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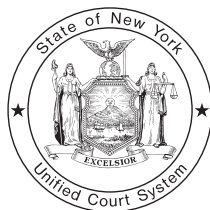
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Prisoner Resource Directory

Greetings,

October 2016

Welcome to the Fall 2016 edition of the *PARC Prisoner Resource Directory*. In response to your letters and suggestions, we have added a re-entry resources section, a prison writing and art section, and have updated the addresses for many of our listings. Thanks to the thousands of readers who have written letters of support and encouragement, and to those who return our evaluation form enabling us to get a better idea of the true readership of the directory and let us know which direction to take when adding new categories or information. Special thanks to those who pass on the directory to others—our resource directory is widely circulated in jails and prisons with each copy viewed by an average of 15 or more persons.

Several of the organizations listed in this directory no longer respond to individual prisoner letters, but are still listed for informational purposes or have resources that friends or family may download through the Internet and mail into the prisoner (e.g., the National Prison Project, as detailed on page 2). These groups are noted in the directory.

This past year has seen many successes for prisoners' rights. The death penalty is losing support nationwide. In the last year, Nebraska abolished its use, and four states have stopped killings indefinitely under governors' orders. The movement for voting rights for convicted individuals is gaining steam; most recently, the Governor of Virginia restored voting rights to people once they have completed their term of incarceration and parole.

Officials across the country have announced "reforms" to the use of solitary confinement, including from the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Colorado, Maine, Mississippi, Wisconsin, and several other states. New York and California each settled class action lawsuits challenging the use of long term solitary confinement, *Peoples v. Fischer* (11 CIV 2964 SAS) and *Ashker v. Governor of California* (4:09-cv-05796 CW). California is now in the process of a two-year monitoring period by order of the court, with expert witness findings used to press the state to establish real education and programming. From Sept. 2015 to Sept. 2016, 1,226 prisoners were moved out of Pelican Bay SHU, with only 419 remaining. And according to the CDCr, there are now over a thousand empty SHU beds statewide! But we still have a long way to go, with the retraining of guards remaining a high priority.

As an all-volunteer organization we do our best to respond to individual letters, but our current focus is on maintaining and distributing the directory free to all who request a copy. We do not keep a database of the prisoners with whom we correspond. We do not list pen pal resources, as those are available through other sources or groups listed in the directory. We graciously accept your support and enthusiasm. To those on the outside, feel free to copy and distribute this directory. We hope the directory assists you with information and contacts you may need.

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WE CAN NOT GIVE LEGAL ADVICE.

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NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATIONS AND RESOURCES

ACLU National Prison Project

915 15th St NW, 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20005

202-393-4930 · www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights

The *ACLU National Prison Project* (NPP) handles class action lawsuits to ensure that conditions of confinement in prisons, jails, and other places of detention are constitutional. The NPP does not handle cases on behalf of individual prisoners and does not assist individual prisoners with their criminal cases or post-conviction matters. (The NPP no longer responds to individual letters requesting copies of resource materials. Instead, these materials must be downloaded, printed, and mailed in).

Adopt an Inmate

PO Box 1543 · Veneta, OR 97487

971-236-7897 · <http://adoptaninmate.org>

Adopt an Inmate is a nonprofit volunteer organization that seeks to create extended family for inmates by matching them with adopters. Their website is a comprehensive source of tools and resources needed to advocate for inmates. They welcome stories, poems, artwork, and book reviews by both inmates and their advocates. Their blog page features a rotating "Welcome" banner provided by inmates. Contact them to submit any of the following: 1) an inmate name for adoption, 2) writing or artwork (including a "welcome" banner), or 3) to volunteer as an adopter.

AFSC Prison Watch Project

89 Market St, 6th Floor

Newark, NJ 07102 · 215-241-7000

<http://afsc.org/new-yorknew-jersey-healing-justice-and-prison-watch>

American Friends Service Committee *Prison Watch Project* has published the Fifth Edition of the *Survivors Manual: Surviving in Solitary*, by Bonnie Kerness (2012, 94 pages), which is free to prisoners and \$3 for all others. This book is a powerful collection of voices from solitary, as people currently or formerly held in isolation vividly describe their conditions and their daily lives. The collection also includes artwork and poetry.

All of Us or None

1540 Market St, #490 · San Francisco, CA 94102

415-255-7036 x337 · www.allofusornone.org

All of Us or None is a national organizing initiative of prisoners and former prisoners to combat the many forms of discrimination that prisoners face upon release. They do not answer letters from prisoners, but rather are active in several local and national campaigns, including BAN THE BOX, a movement to end job discrimination based on felony convictions.

Amnesty International

5 Penn Plaza 16th Floor · New York, NY 10001

212-807-8400 · www.amnestyusa.org

Amnesty International compiles information about prisoner torture, beatings, rape, etc. to include in reports about U.S. prison conditions; also works on death penalty issues. (Does not respond to letters.)

Center for Constitutional Rights

666 Broadway · New York, NY 10012

212-614-6464 · <http://ccrjustice.org>

CCR is a non-profit legal and educational organization committed to the creative use of law as a positive force for social change and dedicated to advancing and protecting constitutional rights. CCR recently litigated the *Ashker v Governor* challenge to solitary confinement in CA. (May not respond to letters concerning individual prisoner issues.)

Center on Wrongful Convictions

Northwestern University School of Law

375 East Chicago Ave · Chicago, IL 60611-3069

312-503-2391 · www.law.northwestern.edu/wrongfulconvictions

The CWC accepts cases of actual innocence in the United States, both DNA and non-DNA Cases. Will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases. No sentence requirements.

Center on Wrongful Convictions of Youth

Northwestern University School of Law

375 East Chicago Ave · Chicago, IL 60611-3069 · 312-503-8576

www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictionsyouth

The CWCY is the only innocence project in the country that focuses exclusively on individuals who were convicted or accused of crimes when they were adolescents or younger. The CWCY is dedicated to identifying, investigating, and litigating credible innocence claims of wrongfully convicted young people and preventing future wrongful convictions.

Centurion Ministries, Inc.

1000 Herrontown Rd · Princeton, NJ 08540

609-921-0334 · www.centurionministries.org

Centurion Ministries is an advocacy and investigative organization that considers cases of factual innocence primarily in murder and rape cases carrying life or death sentences, but other cases of factual innocence may be considered. They do not take on accidental death, self-defense cases, or cases where the defendant had any involvement in the crime. Prisoners fitting the above criteria may send a letter (four pages or less) outlining the facts of the case, with a summary including the following points: what you were convicted of; brief description of the crime; why were you arrested and taken to trial; what evidence was used to convict you; and what evidence there is that points toward your innocence.

Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE)

PO Box 2310 · Washington, DC 20013-2310

202-789-2126 · www.curenational.org

CURE organizes prisoners, their families and other concerned citizens to achieve reforms in the criminal-justice system, and has a presence in 24 states. Write for complete listing of state chapters.

Coalition for Prisoners' Rights Newsletter

PO Box 1911 · Santa Fe, NM 87504

Coalition for Prisoners' Rights publishes a monthly newsletter with news about prisoners nationwide and is free to prisoners who send an SASE. They also have a variety of prisoner resource lists available. Back issues from 2009 are online at <http://realcostofprisons.org/coalition.html>.

Critical Resistance

1904 Franklin Street, Suite 504 · Oakland, CA 94612

510-444-0484 · www.criticalresistance.org

Critical Resistance (CR) seeks to build an international movement to end the Prison Industrial Complex by challenging the belief that caging and controlling people makes everyone safe. CR also publishes a newspaper twice a year titled "*The Abolitionist*," which is free to prisoners.

CURE Life-Long

665 West Willis St, Suite B-1

Detroit, MI 48201 · 313-442-3629

CURE Life-Long publishes a quarterly newspaper covering prisoners with sentences of 25 years to life. Prisoner's rate is \$5 per year.

Equal Justice Initiative

122 Commerce St · Montgomery, AL 36104

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334-269-1803 · www.eji.org/deathpenalty/innocence

The Equal Justice Initiative provides legal representation to indigent defendants and prisoners who have been denied fair and just treatment in the legal system. They litigate on behalf of condemned prisoners, juvenile offenders, people wrongly convicted or charged with violent crimes, poor people denied effective representation, and others whose trials are marked by racial bias or prosecutorial misconduct.

The Exoneration Project

311 N. Aberdeen St., Suite 2E
Chicago, IL 60607

312-789-4955 · www.exonerationproject.org

The EP reviews cases of innocence for people who have gone to trial and were found guilty of crimes they did not commit. They consider post-conviction cases from across the nation for individuals wrongfully convicted of different types of crimes and with different sentence lengths, including cases where a defendant has served their complete sentence or plead guilty. They do not consider cases of self-defense. In order to apply for representation, the defendant must be innocent of the crime, the trial must be completed and have resulted in a conviction, and the case must be within the United States.

Families Against Mandatory Minimums (FAMM)

1100 H St NW, Suite 1000 · Washington, DC 20005
202-822-6700 · www.famm.org

FAMM is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization fighting for fair and proportionate sentencing laws that allow judicial discretion while maintaining public safety, and primarily advocates for state and federal sentencing reform. (Responds intermittently to letters.)

Helping Educate to Advance the Rights of the Deaf (HEARD)

PO Box 1160 · Washington, DC 20013
202-455-8076 (voice) 202-436-9278 (videophone)
www.behearddc.org

HEARD is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization that provides advocacy services for deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind inmates across the nation. HEARD's mission is to promote equal access to the justice and legal system for deaf defendants, detainees, prisoners, and returned citizens. HEARD created and maintains the only national database of deaf and deaf-blind prisoners and is the only organization that focuses on correcting and preventing wrongful conviction of deaf people.

Innocence Project

40 Worth St, Suite 701 · New York, NY 10013
212-364-5340 · www.innocenceproject.org

The Innocence Project only accepts cases on post-conviction appeal in which DNA testing can prove innocence. If the case does not involve biological evidence or DNA, check to see if there is another program that provides broader legal and investigative assistance. No cases accepted from AZ, CA, IL, MI, OH, WA, or WI.

Just Detention International (JDI)

3325 Wilshire Bl, Suite 340 · Los Angeles, CA 90010
213-384-1400 · www.justdetention.org

Formerly called Stop Prisoner Rape, JDI seeks to end sexual violence against prisoners. JDI provides information and advocacy on sexual abuse and exploitation of prisoners including support and advice for victims and targets of both sexes including information on psychological and health consequences, legal action, and survivor options. Prisoners may communicate confidentially with JDI using legal mail, addressing correspondence to Ms. Cynthia Totten, Esq., Bar #199266, at the above address. JDI also publishes the *Resource Guide for Survivors of Sexual Abuse Behind Bars*, which offers resources for survivors who are still

incarcerated, those who have been released, and loved ones on the outside who are searching for ways to help.

Lewisburg Prison Project

PO Box 128 · Lewisburg, PA 17837
570-523-1104 · www.lewisburgprisonproject.org

The Lewisburg Prison Project (LPP) counsels and assists prisoners who write to LPP when prisoners encounter treatment perceived as illegal or unfair. Their geographic coverage area includes four federal institutions (Allenwood, Lewisburg, McKean, and Schuylkill), 11 PA state prisons, and 34 county jails in the middle district of PA. LPP writes to and visits prisoners and assists them by talking to prison authorities, furnishing prisoners with appropriate legal materials, and evaluating individual cases to determine whether to represent prisoners in civil litigation. LPP also distributes publications to prisoners nationwide at a nominal fee. A partial list of their Legal Bulletins includes the following titles: *Legal Research, Religious Rights, First Amendment, Access to Courts, Exhausting Administrative Remedies, Disciplinary Hearings, Racial/Religious Discrimination, Assaults, and Medical Rights*. LPP also distributes the *Prisoners' Rights Handbook* (2009, 142 pages) as well as other legal information by mail. Send an SASE for full list of available publications.

Medill Justice Project

Northwestern University
1845 Sheridan Rd · Evanston, IL 60208
847-491-5840 · www.medilljusticeproject.org

The Medill Justice Project investigates potentially wrongful murder convictions. To be considered, a case must meet all of the following criteria: The crime must have taken place in the United States; the charges must include murder; the case must have been heard by the state Appellate Court and the conviction must have been affirmed; and the prisoner must be claiming actual innocence.

NAACP Legal Defense Fund

40 Rector St · New York, NY 10006
212-965-2200 · www.naacpldf.org
NAACP Legal Defense Fund is a non-profit law firm that deals only with cases of obvious race discrimination and affecting broad classes of people. They also handle a small number of capital defense and life without parole cases. (May not respond to individual prisoner letters.)

National Jericho Movement

PO Box 2164 · Chesterfield, VA 23832
www.thejerichomovement.com
National Jericho Movement is a political prisoner support group working to free all Political Prisoners. (Responds intermittently to letters.)

