

## Action with Compassion

## SUGGESTIONS FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUTATION/PAROLE PROCESS

•	Rapport	Start building good relations with prison staff now
•	Behavior	No more tickets. None. Others have done it. You can, too.
•	Counselor	Ask your counselor, in addition to checking the boxes, to write good comments on block reports concerning your behavior
•	Programs	Get in to good programs, or <u>at least keep records of requesting to be in programs.</u>
•	Crime	State your crime as it is on the pre-sentence investigation. No modifications.
•	Family	It is important for family members to be active, but NOT to make excuses
•	Community	When you indicate your placement, employment and support, take note that <u>community support</u> matters even more than family support. Commutation applications need support.
•	Weakness	If you have a weakness, comment on it and how it will be address, e.g. substance abuse: you will be enrolled in program upon your release.
•	Psych	You must have a psych report. Our sources say this report has power.
•	A MUST	You much acknowledge crime and show remorse. If you insist that you did not commit the crime, at least show sadness for the results and sympathy for the victims. Your feelings here are critical.