

My experience in the California Prison System has proved that convicts at the end of their sentences have absolutely no financial back up when they exit prison. Most convicts have held a job within prison earning anything from zero to twenty-four cents an hour, which is not enough to even buy their hygiene necessities.

As soon as I become Your Governor, I will establish a Saving Program for inmates in which every working inmate will be paid a minimum wage that will allow enough for his living expenses in prison and to make a deposit in a savings account that will be held in the inmate's name and released to him/her upon her/his release from prison.

This monthly deposit will consist of fifty percent of the inmate's earnings, and will be earning market value interest.

This program will be established on a voluntary basis and each inmate will decide whether to participate or not.