National Lawyers Guild Prison Law Project

132 Nassau St, Rm 922 · New York, NY 10038
212-679-5100 · www.nlg.org/prison-law-project
The NLG helps publish the *Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook* on bringing civil rights claims alleging violation of constitutional rights in prison or jail. NLG does not provide lawyers or legal assistance, but does provide free membership for jailhouse lawyers. (Responds intermittently to letters.)

Navajo Nation Corrections Project

PO Drawer 709 · Window Rock, AZ 86515 · 928-871-7555
A pioneer in the realm of prisoner advocacy, the *Navajo Nation Corrections Project* promotes Native inmates' dignity and recovery through access to civil rights and culturally appropriate religious rites.

Prison Legal News

PO Box 1151 · Lake Worth, FL 33460
561-360-2523 · www.prisonlegalnews.org

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Prison Legal News (PLN) is a 72-page monthly journal covering prison related news, summaries of recent case-law decisions affecting prisoners, and analysis from across the country. A one-year subscription is \$30 for prisoners, \$35 for individuals and \$90 for lawyers and institutions. Single copies of current or back issues are \$5. PLN also sells many books related to prison issues; write for a copy of their book list.

Prisoner Visitation and Support

1501 Cherry St · Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-241-7117 · www.prisonervisitation.org

Prisoner Visitation and Support (PVS) is a nationwide visitation that has 300 volunteers across the U.S. who visit federal and military prisoners only. Their goal is to visit any federal or military prisoner who wishes to receive a visit with special priority paid to prisoners on death row, in solitary confinement, or those who are serving long sentences. The PVS volunteers visit once a month, with limited visiting services for Spanish speaking prisoners.

Solitary Watch

PO Box 11374 · Washington, DC 20008
<http://solitarywatch.com>

Solitary Watch works to expose and oppose the use of solitary confinement in U.S. prisons and jails, and offers a free quarterly newsletter to prisoners. Solitary Watch also welcomes submissions of writing by those currently or formerly serving time in solitary. (May not respond to letters concerning individual prisoner issues).

The Sentencing Project

1705 DeSales St NW, 8th Fl · Washington, DC 20036
202-628-0871 · www.sentencingproject.org

The Sentencing Project is a national policy research and advocacy organization that works for a fair and effective criminal justice system by promoting sentencing reform and alternatives to incarceration. They produce excellent reports on topics related to sentencing policy, racial disparities, drug policy, juvenile justice and voting rights. (May not respond to letters.)

US Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division, Special Litigation Section
950 Pennsylvania Ave NW · Washington, DC 20530
202-514-6255 · <https://www.justice.gov/crt/special-litigation-section>

The Special Litigation Section works to protect civil rights in the following areas: 1) the rights of people in state or local institutions, including: jails, prisons, juvenile detention facilities, and health care facilities for persons with disabilities; 2) the rights of individuals with disabilities to receive services in their communities rather than in institutions; 3) the rights of people who interact with state or local police or sheriffs' departments; 4) the rights of youth involved in the juvenile justice system; 5) the rights of people to have safe access to reproductive health care clinics; and 6) the rights of people to practice their religion while confined in institutions. (Usually responds with a form letter.)

Wisconsin Innocence Project (Shaken Baby Syndrome)

University of Wisconsin
975 Bascom Mall · Madison, WI 53706-1399
608-265-1160 · <https://law.wisc.edu/fjr/clinical/ip/representation.html>
A growing number of innocence cases are now dealing with shaken baby syndrome (SBS), where an adult caregiver is convicted of a crime after the death of a child in his or her care, due to the presence of three internal symptoms that doctors once believe could result only from shaking the child. *The Wisconsin Innocence Project* is coordinating nationwide efforts to bring this emerging criminal justice issue into the forefront, and is now accepting letters from prisoners serving time for SBS convictions for which the prisoner claims actual innocence.

LGBT ORGANIZATIONS AND RESOURCES

Black and Pink

614 Columbia Rd · Dorchester, MA 02125
617-519-4387 · www.blackandpink.org

A volunteer organization that lists LGBT prisoners on a pen-pal website, distributes a monthly newsletter of primarily queer/trans prisoner writing, and advocates for specific prisoner needs when possible while also working to abolish the Prison Industrial Complex as a whole. (Responds intermittently to letters.)

East Bay Prisoner Support

PO Box 22449 · Oakland, CA 94609
www.eastbayprisonersupport.wordpress.com

Sends free anarchist and other literature to prisoners in CA, AZ, NM, TX, UT and NV. Sends zines to queer, trans and women prisoners in any state. Write to receive a catalog.

GLBTQ Legal Advocates & Defenders (GLAD)

30 Winter St, Suite 800 · Boston, MA 02108
617-426-1350 · www.glad.org

Through strategic litigation, public policy advocacy and education, GLAD works in New England and nationally to create a just society free of discrimination based on gender identity and expression, HIV status and sexual orientation. As part of this work, GLAD handles legal issues involving GLBTQ and HIV positive prisoners. Will refer out non-New England prison issues. Also has a New England centered resource guide.

Lambda Legal

120 Wall St, 19th Fl · New York, NY 10005-3919
212-809-8585 · www.lambdalegal.org

Lambda Legal carries out its legal work principally through test cases selected for the likelihood of their success in establishing positive legal precedents that will affect LGBT people and those affected by HIV.

Lesbian and Gay Insurrection

3543 18th St, #26
San Francisco, CA 94110
510-434-1304 · www.lagai.org

LAGAI is a grassroots organization doing direct action and education for radical social change from a queer perspective. Produces the bimonthly newspaper "*ULTRAVIOLET*," which is free to prisoners.

LGBT Books to Prisoners

Rainbow Book Cooperative
426 West Gilman St · Madison, WI 53703
608-257-6050 · <https://lgbtbookstoprisoners.org>

Volunteer-run group that sends books and other educational materials, free of charge, to LGBTQ-identified people in prison across the US.

Sylvia Rivera Law Project

147 West 24th St, 5th Fl · New York, NY 10011
212-337-8550 · www.srlp.org

Provides free legal services to released prisoners who are transgender, intersex, gender nonconforming people who are low-income, and/or people of color. They specialize in providing assistance on name changes, identity documents, public benefits, immigration, shelter and more. Available only in NY and surrounding areas.

Transgender Law Center

1629 Telegraph Ave, Suite 400 · Oakland, CA 94612
415-865-0176 · <http://transgenderlawcenter.org>

Transgender Law Center's Detention Project works to end the abuses

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transgender and gender nonconforming (TGNC) people experience in prisons, jails, immigration detention, state hospitals, and other forms of detention, and at the hands of law enforcement. Write them concerning TGNC issues, or to obtain copies of their list of available reports and publications including *Safety Inside: Problems Faced by Transgender Prisoners and Common Sense Solutions to Them*, and *Advocating for Yourself While in Custody in California*. To learn more about the Detention Project, please contact Detention Project Director, Flor Bermudez; Detention Project direct line: 510-380-8229 (prisoners and detainees may call Transgender Law Center collect at this line).

Transgender, Gender Variant, and Intersex (TGI) Justice Project
370 Turk St, #370 · San Francisco, CA 94102 · www.tgijp.org
The TGI Justice Project works primarily with transgender prisoners and formerly incarcerated transgender people in California, and sends out their "*Stiletto Prison Newsletter*" and their very informative 72-page "*Still We Rise-Prison Resource Guide*" to all TGI prisoners. TGI also supports TGI prisoners being released to the San Francisco Bay Area, and are part of a broader movement fighting for racial and social justice.

Tranzmission Prison Books Project
PO Box 1874 · Asheville, NC 28802
610-507-9086 · <http://tranzmissionprisonproject.yolasite.com>
Offers free books and resources to LGBT identified prisoners.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS AND RESOURCES

ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project
125 Broad St, 18th Fl
New York, NY 10004-2400
212-549-2633 · www.aclu.org/reproductive-freedom
The ACLU Reproductive Freedom Project advocates for pregnant women while incarcerated to receive the reproductive health services that are needed. Prisoners can write to them for a "Know Your Rights" fact sheet.

Center on Wrongful Convictions - Women's Project
Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law
375 East Chicago Ave
Chicago, IL 60611-3069 312-503-8576
www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/womensproject
The Center of Wrongful Convictions Women's Project monitors potential cases of wrongfully convicted women across the country, facilitates the sharing of information about such cases, and educates the public about relevant issues. They consider cases in which the person seeking assistance must be in no way responsible for the crimes of which she was convicted, and the trial must be completed and have resulted in a conviction and sentence.

Chicago Books to Women in Prison
RFUMC · 4511 North Hermitage Ave
Chicago, IL 60640
www.chicagobwp.org
Chicago Books to Women in Prison is a volunteer collective that distributes paperback books free of charge to people incarcerated in women's prisons nationwide. They are dedicated to offering women behind bars the opportunity for self-empowerment, education, and entertainment that reading provides. They send three books in each package. They also furnish books directly to prison libraries.

Justice Now
1322 Webster St, Suite 210 · Oakland, CA 94612
510-839-7654 · www.jnow.org
Justice Now focuses on the needs of women prisoners. They work on

alternative sentencing; document human rights abuses in prison; provide legal services around healthcare access, and offer assistance with compassionate release and parental rights issues.

National Clearinghouse for the Defense of Battered Women
125 South 9th St, Suite 302
Philadelphia, PA 19107
215-351-0010 / 800-903-0111 x3 · www.ncdbw.org
The Clearinghouse works with battered women charged with killing their abusers, women who have been coerced into criminal activity, and women who have been charged with a crime as a result of "failing to protect" their children from their batterer's violence and/or abuse. The Clearinghouse does not provide direct representation to battered women charged with crimes, but rather provides information and resources to defense teams at any stage of the legal process in an effort to increase the likelihood of a better – and more just – outcome. They accept collect calls from incarcerated battered women.

Women's Prison Book Project
Boneshaker Books
2002 23rd Ave South
Minneapolis, MN 55404 · 612-871-7110 · www.wpbp.org
Women's Prison Book Project (WPBP) provides women and transgender persons in prison with free reading materials covering a wide range of topics from law and education (dictionaries, GED, etc.) to fiction, politics, history, and women's health. Women prisoners only and no jail requests. WPBP also has a free resource guide for women and trans prisoners and a newsletter which publishes prisoner articles.

DEATH PENALTY RESOURCES

Campaign to End the Death Penalty
PO Box 25730 · Chicago, IL 60625
773-955-4841 · www.nodeathpenalty.org
A national grassroots abolitionist organization that works with prisoners, family members and organizers. Their publication "*The New Abolitionist*," is now available only online.

Death Penalty Information Center
1015 18th St NW, Suite 704
Washington, DC 20036
202-289-2275 · <http://deathpenaltyinfo.org>
DPIC focuses on disseminating studies and reports related to the death penalty to the news media and general public, covering subjects such as race, innocence, politicization, costs of the death penalty, and more. Most of their publications are freely downloadable from their website or available for a small fee in printed format. Request a copy of their "Resource Order Form," and a current list of their publications.

National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty
1620 L St NW, Suite 250
Washington, DC 20036
202-331-4090 · www.ncadp.org
Publishes "*Lifelines*," a quarterly newspaper about what's going on in the struggle for death penalty abolition. Does not offer legal resources.

The Other Death Penalty Project
PO Box 1486 · Lancaster, CA 93584
www.theotherdeathpenalty.org
A national, grassroots, organizing campaign founded and managed by life without the possibility of parole prisoners with the goal of ending the other death penalty. Through peaceful, nonviolent activism, the Project hopes to join in the death penalty abolition movement to end ALL forms of the

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death penalty, including death by incarceration. Because of funding and staff restrictions, the Project cannot respond by mail to each letter received. Instead, outside family and friends may print out materials from their website and mail them in.

HEALTH CARE / AIDS / HEP C RESOURCES

Hepatitis C Support Project

HCV ADVOCATE

PO Box 15144 · Sacramento, CA 95813

www.hcvadvocate.org

Write for list of available publications, including fact sheets on HepC.

Prison Health News

Philadelphia Fight

1233 Locust St, 3rd Fl

Philadelphia, PA 19107 · 215-985-4448 x238

www.fight.org/programs-and-services/prison-health-news

Newsletter published biannually written especially for current and former prisoners about prisoners' health issues. Write for free subscription. Past issues from 2003-2016 are also downloadable from website.

Prison Yoga Project

PO Box 415 · Bolinas, CA 94924

<http://seva.givebackyoga.org/programs/prison-yoga-project>

Two yoga manuals written especially for people in prison. *A Path for Healing and Recovery* offers physical practices (asana), breathing practices (pranayama) and meditation (dyhana) to improve mental, emotional and physical well-being. *A Woman's Practice: Healing from the Heart* offers a simple and clear guide for women, whether free or behind bars who wish to use yoga to help heal themselves from trauma, stress or addiction. Write for a free copy of either book.

BOOK PROGRAMS—NATIONWIDE AND REGIONAL

Appalachian Prison Book Project

PO Box 601 · Morgantown, WV 26507

www.aprisonbookproject.wordpress.com

Provides books to prisoners in the Appalachian region only: KY, MD, OH, TN, VA, & WV.

