

P R O F I L E O F
N I C O L E A N N D U P U R E



Full Name	NICOLE ANN DUPURE
Prisoner Number	599905
D.O.B.	July 8, 1986
Crime(s) Convicted Of	First Degree Murder Felony Murder Conspiracy/First Degree Murder
Date of Crime	April 23, 2004
Conviction Date	March 3, 2006
Age at Time Crime was Committed	17-years-old
Age at Time Entered Prison	19-years-old
Prisons Resided Within/Dates	Scott Corr Facility

Brief description of offense and prisoner's role in it.

My ex-boyfriend killed a friend in my family. She was 89-years old. He was arrested. He was trying to beat his case and couldn't, so he took a plea to get less time. He told the court that I told him to kill the victim. He received 20 years in prison by pushing the blame on me.

Have you been negatively affected by your experiences as a juvenile living among adult prisoners? Please explain.

Yes. The majority of women here are institutionalized. They tried to take advantage of me and use me. From these experiences, I have learned not to trust people.

What difficulties have you experienced as a juvenile living among adult prisoners?

I couldn't act like myself. I had to grow up faster. I'm around women in their 30's and 40's, not teenagers. I do not have much positivity in my life.

How have you resolved these difficulties or dealt with them?

I act my age and how I want to act. The older women either accept it or don't speak to me.

How has a life of incarceration changed you?

I now don't believe what people always try to tell me. I have to judge them. The women here are more experienced with this lifestyle than me. For a time I was growing cold-hearted.

Have you remained in continual contact with family or friends since becoming incarcerated?

Yes. I have regular visits with my parents and daughter.

If you were granted a second chance and released, what would you do?

I would go home to my family and be with my daughter. I would pick better people to be around. I would continue school and find a career.

Accomplishments/Achievements since you've been incarcerated.

They really don't let lifers participate in the educational programs. Because I have my diploma, I am not allowed to take any vocational classes. We basically have to sit around and do our prison time till we die. But I do work. I was working in the kitchen, and now I'm a laundry porter. I try to stay busy. I like to read, walk the track, and play cards. When I'm having one of my depressed days, I take naps.

I'm a level 2 prisoner. My behavior for the first year or so was, "I don't care!" So I caught some tickets. It was my way of acting out. But I learned that this kind of behavior won't get me out of prison.