



CHESS FOR FREEDOM

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Chess that Gives Freedom

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Brazilian Project



First Steps

- First steps in 2005
- Convincing the authorities
- Officially started in 2008 in the state of Espirito Santo
- The Pilot Project was initiated in a Presidio of maximum security
- Since the beginning, it has been present in 36 prisons including women and juvenile offenders
- Since 2008 the program has assisted 12512 prisoners (twelve thousand five hundred twelve - data 2016)



Project Concepts

- This project uses the game of chess as a pedagogical tool in the aid and development of the cognitive skills of the teaching-learning process and introduces, through its rules, discipline, attention, logical reasoning, conscious decision-making capacity, attention and new values.
- The playful techniques and tools of chess are used, developing in individuals in deprivation of freedom the implementation of cognitive aspects and moral and social standards, as well as the encouragement to perseverance, the exercise of free will, creativity, self-esteem, reflection of the action-reaction binomial, the internalization of norms and rules and social inclusion.
- It allows the participant to “trace” new paths, to plan their personal and professional actions, to face their failures, enabling conditions to overcome in a pleasant and conscious way.



Project Methodology

- Classes of 6 to 20 prisoners depending on the security reality of each prison unit
- Internal Championships
- External championships
- Within a pre-established schedule, visits are made to the units for the implementation and monitoring of the project. After implanted, it is developed by professionals of the unit previously trained
- Case Prisoner returns to prison as an instructor
- Manufacture of chess sets
- Screen printing of boards
- Methodology implementation 1-Request for participation; 2-Preliminary evaluation; 3-Strategic planning meeting; 4-Awareness lecture; 5-Registration and selection of multipliers; 6-Opening lecture; 7-Implementation of the program; 8-Monitoring; 9-Realignment of strategic planning; 10-Training for sporting events; 11-Hosting internal sporting events; 12-Participation in external sports events (virtually);



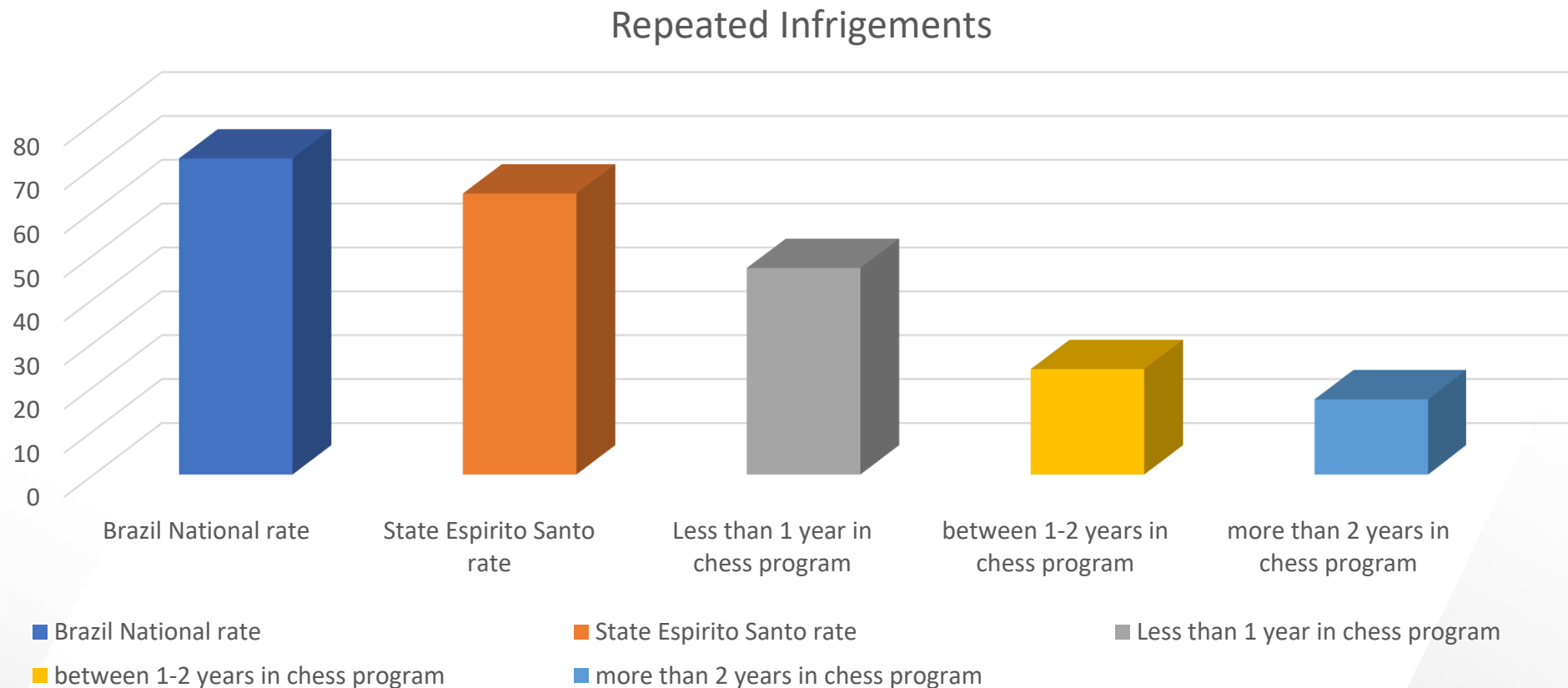
Chess that Gives Freedom Project Award as the most important Sport Social Project of the World

- In 2012 the project won - Spirit of Sports - Sportaccord as the best Social Project in the World in front of projects from the IOC, FIFA, FIA and the largest sports organizations in the world





Repeated Infringements decrease rate





Results

- Official Data from the Secretariat of Justice
- Brazilian rate of Repeated infringements in prison 72%
- State Espirito Santo rate (where the specific Project is based) of Repeated infringements 64%
- Repeated infringements by prisoners within **less than 1 year** in the program - **47%**.
- Repeated infringements by prisoners between **1 and 2 years** in the program – **23.94%**.
- Repeated infringements by prisoners within **more than 2 years** in the program – **17.08%**.
- These data shows that the chess practice linked to other projects (social and educational) in prison units of Espirito Santo, Brazil decrease the Repeated infringements considerably, which contributes for safety and quality of life for the individuals and society as well.