from women to men, they have issues I've never seen before. Our heat has been broken on N wing for 2 years and now forced to stay on 24/7 which doesn't help those of us with medical issues on HU6, but N wing is the patients side. Haven't had new sheets or blankets in 10 years. Towels, shoes, or clothing (it's brought back and sold on units if they do get it). Some rooms don't even have electricity. Toilets and sinks leak, water in shower is usually scalding hot.
- 110. Sgt. [NAME REDACTED] should be fired and other officers who have gotten arrested for assaults should not be allowed to work back at Logan. We need more, healthier choices on commissary as well as bigger portions of food servings and activities. The baker's program should be reinstated and ADA should address disable needs and not be biased. This prison should be condemned for 2013, it was on the list to be condemned but when Gov. Rob got arrested, that's when all was taken off the table and the men got moved to Lincoln and the women here. Units are literally sinking, lead, asbestos, mold are throughout this prison, and the water is harsh on our skin when showering. Again, no proper medical treatment. Also, as you saw, masks are not enforced, even though quarantine lockdowns are even after the infected has been moved. nothing makes sense
- 111. Sgt [NAME REDACTED] beat the shit out of inmate [NAME REDACTED] on [DATE/TIME/LOCATION REDACTED]. He is a drunk and needs to be removed from his job here. It's not cool to beat on woman for no reason. Also, I been needing my teeth pulled since June and nothing being done about it.
- 112. The men staff Sgt. [NAME REDACTED] is beating on women and getting away with it. He's a drunk and nothing is being done to the man. A week ago, [DATE REDACTED]-22, Sgt [NAME REDACTED] beat the shit out of inmate [NAME REDACTED/TIME/LOCATION REDACTED].
- 113. Staff eat, sleep, and watch TV all day and night. Midnight shift they sleep! They encourage violence here. They incite violence. They antagonize us. They are racists. Food is cold! Small Portions! Need more higher education. New larger law library/library.

- 114. Since COVID is taking it's course, from house to HU in prison, I believe John Howard A. should prepare every inmate in Logan to receive a check or moneys put in their trust fund balance, no lower than \$500.00. Especially myself because I'm over 50 years of age.
- 115. We aren't allowed to buy crayons or colored pencils. AA/NA is not scheduled on a daily basis. We need a choir for church. We need all types of arts and crafts classes. We need furniture in the dayrooms that have covers on the foam cushions and are comfortable to sit on. We need products to clean off the phones after each use. Our warden has a mohawk hairstyle. In the X house, we have black mold in the showers. They put the heat on so hot we had to sleep in our underwear. The drinking water was very hot. The male guards enjoyed looking at the 2 naked females. The windows in X house are screwed shut. In our housing unit, the shower water is scalding hot. The heat never turns off and feels like it's at 80°. The system makes too much money off of us. Our mattresses are very old and extremely flat. Why can't we get necessary items to exist more comfortably while incarcerated? We are not all guilty. Some of us have been wrongfully charged and convicted by means of corruption. I thought the US Supreme Court ruled all COVID mandates are unconstitutional. Why is Logan enforcing some of them?
- 116. Prison needs repercussions when they forget to take people to court. When someone forgets court, they get a warrant for failure to appear put out for them and arrested eventually. When prison forgets to take you, nothing happens to them. It's not like you can jump in the car and go on your own. Also, just because someone has 30 years or more is not reason for them to get "black boxed" when they have already been locked up for more than 10 years and have never tried to escape and don't get tickets that often at all. Why do they have to be black boxed especially when they are obese? If you are a good, calm, respectful IIC, you get treated while rowdy IIC's are treated good.
- 117. Make it so we feel safe when situations occur.
- 118. Transgenders have no place in a womens prison, when they fight with us, we are fighting a man, not a woman. And if you come to a womens prison as a woman and you decide you want to change your sex, and receive the treatments, then you need to be in a mans prison instead of a womans prison. The staff has made it easy to waste the tax payers money on this sex change BS. Use the system of aggression levels versus security levels to house individuals. Seniors need to be housed together and children (younger population) need to be housed together. Transgenders need to be housed together.
- 119. Staff are extremely racist and transphobic
- 120. In regards to Q14, it's irritating that an **[ILLEGIBLE]** that isn't pertaining to my controlling case prevents me from receiving any good time
- 121. How people on quarantine still come out w/ us.
- 122. Can you help us? Or can you send someone to help us? This place is breaking us down as women. Like I said, I have been here for [20+] years and have [20+] left. This prison gets worse every year and I'm scared of what is to come of me as I get older.

- 123. Mental health unit does not offer counseling one on one with inmates. They punish me for not moving into cell with inmate that is threatening me, harassing me, threatening to beat my ass, mocking me and Jesus Christ. I got a ticket and 7 days seg for this incident. Keeping me on mental health unit since August when I am not mentally III. I take no meds, do not attend groups. I am mentally stable. Commissary always out of hygiene products and certain foods. We never get our state pay before commissary shop day, always get paid after shop day. We are starving in this prison, those of us that have no one to put money on our trust funds regularly. They feed us too much carbs at meals and barely any protein and healthy foods. Mental health unit from August 2022 to December 2022, we did not have any yard at all. HU 41 A wing women are locked up practically naked in mental health watch in turtle suit, no clothes, mattress pads to cover up, no blankets. Lieutenants coming through making sexual comments to inmates. A woman on HU 41 A wing is chained to her bed because she is suicidal. May God's will be done to shut Logan down for God's glory, Amen.
- 124. These Lts. and Sgts. should not be able to talk down on us inmates
- 125. Please help us and our conditions. We really need help in here. No one listens, they keep us in cells that have mold, if our toilets stop working and it gets flooded or backed up, they leave us in our own urine or feces and turn off the water and make us sit until someone comes to fix it (the next day) or they just give us a plunger and tell us to fix it SMH. Please help us. The placement officer will place you in the same room with your enemy or with people that don't like you if she (the placement officer) don't like you. Thank you for the time and concern.
- 126. Thanks for coming, I wish you could walk through the whole prison to really see how we live instead of the units they want you to see... it's sad and nasty
- 127. I've been incarcerated since 2013 and since then, we then had about 10 wardens, and none have followed through on anything. They rather get new windows then to fix the plumbing problems, they don't even have cloths or soap at times to give the people intakes on the new. They worry about the wrong things here. Instead of the mold that all throughout the prison. It starts with the wardens, again this is the worst penitentiary I've been in. It goes back to \*structure.\*
- 128. This place needs to provide more <u>education</u> programs for longterm inmates. Help inmates that are stuck in the X-house by using the phone and allowing them to shop and get the things they need. Change pin numbers for certain information. Since there now taking the chairs out the showers, maybe we can get shelves installed.
- 129. I pray something possible comes out of feeling out this survey. The Health care is terrible! **[NAME REDACTED]** seems to be the only one who cares.
- 130. I think that all Class 3+4 felons should receive the 6 month good time
- 131. That we need better places to live and better food to eat.
- 132. They should be able to accept donations again for people that don't have any thing. I was that person once upon a time.
- 133. I have been here 20 years straight. Please if you Don't do anything else Please separate the known violent, aggressive bully's from the low medium and minimum

offenders. We are currently in a state of anxiety and survival mode trying to avoid these individuals that do not care if they get in trouble, hurt others, or go to seg. They need help too but not at the expense of the low medium & minimum offenders.