Asheville Prison Books Project

67 North Lexington Ave · Asheville, NC 28801

828-216-0243 · www.main.nc.us/prisonbooks

Group meets weekly to mail free reading material to prisoners in the following states only: GA, NC, SC, & TN.

Books Through Bars

4722 Baltimore Ave · Philadelphia, 19143

215-727-8170 · www.booksthroughbars.org

Sends free books to prisoners only in DE, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA, & WV. Request by topic and provide several areas of interest if possible.

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Bluestockings Bookstore · 172 Allen St · New York, NY 10002

212-254-3697 x326 · www.booksthroughbarsnyc.org

Specializes in political and history books, and also literary fiction and other educational books with a priority for New York prisoners. Does not send religious literature. Fills requests from all states except AL, FL, LA, MA, MI, MS, NC, PA, OH & WI.

Books to Prisoners

Left Bank Books

92 Pike St, Box A

Seattle, WA 98101 · 206-527-3339 · www.bookstoprisoners.net

Free books to prisoners nationwide. Request by subject, no religious or legal materials. Donations appreciated. Does not ship to prisons that require all books sent be new. No California requests.

DC Books to Prisoners

PO Box 34190 · Washington, DC 20043-4190

<http://dcbookstoprisoners.org>

DC Books to Prisoners offers a wide variety of reading and educational material free to inmates in 35 states (except CT, FL, IL, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OR, PA, RI, VT, WA, & WI). However, they will send books to inmates sentenced from Washington DC serving time in any federal prison. DC Books to Prisoners does not send books to county or city jails. Books may be requested every five months and may take up to three months to fill. Donations of stamps are always appreciated.

Louisiana Books 2 Prisoners

1631 Elysian Fields, #117 · New Orleans, LA 70117

www.lab2p.wordpress.com

Provides free books to prisoners in these four states only: AL, AR, MS, and LA. Letters from Louisiana and women prisoners are given priority, with all other letters answered in the order received.

Midwest Books to Prisoners

Quimby's Bookstore

1854 West North Ave · Chicago, IL 60622

773-342-0910 · www.freewebs.com/mwbtpr

MBP is made up of volunteers who collect book donations, read letters, pack packages and solicit donations. Books are sent to prisoners in the following states: IA, IL, IN, KS, MN, MO, NE, & WI

Midwest Pages to Prisoners Project

Boxcar Books

408 East 6th St · Bloomington, IN 47408

812-339-8710 · www.pagestoprisoners.org

Provides free books to prisoners in the following 14 Midwest states only: AR, IA, IN, KS, KY, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, OK, SD, TN, & WI.

Prison Book Program

Lucy Parsons Bookstore

1306 Hancock St, Suite 100

Quincy, MA 02169 · 617-423-3298 · www.prisonbookprogram.org

Sends books to prisoners in all states except CA, IL, MD, MI, NV, and TX. Offers a free 6-page "*National Prisoner Resource List*," and a free resource list for LGBTQ prisoners. Does not send books or any other materials to any jails. Books may be delayed up to 4 to 6 months. Allows two book shipments per year.

Prisoners Literature Project

Bound Together Bookstore

1369 Haight St · San Francisco, CA 94117

415-672-7858 · www.prisonersliteratureproject.com

The *Prisoners Literature Project* is a grassroots organization that sends free books to prisoners in the US. Request types of books, not specific titles. No Texas requests.

Providence Books Through Bars

Paper Nautilus Books

5 Angell St · Providence, RI 02906

401-356-0388 · www.providencebtb.org

Volunteer grass roots book program that fills requests for books from prisoners nationwide. Books may be requested by subject.

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BOOK VENDORS

Edward R. Hamilton Books

PO Box 15 · Falls Village, CT 06031-0015
www.hamiltonbook.com

Vendor of overstock and bargain books, some hardbound and others paperback (type of binding listed in catalogs). Sends out free book catalogs, organized by the following subject areas: *Arts & Education; Fiction; Healthy Living; History; Home & Garden; Biography; Cookbooks; Military History; Science & Nature; New Arrivals; and Bargain Books.*

Haymarket Books

PO Box 180165 · Chicago, IL 60618
773-538-7884 · www.haymarketbooks.org

Haymarket Books is a nonprofit, radical book distributor and publisher, a project of the Center for Economic Research and Social Change. They believe that activists need to take ideas, history, and politics into the many struggles for social justice today. The books they offer reflect their values. Write for a copy of their catalog (discounts for prisoners).

Pathfinder Press

PO Box 162767 · Atlanta, GA 30321-2767
404-669-0600 (voice mail only) · www.pathfinderpress.com

Pathfinder Press carries books on the works of revolutionary and working class leaders, in English, Spanish, French, Farsi, Arabic, Swedish, Greek, Chinese, Russian, and Indonesian. Prisoners receive a 50% discount off the cover price, with a flat rate of \$2.75 for shipping and handling per order (one or more titles). Write to receive a catalog.

PM Press

PO Box 23912 · Oakland, CA 94623
510-658-3906 · www.pmpress.org

PM Press carries counter-culture, anti-prison, and similar titles including *The Prison-Industrial Complex and the Global Economy*, *The Debt Resisters' Operations Manual*, and *Until the Rulers Obey*. Prisoners receive a 50% discount. Write for a free catalog.

NEWSLETTERS AND MAGAZINES

Inmate Magazine Service

PO Box 2063 · Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549
www.inmatemagazineservice.com

Magazine subscription service specifically for prisoners. Offers specials such as three full one-year subscriptions for \$15, six for \$20, or 10 for \$30. Send an SASE for their order form and list of available magazines.

InmateMags.com

4208 University Way NE · Seattle, WA 98105
877-324-7323 · www.inmatemags.com

Company provides single issues and monthly subscriptions for over 1200 different magazines. Send \$3, or ten 47¢ or Forever stamps for their full 56-page catalog. With the catalog, you'll receive a \$3 coupon good for \$3 off your first order. Orders may also be called in or placed online by family or friends, who can also establish deposit accounts for prisoners who may then directly submit orders by mail.

Maoist Internationalist Ministry of Prisons

PO Box 40799 · San Francisco, CA 94140
www.prisoncensorship.info

Maoist Internationalist Ministry of Prisons (MIM) is a revolutionary anti-imperialist group fighting criminal injustice, helping prisoners to organize and educate themselves. Sends books to prisoners, and offers prisoners a free subscription to their newspaper *Under Lock & Key*. Write

to MIM for a free prisoner subscription. (Responds intermittently to letters.)

News & Letters

228 South Wabash Ave, Suite 230
Chicago, IL 60604

312-431-8242 · www.newsandletters.org

News & Letters is a Marxist-Humanist newspaper published by the News and Letters Committees, an organization of Marxist-Humanists who stand for the abolition of capitalism, whether in its private property or state property form. *News & Letters* is published bi-monthly, and features articles by prisoners and others on the prison struggle. *News & Letters* is free to prisoners who write to request a subscription.

Prisoner Express

Cornell University ·

127 Anabel Taylor Hall · Ithaca, NY 14853

607-255-6486 · www.prisonerexpress.org

Prisoner Express promotes rehabilitation by offering inmates information, education and the opportunity for creative self-expression in a public forum. Their semi-annual newsletter contains a description of various projects including poetry, essay writing, art, math, history, book club and chess programs. *Prisoner Express* coordinates a pen pal program, distance learning programs, as well as a prisoner art program.

San Francisco Bay View National Black Newspaper

4917 Third St · San Francisco, CA 94124

415-671-0789 · http://sfbayview.com · editor@sfbayview.com

The *San Francisco Bay View* is a liberation newspaper and communications network, published online at sfbayview.com, where new stories are posted daily, and in a monthly print edition that's distributed throughout the Bay Area and mailed to subscribers, including hundreds of prisoners across the country. Subscriptions are \$2 a month or \$24 a year and can be ordered on the website, by phone with a credit card, or by mail. Prisoners who have no access to funds or stamps may request a subscription paid from the Prisoners Subscription Fund; the request will be granted when donations are sufficient. Prisoners' pen pal requests are published for free. Prisoners' stories are also welcome, but only a few can be published each month.

Slingshot Magazine

PO Box 3051 · Berkeley, CA 94703

510-540-0751 x3 · http://slingshot.tao.ca/about.html

Slingshot is a quarterly, independent, radical newspaper published in the East Bay since 1988 by the *Slingshot Collective*. Subscriptions are free to US prisoners. Accepts submissions of articles, artwork, calendar items, spots to add to the radical contact list, suggestions for distribution, and thoughts about what they should be doing next.

South Chicago ABC Zine Distro

PO Box 721 · Homewood, IL 60430

www.chicagoabc.org/justice_zines.htm

Offers a wide variety of political zines at low cost to prisoners. Specializes in helping get the truth out of the gulags, in zine form. Supports prisoner initiatives such as prison labor unions. Also offers zines for women prisoners. English only.

Tightwad Magazine

PO Box 1941 (PARC) · Buford, GA 30515

Tightwad Magazine offers a list of discounted magazines and subscriptions for prisoners, and a catalog of gifts for their loved ones.

Write for a copy and mention PARC for an extra bonus coupon. Sending an SASE speeds delivery.

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PRISON WRITING / ARTS PROGRAMS**The American Prison Writing Archive**

198 College Hill Road ·
Clinton, NY 13323

315-859-4125 · www.dhinitiative.org/projects/apwa

The American Prison Writing Archive is an in-progress, internet-based, digital archive of non-fiction essays that offers the public first-hand testimony to the living and working conditions experienced by prisoners, prison employees, and prison volunteers. Anyone who lives, works, or volunteers inside American prisons can contribute work to the APWA. They seek authors who write with the authority that only first-person experience can bring. Non-fiction essays, based on first-hand experience, should be limited to 5,000 words (15 double-spaced pages). Clearly hand-written pages are also welcome. They charge no fees and read *all* writing submitted. A permissions-questionnaire **MUST** accompany all submissions. Write to the above address for further information.

Pen Prison Writing Program

Pen American Center

588 Broadway, Suite 303 · New York, NY 10012

212-334-1660 · www.pen.org

Founded in 1971, the *PEN Prison Writing Program* believes in the restorative, rehabilitative power of writing and provides hundreds of inmates across the country with skilled writing teachers and audiences for their work. It provides a place for inmates to express themselves freely and encourages the use of the written word as a legitimate form of power. PEN's Prison Writing Program sponsors an annual writing contest, publishes a free book (*Handbook for Writers In Prison*), provides one-on-one mentoring to inmates, conducts workshops, and seeks to promote inmates' work publicly through literary publications and readings.

PrisonArte.com c/o SG Sales & Marketing

PO Box 1773 · Avondale AZ 85323

623-478-5294 · www.prisonarte.com

The PrisonArte website was originally started to assist artists who worked with the website owner's husband at the same facility in which he is serving 25 years to life. The website has now been opened up to other artists throughout the U.S. PrisonArte's application process is crucial to get to know the artist and add them to PrisonArte's website and introduce the artist to the world. PrisonArte wants people to want to buy art from YOU. They offer this online venue by collecting a very small fee on each sale. The quality of every piece is inspected and approved in order to put on PrisonArte's stamp of approval. When PrisonArte ships a piece to a customer, they are able to guarantee the quality as well as cover any expense if a customer decides they are unhappy and want to return it. For detailed information and application forms, write to request the 7-page prison artist application packet.

Prisons Foundation

1600 K St NW, #501

Washington, DC 20036

202-393-1511 · www.prisonfoundation.org

Prisons Foundation publishes books written by or about prisoners. Their publishing program includes all types of books or manuscripts published on their website in the exact manner submitted, with no censorship and no charge to publish a book online. The prison author retains full rights to their book, for later placement with a literary agent or commercial publisher if desired. Placing a book on their website will help bring it to the attention of agents and larger publishers. Write for full details.

Safe Streets Arts Foundation

2512 Virginia Ave NW, #58043

Washington, 20037-8043

202-393-1511 · www.safestreetarts.org

The Safe Streets Arts Foundation (SSAF) exhibits prisoners' art at major art fairs and festivals. In addition to selling prison art in their retail outlets, SSAF provides the names and addresses of imprisoned artists to anyone who wishes to use their artistic service. At the SSAF galleries, art of imprisoned artists is exhibited and sold. The proceeds of art sales go for prisoner art supplies and restitution requirements, if any. Prisoners receive support from SSAF and use the arts to develop their self-esteem and a positive attitude vital for successful reentry.

REHABILITATION / NONVIOLENCE PROGRAMS**CURE-SORT**

PO Box 1022 · Norman, OK 73070-1022

405-639-7262 · www.cure-sort.org

CURE-SORT (Sex Offenders Restored through Treatment) has information, resources, contacts, and support to individuals, families, defense attorneys, treatment providers, and professionals who work with issues of sexual abuse and its prevention. Has existing programs in AL, AK, AR, CO, CT, & IA.

