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#ODOCKills #KateBrownKills #FreeThemAll

Thank you for sending me letters, I am at Snake River, Ontario, Ore. I have been here for 9 months and have been locked up for 17 months.

The staff here don't wear their masks all the time and a lot of people have gotten sick with Covid, we have been on lockdown for months.

Since the lockdown I don't come out much 'cause I have asthma, I use an inhaler, I have Alvesco 80 MCG. Also borderline diabetic, I have gained 120 lbs in 17 months.

I will say Snake River does have a good medical system but the officers walk around without their masks on then pat us down and search our rooms and touch everything and don't wear gloves...

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I got 7 years 9 months, 84 months for stealing things as a first time offender, I never had a record before 2019. I was scared and pled guilty to 42 felonies, afraid I would get 30 years, the only deal the DA would give me was 333 months.

Just last week I wrote Kate Brown telling her that I am here for property crimes and that I didn't get a death sentence over stealing things that in the end the people got back. I'm not violent, I never hurt anyone, and I owe \$136,000 in restitution.

I asked for her to suspend my sentence and to put me on an ankle monitor and to give me one chance to prove I can do right. I used meth and stole a lot of things I should have gotten one chance to go to rehab.

Thats my story, I would love info on everything you got. You can share on your outreach.

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