- 134. Are you really going to help?
- 135. Some Lt's let the power go to their head. They need to be held accountable for their actions as well. They don't sell Polo's but want us to wear them to chow & on visits. The phone is a huge issue. I think it'd be much better if they'd put the phone on the tablet. This Nov. Restricted Housing had no heat for about 2 weeks & it was literally freezing back there. They claimed they were "waiting on a part."
- 136. They punish us for every little thing. The C/O's talk to us very nasty call us drug addicts & bitches & hoes. They lie on the websites, we don't get care packages, they let the inmate workers & C/O's steal & eat most donations. They ignore our concerns. They make it hard to have support in here by other inmates. They favor the white inmates over the black & hispanics. They let the snitches do w.e. they want as long as they are playing cop.
- 137. Actually listen to the long timers and what we have to say and use some of our suggestions. sure, we're in prison, but we're still humans. stop trying to take everything from us, we're not men, we're women, treat us as such and respect us and we'll respect you all. It's a 2 way street. Things can be easy and we can still be in prison, serving our time.
- 138. more programs and better food. They need to Fix and Replace a lot of stuff that's Following apart like the Bathroom area
- 139. They need to not allow the inmates to run it, show respect to get respect
- 140. This prison fails at a lot since I've been year! They don't care about are well beings. They are very disrespectful.
- 141. We don't have anything to set our stuff on in showers, + we don't want to put our soap + stuff on the floor.
- 142. I have been here since 2013 and our warden are so unavailable that I wouldn't recognized one standing in front of me. They are so unavailable to us that they will never understand what is needed. Focus is never on those of us with long or life sentences. These are the people who will do the best work and help around here because this is where we live. Wardens need to include us and stop focusing only on people going home, we matter, too.
- 143. Don't use pushbutton showers too cold + not enough water to wash hair or body. We need separate hot + cold water for showers to adjust temperature. Need filtered clean drinking water. Need solid chocolate bars for depression.
- 144. Harassment and false accusations towards transwomen is tolerated. Accusers are never disciplined for making false accusations. Transwomen are housed only on HU-15 or a Center wing in single cell status on grounds. Transwomen are not allowed jobs other than cellhouse janitor or Dietary. All other Jobs are off limits. Some ciswomen have had the same job for more than 5-years, i.e., law library clerks. Commissary limited to \$100 per month to those housed in High End (HU 6-11), while those housed on low End (HU 1-5) shop 2x per month. (Preferential

- treatment to those in HU-2) Need more Yard. Admin frequently fail to assign staff for Yard duty, resulting Yard times being cancelled.
- 145. We can't keep Doctors, nurse-practitioners, nurses to save our lives. This should be a #1 priority for us. The other priority should be to put in air conditioning so more people don't die. Its inhumane.
- 146. The mental health training of staff needs more attention
- 147. I don't like how when important people come to check on us, how we're living, and being treated this administration crowds over the visitors, puts us in our rooms where we can't talk to noone, tries to patch up holes that racoon been falling through and doing quick fixes to make it "look good" to visitors when in reality noone cared all year. Legionella has been found in our drinking water, which we're still drinking and they've trying to keep it quiet. This is inhumane. House 8 has asbestos and is condemned but they don't have anywhere else to put people so they reopened this condemned house that shouldn't be open. if you didn't know the pipe lines that run for 7 and 8 are very poor. They give out and one year about a year or 2 ago feces came up out the drains. Detergent isn't available at commissary. This hasn't been the first time. So I have to depend on like 2 tablespoons of detergent a week to wash until the next shop, which takes 2-3 weeks or longer. Favoritism is another thing. Some girls are so favored that they run things and can get your job taken, get you wrote up, or in seg. I.A. as of now is not good. They've failed me more than once by not doing thorough investigations. To be specific [NAMES REDACTED].
- 148. N/A
- 149. Commissary has no personal hygiene. they keep saying there out and they never have detergent to clean clothes. This prison Logan makes it hard to survive in here when they don't give us the basic needs to move forward.
- 150. Trans get special treatment, care packages with items gen pop doesn't get. How is it fair to us. We are not catered to—given single "throw away" razors they get double blades. That get makeup, lotions, we can't even buy they get small panties from amazon special size—I'm small & can't get even a womans 5 is too big. They treat us like second class citizens compared to the men. Warden should put more effort in Keeping families together with these limits of visitors, with saying if our people aren't vaccinated they can't come, but allowing those who lie & use religious exemptions can come when they aren't vaccinated. We have history of no vaccinations because of its affects + we preserve the right to not subject our bodies to that. Besides all staff + usually staff are who bring it in to us we get tested + aren't even quarantined until days later—infecting everyone around us before we are removed—it's ridiculous none of it keeps us safe.
- 151. I've been incarcerated [20+] years and I've never seen a system so messed up in all that time. There is no structure, continuity, true care, concern for rehabilitation only "warehousing." As the "head" goes so goes the "body"—true authority needs to rise up and take control from the top as that then trickles down to each prison + staff. More staff accountability for their indifference to inmates and outside of a "miracle" by God, I don't see things getting better. I'm sad, afraid, scared, muted,

and hopeless outside of my faith, faith + trust in Him is all that keeps me going, as well as getting home to family. The division among staff, shifts, prison ideologies, etc. is deep and wide. The ones who incur the wrath of all this is the inmate population, and in the worst of ways. I listen to work supervisors denigrate my peers and it sickens me. But I cannot say anything and so I must suffer in silence at staff's blatant callousness. If "they" hate inmates so bad go somewhere else to work. Anyway, I do understand that some in population are "bad eggs," but the whole "batch" is not. The "good gals" get crapped on by this staff as a whole, while the trouble-makers get catered to. And the powers that be never recognize the diligent, consistent, contributing, back-bone members like myself for all the extra and over-the-top work we do to aid both sides of the proverbial fence. Let's not even mention getting sick while incarcerated and how I will/would have to fight to even get a modicum of care or treatment. Honestly I could give you a novel! And I have no qualms about identifying myself. [REDACTED] Look me up yourself