Narcotics Anonymous

PO Box 9999 · Van Nuys, CA 91409

818-773-9999 · www.na.org

NA publishes a wide variety of materials concerning narcotics addiction and recovery, some of which are expressly produced for individuals who are currently incarcerated (e.g. *Behind the Walls*).

PARALEGAL & DISTANCE LEARNING SCHOOLS**Adams State University**

Office of Extended Studies · 208 Edgemont Bl

Alamosa, CO 81102 · 719-587-7671

http://adams.edu/extended_studies/undergrad/prisoncollegeprogram.php

ASU has a long history of offering print-based correspondence courses to incarcerated individuals. The following undergraduate print-based correspondence courses/subject areas are offered: *Anthropology, Art, Business, Counseling, Criminal Justice, Economics, Education, English, Geology, Health Care Administration, History, Human Performance & Physical Education, Mathematics, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and Women's Studies*. In addition, the following undergraduate degrees are available: *Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Science- Business emphasis, Bachelor of Arts- Business Administration, Bachelor of Science- Business Administration* (emphasis areas: General Business, Legal Studies, Management, or Small Business Management), *Bachelor of Arts- Sociology* (emphasis areas: Social Welfare or Criminology), *Bachelor of Arts- English/Liberal Arts, and Bachelor of Arts- Interdisciplinary Studies*. Adams State also offers a graduate correspondence degree: *Master of Business Administration* (MBA). Family members wishing to request information on behalf of an incarcerated student should call, email, or instruct the student to submit a letter requesting a packet of information be mailed.

Ohio University

Center for Legal Studies

102 Haning Hall · Athens, OH 45701

740-593-2910 · <https://www.ohio.edu/ecampus/print/correctional>

Ohio University offers a *Paralegal Certificate Course* presented in a print-based format, which will properly train and qualify the student as a paralegal. Write for paralegal course brochure, and/or their separate 25-page correctional education packet.

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RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS / SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Aleph Institute

9540 Collins Ave · Surfside, FL 33154-7127
305-864-5553 · <http://aleph-institute.org>

The *Aleph Institute* is a non-profit Jewish organization dedicated to assisting and caring for the wellbeing of members of specific populations that are isolated from the regular community, including prisoners and people institutionalized or at risk of incarceration due to mental illness or addictions. Aleph addresses their religious, educational, and spiritual needs, advocates and lobbies for their civil and religious rights, and provides support to their families at home left to fend for themselves. Jewish prisoners may write to receive free books, regular monthly literature, holiday offerings, and family programs.

Anthroposophical Prison Outreach Project

1923 Geddes Ave · Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734-662-9355 x38 · www.anthroposophy.org

Do you, as a prisoner, feel that there must be some meaning in your prison experience that is still to be discovered? Or that you can give it meaning? If so, you might be interested in Anthroposophy — the path from the spirit in man to the spirit in the universe. Anthroposophy embraces a spiritual view of the human being and cosmos, but its emphasis is on knowing, not faith. It is a path in which the human heart and hand, and especially our capacity for thinking, are essential. You may write to receive an initial package of literature containing a booklet titled *Self-Development In The Penitentiary*, as well as other articles and meditation exercises.

Compassion Works For All

PO Box 7708 · Little Rock, AR 72217-7708
www.compassionworksforall.org

Provides monthly *Dharma Friends* newsletters, and also the following resource lists: *Personal Health and Nutrition*, *12 Step and Buddhism*, *Buddhist Resources*, *Christian Spiritual Resources*, *Hindu and Yoga Spiritual Resources*, *Other Spiritual and Psychological Healing Resources*, *Todd Fletcher's Buddhist Resource List*, *Ani Tendron's Recommended Buddhist Readings*.

International Bible Society

1820 Jet Stream Dr · Colorado Springs, CO 80921-3696
719-488-9200 · www.biblica.com
Prisoners may receive a free copy of the Bible (English or Spanish)

Islamic Society of North America

PO Box 38 · Plainfield, IN 46168
317-839-8157 · www.isna.net

Sends Qurans and other introductory books on Islamic study to prison libraries and inmates. Ability to send books depends on the prison's policies. No catalog available, but write in to receive books.

Paul Brunton Philosophic Foundation Prison Project

4936 NYS Route 414 · Burdett, NY 14818
<http://dharmacompanions.wordpress.com>

Offers nonsectarian books *What is Karma?* And *Meditations for People in Crisis* free to US prisoners.

Prison Ashram Project

Human Kindness Foundation
PO Box 61619 · Durham, NC 27715
919-383-5160 · www.humankindness.org/prison-ashram-project
HKF's *Prison-Ashram Project* sends free books to inmates all over the world, with most of their materials written by the late Bo Lozoff. HKF

stresses a way of life based upon three common principles taught by the great sages of all religions: Simple living, a dedication to service, and a commitment to personal spiritual practice. Write for their newsletter and list of available books.

Prison Mindfulness Institute

PO Box 206 · South Deerfield, MA 01373
401-941-0791 · <http://prisonmindfulness.org>

The PMI's mission is to provide prisoners, prison staff and prison volunteers, with the most effective, evidence-based tools for rehabilitation, self-transformation, and personal & professional development. Their dual focus is on transforming individual lives as well as transforming the corrections system as a whole in order to mitigate its extremely destructive impact on families, communities and the overall social capital of our society. PMI also publishes a variety of prisoner support literature including their *Guide to Prison Survival*.

Rock of Ages Prison Ministry

Prisoners Bible Institute · PO Box 2308 · Cleveland, TN 37320
423-479-3243 · www.roapm.com

Offers New Testament correspondence study course through their *Prisoners Bible Institute*.

Set Free Prison Ministries

PO Box 5440 · Riverside, CA 92517
909-787-9907 · www.setfreeprisonministries.org

Provides Bible study courses in English and Spanish to prisoners and their family, free of charge, throughout the United States. Their curriculum consists of Bible courses from the *Navigators* in Colorado Springs, *Moody Bible Institute* in Chicago, and *Emmaus Correspondence School* in Iowa.

SYDA Foundation Yoga Prison Project

PO Box 99140 · Emeryville, CA 94662
510-898-2700 · www.siddhayoga.org/syda-foundation/prison-project

The *Prison Project* is dedicated to disseminating the Siddha Yoga teachings and practices to incarcerated individuals. Sends free monthly newsletter and the *Siddha Yoga Home Study Course* to prisoners.

RE-ENTRY RESOURCES

Centerforce

PO Box 415 · San Quentin, CA 94964
415-456-9980 · www.centerforce1.org

Centerforce is one of few agencies in the U.S. to offer a continuum of services for individuals and families during incarceration, reentry and after release. They are headquartered in San Quentin and provide direct services to prisoners in Santa Rita Jail and four state prisons. In addition, Centerforce provides direct services to communities and families of the incarcerated in Oakland, San Francisco, the Bay Area Counties, and Fresno and Madera Counties. Centerforce also specializes in providing health and family supportive services to incarcerated men and women and those reentering their communities of origin after incarceration. (California based)

Colorado Criminal Justice Reform Coalition

1212 Mariposa St, Suite 6 · Denver, CO 80204
303-825-0122 · www.ccjrc.org

CCJRC publishes prisoner information guides, a free quarterly newsletter, and a 200-page reentry guide for parolees in Colorado titled *Getting On After Getting Out: A Re-entry Guide for Colorado* ("Go Guide"). This book provides extensive information to help people prepare for release and successfully reintegrate back into their families and communities. The cost is \$10 + \$3 S&H. (Colorado based)

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Fortune Society

29-76 Northern Bl - Long Island City, NY 11101
212-691-7554 · www.fortunesociety.org

Founded in 1967, The Fortune Society's vision is to create a world where all who are incarcerated or formerly incarcerated can become positive, contributing members of society. They do this through a holistic, one-stop model of service provision. Their continuum of care, informed and implemented by professionals with cultural backgrounds and life experiences similar to those of their clients, helps ensure each client's success. The Fortune Society serves approximately 4,500 men and women annually via three primary New York City-area locations: their service center in Long Island City, and both the Fortune Academy and Castle Gardens in West Harlem. Also publishes the *Fortune News* twice per year, which is sent free to incarcerated persons. (New York based)

Prisoner Reentry Institute

John Jay College of Criminal Law
524 West 59th St, Room 600BMW
New York NY 10019 · 212-621-3792

<http://johnjaypri.org/category/research-and-publications>

The Prisoner Reentry Institute (PRI) of the John Jay College of Criminal Justice provides the 63-page *Back to School: A Guide to Continuing Your Education after Prison* (2015 revision), which is available at no charge. The guide provides step-by-step instructions on getting ready and applying to educational programs after release from prison. It also covers internet basics, resumes, financial aid, transferring credits, obtaining necessary documents, and the various educational programs to choose from. The PRI has other publications available; ask for their list of research & publications.

Prisoner Reentry Network

1201 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, #200
PO Box 71552 · Oakland, CA 94612
www.prisonerreentrynetwork.org

PRN is dedicated to promoting successful transitions from incarceration to the community, and is located in Oakland, CA. Write for their list of re-entry resource. PRN also provides free copies of the Veterans Administration's *Guidebook for Incarcerated California Veterans*. (California based)

Project Rebound

San Francisco State University · 1650 Holloway Ave, T-138
San Francisco, CA 94132-1722
415-405-0954 · <http://asi.sfsu.edu/programs/project-rebound>
SFSU program for former prisoners to enroll in college. (California based)

Reentry Council of the City and County of San Francisco

880 Bryant St, Room 200 · San Francisco, CA 94103
415-241-4254 · <http://sfgov.org/reentry>

The SF Reentry Council publishes a free 216-page reentry resource guide entitled *Getting Out and Staying Out*, for prisoners returning to California (with an emphasis on the SF Bay area). (California based)

Root & Rebound

1730 Franklin Street, Suite 300 · Oakland, CA 94612
510-279-4662 · www.rootandrebound.org/roadmap

Publishes the *Roadmap to Reentry* legal guide, a 1211-page manual written in clear, understandable language which helps people prepare for, identify, understand, and navigate reentry barriers. The guide identifies important things to do prior to release and provides a list of social service and legal resources across the state of California. *Roadmap to Reentry* covers ID & voting, parole & probation, housing, public benefits, court ordered debt, employment, family & children, education, understanding

and cleaning up a criminal record, and legal aid & community resources. The guide is free to currently and formerly incarcerated people. (California based)

Women's Prison Association

110 Second Ave · New York, NY 10003
646-292-7742 · www.wpaonline.org

WPA offers a range of services aimed at helping women in the New York City area. Their direct service network is organized in three broad areas; Residential and Family Services; Reentry Services; and neighborhood based services. Within these program areas, WPA offers Alternatives to Incarceration, Family Reunification Assistance and Family Support Services, Reentry Case Management, Assistance and Support, and Jail and Prison-Based Education and Pre-Release Services (New York City based)

STATE BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND RESOURCES**ALABAMA****Aid to Inmate Mothers**

PO Box 986 · Montgomery, AL 36101-0986
334-262-2245 · www.inmatemoms.org

AIM provides services to Alabama's incarcerated women with emphasis on enhancing personal growth and strengthening the bonds between inmate mothers and their children.

Georgia Innocence Project

2645 North Decatur Rd · Decatur, GA 30033
404-373-4433 · <http://ga-innocenceproject.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Georgia and **Alabama**; DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; no sentence requirements.

Prison Books Collective

PO Box 625 · Carrboro, NC 27510
919-443-9238 · <https://prisonbooks.info>

The Prison Books Collective is a Chapel Hill, NC-based anti-prison group that sends books to prisoners in Alabama and North Carolina only; maintains an extensive radical 'zine catalog, widely distributes a monthly poster promoting political prisoner support, and publishes prisoners' art and writing.

The Alabama Prison Arts + Education Project

203 Spidle Hall · Auburn, AL 36849
334-844-8946 · www.humsci.auburn.edu/apae

This program is administered by Auburn University and dedicated to bringing educational opportunities to prisoners in Alabama. The program is helping the adult prison population to gain a quality education, and also to build a relationship with learning that will continue to grow for the rest of their lives.

ALASKA**Alaska Innocence Project**

PO Box 201656 · Anchorage, AK 99520-1656
907-279-0454 · www.alaskainnocence.org

The Alaska Innocence Project provides legal, educational, and charitable services to identify and exonerate individuals who have been wrongfully convicted in the state of Alaska.

ARIZONA**Arizona Justice Project**

Arizona State University, MC 4420

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411 N. Central Ave, Suite 600 · Phoenix, AZ 85004-2139

602-496-0286 · www.azjusticeproject.org

The Arizona Justice Project accepts both DNA and non-DNA cases and represents indigent Arizona prisoners whose claims of innocence have gone unheeded. They also conduct post-conviction DNA testing in cases of forcible rape, murder, and non-negligent homicide cases, shaken baby syndrome, and arson and other cases where the testing might demonstrate actual innocence.

