

**DIVISION OF ADULT INSTITUTIONS**

Chuckawalla Valley State Prison  
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November 20, 2006

Pat Hardy, President  
Alternatives to Violence Project  
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Dear Ms. Hardy:

Throughout the first year at Chuckawalla Valley State Prison (CVSP), the Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) was successful in training 308 inmates to team build, discover new ways of approaching disagreement, conflict, and anger.

The AVP has been beneficial to staff and inmates. Only 2 of the 308 inmates have committed serious rules violations since participating in the AVP, resulting in a safer environment for staff and inmates.

The AVP supports the mission of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to provide inmates with the knowledge and skills to integrate into society, and the ability to deal with conflicts in a positive manner, which will provide inmates additional tools for successful parole.

Sincerely,

*Original Signed By J. F. Salazar*

J. F. SALAZAR  
Warden  
Chuckawalla Valley State Prison