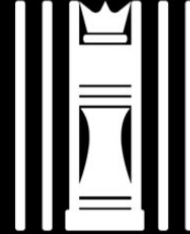




## **CHESS FOR FREEDOM**



**International Chess Federation (FIDE) and Cook County (Chicago, USA) Department of Corrections under the Sheriff Thomas Dart are dedicated to use chess for education, integration and empowerment of people in imprisonment**

The following events are planned  
for the year 2021  
under the patronage of  
the 12<sup>th</sup> World Chess Champion Anatoly Karpov:

**11 May 2021 (COMPLETED):**

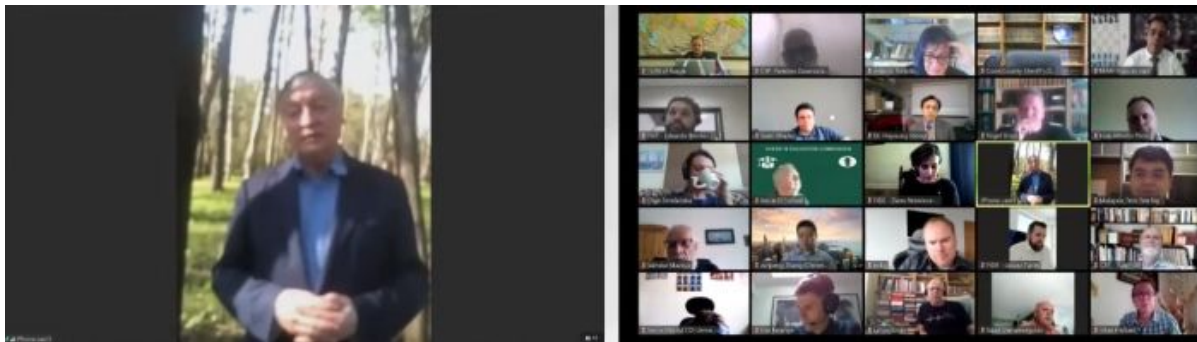
**<https://chessforfreedom.fide.com/>**

Invitational On-line Chess Demonstration Tournament  
for Prisoners with 4 countries participating:  
USA, Russia, Armenia, Spain

The first FIDE On-line Conference “Chess for Freedom”  
for officials, authorities, scholars etc.

**13-14 October 2021**

The First Intercontinental  
Online Chess Championship  
for Prisoners 2021



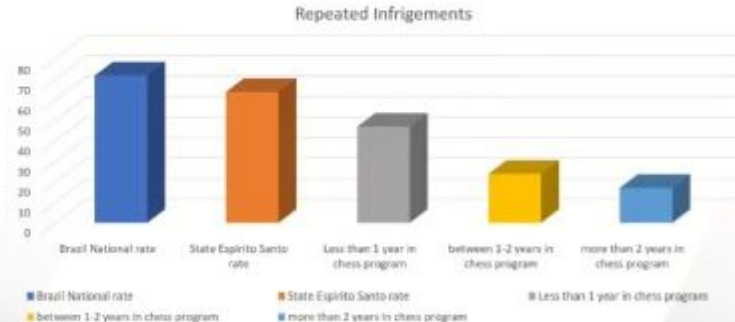
The International Chess Federation together with the Cook County Sheriff's Office (Chicago, USA) held the first event of the Chess for Freedom program. The project, aimed at the introduction of chess as a tool for education and social inclusion in prisons of different countries, is carried out under the 12th World Champion **Anatoly Karpov's** patronage.

"The repeated infringements rate in Brasil is 72%," shared GM Darcy Lima who initiated the social project 'Chess that liberates'. "For those who stayed in a chess program for less than 1 year, this rate drops to 47%. 1-2 years - 22%. More than 2 years - 17%."

The Online Conference "Chess for Freedom" connected speakers from different parts of the globe. They share the same vocation - bringing chess to prisons and using the game as a tool helping convicts to improve their life



## Repeated Infringements decrease rate



Alvaro is celebrating his victory in the match against Armenia.

#ChessForFreedom tournament virtually connected prisoners from the USA, Russia, Spain, and Armenia. Russia came out on top after winning all the matches.



**Hector Guifarro,**

a former prisoner, CHESS has  
changed his life.

“I’m so grateful for the game of  
Chess. Chess saved my life in prison  
and is saving my life now.”





**13-14 October 2021**  
**(International Day of Education in**  
**Prison)**

The First Intercontinental Online Chess Championship for Prisoners 2021. This will be a continuation of the international championship first held in 2019, where we expect to involve tens of teams from all the continents.