Middle Ground Prison Reform

139 East Encanto Dr · Tempe, AZ 85281

480-966-8116 · www.middlegroundprisonreform.org

Working for Arizona's prisoners and their families since 1983. Main areas of activity are: 1) public education about the need for criminal justice reform 2) legislative advocacy on behalf of prisoners and their visitors 3) litigation to protect and define the rights and responsibilities of prisoners and their supporters 4) referral to community resources for ex-offenders.

Read Between the Bars

Daily Planet Publishing · PO Box 1589 · Tucson, AZ 85702

www.readbetweenthebars.com

Read Between the Bars is a grassroots collective in Tucson that originated in March 2007. They focus on getting free books directly into the hands of incarcerated women and men in the state of Arizona.

ARKANSAS

Midwest Innocence Project

605 West 47th St, Suite 222 · Kansas City, MO 64112

816-221-2166 · www.themip.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in AR, IA, KS, MO, and NE; have more than 10 years left to serve on his/her sentence, and/or the applicant must register as a sex offender; is not currently represented by an attorney; and has NOT received the death penalty.

CALIFORNIA

California Coalition for Women Prisoners

1540 Market St, Suite 490 · San Francisco, CA 94102

415-255-7036 x4 · www.womenprisoners.org

CCWP is a grassroots social justice organization, with members inside and outside prison, that challenges the institutional violence imposed on women, transgender people, and communities of color by the prison industrial complex. CCWP also visits women prisoners in CA and produces a newsletter *The Fire Inside*, free to women prisoners.

California Families to Abolish Solitary Confinement

Chuco's Justice Center · 1137 East Redondo Bl · Inglewood, 90302

714-290-9077 / 213-746-4343 · www.solitarywatch.com/cfasc

CFASC is dedicated to stopping the inhumane treatment of prisoners within the California penal system, especially those held in solitary confinement. Their ultimate goal is to end the use of solitary confinement, with short-term goals to reduce the use of solitary confinement and to insist on due process and fairness. CFASC supports the five core demands put forth by the Pelican Bay Hunger Strikers.

California Innocence Project

California Western School of Law

225 Cedar Street · San Diego, CA 92101

619-525-1485 · <http://californiainnocenceproject.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Southern California: DNA and non-DNA cases; requires three or more years left to serve. Focuses on cases involving shaken baby syndrome, police misconduct, ineffective counsel, fire investigation, firearms and fingerprint analysis, false confessions, prosecutorial misconduct, death penalty issues and more.

California Lifer Newsletter

PO Box 277 · Rancho Cordova, CA 95741

916-402-3750 / 916-743-1654 · www.lifesupportalliance.org

CLN is a comprehensive newsletter published six times per year, with reviews of the latest published and unpublished state and federal cases concerning parole issues, parole board news, legislation and articles on prison, parole and correctional issues of interest to prisoners and their families. Each issue contains 50 - 70 pages. Subscriptions to CLN for prisoners are \$30 (or 100 stamps) per year (back issues are \$7 or 25 stamps each); for non-prisoners the subscription rate is \$90 per year.

California Prison Focus

1904 Franklin St, Suite 507 · Oakland, CA 94612

510-836-7222 · www.prisons.org

CPF is a human rights and civil rights group that investigates conditions in the California SHUs (control/isolation units), organizes and advocates for prisoners' rights, and provides self-help legal materials.

Center for Health Justice

900 Avila Street, Suite 301 · Los Angeles, CA 90012

213-229-0985 · www.centerforhealthjustice.org

CHJ serves prisoners in the Los Angeles County Jails and throughout CA, and provides a free national prisoner HIV prevention & treatment hotline service that accepts collect calls from inmates during regular business hours (Monday-Friday 8 to 3pm, PT). Their hotline provides general HIV treatment and prevention information, support for callers who are ill or newly diagnosed HIV+, and advocacy support regarding medical care, medications, or other health related issues inside the jails and prisons across the country. CHJ also provides the following publications for prisoners: *HepC Inside* and *HIV Inside*. Write for further information about their services or to obtain a copy of their publications.

Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund

3075 Adeline Street, Suite 210 · Berkeley, CA 94703

510-644-2555 · www.dredf.org

Assistance is generally limited to providing basic disability civil rights informational materials and referrals, with attention to CDCR state prisoners. DREDF does not provide assistance with individual disability benefits applications or denial of Social Security Disability benefits.

Federal Receiver - J. Clark Kelso

California Prison Receivership · PO Box 588500

Elk Grove, CA 95758 · 916-691-3000 · www.cphcs.ca.gov

In 2002, California settled a class-action lawsuit by agreeing to reform their medical care system, and the federal court appointed a federal Receiver to oversee the reform process. The receiver's job is to bring the level of medical care in California prisons to a standard that no longer violates the U.S. Constitution. Prisoner patients under the control of the CDCR and their families may write to the above address with concerns about health care issues (except for mental health, dental, or substance abuse and treatment).

Friends Committee on Legislation of California

1225 8th Street, Suite 220 · Sacramento, CA 95814-4809

916-443-3734 · www.fclca.org

Quaker founded group that advocates and lobbies for CA state laws that are just, compassionate, and respectful of the inherent worth of every person. They publish a free (to California prisoners) quarterly periodical, the *FCLCA Newsletter*, which keeps track of pending legislation.

Friends Outside

7272 Murray Dr. · Stockton, CA 95204

209-955-0701 · www.friendsoutside.org

Friends Outside provides services and support to visitors at each

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California State Prison, and are located outside the prison walls but on prison grounds (usually adjacent to the visitor parking lots). Visitor Centers provide childcare, transportation, information and resources, and a restful and welcoming place to stop for a moment before and after visits. (May not respond to individual prisoner letters.)

Innocence Matters

PO Box 1098 · Torrance, CA 90505
310-755-2518 · www.innocencematters.org

A very small number of post-conviction cases are accepted where Innocence Matters assumes the role of the lead lawyer, but only if the following criteria are met: the defendant is indigent; the accused is factually innocent and willing to submit to and pass a polygraph exam; case originates in Los Angeles County; he or she has already been rejected by a California Innocence Project; and Innocence Matters is not already at capacity.

Legal Services for Prisoners with Children

1540 Market St, Suite 490 · San Francisco, CA 94102
415-255-7036 · www.prisonerswithchildren.org

LSPC publishes manuals, reports, fact sheets and pamphlets for CA prisoners in the following areas: Family Matters (guardianship, visitation, pregnancy); Reentry Services; Prison Conditions (isolation and other), and Proposition 47. They also publish *A Manual on SSI/SSDI for Prisoners and Their Advocates*.

Northern California Innocence Project

Santa Clara University School of Law
900 Lafayette St, Suite 105 · Santa Clara, CA 95050
408-554-4790 · <http://law.scu.edu/ncip>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Northern and Central CA; DNA and non-DNA; case three or more years left to serve. The inmate must have been convicted in CA state court of a serious felony or a three-strikes sentence. Will consider shaken baby syndrome, police misconduct, ineffective counsel, fire investigation, firearms and fingerprint analysis, false confessions, prosecutorial misconduct, and death penalty issues.

Prison Law Office

General Delivery · San Quentin, CA 94964
510-280-2621 · www.prisonlaw.com

The Prison Law Office litigates and monitors class action lawsuits regarding medical care, mental health care, and disabled access for prisoners in California only. Also distributes self-help legal material on a number of topics. Write for list of available publications.

Prison University Project

PO Box 492 · San Quentin, CA 94964
415-455-8088 · www.prisonuniversityproject.org

The mission of the *Prison University Project* is to provide excellent higher education programs to people incarcerated at San Quentin State Prison; to create a replicable model for such programs; and to stimulate public awareness and meaningful dialogue about higher education and criminal justice in California. The central goals of the College Program at San Quentin are to educate and challenge students intellectually; to prepare them to lead thoughtful and productive lives inside and outside of prison; to provide them with skills needed to obtain meaningful employment and economic stability post-release; and to prepare them to become providers, leaders, and examples for their families and communities.

Project AVARY

PO Box 150088 · San Rafael, CA 94915-0088
415-382-8799 · www.projectavary.org

Project AVARY offers long-term support and enrichment for children and

youth in the San Francisco Bay Area with a parent in prison or jail. The program services include a summer camp, monthly outings, leadership training, and family support. Write for further details.

Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos

1817 Soquel Ave · Santa Cruz, CA 95062
831-457-8208 · www.barriosunidos.net

The Santa Cruz Barrios Unidos Prison Project is dedicated to providing cultural and spiritual education, support, and hope to incarcerated individuals. The Project advocates for prison policy reform and programs that reduce recidivism, support re-entry, and reunify families.

Sentencing and Justice Reform Advocacy (SJRA) Advocate

PO Box 71 · Olivehurst, CA 95961
530-329-8566 · www.sjra1.com

SJRA Advocate contains useful and timely information on California prisoner and prison issues. Prisoners may obtain 6 issues (one year) of SJRA Advocate for \$12 (or 25 Forever stamps), or 4 stamps for a single issue. For all others the cost is \$15 for 6 issues.

Stanford Justice Advocacy Project

Stanford Law School
559 Nathan Abbott Way · Stanford, CA 94305-8610
650-736-7757 · www.law.stanford.edu/node/149642

The Stanford Justice Advocacy Project (formerly the Three Strikes Project) represents inmates serving unjust prison sentences for minor crimes, assists released prisoners successfully reentering their communities, and advocates for fairer and more effective criminal justice policies in California and across the country.

The Insight Prison Project

PO Box 151642 · San Rafael, CA 94915
415-459-9800 · www.insightprisonproject.org/

IPP was founded in 1997 with one class for 14 male prisoners at San Quentin State Prison. Today, IPP offers unique and effective programs for thousands of men, women, and youth at 15 state prisons, three county jails, several reentry facilities, and one juvenile institution. Their core program is the *Victim/Offender Education Group* (VOEG), which includes an 18-month curriculum that was designed by licensed mental health therapists in collaboration with survivors of violent crimes and incarcerated offenders. IPP provides highly trained facilitators and creates a space with VOEG that allows victims and offenders an opportunity to work together, which dramatically aids in the healing process for everyone involved, and enhances public safety by greatly reducing recidivism.

COLORADO

Korey Wise Innocence Project at Colorado Law

University of Colorado Law School
Wolf Law Building, 404 UCB
Boulder, CO 80309-0404 · 303-492-8126
www.colorado.edu/law/academics/clinics/korey-wise-innocence-project
The Korey Wise Innocence Project (formerly Colorado Innocence Project) will not take cases in which the defendant already has a lawyer, or is entitled to a lawyer at state expense. The KWIP will take a case only where there is a genuine and provable claim of innocence. The CIP gets involved only when the traditional methods of appealing a conviction have failed. Only Colorado cases arising in Colorado will be accepted (State and federal). Write for a copy of the KWIP evaluation criteria.

Unchained Books

PO Box 784 · Fort Collins, CO 80522

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<http://unchainedbooks.wordpress.com>

Unchained Books is a small group in Fort Collins, CO committed to prisoner support. Their primary focus is collecting donated books and making them available free to people imprisoned in Colorado. Individual prisoners request books based on subject areas and they fill requests as best as the inventory allows.

CONNECTICUT**Connecticut Innocence Project**

Division of Public Defender Services

82275 Silas Deane Hwy

Rocky Hill, CT 06067 · 860-509-6400

www.ct.gov/ocpd/cwp/view.asp?a=4087&Q=479210&ocpdNav=

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Connecticut; DNA and non-DNA cases. Sentence must include at least a ten-year period of incarceration and be no less than five years from estimated release date. There must be some new evidence in the case which would establish innocence.

New England Innocence Project

120 Tremont St, Suite 735 · Boston, MA 02108

617-830-7685 · www.newenglandinnocence.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT in which the prisoner has a claim of factual innocence; no time requirement DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

DELAWARE**Office of the Public Defender**

820 North French St, 3rd Fl - Wilmington, DE 19801 · 302-577-5160

Accepts cases of actual innocence in DE; DNA cases only.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project**

George Washington University Law School

2000 H St NW · Washington, DC 20052

202-994-4586 · www.exonerate.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in state or federal courts in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements; arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

FLORIDA**Florida Institutional Legal Services**

14260 West Newberry Rd, #412 · Newberry, FL 32669

352-375-2494 · www.floridalegal.org/filsproject.htm

FILS is dedicated to serving people who are institutionalized in FL. FILS publishes the *Florida Parental Rights Manual for Incarcerated Parents and their Families* (2008) 106 pages, which is available for download from their website or can be obtained by writing the above address.

Florida Justice Institute

100 SE Second St, Suite 3750 · Miami, FL 33131-2309

305-358-2081 · www.floridajusticeinstitute.org

The Florida Justice Institute (FJI) is a public interest law firm that conducts civil rights litigation and advocacy in the areas of prisoners' rights, housing discrimination, disability discrimination, and other areas impacting the poor and disenfranchised. This includes cases for persons currently or formerly incarcerated in a Florida prison or jail involving mistreatment while incarcerated, or involving the conditions of the facility.