- 152. I am Thankful for Helping Paws Program because I have acquired a skill (passion/purpose) to support myself upon release. Also Bring back parole to people who have good conduct in prison.
- 153. The fact we have transgender men who are violent here is a problem. If they have to be here why are they bringing men who have life and or are violent?
- 154. Can we get more info on the truth & sentencing laws & will it ever change the 90's
- 155. No one should be treated any different than anyone but they are. One rule will apply to one but not to the other. Officers not giving you a crisis when asked they are not mental health they will only let you have a crisis if you are suicidal or going to hurt someone, I was on the house where the girl committed suicide because she was denied a crisis totally wrong. Mental health is serious. Officers need to do their job. Stop being lazy. You chose this job do it!
- 156. If IDOC can't provide for us then why can't we get care packages monthly that our families are willing to pay for...also what about the wifi situation, why can't I get wifi in my room so I can enjoy the \$200 music subscription??
- 157. we need to have the same privileges as any other prison. shop once a week. wi-fi in rooms. consistency with medical care. stop rotating MHP's house to house
- 158. Womens clothing would be nice. Consistency would help this place. We should be able to get healthcare as any other person. Instead we get healthcare that is approved on a list for people with numbers. We steadily inhale smoke that comes from the coal burning plant. We have very few programs. House 2 caught on fire and no one was evacuated. the house filled with smoke. The Buildings are falling apart in, under and all around. Mold Steam + asbestos all coming from under the houses. What was seen today was a show off of Broadway. That is not how they do things around here. Healthcare staff has said numerous times we don't have a choice we are in Prison. Or "If you bitches wouldn't come to prison you wouldn't have to worry about it." Our medications should be smashed in front of us and given out of a med cart w/computer in front of them.
- 159. I am concern about our overall health when it comes to our bodies. The mattresses are terrible some have not had new mattresses for 20 yrs or more. They only give

new mattresses to those who keep coming back. I have asked for a new mattress and was told a flat No. I was given a new mattress while at Dwight in 2013. Soon as we moved to Logan later that same year my mattress was switched out with an old one. So for 10 yrs I have been sleeping on the same old mattress. I am also concerned about these men/women that we are forced to live with. The clothes, shoes we buy are men they no longer sell us women clothes we have to buy men clothes and men shoes

- 160. Allow us to live where we feel safe not bullied let us do our time in peace we are living in hell already at least let us have our inside support system. We have no yard, no gym, hardly any jobs, groups or assignments we're just being warehoused
- 161. I know that I will be leaving soon. But for these women who will be left here they need things to keep them motivated. Prison is suppose to rehabilitate yourself but if you have Nothing and no help with the process, How do they Expect for one not to return?
- 162. Can you update the GTL on the tablet for phone calls and do commissary on the computer and doctor or dental issue on the computer kiosk stop mob actions clean better in the kitchen and better cooks etc. WestCare need better people to teach about stop using drugs someone that recover and dfferent race of teachers because now it's bad teach nothing and don't stick to the rules and drug testing need to be taken ASAP
- 163. Some C/O's are great and are courteous but others treat us like animals with no reasons being given except "because I said so." Healthcare is terrible when it comes to emergencies because for example seizures aren't real they just want attention. There's no emergencies. Medication is "one size fits all." And the same meals are given to everyone with the same affliction instead of on an individual basis. And it is highly recommended that you take psychoactive drugs even when there is no need or diagnosis. The kitchen cockroaches are everywhere. And those bags with visible bugs are still used in food we must eat. You get fired if you try to throw out a bag of cake mix filled with dead bugs. Mouse tracks can be found on cake icing that is still served. Big bags of cold cereal are left open and daily birds sit on it and eat out of them. It is then served to us. When Springfield walks through they aren't taken to the broken down basements of certain houses and also shown black mold. They are led to see places that wouldn't be considered to be condemned while we live in black mold. Also we are made to wear masks when they get here but not anytime else. So covid is rampant I've had it after being careful before but here in Logan I got covid. I have lupus. It was important that I didn't get it as my immune system no longer works. But I couldn't avoid it here. We are NOT SAFE here.
- 164. Differences between men's + women's facilities (like MAX inmates housed with Minimum inmates in women's only) make this place more chaotic and certainly more dangerous
- 165. Help people do better not worse
- 166. PLEASE HELP Thanks

- 167. They need to better our living conditions, our healthcare is so awful, and the main focus should always be rehabilitation
- 168. I would probably be more content with my sentence if i had actually done the crime but since [REDACTED] i was arrested and sat in [REDACTED] county 9 days with covid I begged for medicine a test and a vaccination and 9 days later i tested positive on the 11th day i was sentenced to [REDACTED] yrs wrote a 3 page letter to an attorney in [REDACTED] asking help appealing my case since i don't remember even getting sentenced. i sat over 9 days with 108 degrees temperature and the public defender refused me a mental eval even after i told him my aunt was part of a group [REDACTED] they were using election equipment on me since she stole my inheritance from my dad dying with papers she forged stating she was my power of attorney and they are part of a underground cult trafficking children and steaking money.
- 169. Really do something to change this place & not just do these surveys
- 170. Commissary is bogus. Chow hall food is bogus. People who are less fortunate needs assistance
- 171. The jobs need to pay more/better so people can survive in prison.
- 172. Im not trying to sound prejudice but a lot with the transgenders, they been getting away with a lot and treated better, as well as the trouble ones. what about the ones who's never been a problem, never had tickets or disciplinary. As well as healthcare, ladies have been finding out late that they been diagnosed with cancer or a disease and sometimes it too late, like we are not getting any help. Staff will constantly curse us out do things purposely and just be rude no matter what. And allowing the inmates running the unit causes alot conflict, officers I think here are intimidated by them so they let them do what they which is not right. I also that IA should investigate fully before they believe in Liars, especially both inmate and staff. Nothing is really equal or consistent. Ive been locked up [10+] yrs and never been a problem and when I needed something I didn't get any help whatsoever, and had problems with another individual (Im suppose to go to them for help when I need it) but turn their heads, its bogus. Then Im also tired of staff comparing us from the men. Theres so much going on here including Maintenance, I live in a cell (4 man) that has no cable/cable cord, one of us shares cable from next Door, myself and another lady are on air. Weve put in workorders for our room since we been in here and gotten nowhere but has repaired some rooms that has had cable problems and weve told the wardens, lieutenants, sergeants and staff as well as maintenance, nothing and had had girls kill themselves of suicide (mental health), and health issues, this is not a safe place for us, Ive never been in a place with quite deaths like these. For the wardens here I feel that if your not a transgender nothing won't really happen like if you need help. Im not against transgender but in here they dont belong (the men turning into women) I feel they prey on us women. But III say there is one or two that are legit. its not fair, its like our rights as women here have been taken away. Help us out!
- 173. Staff need to stand up to some incarcerated people that cause trouble + not back down, when staff dill with these incarcerated people that cause trouble anywhere.

