Abstract

The diploma thesis focuses on people who have served their sentences. Specifically, it maps the success in their social integration after release from prison. The theoretical basis of the work lies in the multifactor criminogenetic theories and concepts of social exclusion. Multifactor criminogenetic theories are mentioned as one of the foundations of the penitentiary prediction tool SARPO (Comprehensive Analysis of Risks and Needs of Convicts). This tool is used in the work for better orientation in the needs and risks of people in the process of release.

The theoretical anchoring of the work also deals with the problem of recidivism and adaptation after release from prison. And the issue of homelessness in connection with substance abuse and also in connection with crime. Furthermore, attention is paid to the problem of indebtedness, which can complicate the social situation of people after serving a sentence.

The factual context of the researched topic is devoted to the causes of the difficult resocialization of released prisoners and to the reasons why recidivists are most often prosecuted. There are also some important statistical data concerning the number of persons imprisoned in the Czech Republic in comparison with EU countries. Attention is also paid to the amendment of the Insolvency Act of 2019 and the so-called COVID lex of 2020.

In this work, the research is performed by the method of qualitative research and the type of research is a case study. The aim of the research is to find out what steps a convicted person can take while still serving a sentence in order to positively influence his situation after the release. Another goal is to find out how the respondents managed to integrate into society after returning from prison. What steps they took. Efforts have also been made to address issues that may arise from the shortcomings of the continuity of penitentiary[1] and post-penitentiary[2] care.

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1 Penitentiary care - care in prison

2 Post-penitentiary care - care after serving a sentence