Innocence Project of Florida

1100 E. Park Ave · Tallahassee, FL 32301

850-561-6767 · www.floridainnocence.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Florida; DNA and non-DNA Cases including arson and shaken baby syndrome cases. No sentence requirements.

Prison Book Project

Open Books Bookstore

1040 North Guillemard St · Pensacola, FL 32501

850-453-6774 · www.openbookspcola.org

The Prison Book Project currently sends around 6,000 books each year to indigent inmates in Florida prisons, and serves approximately 1,800 prisoners each year.

University of Miami Law Innocence Clinic

1311 Miller Dr · Coral Gables, FL 33146

305-284-2339 · <http://law.miami.edu/academics/clinics/innocence-clinic>

The clinic handles cases involving innocent individuals incarcerated for a minimum of 10 years who have new evidence ranging from recanting witnesses to new witnesses discovered by students to prosecutorial misconduct and ineffective assistance of counsel. The clinic also accepts cases involving DNA evidence.

GEORGIA**Forever Family, Inc.**

387 Joseph Lowery Bl. 2nd Fl, Suite A · Atlanta, GA 30310

404-223-1200 · www.foreverfam.org

Forever Family is an advocacy group for incarcerated parents which provides helpful information for all parents in prison who have children, but can only provide social services in the Atlanta area.

Georgia Innocence Project

2645 North Decatur Rd · Decatur, GA 30033

404-373-4433 · <http://ga-innocenceproject.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Georgia and Alabama; DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; no sentence requirements.

Southern Center for Human Rights

83 Poplar St NW · Atlanta, GA 30303-2122

404-688-1202 · www.schr.org

The Southern Center for Human Rights provides legal representation to people facing the death penalty in Georgia and Alabama only, and also publishes a *Parolee Handbook*, which serves as a guide the parole consideration process for people in Georgia's prisons. SCHR also publishes *The Georgia Advocacy Handbook*, a 46-page manual which helps explain the hierarchy in the GDC and how to maneuver within it. Through this handbook families and friends of people incarcerated in Georgia will learn how to become advocates and implement appropriate and effective steps to resolve problems inside Georgia prisons.

HAWAII**Community Alliance on Prisons**

PO Box 37158 · Honolulu, HI 96837-0158

808-927-1214 · <http://caphawaii.wordpress.com>

A coalition that focuses on alternatives to incarceration, prison reform legislative issues, community education, and effective interventions for Hawaii's non-violent offenders. CAP's goal is to educate the community on best practices and proven strategies for criminal justice and to involve the greater community in these issues.

Hawai'i Innocence Project

University of Hawai'i School of Law

2515 Dole St · Honolulu, HI 96822

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808-956-6547 · www.innocenceprojecthawaii.org

Accepts cases from prisoners who are currently incarcerated, serving a lengthy sentence, convicted in Hawai'i, have a credible claim of factual innocence of the crime(s), and evidence potentially exists which could support the claim of factual innocence.

IDAHO

Idaho Innocence Project

Boise State University

1910 University Drive · Boise, ID 83725

208-426-4207 · <http://innocenceproject.boisestate.edu>

Idaho prisoners with at least five years remaining on their sentence must write a letter directly for assistance, clearly stating his or her innocence.

The project accepts only post-conviction cases from prisoners who do not currently have legal counsel. They will respond to the letter and let the prisoner know if any further information is needed before making a decision about their case.

ILLINOIS

Chicago Innocence Project

205 West Monroe St, Suite 315

Chicago, IL 60606

312-263-6213 · www.chicagoinnocenceproject.org

The Chicago Innocence Project investigates cases in which prisoners may have been convicted of crimes they did not commit, with priority to murder cases that resulted in sentences of death or life without parole. Does not represent clients in criminal cases, but after their investigation is completed, outside counsel may bring new evidence of innocence to court. The fundamental goal is to expose and remedy wrongdoing by the criminal justice system.

Education Justice Project

University of Illinois

805 West Pennsylvania Ave, MC-057 · Urbana, IL 61801

217-244-3344 · www.educationjustice.net

The Education Justice Project offers college level classes, writing programs, and reading groups for students incarcerated at Danville Correctional Center. Also sponsors a weekly radio program.

Illinois Innocence Project

University of Illinois at Springfield

Institute for Legal and Policy Studies

One University Plaza, MS PAC 451

Springfield, IL 62703-5407

217-206-6569 · www.uis.edu/innocenceproject

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Illinois; DNA and non-DNA cases; eight or more years left to serve. The prisoner must be seeking to establish his/her actual innocence of the crime(s). The following factors are considered: absence of physical evidence, reliability of eyewitnesses, identification of alternative suspects, police or prosecutorial misconduct and inconsistency of the nature of the crime as compared to the background of the prisoner.

John Howard Association of Illinois

PO Box 10042 · Chicago, IL 60610-0042

312-291-9237 · www.thejha.org

The John Howard Association is the only independent prison monitor in Illinois, and visits over a dozen prisons per year. They then write reports about prison conditions which are provided to prisoners and the public upon request. JHA also advocates for reforms like sentencing credits and more resources for prison programs. Write to JHA for further details and to request copies of statutes, court decisions, forms, IDOC rules, etc.

People's Law Office

1180 North Milwaukee Ave · Chicago, IL 60642-4019

773-235-0070 · www.peopleslawoffice.com

Fights for justice for people in Illinois who have been tortured or physically abused, wrongfully arrested or convicted, unfairly sentenced to death, or targeted as a result of their political beliefs or organizing efforts on behalf of movements struggling for justice and liberation.

Prisoner's Rights Research Project

University of Illinois College of Law

504 East Pennsylvania Ave · Champaign, IL 61820 · 217-333-0931

<https://illinois.collegiatelink.net/organization/prisonersrightsresearchproject>

Indigent prisoners may write to the Project requesting an answer to a specific legal issue concerning Illinois or federal law only. Law school student volunteers hone their research skills and gain significant insight into the corrections system by addressing questions regarding Illinois and federal law.

The MacArthur Justice Center

Northwestern University School of Law

375 East Chicago Ave · Chicago, IL 60611

312-503-1271 · www.law.northwestern.edu/macarthur

Focus area/description: Impact litigation on criminal justice issues, focused specifically on Illinois. Individual prisoner cases are rarely accepted.

The Transformative Justice Law Project of Illinois

4707 North Broadway, Suite 307 · Chicago, IL 60640

773-272-1822 · www.tjlp.org

TJLP is a collective of radical lawyers, social workers, activists, and community organizers who are deeply committed to prison abolition, transformative justice, and gender self-determination. They provide free, zealous, life-affirming, and gender-affirming holistic criminal legal services to low-income and street based transgender and gender non-conforming people in Illinois targeted by the criminal legal system.

Uptown People's Law Center

4413 North Sheridan Rd · Chicago, IL 60640

773-769-1411 · www.uplcchicago.org

The mission of the *Uptown People's Law Center* is to establish, administer, and promote programs providing legal aid to indigent persons, assisting community residents in obtaining legal services and benefits, and educating and training residents, paraprofessionals and community attorneys. Their work focuses on issues in Illinois only, including landlord tenant issues, public aid and social security disability benefits, and protecting the civil rights of the incarcerated.

Urbana-Champaign Books to Prisoners Project

PO Box 515 · Urbana, IL 61803

708-782-4608 · www.books2prisoners.org

UC Books to Prisoners is an Urbana, Illinois based project providing books at no cost by mail to inmates in state and federal prisons in Illinois.

INDIANA

McKinney Wrongful Conviction Clinic

Indiana University McKinney School of Law

530 West New York St, Rm 111

Indianapolis, IN 46202-3225

317-274-5551 · <http://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/courses/clinics.cfm>

Students represent indigent clients seeking relief from wrongful Indiana convictions in state post-conviction and/or federal habeas corpus proceedings. State cases are accepted in cooperation with the Office of the State Public Defender.

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Oakland City University Prison Ministries Projects

138 North Lucretia St · Oakland City, IN 47660
 812-749-1224 · www.oak.edu/about-ocu/prison-ministries.php
 Educational opportunities offered to inmates in the following Indiana facilities: Branchville Correctional Facility, Madison Correctional Facility, Miami Correctional Facility, Rockville Correctional Facility, Newcastle Correctional Facility and Indiana Women's Prison. Degrees Offered: Associates and Bachelor's Degrees. Programs Offered: *Associate in Applied Science in Culinary Arts, Food Service Mgmt, Heating/Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Welding, Horticulture, Computer Technology, Business Administration, Human Services.*

IOWA**Innocence Project of Iowa**

19 South 7th St · Estherville, IA 51334
www.iowainnocence.org
 Accepts cases of actual innocence in Iowa; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements; preference for substantial sentences.

Midwest Innocence Project

605 West 47th St, Suite 222 · Kansas City, MO 64113
 816-221-2166 · www.themip.org
 Accepts cases of actual innocence in AR, IA, KS, MO, and NE; have more than 10 years left to serve on his/her sentence, and/or the applicant must register as a sex offender; is not currently represented by an attorney; and has NOT received the death penalty.

KANSAS**Lansing Correctional Facility Program**

Donnelly College · 8 North 18th St
 Kansas City, KS 66102 · 913-621-8730
www.donnelly.edu/programs/lansing-correctional-program.cfm
Donnelly College offers an on-site Associate Degree program to prisoners at the Lansing Correctional Facility. As a Catholic institution, this program has a Christian aim to assist prisoners and directly complements the school's founding mission "to provide education and community services with personal concern for the needs and abilities of each student, especially those who might not otherwise be served."

Midwest Innocence Project

605 West 47th St, Suite 222 · Kansas City, MO 64112
 816-221-2166 · www.themip.org
 Accepts cases of actual innocence in AR, IA, KS, MO, and NE; have more than 10 years left to serve on his/her sentence, and/or the applicant must register as a sex offender; is not currently represented by an attorney; and has NOT received the death penalty

KENTUCKY**Kentucky Innocence Project**

Department of Public Advocacy · 100 Fair Oaks Ln, Suite 301
 Frankfort, KY 40601 · 502-564-3948 · <http://dpa.ky.gov/kip>
 In order to qualify for the services, prospective clients should meet the following criteria: A Kentucky conviction & incarceration; a minimum ten-year sentence; a minimum of three years until eligible to go before the parole board or if parole has been deferred, a minimum of three years to the next appearance before the Board; new evidence of innocence discovered since the conviction which can be investigated; and a claim of actual innocence.

LOUISIANA**Friends and Family of Louisiana's Incarcerated Children**

1600 Oretha C. Haley Bl

New Orleans, LA 70113

504-708-8376 · www.ffflic.org

FFLIC is a statewide membership-based organization that fights for a better life for all of Louisiana's youth, especially those involved in or targeted by the juvenile justice system.

Innocence Project New Orleans

4051 Ulloa St
 New Orleans, LA 70119
 504-943-1902 · www.ip-no.org
 Accepts cases of factual innocence from Louisiana or the following south Mississippi counties (Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Clarke, Copiah, Covington, Forrest, Franklin, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Pike, Simpson, Smith, Stone, Walthall, Wayne, Wilkinson); is serving a life sentence or a near-life sentence with at least 10 years left to be served; direct appeal has been denied; cannot afford an attorney; is not serving a sentence on another conviction.

Tulane University Law Library

6329 Freret St · New Orleans, LA 70118
 Offers photocopies of case-law citations, law review articles, criminal procedures, etc. to prisoners incarcerated in Louisiana jails & parish or state prisons only (no federal prisoner requests). Requests should have specific case cites, docket numbers or article titles, and are limited to one per month and a maximum of 50 pages.

MAINE**Maine State Prison College Program**

807 Cushing Rd · Warren, ME 04864 · 207-273-5300
<http://prisonstudiesproject.org/2011/08/maine-state-prison-college-program>
 Degrees offered: *Associates and Bachelor's Degrees.* Program sponsored by University College at Rockland.

New England Innocence Project

120 Tremont St, Suite 735 · Boston, MA 02108
 617-830-7685 · www.newenglandinnocence.org
 Accepts cases of actual innocence in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT in which the prisoner has a claim of factual innocence; no time requirement; DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

MARYLAND**Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project**

George Washington University Law School
 2000 H St NW · Washington, DC 20052
 202-994-4586 · www.exonerate.org
 Accepts cases of actual innocence in state or federal courts in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements; arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

University of Baltimore Innocence Project Clinic

1420 North Charles St · Baltimore, MD 21201
 410-837-6543 · <http://law.ubalt.edu/clinics/innocenceproject.cfm>
 Accepts cases of actual innocence in Maryland; DNA and non-DNA cases.

MASSACHUSETTS**Boston University Prison Education Program**

808 Commonwealth Ave, Rm 230 · Boston, MA 02215
 617-353-3025 · www.bu.edu/pep

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Degrees Offered: *Bachelor of Liberal Studies in Interdisciplinary Studies*. Programs include accounting, English composition, Latin, biology, sociology, marketing, acting, and language courses in Spanish, French, and Greek and more. Offered for prisoners incarcerated at MCI Norfolk (men's facility) and MCI Framingham (women's facility).