- It not fear incarcerated people that does good. We don't get look on as good incarcerated people. We get nothing for being good.
- 174. It is a remarkable thing to do
- 175. Give Back Good Time. fix this place up
- 176. We need a Warden who truly cares for us + about us and our needs And not a warrant who just cares about us in the eyes of the media!
- 177. Some CO's are way to close to inmates they get whatever they want if they sleep with them
- 178. There are health concerns for each unit in general population. The shower areas are in need of hooks for the women to hang their clothes and shower bags but Warden [REDACTED] has removed the only thing in place for the women to use (chairs) without solving the problem. This is a need and not a desire considering the showers aren't authorized to get cleaned everyday.
- 179. Why is it, that anyone (administrators) that's for our well-being concerns on a caring/compassionate scale—this place finds ways to get rid of them. And why haven't this place got shut down, with all the inhumane conditions that we're being forced to live in? I truly believe that this has contributed to alot of people who was released (especially after doing a long time) deaths.
- 180. I do not want to give the impression that all inmates are or behave like "Angels"; However, we are not animals. The blatant disrespect Especially from the male staff toward women, transgender, african americans and those who identify as Gay/Lesbian is beyond oppressive. Also, the healthcare system is trash. We barely get seen when we sign up for sick call; we don't get results back from ultrasounds, X Rays etc. We don't even have a physician. Nurses have been known to tell other inmates about inmates medical issues
- 181. Truth in Sentencing denies opportunity for meaningful release. It is in opposition of actual Rehabilitation. No set sentence can logically determine if someone is Rehabilitated. That's to say, when a judge sentences someone to a flat 50 year sentence, how can anyone determine that on that exact day, in 50 years, one is Rehabilitated, just because a judge predetermined that to be their outdate? With Truth In Sentencing, there is no opportunity to be evaluated for parole release by a Board or Committee. MSR is not a parole Board. We need to abolish Truth In Sentencing and bring back a Parole Board. It would give meaningful opportunity of Release, as well as possibly quell our exceedingly high recidivism rate among the lesser offenses.
- 182. The officer in placement **[NAME REDACTED]** needs to be removed. She intentionally places people in harm by putting people together that have had fights or people who have been assaulted with the person who assaulted them. I think there is a misconception about placing women in power who represent us with ethnicity... Just because the wardens are diverse does not imply that they will be or can be sensitive to our needs. A black or latin warden does not equal to the use of compassion or empathy. They need to treat us like we are humans—not numbers with color.
- 183. We NEED TO SHOP...

- 184. I feel the appearance of the surveys are exactly that! The appearance of giving a shit for looks only!
- 185. I live on the center wing we only get 1 hr in the day to use the phone and 30 min at night. Some C.O.'s are generous and will allow us more time but something should be done about this.
- 186. The housing units need work on the foundation is cracking they have mold, the shower need fix the water is either two hot or to cold
- 187. I have a person who has been threatening/harassing me for a year! I even went to IA and made a statement. Nothing is being done.
- 188. People who have special cases like a child case that doesn't have a parole site are being forced to max out and stressing out over finding a suitable place to go. People who are least likely to offend again should be evaluated to see how dangerous they and if the should be on the registry or not to help them get out sooner.
- 189. I don't feel as though it's okay to go around the facility confiscating things and not providing a sufficient replacement. Example taking our mattress pads and giving us either soiled or worn out replacements
- 190. if you R a interstate compact and have been doing good not causing the problems that initial landed you to another state you should be able to go back to your prison to be closer to your family
- 191. 3 out of 15 staff members listen, help and treat us like humans but we can't always find them. I cried to a mental health person and she told me to drop a slip to talk. She then sat with the officers at the desk and talked + laughed for 30 minutes before leaving.
- 192. we need this prison to be cleaned up and things to change.
- 193. Thanks for Caring, I hope something is done.
- 194. ReBuild make it better and put IDOC here that really care
- 195. It was very interesting and I can express how the prison really treats us here. and the people in it.
- 196. The staff need to be taught better about there job. They act like we want to be here. They need to be more professional. This is there job!!!
- 197. Please take my survey and consider it. Honestly, it'll make this prison a better place.
- 198. Just because one commits a crime doesn't mean we should be stripped of our natural human rights. These staff get away with doing anything they want to us and get away with it. We're people who made mistakes, the officers are criminals who haven't gotten caught.
- 199. I liked the food in here. It was eyes opening experience to me. I don't want to come back here. I need a change my life in my future. I'm leaving in 6 days.
- 200. John Howards, you all seem completely indifferent at BEST about issues in Womens prisons. This is not OK for a group claiming to be for us. This goes hand in hand with biological women sharing space with transgender women. As usual Biological women are at the bottom of consideration for aide and protection. Most of us agree that trans women deserve equal and safe rights as people. However,

you (and others) idea of their safety and equal protection as usual failed to care about biological women' same rights. Bottom line unless we have a penis, had a penis, or want a penis we don't matter. Our safety doesn't matter our privileges to have consideration for certain commissary or single cells do not matter, we work and go to school however unless we are trans or dating a trans we are not permitted rights to single cell in any true measure. The men won this lawsuit yes as usual it does not count for biological women. All "single cells" (what were the only 2 man cells) available are reserved for the 100 plus transwomen still coming. We have been raped, harassed, and hit/assaulted by several of the same 3-4 transwomen. They are clearly physiologically superior in strength. In this environment—prison—this is not ok. This is exactly they were permitted here yet now they are perpetrating their harms onto us. Please consider fighting for biological women on ALL fronts. I.e. Healthcare doctors who do their jobs. A grievance process that is not ignored or sabotaged. Separate buildings for trans men and women due to the potential for violence that is why you don't transfer the trans men to men's facility yet transfer trans women here. Clearly a difference is recognized in danger so protect us cisqueders too. Commissary is not even providing the basics. We are people too even with "just" a vagina.

- 201. I think it should be noted that my responses to these questions are based on my own personal experiences and not what I've seen others go through. I have chosen to work and be productive, and to do my best to stay out of trouble and drama. I haven't had a ticket since [5+ years], have had a job for almost the entirety of my [10+] years incarcerated, and maintain a positive reputation which gives me a decent relationship with staff. I wholeheartedly believe that people who struggle here the most are people who strive to cause problems. Of course there are exceptions, both on the staff and inmates sides, but in general, if you try not to cause problems, people leave you alone. One other issue: Recently my grandma passed away. My mom called here to get in touch with me to notify me. She was told that because it was the weekend, she had to wait until Monday to talk to a counselor. That should NEVER be the answer—there needs to be someone available on weekends for situations like this. Also, I was not able to participate in a zoom funeral because she was not considered my immediate family. I don't believe IDOC should be able to determine who my immediate family is—my grandma was more of a parent and influencer to me than my father, and I believe the same would be true for many incarcerated people. A suggestion would be to have incarcerated people indicate who they consider immediate family upon intake.
- 202. They are so aggressive and tell us just fight instead of being here to do there job and be here for our safety. Also get us shelves for the showers and also give us more privacy since this is now a co-ed facility due to transgender both ways. For them and for us.
- 203. This prison is terrible. So is the wardens & C/O's. End of discussion
- 204. This is the only job u can work at where you can openly demean & dehumanize people w/out consequences. Placement [NAME REDACTED] knowing places

