

## The 2nd Opportunity Program

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To those considering the 2nd Opportunity Program:

I first met Mr. Ghilarducci (Augie) while employed by the Federal Bureau of Prisons in Duluth, MN. I hired him as an inmate clerk when I administered their Residential Drug Abuse Program. He worked for me for approximately 27 months up to the time I retired in August of 2015. Augie was a positive influence on other inmates and even taught many inmate classes on recovery and living without drugs and alcohol.

As I fondly think of my career as a Master Degreed Licensed Bureau of Prison's Drug Treatment Specialist at USP and FPC Leavenworth and then again at FPC Duluth, I always remember working as a treatment team. Often times, when trying to help inmates who were struggling through their residential treatment program concepts when in Duluth, the treatment team would refer them to Augie's inmate groups. Incidentally, his groups and methods, provided an additional community where an inmate could learn much of the same information but from his perspectives, as well as those from other inmate's in his groups. Many inmates greatly benefited from Augie's classes. I trust those that participate in his program will not only learn from the material, but will also enjoy themselves and find some comradery at the same time.

Trust the process and good luck!

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