Committee for Public Counsel Services Innocence Program

21 McGrath Hwy · Somerville, MA 02143
617-623-0591 · www.publiccounsel.net/pc/innocence-program
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Massachusetts; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

New England Innocence Project

120 Tremont St, Suite 735 · Boston, MA 02108
617-830-7685 · www.newenglandinnocence.org
Accepts cases of actual innocence in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT in which the prisoner has a claim of factual innocence; no time requirement; DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

Prisoners' Legal Services of Massachusetts

10 Winthrop Square, 3rd Fl · Boston, MA 02110
617-482-2773 x104 · www.plsma.org
Prisoners' Legal Services promotes the safe, humane and lawful treatment of Massachusetts prisoners through civil rights litigation, administrative advocacy, client counseling, and outreach to policy makers and the public. Their litigation priority areas are: Health Care, Staff Assaults; Extreme Conditions of Confinement; and Segregation.

MICHIGAN**AFSC Michigan Criminal Justice Program**

124 Pearl St., Suite 607
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734-761-8283 · www.prisoneradvocacy.org
AFSC's Michigan Criminal Justice Program advocates for over 1,500 Michigan prisoners and their families each year, building an "advocacy network" throughout the state. The program encourages dialogue among prisoners and the general public, and works for humane reform of the criminal justice system and for the rights of prisoners. Michigan prisoners may contact the program at 734-761-9796.

Michigan Innocence Clinic

701 South State St
Ann Arbor, MI 48109 · 734-763-9353
www.law.umich.edu/clinical/innocenceclinic/Pages/default.aspx
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Michigan; non-DNA cases only; no sentence requirements. The prisoner must not be currently represented by counsel and the crime and conviction must have occurred in Michigan.

Prison Creative Arts Project

3187 Angell Hall · 435 South State St
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734-647-7673 · www.lsa.umich.edu/english/pcap
PCAP facilitates fine arts, creative writing, and theatre workshops in juvenile detention centers and prisons in Michigan. PCAP also organizes an annual art exhibit by Michigan prisoners, with all income going back to the artists.

WMU-Cooley Law School Innocence Project

300 South Capitol Ave · Lansing, MI 48901
517-371-5140 · www.cooley.edu/clinics/innocence_project.html
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Michigan; DNA cases only; must be in custody; no time requirement.

MINNESOTA**Innocence Project of Minnesota**

1536 Hewitt Ave, MS-C1973 · St Paul, MN 55104
651-523-3152 · <http://ipmn.org>
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Minnesota with DNA evidence, also accepts non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

Legal Assistance to Minnesota Prisoners

William Mitchell College of Law
875 Summit Ave., Rm 254
St Paul, MN 55105 · 651-290-6413
<https://web.wmitchell.edu/legal-practice-center/client-representation-clinics/lamp-legal-assistance-to-minnesota-prisoners>
Legal Assistance to Minnesota Prisoners provides civil and family law legal services to both male and female prisoners incarcerated in Minnesota correctional facilities. LAMP does not handle appeals for inmates to contest their convictions. Additionally, the William Mitchell College of Law has established a secondary clinic, the Reentry Clinic that serves female prisoners in Minnesota who are nearing their release dates.

MISSISSIPPI**Innocence Project New Orleans**

4051 Ulloa St · New Orleans, LA 70119
504-943-1902 · www.ip-no.org
Accepts cases of factual innocence from Louisiana or the following south Mississippi counties (Adams, Amite, Claiborne, Clarke, Copiah, Covington, Forrest, Franklin, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jefferson Davis, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Pike, Simpson, Smith, Stone, Walthall, Wayne, Wilkinson); is serving a life sentence or a near-life sentence with at least 10 years left to be served; direct appeal has been denied; cannot afford an attorney; is not serving a double sentence.

Mississippi Innocence Project

University of Mississippi School of Law
PO Box 1848 · University, MS 38677
662-915-5207 · <http://innocenceproject.olemiss.edu>
The Project currently accepts applications for legal representation from prisoners convicted in Mississippi who believe that they may have a claim of actual innocence. The Project only reviews cases from central and north Mississippi counties-excluding 30 south Mississippi counties served by the Innocence Project New Orleans (see LOUISIANA listing). The Project only accepts application requests directly from prisoners and only by mail.

MISSOURI**Midwest Innocence Project**

605 West 47th St, Suite 222 · Kansas City, MO 64113
816-221-2166 · www.themip.org
Accepts cases of actual innocence in AR, IA, KS, MO, and NE; have more than 10 years left to serve on his/her sentence, and/or the applicant must register as a sex offender; is not currently represented by an attorney; and has NOT received the death penalty.

MONTANA**Montana Innocence Project**

PO Box 7607 · Missoula, MT 59807
406-544-6698 · www.mtinocenceproject.org
Accepts DNA and non-DNA cases. Prisoners must have been convicted of a felony crime in a Montana state or federal court; must have completed trial, sentencing and direct appeals; must not currently be

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represented by an attorney. Priority is given to cases where convincing and corroborating evidence can establish actual innocence.

NEBRASKA**Midwest Innocence Project**

605 West 47th St, Suite 222 ·

Kansas City, MO 64113

816-221-2166 · www.themip.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in AR, IA, KS, MO, and NE; have more than 10 years left to serve on his/her sentence, and/or the applicant must register as a sex offender; is not currently represented by an attorney; and has NOT received the death penalty.

Nebraska Innocence Project

PO Box 24183 · Omaha, NE 68124

402-341-7194 · www.nebraskainnocenceproject.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Nebraska; DNA cases only; will consider arson, shaken baby syndrome and child abuse cases (with DNA); no sentence requirements.

NEVADA**Rocky Mountain Innocence Center**

358 South 700 East, B235

Salt Lake City, UT 84102

801-355-1888 · <http://rminnocence.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Nevada, Wyoming, and Utah; DNA and non-DNA cases; seven or more years left to serve on sentence; must be completely innocent; significant new evidence must be available to prove the prisoner's innocence.

NEW HAMPSHIRE**Mettanokit Outreach**

Attn: Medicine Story

173 Merriam Hill Rd · Greenville, NH 03048

603-878-2310 · www.circleway.org

Mettanokit is a non-profit learning center and service organization working for a more human society based on the old values of cooperation and equality and the closeness and caring found in our elder tribal societies. Part of their program is offering Native circles in prisons, with 10 of these circles currently in New England prisons. Description of these may be found in the book *Ending Violent Crime*. Descriptions of the Native American traditions that provide an understanding for much of this work may be found in the book *Return to Creation*. Write for further information and list of books for sale.

NEW JERSEY**NJ Office of the Corrections Ombudsman**

PO Box 855 · Trenton, NJ 08625

609-633-2596 · www.state.nj.us/correctionsombudsman

The Office of the Corrections Ombudsman provides a mechanism for the continuing resolution of issues, problems or complaints of state sentenced prisoners within New Jersey's Correctional System regarding their living conditions and treatment. Prisoners in NJ institutions may call the Ombudsman toll-free at 555-555-5555.

The Last Resort Innocence Project

Seton Hall University School of Law

1109 Raymond Blvd

Newark, NJ 07102 · 973-642-8500

<http://law.shu.edu/ProgramsCenters/PublicIntGovServ/ExonerationProject>

Accepts cases of actual innocence only; DNA and non-DNA; must have been convicted in New Jersey.

NEW MEXICO**Innocence and Justice Project**

University of New Mexico School of Law

1117 Stanford NE, MSCII 6070

Albuquerque, NM 87131-0001

505-277-2671 · <http://lawschool.unm.edu/ijp>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in New Mexico; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

NEW YORK**Bard Prison Initiative**

Bard College · PO Box 5000 ·

Annandale-on-Hudson, NY 12504-5000

845-758-7308 · <http://bpi.bard.edu>

The Bard Prison Initiative (BPI) creates the opportunity for incarcerated men and women at Bayview, Eastern, Elmira, Green Haven, and Woodbourne Correctional Facilities to earn a Bard College degree while serving their sentences. BPI enrolls nearly 300 incarcerated men and women across a full spectrum of academic disciplines, and offers over 60 courses each semester.

Cornell Prison Education Program

115 Day Hall · Ithaca, NY 14853

607-255-9091 · <http://cpep.cornell.edu>

The Cornell Prison Education Program brings together Cornell faculty and graduate students to teach a free college-level liberal arts curriculum to a select group of inmates at Auburn Correctional Facility and Cayuga Correctional Facility.

Correctional Association of New York

2090 Adam Clayton Powell Bl, Suite 200

New York, NY 10027

212-254-5700 · www.correctionalassociation.org

Founded in 1844, the *Correctional Association of New York* (CA) is an independent non-profit organization that advocates for a more humane and effective criminal justice system and a more just and equitable society. CA has several working projects, including the Coalition for Women Prisoners, the Drop the Rock Coalition (downsizing the prison system), Release Aging People in Prison Campaign, and the Juvenile Justice Coalition.

Correctional Library Services

The New York Public Library

455 Fifth Ave, 6th Fl

New York, NY 10016 · 212-592-7553

www.nypl.org/help/community-outreach/correctional-services

The NYPL's *Correctional Library Services* publishes *Connections* (268 pages), an annual guide and directory of resources in New York City available to help people when they are leaving correctional facilities. The guidebook is free to those incarcerated in New York State prisons and local jails, with mailed copies prioritized for soon-to-be-released individuals. A Spanish translation of the 2015 edition is available as a PDF file only. Spanish speakers who are incarcerated can request up to 40 printed pages at a time of *Conexiones 2015*, to be sent via mail.

Edwin Gould Services for Children

Incarcerated Mothers Program

151 Lawrence St, 5th Fl · Brooklyn, NY 11201

212-437-3500 · <http://egscf.org>

Sponsors the *Incarcerated Mothers Program*, a specially designed preventive program that addresses the needs of mothers parenting their children from prison in New York with the goal of preventing foster care placement by assisting women and their children during and after the

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time of arrest; court; jail; and as they return to the community. IMP provides advocacy, foster care prevention, counseling, and vocational training, and also offers prison-based parenting groups serving fathers.

Hour Children

36-11 12th St · Long Island City, NY 11106
718-433-4724 · www.hourchildren.org

Mission is to support incarcerated mothers and their children. Provides resources and services outside and inside New York state prisons only. Also provides services in Spanish.

Hudson Link for Higher Education in Prison

PO Box 862 · Ossining, NY 10562
914-941-0794 · www.hudsonlink.org

Degrees offered: *Associates Degree in Liberal Arts, Associate and Bachelor's Degrees in Behavioral Science and Bachelor Degree in Organizational Management*. High school diploma or GED required. Offered to prisoners at Fishkill, Sing Sing and Sullivan Correctional Facilities for Men and Taconic Correctional Facility for Women.

Legal Action Center

225 Varick St, 4th Floor · New York, NY 10014
212-243-1313 · www.lac.org

The Legal Action Center's mission is to assist New York state residents to fight discrimination against those with histories of addiction, HIV/AIDS, or criminal records, and to advocate for sound public policies in these areas. Write for list of publications.

Legal Aid Society Prisoner's Rights Project

199 Water St · New York, NY 10038
212-577-3300

www.legal-aid.org/en/civil/civilpractice/prisonersrightsproject.aspx
The Prisoner's Rights Project (PRP) protects and enforces the legal rights of New York City and New York State prisoners through litigation, advice, and assistance to individual prisoners. PRP does not deal with prisoners' criminal cases or sentences or matters related to parole.

New York State Prisoner Justice Coalition

33 Central Ave · Albany, NY 12210
518-434-4037 · www.nysprisonerjustice.org

Publishes the *New York State Prisoner Justice Network Directory*, a free 16-page directory of over 100 New York justice and prisoner support organizations.

Pace Post-Conviction Project

Pace University Law School
78 North Broadway · White Plains, NY 10603
914-422-4230 · <http://lawweb.pace.edu/jjls/clinic.html>

Law school students at Pace University investigate cases of actual innocence from Westchester County and New York City; DNA and non-DNA cases.

Prisoners' Legal Services of New York

41 State St, Suite M112
Albany, NY 12207
518-445-6053 · www.plsny.org

PLSNY provides free legal services to New York State prisoners. Also publishes *Pro Se* newsletter six times per year for prisoners in New York State prisons, providing information and analysis on recent developments in prison law. To subscribe, send a subscription request with prisoner's name, DIN number, and facility to: Pro Se, 114 Prospect Street, Ithaca, NY 14850. Past issues of Pro Se from 2002-2015 are downloadable from their website.

