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Correctional Employees Week is May 5-11

Pierre, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard has proclaimed May 5-11 as "Correctional Employees Week" in South Dakota.

Correctional employees in South Dakota are responsible for the supervision, custody and care of more than 3,600 adult inmates, 2,800 parolees and more than 700 juvenile offenders in placement and on aftercare.

The executive proclamation states that "Correctional employees are committed to their mission of protecting the citizens of South Dakota by providing safe and secure facilities for juvenile and adult offenders committed to their care by the courts, providing effective community supervision to offenders upon their release, and utilizing evidence-based practices to maximize opportunities for rehabilitation."

"Each and every day, evenings, nights, weekends and holidays, DOC staff members answer the call to keep the citizens of South Dakota safe from those that would harm us. I appreciate their dedication in balancing discipline and safety while giving offenders the tools necessary to live a productive life and reduce recidivism," said Corrections Secretary Denny Kaemingk. "Whether we are talking about juveniles in STAR Academy, high risk offenders in our adult facilities, or the supervision of offenders in our communities, we are focused on their rehabilitation and employing evidence-based practices to ensure maximum results. We are tasked with keeping citizens safe not only for today but also for tomorrow."

The Department of Corrections has adult prison facilities in Sioux Falls, Springfield, Yankton, Pierre and Rapid City. The state's juvenile corrections programs are located near Custer. Parole field offices are located in Aberdeen, Brookings, Huron, Mitchell, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Spearfish, Watertown and Yankton. Juvenile Community Corrections field offices are located in Aberdeen, Brookings, Chamberlain, Custer, Huron, Mitchell, Mobridge, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Sisseton, Spearfish, Watertown, White River, Winner and Yankton.

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