

# ANNUAL REPORT

I believe knowing what I know now, I'll be successful in life. I believe in second chances.--Jay S. FPEP Student

# FY 2023



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FLORIDA PRISON EDUCATION PROJECT Education is the most powerful weapon with which you can change the world.--

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Nelson Mandela

# **TO OUR SUPPORTERS**

FPEP provides educational opportunities to incarcerated and system-impacted people, researches the benefits of prison education, and integrates the study of justice into UCF's curriculum.

Because of your support, this fiscal year we...

- Taught 12 face-to-face classes in 3 prisons to 180 incarcerated students
- Awarded 165 Continuing Education Certificates
- Donated **25,000 books** to prisons throughout the state
- Curated an art exhibition at UCF Celebrates the Arts
- Hosted a panel discussion with 4 guest scholars
- Partnered with the Brevard Reentry Center and Central Florida Community Arts



#### LOOKING AHEAD

Next year, FPEP plans to sponsor a Registered Student Organization, identify system-impacted Knights, increase the number of faculty volunteers, double the number of incarcerated students enrolled in classes, and expand to Reentry and Work Release Centers.

Thank you for your support,

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Keri Watson Director, Florida Prison Education Project

Today we walk with hope on our shoulders, believing tomorrow will be better than yesterday. -- Neeno L., FPEP Student

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Received \$115,000 in external grant funding
- Raised \$5,320 in private donations
- Applied for a **\$900,000 Department of Justice grant**





(Left) Jason Fronczek, Volunteer Coordinator, delivered25,000 donated books to prisons throughout the state.(Above) Student volunteers sorted and packed books.

### **OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Sponsored 15 faculty** at the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Summer Institute
- Mentored 12 undergraduate interns
- Supervised a NSCM undergraduate student capstone project
- Awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to a system-impacted UCF Knight

Praise be to UCF for offering me a chance to learn and enlighten my mind, opening the dam that's been holding my thoughts at bay. --Marco, FPEP student

#### FPEP SERVING INCARCERATED STUDENTS





In FY 2023, UCF faculty volunteers for FPEP taught **12 face-to-face** classes in 3 prisons to 180 incarcerated students.







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### FPEP SERVING STUDENTS ON CAMPUS

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Student Anthony Michaelessi interviewed, recorded, and edited the <u>FPEP: Education and</u> <u>Incarceration video</u> as part of his capstone project.

(Left) Graduate Student (Educational Leadership) Thalia Torres joined the volunteer team.

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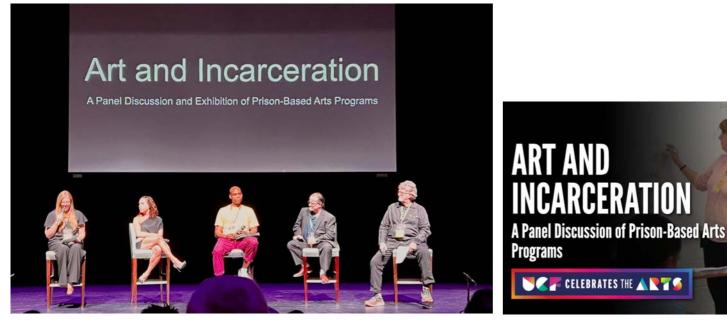
#### **FPEP SERVING THE COMMUNITY**

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In March 2023, **FPEP** partnered with The Reentry Center of Brevard and strategized ways to bring technology and reentry support workshops to their clients.





In April 2023, FPEP joined UCF Celebrates the Arts and curated "Art for the Inside," an exhibit that featured art created during UCF classes at various prisons. FPEP also hosted a one-hour panel discussion and discussed the value of art.

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### **FPEP SERVING FACULTY**

In May, 2023, FPEP sponsored 15 faculty at the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Summer Institute where participants interested in becoming part of FPEP engaged in 3 days of workshops and professional development discussions.









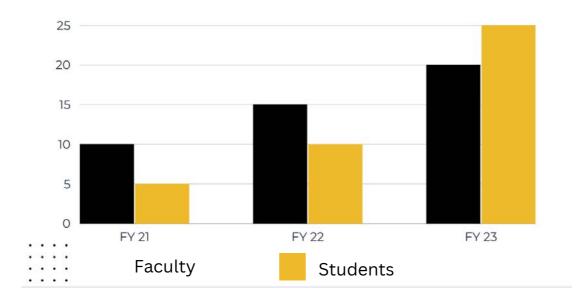
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#### **3-YEAR REVIEW**

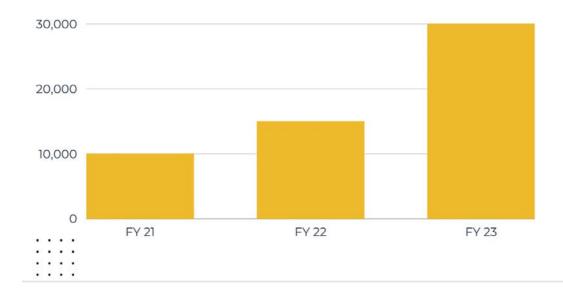
#### FACULTY & STUDENT VOLUNTEERS

FPEP CONTINUED TO RAISE CAMPUS AWARENESS AND ENGAGED MORE FACULTY AND STUDENTS IN THIS IMPORTANT INITIATIVE.



#### **BOOK DONATIONS**

FPEP BOOSTED BOOK DONATIONS THIS YEAR AND STRENGTHENED THIS IMPORTANT INITIATIVE.



In a global economy where the most valuable skill you can sell is your knowledge, a good education is no longer just a pathway to opportunity – it is a prerequisite. -Barack Obama

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#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

	FY 23	FY 22	FY 21
Expenses			
Personnel: Administrative	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Personnel: Programmatic	\$ 37,100.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 26,000.00
Personnel: Technical/Production	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Outside Fees and Services: Programmatic	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Outside Fees and Services: Guest Scholars	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Travel	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Marketing	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Remaining Operating Expenses	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 26,000.00
Total Expenses	\$ 114,600.00	\$ 102,500.00	\$ 111,500.00
Income			
Private Support (from Foundations)	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 91,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Private Support (Funds from Individuals)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 5,254.00	\$ 3,558.00
Government Support (Federal)	\$ 10,000.00	\$-	\$ 40,000.00
Gov't Support (State/Regional - E&G)	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00
Total Income	\$ 121,000.00	\$ 108,254.00	\$ 115,558.00

