

The Thirteenth Amendment to United States Constitution, as originally written, abolishes slavery. Having a duly convicted person work as punishment is not, of itself, racist. It could in fact, aid significantly in a person's rehabilitation, and also in paying restitution. As, 'community service'. I doubt anyone in the last 135-150 years thinks of working off one's conviction is slavery; just punishment. Incarceration is punishment, too. I imagine a good many people elect community service when it is an option over incarceration, This would have to be approved by the states and the monies and time could be put to far better use. This pays PC lip service to an issue being raised to inflame and divide our nation.