- indv. in harms ways w/ moving them w/enemies. This is "Moron Mountain." We are here for their entertainment! They make it a hostile environment for outside programs such as school to come here & teach
- 205. Really think its unfair that when your eligible for days you get denied for not doing enough programs, school, working or groups. were NOT even getting the chance to do those things why should we be denied over something we have no control over. Plus were in a womens prison but cant buy hairbrushes, hairties, get half a pack of pads and 8 Tampons once a month I use ALL of those in 2 to 3 days and the 2 rolls of Toilet paper dont last a week. Theres black mold, rats, roaches and disgusting shower/Bathrooms yes were are inmates but shouldnt have to live in this environment
- 206. transgender female's are treated the worsted we can only be housed on house 15 or a center wing. can only be single celled.
- 207. We should not suffer on "Quarantine" if one people is sick. That does not make everyone sick because one person is sick. Why do the officers get to work in our Quarantine unit if where on Quarantine and get to go home with there family. And we can go to school or work it does not make since. It's not fair I been stuck on Quarantine for a month and I'm not sick at all. Its messing up my days for other people making me suffer. Why?
- 208. WE NEED PAROLE!! What is wrong with this state? There should be NO 100%!! that is ridiculous + inhumane!! Especially if you are NOT GUILTY of what you are convicted of!!
- 209. I Really Don't like how the C/O's talk to us Inmates at all, very Disrespectful. also I Feel like they are Letting Inmate's get away with killing another Inmates. It's Just a lot Goin on here that I'm going to go to the News people about here.
- 210. N/A
- 211. more dayroom time. more yard time. more money for work.
- 212. I worked the day I caught my case, I worked 3 yrs of the 5 yrs in county, I worked the day I was shipped here. Why did the mental health lady diagnose me w/ anxiety & depression & now I can't work.
- 213. My Question is why do yall keep coming to this prison like yall really care about us, keep asking us to do these surveys and yall is not doing anything to help us in this place, for real, It just makes no sense that yall act like yall care and you really Don't
- 214. Thank you! You are one of the few who care. God Bless you and your efforts on our behalf. Thank you [IDENTIFIERS REDACTED]
- 215. Long timers should be grouped together. People w/ shorter time should be grouped together. Security levels should be taken more into consideration. People should just be better matched to help avoid conflict and living stress for inmates, and not just "randomly" housed.
- 216. were are women getting threating and stabbed by transgender. we tell the officers about the threats but nothing happen were still stuck living with them.
- 217. I am very mad they wont give me my good time I believe its because I black. They still have me in the computer as a parole violator and not a new case. So I never

- get my good time. They was suppose to reinstate me so I can be in the computer different
- 218. They need to shut this place down
- 219. The Kitchen Has ceiling issues. It is falling in. There are Big open areas in The ceiling, when it rains it Rains inside. it is not right at all. There are Birds Living inside where we cook and Prepare the food.
- 220. Segregation. had to choose between school or rehab when they told me I was mandated school and not allowed to attend rehab program b/c of my escape level. Allegedly in Gen. Pop. but am STILL locked down 22 1/2 hrs/day.
- 221. I have been forced to live in inhumane living conditions, with non working toilets, showers and sinks. I am not aloud to go to yard or recreational activities due to my security level. I do not get equal opportunities in regards to being able to work, go to school, treatment or other programs that will help me when I am released from IDOC. I have been trying to get approved correspondence with my ex-husband who currently has our [AGE REDACTED] son since [DATE REDACTED 6+ MONTHS PRIOR] with no luck due to him currently being on Parole. I am told I live in General Population but I am confined to my cell 23 hours a day I am not aloud to attend chow. I am Segregated to eat alone in my Cell. Warden [NAME REDACTED] uses the D-wing for corporal punishment.
- 222. I sat on a toilet it broke and split in half I bumps my head and hurt my back and they gave me no medical attention no xray no cat scan. They only gave me ibuprofen
- 223. N/A
- 224. The staff do not treat us correctly. They belittle us and are not concerned with health issues. Inmates tell staff what they will + wont do. Staff tells us they let them "so they wont be bothered." Getting a job or work release or school is a joke.
- 225. I hope you can do something about Healthcare, Dental, and commissary for us.
- 226. It's hard to even get state-issued clothing. The clothing workers expect you to pay them for anything. Request slips go un-answered, but anytime we need anything they tell us to fill out a request slip, which solves nothing since nobody ever answers them.
- 227. I would like to be treated as a human instead of a inmate. I would like for them to follow ADs rule book also I would like huge change with restrictive housing and General Population should be treated as such.
- 228. To be allowed donations, to be able to have our Families sending things into us, in a care package form.
- 229. murder was attempted on my life. I was slice in face, eye & pinky finger bitten half off & nothing was done about it. They tried to cover it up by not reporting the blades in the incident which took place on **[DATE REDACTED]**. The recover multiple blades, ones sweat shirt, ones polo with blood & none is in the IA statement or incident report. mere negligence, reckless disregard, & for sure deliberate indifference. I hunger strike, missed 37 meals, & still nothing was done. The assault took place on camera also

- 230. Release some of the individuals that have a short time here that have never been to prison and have no violent crimes. In January 2023
- 231. Please! Help us! your our only hope. thank you for ALL you do—We are grateful! We are still human BEING Felon or not. Respectfully, [IDENTIFIERS REDACTED]
- 232. Thank you so much for this survey! Our voice matters & I believe that this survey will bring attention to this prison & how we are being treated by staff as a whole
- 233. Treat everybody the same, stop being one sided.
- 234. There should be an age limit of at least (25) to be an (C.O.) college education should be an requirement as well. Employees are in a position to change lives but they operate with no morals or respect. There is no accountability for those who work here. Inmates have no voice. Death has been the only option for people seeking help, because staff did not care enough to pick up the phone for mental health or placement to move the person to another cell. more care should be given when putting people in the room together (Age, years incarcerated). Thank you.
- 235. We do not get our care packages staff does, they eat as much as they want and better and treat us like dogs, we spend a lot of \$ and nothing is free, our mattress is soiled and nasty, no clean blankets, sheets, wardens dont come see us nor talk to us, what they sell they confiscate later. HCU is bad very bad. No one cares, my eye sight is so bad and all I needed was reading glasses and the guy that works here can't see and gave me 4 different prescriptions and fucked up my eyesight and NO help from no one
- 236. They need to get a new placement office she been there to long she got to like you to help you that not right and she tell staff she dont like you that not cool. in order for you to get moved even when you do a move sheet. she dont help everybody on the one she like help us look in to that.
- 237. its most good here tho just pass and a couple CO that mess with me right but its all good better than Ky
- 238. Commissary always shop unit 15 D wing last. And commissary always run out of food. So that unit 15 D wing get only half (if any) of their commissary orders.

