

As a Minister I worked at the Women's Federal Prison in Pleasanton.

90% of the incarcerated women had children. Each building with 300 women had only one pay phone. The rates were high. For women without any money, collect calls were even more expensive for friends and family. Often those people could not afford the calls either and were forced to block them. Not being able to know what was going on with their children was like the worst form of torture possible. The calls should have been free. Caring is also rehabilitating.