

Good Afternoon. My name is Jenna and my husband is incarcerated at High Desert State Prison. I am a member of Return Strong! Families United for Justice for the Incarcerated and I am here today to share our story and fear of the situation that my husband is in and the things he has been exposed to due to the negligence on the part of Nevada Department of Corrections during the pandemic.

Just as the others you have and will hear from, the pandemic has made dealing with difficult situation, unbearable. We all share the fear and anger and frustration that has become the reality since COVID hit. High Desert State Prison has been on rolling lockdowns for months. Extended lockdowns and while some of it comes with the territory of being incarcerated in a maximum security prison, a lot of it didn't make sense. CO's telling people they were COVID lock downs but no cases reported, or rumors but no verification. It was as if they used COVID as an opportunity to inflict additional segregation, even when there wasn't a reason for it. I mean, why they need to have 24 hour lockdowns for 2-3 days to perform COVID testing. Tests that somehow never provided results for the people that were tested. There was no information given once they were tested. It finally just became the assumption that if it didn't get you moved, you must be negative but that is a horrible way to live, just wondering and waiting.

In August, Daniels implemented a testing procedure that would have had incarcerated people tested every 3 weeks. That never happened. Our people inside have been documenting when they were tested and how they were tested because if you do the test improperly, you will get a false negative. We have tracked the daily reports of units being quarantined due to possible or verified cases and check that data against the DOH tracker and they NEVER even come close to matching. We understand tests can be in process, and delays in processing, but something never adds up. Yesterday, at the sentencing commission Daniels stated that there were 5 deaths due to COVID. WHY are they never reported on DOH tracking?

We need an independent investigation. WE need 100% testing. Why is Daniels only doing 100% testing at facilities with 300 people? We want to see the

numbers at HDSP and SDCC. 90% of 4000 tells a way different story. What are they hiding?