  Christmas is going to be ruined because we only shop once a month in December.
- 239. I have been Harassed by [NAME REDACTED], my brother, [NAME REDACTED] his wife, [NAME REDACTED] who used to be a cop—but is not anymore. [NAME REDACTED] got all the staff at Logan + St. Jude + memphis [NAMES REDACTED], AA, Here [NAME REDACTED], All to Harass me. They steal my mail (I wrote the Chicago Sun Times [DATES REDACTED] + social security 2 letters) this weekend. They steal my Request slips, they steal my Grievances they pass them around and Laugh. They have taken me off my meds since [DATE REDACTED] + I am in mental health. Big Help. Fuck these people.
- 240. Please help us. Officer shortages make life Hell. We are denied classes, gym, etc. because short staffed. Healthcare/Dental care is a nightmare. Can we remove Wexford and get a new Provider? Can we change the Commissary Provider? We cannot get basic items on a Regular basis. Enforcement of Inmate conduct has to change. Inmates Run most of Logan, especially the High Side. Officers do NOT

- care what happens to us, they ignore flagrantly wrong behavior. Please help. God Bless you!
- 241. This prison is unlivable and we should not be Living in a place like this. Its hard to Receive anything. The law Library do not have all the Resources. and I believe there should be more programs like trades that we can go home and use.
- 242. How can you put Killers w/ everyone else? I didn't Hurt or Kill anyone, DUI. But I have 2 cell mates that are killers and make threats or want to fight. They aren't getting out soon so they don't care. I just want to serve and go home. school wait list is crazy, so is WestCare. I can't even get in for 9 mo so far. Some CO's are good they try, some not so much.
- 243. improve dietary food. improve items at commissary
- 244. I am gatefully to the the commenting and severing of since of humanization
- 245. Think that people being pay restricted because they don't score high enough on their TABE Test is not ok and should be stopped. They need to bring back parenting classes for mothers to complete for services they are given through court.
- 246. Do Better we're still Human
- 247. We need shelves or tables in the showers to set our Items on. We need screws or pegs in our walls to hang our wet Items and hang our coats.
- 248. There is too much favoritism. Inmates that are favored or having sexual relationships with male staff are kept at the same job for years! These male staff fight literally, to keep their girlfriends at the job, where they have easy access to them. The whole prison knows about, why doesn't the wardens and Springfield? Maintenance staff males need to be replaced and the staff needs to help get more female outside contractors. Jobs need to change every 6 months for Every job. Everybody!! No exceptions. Some outside monitors/staff needs to come in and take charge of the Placement Office. Remove [NAME REDACTED] and absolutely no other trained in staff can even be in that office, never again! It must be ran by outside non DOC staff that have never worked at Logan. Placement Jobs Office part.
- 249. they refuse to fix stuff that is broken. We have had a broken toilet for 6 mos or more they replaced the toilet But not the leaks that are coming out of the way + under the toilet. We have no cold water in the Shower and the water is extra hot. there is so much more wrong with this place it is not a livable place. [ILLEGIBLE] for the Roaches.

#### **Other Marginalia Comments**

#### **Q2.** Race or Ethnicity

- 1. [White and Other] Italian
- 2. [Other] mixed race

- 3. [Other] Native American
- 4. [Other] Native American
- 5. [Other] Native American Alaskan Native
- 6. [Black] Human

#### Q3. Are you within two years of release?

- 1. [Blank] Maybe
- 2. [No] but being hopeful
- 3. [Blank] in court
- 4. [Blank] Honestly not sure still have open case
- 5. [Yes] 1 week + 3 days
- 6. [Yes] I am doing my parole time, I am 5 months past my out date

#### Q5.What housing status are you on?

- 7. [Restrictive Housing and Other] D-Wing
- 8. [Restrictive Housing] D-wing, They Lie and say its Gen pop
- 9. [General Population and Restrictive Housing] Green Badge 15-D-[CELL REDACTED]
- 10. [Other] Mental Health Unit
- 11. [Other] Unit 6 ADA, I am a patient
- 12. [General Population] ADA HOUSE
- 13. [Other] ADA unit
- 14. [Other] Mental Health unit on House unit 14
- 15. [Other] Mental Health
- 16. [Restrictive Housing and Other] Seg 7 days, mental health unit 14 since August 2022
- 17. [Other] HCU-Inf-[CELL REDACTED]
- 18. [Other] Infirmary
- 19. [General Population and Other] Transgender Wing
- 20. [Restrictive Housing] seg
- 21. [Other] (prior 2 yrs High Side) Mental Hx per My Request due to family Having terminal cancer bio. mother bio. sister

### Q6. Are you currently getting at least two hours a day out of your cell or sleeping area?

- [Yes] Dayroom restricted one Hour in the Day and one Hour at night If we are lucky depends on the CO that works the shift
- 2. [Blank] Barely
- 3. [Yes] because I'm lucky to be in school
- 4. [Yes] But won't after I go back to P.C.
- [Blank] Not really
- 6. [Yes] Counting meals to chowhall

- 7. [Yes and No] 1 hr on 7-3 shift. but some C/Os let us get 1 hr. second shift, but memo stats 1 hr for center wing dayroom on 7-3 shift and 30 min dayroom. Phone only, dayroom [ILLEGIBLE]
- 8. [Yes] more, I work as a Laundry porter and I get most of the Day out of my room
- 9. [No] Due to quarantine we only get 1 hour and a half
- 10. [No] 1 1/2 hours per memo (I think)

#### Q7. Do you have a work or school assignment?

- 1. [Both] NPEP Northwestern
- 2. [Work] Janitor
- 3. [Neither] Nothing to do for those w/ wheelchairs or walkers off unit!
- 4. [Work] In kitchen but heat don't work
- 5. [Work] I haven't been hired, but the counselor emailed [NAME REDACTED]
- 6. [Work] **[DATE REDACTED]** Had work assignment before move to seg for refusing to be put in cell with inmate **[ILLEGIBLE]** threatening, harassing me
- 7. [School] Correspondence
- 8. [Blank] trying on list but waiting
- [Neither] But I would love to
- 10. [Neither] I was told parole violators can't do either one
- 11. [Blank] Groups
- 12. [Both] on hold while @ HU 14 MHU
- 13. [Work] but want to go to school, but don't have less than [ILLEGIBLE]

### Q8. Mark response that best describes how you feel (Strongly Agree = SA, Agree = A, Neutral = N, Disagree = D, Strongly Disagree = SD)

Relationships between staff and incarcerated people are good.

1. [A] about ½

I receive support from staff when I need it.

1. [SD] You're laughed at or told "I can't help, not allowed"

Staff here treat incarcerated people fairly when applying the rules.

1. [D] Beat someone up, fine do it on your wing, have sex in hall, fine. They don't do anything unless someone hire up is involved.

I trust the officers.

1. [Blank] Some of them not all

I have been helped significantly by a staff member with a particular problem.

1. [N] occasionally

Overall, I am treated fairly by staff.

1. [D] If being screamed at or talked about, sure

I am treated as a person of value.

