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Stuart Anderson



Stuart Anderson is the founder and director of Family & Friends of Incarcerated People (FFOIP). A native Washingtonian, Mr. Anderson is a proud father, a caring grandfather, and a thoughtful person. His formal activist work began in 1993 at the Central Facility of Lorton, motivated by a personal desire to continue his parental duties, even from within the confines of prison. Mr. Anderson was educated in the DC Public Schools system and is a graduate of the University of the District of Columbia.

While studying at UDC, Mr. Anderson was a student leader in the Lorton Prison College Program. He founded the African Development Organization (ADO), a political think tank, and encouraged the creation of Project Outreach and New Start Tutorial; a performing arts group and GED program project, respectively. In 2004, Mr. Anderson spoke live from within the prison walls on DC Inmates, Their Children & Hope (WPFW To Heal DC), and in 2005, his work made the cover of The Washington Post Magazine in a piece entitled, “A Father’s Conviction.”

Mr. Anderson was recognized by the Mayor’s Office on Returning Citizen Affairs for his work with those returning home from prison in 2012. He was also recognized by Empower DC for his remarkable determination and dedication in elevating the humanity of the District of Columbia’s returning citizens and their families. Also in 2012, Mr. Anderson was recognized for his commitment and unwavering service to re-establishing the lives of low-income single mothers, by Tyunin’s Breakthrough, Inc.

Mr. Anderson previously managed one of the Mayor’s COVID-19 vaccine outreach teams. He also is a member of BOLD (Black Organizing for Leadership and Dignity), and still works with many children, individuals, and organizations to develop, manage, implement, and evaluate project activities and workshops for the children of incarcerated parents and other at-risk populations.

A Ward 8 resident, Mr. Anderson holds a Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies, an Associate degree in Legal Assistance and an Associate degree in Business Management from the University of the District of Columbia.

