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Richmond City Sheriff's Office Hosts Barbershop Talk
Our goal is to create conversations with our inmates that will inflect change in their lives...

Richmond, Va. (12/13/18) – The Richmond City Sheriff's Office will host a Barbershop Talk with Radio One's Clovia Lawrence and the Peer Nation 1 team **on Friday, December 14 from 6:00pm** – **7:30pm.** This team of recovery and reentry experts consists of counselors, peer recovery specialists, and former substance users as advocates.

The goal of this event is to educate, promote, and advocate for substance abuse treatment, domestic violence 'safe havens', mental health peer support, and positive relationships.

According to Sheriff Antionette V. Irving, "We are hosting this forum to provide our inmates with an open dialogue to discuss the challenges they face once they leave incarceration and provide them with resources to help them overcome these challenges".

In addition to the Peer Nation 1 team, United Healthcare, Curb the Crisis organization and the Department of Behavioral Health Developmental Services will provide inmates housed at the Richmond City Justice Center with healthcare, substance abuse treatment resources, and wellness techniques they can utilize once they leave the facility.

If you have questions about this event, please contact Alexis Carey, at (804) 514-2782 or email me at alexis.carey@richmondgov.com.