- 1. [D] No. We're inmates, they tell you what they think you want to hear, then never receive a response
- 2. [SA] Only because of my position in Helping Paws
- 3. [SD] (no value) Was told that we [ILLEGIBLE]

# Q9. Mark response that best describes how you feel (Strongly Agree = SA, Agree = A, Neutral = N, Disagree = D, Strongly Disagree = SD)

Some of the treatment I receive is degrading.

- 1. [SD] Dafuck, all of it.
- 2. [SA] ALL
- 3. [SA] mental health
- 4. [N] I had to go back to MHU, but I [ILLEGIBLE] the hearing for [ILLEGIBLE] back to a [ILLEGIBLE]

I feel safe from being injured, bullied, or threatened by other incarcerated people.

1. [SD] 1 C.O. made me feel secure. Only 1!

Staff have enough experience and expertise to deal with issues that matter to me.

- 1. [SD] is the ink on the diploma even dried?
- 2. [D] some do but don't seem to be willing
- 3. [SD] too many newbies left w/ us

To improve my situation, I have to meet impossible expectations.

1. [SD] Nothing can improve my sitch

If you do something wrong, staff only use punishments if they have tried other options first.

1. [SD] Retaliation is what is used

Staff are augmentative towards incarcerated people.

- 1. [SA] only C.O.'s
- 2. [SA] They don't care
- 3. [A] Some

To get things done, you have to ask and ask and ask.

- 1. [SA]+ still not get it done sometimes
- 2. [SA] hit miss
- 3. [N] Sometime

Supervision of incarcerated people is poor.

- 1. [SA] They play cards at their desks.
- 2. [SD] we're watched too much

The environment encourages me to think about and plan for my release.

1. [SA] work release

Positive things only happen for a certain type of people.

- 1. [SA] white people
- 2. [SA] pets favorites
- 3. [N] They practice Genocide to get money for their pts. only the young under 40 yo to the men from St. Jude. St. Jude wants me to die.
- 4. [A] Most of the time

I can't improve my situation through good behavior.

1. [SD] They don't give a damn about [ILLEGIBLE]

My experience of imprisonment in this particular prison has been stressful.

- 1. [SA] TRAUMATIC! AMEN! PTSD!
- 2. [A]I try not to let it get to me

On the whole, I am just doing time rather than using my time.

1. [SA] no programs

This prison is controlled by incarcerated people rather than staff.

- 1. [SD] They control you in every situation. Do as I say
- 2. [SD] can be sometimes
- 3. [N] Both [NAMES REDACTED] + inmates and CO's set up for Authority to Always Have Advantage

This prison is well organized.

- 1. [SD] CLUSTER FUDGE
- 2. [D] better then some

I feel that I am treated with respect by staff.

- 1. [SD] HA! HA!
- 2. [D] some CO make fun of my problems really bad about OCD I have
- 3. [SD] staff treats me like a 2nd class citizen.
- 4. [A] Only because of how I carry myself
- 5. [N] sometimes

Staff respond promptly to incidents and alarms.

- 1. [SA] yeah, right...
- 2. [SD] NOT! Or depends

When I need to get something done, I can normally get it done by talking to someone face to face.

- 1. [N] sometimes
- 2. [SA] They talk about me over the intercom—Never face to face

You never know the rules.

- 1. [N] (they change)
- [SA] Rules are inconsistent in here, one day this, one day that, diff rules apply to diff people
- 3. [SD] EVER!
- 4. [Blank] They change every day
- 5. [A] Inconsistency

My experience in this prison is painful.

- 1. [SA] EXTREMELY
- [N] I am being sexually harassed + calling a PREA
- 3. [A] Medical

There is a hierarchy among incarcerated people.

- 1. [SA] Trans
- 2. [A] Some people never get job exchanges and favored as if they're the police

The disciplinary system is fair.

- 1. [A] though not implemented
- 2. [A and N] sometimes
- 3. [SD] NOT!
- 4. [SD] Not fair, you confine in something and you get thrown in seg for investigation

There are a few incarcerated people who run things on this unit.

- 1. [D] everyone should be accountable for their actions
- 2. [SA] more like 4 or 5
- 3. [SA] BULLIES ALWAYS!
- 4. [SA] [NAME REDACTED] on 41B
- 5. [SA] Trans
- 6. [SA] or try sooo much

I have to buy and sell things to get by.

- 1. [SA] EVERYDAY
- 2. [SA] yes that is too true
- 3. [SD] people steal my things on every unit due to [NAMES REDACTED]
- 4. [SA] commissary = joke
- 5. [N] only if no outside support

Decisions are dominated by concerns about security.

- 1. [SA] Good?
- 2. [Blank] ? My safety staff—my safety

My time here seems like a chance to make positive changes.

- 1. [N] My brother, [NAME REDACTED] won't let me
- 2. [A] Because I choose to
- 3. [A] but only because I force it. Most are not like me so most will not find or see opportunity
- 4. [D] (I wish)
- 5. [N] There is no equal opportunity for long timers (10+ years)
- 6. [N] only if I choose to
- 7. [Blank] the chance is up to the individual to take or pass on

# Q10. Mark response that best describes how you feel (Strongly Agree = SA, Agree = A, Neutral = N, Disagree = D, Strongly Disagree = SD)

I am not being treated as a human being in here.

1. [SA] I am being treated as a second-class citizen

You have to be in a group or gang in order to get by.

1. [SD] don't in a group if [ILLEGIBLE]

When important decisions are made about me, I am treated as an individual, not a number.

1. [A] only if I get a minor ticket, like C grade for 1 month

Drugs cause a lot of problems between incarcerated people.

- 1. [SD] ALL!
- 2. [Blank]? they Don't even give me Rx prescribed by the Doctor.

Bullying behavior by incarcerated people is not tolerated.

- 1. [SD] I was bullied and nothing was done about it.
- 2. [N] not tolerated by who?
- 3. [SD] Admin Bully everyone
- 4. [SD] encouraged by STAFF! criminal at best!

All they care about is my offense and security level, not the person I really am.

- 1. [N] I don't know who is considered "they" I can't answer this question
- 2. [SD] AMEN! Preach!

Anyone who harms themselves is considered by staff to be more of an attention seeker than someone who needs help.

- 1. [SA] YOUR CRAZY! even tho you asked REPEATLY—wks, mo, years
- 2. [N] Both

I am able to maintain meaningful contact with my outside supports.

- 1. [SD] Not
- 2. [SA] Plans for visits in the making if I win my legal decision will go
- 3. [Blank] They Hold me Down my Letters
- 4. [SA and SD] No visits covid
- 5. [N] NO VISITS if no vaccinated

This prison is poor at giving incarcerated people reasons for decisions.

- 1. [Blank] had to grieve getting #'s approved
- 2. [SA] (because I said so)

Staff help incarcerated people maintain contact with outside supports.

- 1. [N] They don't help
- 2. [Blank] Staff steals my phone list, calls my friends, holds me Back so I get mad + yell

This is a humane prison.

- 1. [Blank] They practice cruel + unusual punishment.
- 2. [N] what's your version of humane? Is black mold and asbestos humane?
- 3. [SD] INHUMANE! SHUT IT DOWN ASAP! HELP US!

Incarcerated people in this prison spend too long locked up in cells.

- 1. [SA] Big issue
- 2. [N] or on the units
- 3. [A] Unit 41

This prison is safe for incarcerated people.

- 1. [SD] NOT when transgender women assault the real women. And when staff use extreme force because they can.
- 2. [SD] Mold, Asbestos, Roaches
- 3. [SD] Not safe in here, people fight and beat you to death, **[NAME REDACTED]** died on **[DATE REDACTED]**, 2021 (on House 4)
- 4. [A] In the X-house
- 5. [Blank] False, The sick weak + people with no family old women get picked on

Mental health treatment is available.

- 1. [SD] mental health = joke
- 2. [A] yes, but not always helpful
- 3. [SD] Iffy at best
- 4. [Blank] Mental health has not helped me + my mental illness
- 5. [D] took me 2-3 months to see MH
- 6. [Blank] not always
- 7. [N] sometimes

This prison is better now than it was last year.

- 1. [N] don't know
- 2. [SD] falling apart
- 3. [SD] Worse!
- 4. [Blank] False, it is worse

Every effort is made by this prison to help people stop committing offenses on release from custody.

- [SD] they turn a blind eye or ENCOURAGE
- 2. [Blank] unknown
- 3. [A] I had to help myself. I found West care book for my [ILLEGIBLE]

I am satisfied with food from dietary.

- 1. [SD] UGH
- 2. [SD] carbs, starch, no fresh vegs, unidentifiable meat!
- 3. [SD] No
- 4. [SD] WORST—DOGS WONT EAT THIS CRAP!
- 5. [SD] Still hungry.
- 6. [SD] Food allergy
- 7. [A] More cheese, larger portions

I have the opportunity to go to yard at least twice a week.

- 1. [SD] Hell no no yard at all
- 2. [SD] NO OFFICER—SHORT STAFFED—blah! all excuses
- 3. [SD] cant cuz haven't fix fence yet since August 22 this year
- 4. [SD] No yard now, December
- 5. [SD] ONCE—IF available
- 6. [SD] They canceled all yard
- 7. [SD] It's not equipped for equipment you will break it, then threatened to have to pay for a new one.
- 8. [A] not in the winter though
- 9. [SA] only once a week
- 10. [A] No Yard staff frequently

# Q11. Overall, on a scale of 1 to 10, mark the box this prison deserves in terms of quality of life/general treatment of the people incarcerated here.

- 1. [1] is there a lower # than one?
- 2. [Blank] This place is unfair and the treatment is bad so an 9 for this place
- 3. [New check box] -10,000,000,000,000
- 4. [1] -10x10^10!
- 5. [Blank] not good at all 3
- 6. [1]!!
- 7. [Blank] -1000% to a Trillion. This is not a safe + Stable prison. Just ask the inmates.
- 8. [1] People Die here from lack of medical care!!!! cancer. The wardens dont have time to answer questions, or will say "Its above my security + pay scale." The mail Room [NAME REDACTED] is holding mail [ILLEGIBLE] returning all of the above w/out notice!
- 9. [1] maybe a 1.5, maybe
- 10. [1] wish there was a zero!
- 11. [2] Absolutely NO exaggeration. The <u>only</u> people who <u>might</u> respond more positively are individuals on the dog unit. And that is still only <u>might</u> and only because <u>they</u> are trained to be submissive against their own humanity.
- 12. [1] - 0

- 13. [1] There is no quality. We are treated as "animals" and get beat up and bullied in here. And when we discuss room change, we are told no or they point fingers to someone else who CANT help us get out of these violent situations.
- 14. [7] No yard need maintenance to fence please.

#### **Miscellaneous Comments**

- 1. This survey was handed out on 12-6-22. It just goes to show you how they are purposely setting the women on a path to fail. Not many surveys will get turned in because of this
- 2. P.S. This is a lot but I'm educated and articulate. Please Actually read and consider my words...sorry about the legibility. Also our experience with you and all organizations is that you have no follow through with our issues. This is not okay. Please change.
- 3. Help us Please! Logan all prisons for women and men. [IDENTIFIERS REDACTED]. yes retaliation is Real—people are dying here! :( LOGAN CORR. CENTER—CHG NAME. SHUT IT DOWN—Please. Help Us Call 911. We are sick + Dying everyday. [IDENTIFIERS REDACTED].
- 4. The placement office told people and staff she dont like me and wont move people unless she like you that not right and the warden let her run everything and she treat us like shit
- 5. I don't believe the prison, Logan CC, should close for good. This governor will make a decision on who will get clemency, that's me. **[NAME REDACTED]** nickname. I'm my own lawyer. Just being positive. **[...]** My legal work answer is taking so long, the fear of being rejected forces patience.
- 6. They want me to Learn Hate. [NAME REDACTED] thinks He is telling commissary what I can order. He is Full of shit. He told His Girlfriend [NAME REDACTED] and [NAME REDACTED] to tell the men. I am not Here to be or serve [NAME REDACTED]. I hate Him, I hate men, I hate my Brother, I hate the women Here. St. Jude is killing my whole Family—From Memphis. The men at the prison are helping.
- 7. They (wardens) haven't fixed the freaking fence. We haven't had fence fixed at all! They are taking their slow time getting it fixed! We Never Hardly Get Gym During The Week! I am not a Happy Camper! Bad Commissary for months! Bad Dietary nasty food
- 8. The Eye Doctor won't Send me out for cataract surgery. I Can't See Good At All
- 9. I wish I could put my name here on this so we can discuss how it really is in here w/o being afraid!
- 10. I have IBS and I can not use the toilet over the last 6 weeks. Yes, I've been to the infirmary twice. I have been given Dulcolax, Metamucil, and a gallon of a clear nasty liquid to clean me out. It helped. Yet I still can not use the bathroom now.
- 11. I've asked for mental health: do not get it.
- 12. Inmates having inappropriate conversations with officers. Very personal conversations, officers sitting with inmates in day room hanging out. Officer [NAME REDACTED]. Ice they serve us from the ice machines has a chemical taste. In October 2022, officer [NAME REDACTED] I heard say she had stomach problems till she quit drinking the water here. Staff knows water is contaminated. Other officers have told me they know water is making us sick.

- 13. There is green mold growing on water filters in machines outside housing unit 14 mental health unit, can only see mold when warm outside. Mentally ill not getting proper care, counseling here. God knows there are a lot more illegal conditions here at Logan correctional center. That and that this prison should be shut down for God's glory. This prison needs to be thoroughly investigated. Conditions are not safe for inmates. Thank you, God bless representatives at John Howard Association.
- 14. This prison has severely changed From 2012 till now. The treatment Ive been given on the D-wing (15) is harsh, and poor.
- 15. Officers ignore pleas for help, you look into how many deaths have occurred because officers said "go ahead and fight each other, we don't care". Look into the case **[NAME REDACTED]**



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