Reinvestigation Project

Office of the Appellate Defender
11 Park Place, Suite 160
New York, NY 10007

212-402-4100 · www.appellatedefender.org/Reinvestigation.html
Accepts cases of actual innocence for felony convictions in Manhattan and the Bronx. The client is assigned to OAD on appeal; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

The Exoneration Initiative

233 Broadway, Suite 2370
New York, NY 10279

212-965-9335 · www.exonerationinitiative.org
Accepts cases of actual innocence in New York; DNA and non-DNA cases (specializes in non-DNA); no sentence requirements.

The Osborne Association

809 Westchester Ave · Bronx, NY 10455
718-707-2600 · www.osborney.org

The Osborne Association offers opportunities for individuals who have been in conflict with the law to transform their lives through innovative, effective, and replicable programs that serve the community by reducing crime and its human and economic costs. Services limited to New York prisoners and their families. Write for list of programs and services.

NORTH CAROLINA**Innocence and Justice Clinic**

Wake Forest University Law School
1834 Wake Forest Rd
Winston-Salem, NC 27109

336-758-5430 · <http://innocence-clinic.law.wfu.edu>
Cases accepted: Cases of actual innocence in North Carolina; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

North Carolina Center on Actual Innocence

PO Box 52446
Durham, NC 27717-2446
919-489-3268 · www.nccai.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in North Carolina; DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases, and may consider child abuse cases; typically limit to those in custody, but exceptions are made.

North Carolina Innocence Inquiry Commission

Administrative Office of the Courts
PO Box 2448
Raleigh, NC 27602

919-890-1580 · www.innocencecommission-nc.gov
The North Carolina Innocence Inquiry Commission was created by the North Carolina General Assembly in 2006 and is charged with providing an independent and balanced truth-seeking forum for credible post-conviction claims of innocence in North Carolina. The Commission is separate from the appeals process. A person exonerated by the Commission process is declared innocent and cannot be retried again.

North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services

PO Box 25397 · Raleigh, NC 27611
919-856-2200 · www.ncpls.org

NCPLS provides legal assistance to prisoners in the North Carolina Department of Correction ranging from advice about prisoner's legal rights to representation in litigation in state and federal court. Cases are accepted based on referrals from attorneys as well as direct requests from prisoners or individuals acting on behalf of prisoners incapable of

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requesting legal assistance. The organization is divided into three teams of attorneys and paralegals: Post-Conviction, Civil, and Support Services.

Prison Books Collective

PO Box 625 · Carrboro, NC 27510

919-443-9238 · <https://prisonbooks.info>

The Prison Books Collective is a Chapel Hill, NC-based anti-prison group that sends books to prisoners in Alabama and North Carolina only, maintains an extensive radical 'zine catalog, widely distributes a monthly poster promoting political prisoner support, and publishes prisoners' art and writing.

NORTH DAKOTA**Innocence Project of Minnesota**

1536 Hewitt Ave, MS-C1973

St Paul, MN 55104

651-523-3152 · <http://ipmn.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in North Dakota with DNA evidence; no sentence requirements.

OHIO**Ashland University**

401 College Ave · Ashland, OH 44805 · 419-289-4142

<https://www.ashland.edu/founders/programs/correctional-education>

Ashland University serves over 1,000 incarcerated students annually with college curriculum. The programs are offered to adult prisoners in the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, and juvenile prisoners in the Ohio Department of Youth Services. A recent emphasis has been placed on the development and delivery of "online" courses for the correctional programs that do not require live internet access.

Athens Books to Prisoners

30 1st St · Athens, OH 45701

<http://athensbookstoprisoners.weebly.com>

Athens Books to Prisoners is a volunteer run organization that sends free books to prisoners in Ohio upon request.

Ohio Innocence Project

University of Cincinnati College of Law

PO Box 210040 · Cincinnati, OH 45221-0040

513-556-0752 · www.law.uc.edu/oip

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Ohio; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

Ohio University College Program for the Incarcerated

Ohio University

Haning Hall 102 · Athens, OH 45701

800-444-2420 · <https://www.ohio.edu/ecampus/print/correctional>

Degrees offered: *Associates in Arts, Science, Applied Business, and Individualized Studies; Bachelor of Specialized Studies*. Programs

Offered: Two study formats are currently available for CPI students:

Correspondence Courses and Course Credit by Examination.

RedBird Books to Prisoners

PO Box 10599 · Columbus, OH 43201

RedBird Books-to-Prisoners is a small all-volunteer group dedicated to providing Ohio prisoners with free reading materials. Please send requests by subject.

Wrongful Conviction Project

Office of the Ohio Public Defender

250 East Broad St, Suite 1400 · Columbus, OH 43215 · 614-466-5394

<http://opd.ohio.gov/Trial-Services/Wrongful-Conviction-Project>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Ohio; non-DNA cases only; prisoner is serving a lengthy prison sentence; prisoner has exhausted the legal process.

OKLAHOMA**Oklahoma Innocence Project**

Oklahoma City University School of Law

800 North Harvey Ave · Oklahoma City, OK 73102

405-208-6161 · <http://innocence.okcu.edu>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Oklahoma; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

OREGON**Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program**

University of Oregon · 1585 East 13th Ave · Eugene, OR 97403

541-346-1000 · <http://insideoutoregon.com>

Since 2007, University of Oregon has taught three Inside-Out Classes through the Clark Honors College at the Oregon State Penitentiary. Courses are taught in an integrated classroom with outside students (from the Honors College) and inside students (who are incarcerated at Oregon State Penitentiary).

Partnership for Safety & Justice

825 NE 20th Ave, Suite 250 · Portland, OR 97232

503-335-8449 · <http://safetyandjustice.org>

Advocacy group focused on changing public safety policy in Oregon only. Publishes newsletter and Prisoner Support Directory for Oregon prisoners.

Pathfinders of Oregon

PO Box 3257 · Gresham, OR 97030

503-286-0600 · www.pathfindersoforegon.org

Pathfinders of Oregon has several successful programs in prisons and the community, including the Center for Family Success, Children's Justice Alliance, Parenting Inside Out, Pathfinder Academy, and Living in Freedom Today, an alternative to incarceration program. For Oregon prisoners only.

PENNSYLVANIA**AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania**

1211 Chestnut St, Suite 600 · Philadelphia, PA 19107

215-587-9377 · www.aidslawpa.org

Provides legal services for prisoners in PA with HIV/AIDS. English and Spanish.

Book 'Em

Thomas Merton Center

5129 Penn Ave · Pittsburgh, PA 15224

412-361-3022 x4 · www.bookempgh.org

Book 'Em is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that sends free educational books and quality reading material to prisoners in Pennsylvania only. Prisoners may request books by subject.

Human Rights Coalition

4134 Lancaster Ave

Philadelphia, PA 19104

267-293-9169 · www.hrcoalition.com

HRC advocates for abolishment of solitary confinement in Pennsylvania prisons. Publishes HRC Legal Pamphlet Series, other pamphlets and information letters, and the "*PA Prison Directory Action Guide*" (2009) (too many pages for them to print & mail, but available for download on their website).

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Pennsylvania Innocence Project

Temple University - Beasley School of Law
1515 Market St, 3rd Floor · Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-204-4255 · www.innocenceprojectpa.org
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Pennsylvania: DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements; will consider arson, shaken baby syndrome, and child abuse cases.

Pennsylvania Institutional Law Project

718 Arch St, Suite 304 South
Philadelphia, PA 19106
215-925-2966 · www.pailp.org
PILP seeks to deliver civil legal services to the institutional population in Pennsylvania, and was created and designed to meet the needs of low-income residents of PA prisons, jails, hospitals, and state centers. PILP also publishes (or provides) free copies of the following publications: *Prisoners' Rights Handbook*, 2013, 104 pages; *A Guide to Correctional Law Decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States & the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit*, 104 pages; *2013-2015 Criminal Justice Advocacy & Support Directory*, 98 pages; *A Guide to Services for PA Inmates, Victims of Crime, and Their Families; How to Change Your Name - A Self-Help Guide*, 33 pages; *The Grandparents' Guide to Custody & Visitation in PA; Jailhouse Lawyer's Handbook*, 152 pages; and *Compassionate Release In Pennsylvania*.

Pennsylvania Prison Society

245 North Broad St, Suite 300 · Philadelphia, PA 19107-1518
215-564-4775 · www.prisonersociety.org
Does advocacy work, including prison visits and publishes "Graterfriends," a monthly newsletter for people in prison which is primarily inmate guided. \$3.00 for an annual prisoner subscription.

RHODE ISLAND**New England Innocence Project**

120 Tremont St, Suite 735 · Boston, MA 02108
617-830-7685 · www.newenglandinnocence.org
Accepts cases of actual innocence in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT in which the prisoner has a claim of factual innocence; no time requirement DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

SOUTH CAROLINA**Palmetto Innocence Project**

J. M. McCulloch Institute
PO Box 11623 · Columbia, SC 29211 · 803-779-0005
The purpose of the Palmetto Innocence Project is to provide charitable pro bono legal assistance to prisoners convicted of serious crimes in South Carolina where cognizable claims of actual innocence or contentions of serious injustice in the criminal process exist.

SOUTH DAKOTA**Innocence Project of Minnesota**

1536 Hewitt Ave, MS-C1973 · St Paul, MN 55104
651-523-3152 · <http://ipmn.org>
Accepts cases of actual innocence in South Dakota with DNA evidence; no sentence requirements.

South Dakota Prisoner Support Group

PO Box 3285 · Rapid City, SD 57709-3285
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SouthDakotaPrisonerSupportGroup>
Their purpose is to provide support to prisoners in jails and prisons and their families, and to prevent abuse of incarcerated men, woman and

children. Offers referrals, links, websites, information, news, as well as share their own experiences and problems, in regards to incarcerated family members/friends. No legal advice given.

TENNESSEE**Project Return**

806 4th Ave South · Nashville, TN 37210
615-327-9654 · www.projectreturninc.org
Project Return equips former offenders with the education, coaching, and support services necessary to gain employment and begin a new life. Project Return conducts pre-release programs in correctional facilities to prepare inmates for their release dates.

TEXAS**Disability Rights Texas**

2222 West Braker Ln · Austin, TX 78758
512-454-4816 voice/TDD · www.drxtx.org
Advocacy for disabled people in Texas, including those in some correctional facilities. Write for handout: Disability Discrimination in Correctional Facilities, or Suing a Government Entity for an Injury.

Innocence Project of Texas

300 Burnett St, Suite 160 ·
Ft. Worth, TX 76102
806-744-6525 · www.ipoftexas.org
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Texas; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

Inside Books Project

12th Street Books
827 West 12th St · Austin, TX 78701
512-655-3121 · www.insidebooksproject.com
Sends free books and literature to prisoners in Texas only. Also sends a very informative prisoner resource guide free to prisoners in all states.

Texas Center for Actual Innocence

University of Texas School of Law
727 East Dean Keeton St · Austin, TX 78705
512-471-5151 · <https://law.utexas.edu/clinics/actual-innocence>
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Texas; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

Texas Civil Rights Project

Prisoners Rights Program
4920 North IH-35 · Austin, TX 78751 · 512-474-5073
www.texascivilrightsproject.org/programs-and-services/prisoners-rights
The Texas Civil Rights Project's *Prisoners Rights Program* works to improve conditions in Texas prisons and jails through litigation and advocacy, concentrating on cases that will have broad impact by changing a policy or creating other systemic relief.

Thurgood Marshall School of Law Innocence Project

3100 Cleburne St · Houston, TX 77004
713-313-4455 · www.tsulaw.edu/centers/ECL/innocence_project.html
Accepts cases of actual innocence in Texas; DNA and non-DNA cases; no death penalty cases.

Windham School District

PO Box 40 · Huntsville, TX 77342-0040
936-291-5303 · www.windhamschooldistrict.org
Windham School District (WSD) provides a variety of academic classes and Career and Technical Education to prisoners in the TDCJ. In addition to WSD programs, the Continuing Education program offers college

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courses and recreational activities. WSD operates schools on 90 sites serving TDCJ, with Associate's, Bachelor's, and Master's Degrees offered

UTAH

Rocky Mountain Innocence Center

358 South 700 East, B235 · Salt Lake City, UT 84102

801-355-1888 · <http://rminnocence.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Nevada, Wyoming, and Utah; DNA and non-DNA cases; seven or more years left to serve on sentence; must be completely innocent; significant new evidence must be available to prove the prisoner's innocence.

Utah Prisoner Advocate Network

PO Box 464 · Draper, UT 84020

<http://utahprisoneradvocate.org>

Utah Prisoner Advocate Network (UPAN) assists prisoners in the UDOC to solve issues with housing, medical, and other issues (no legal). They also assist families of inmates to learn how to navigate the system on their prison journeys. UPAN also publishes a monthly newsletter free to Utah prisoners. Family and friends are encouraged to visit the UPAN website (or email UPAN), download the printable versions of their newsletters and send directly to the prisoner.

VERMONT

New England Innocence Project

160 Boylston St · Boston, MA 02116

857-277-7858 · www.newenglandinnocence.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, and VT in which the prisoner has a claim of factual innocence; no time requirement; DNA and non-DNA cases; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

Prisoners' Rights Office

6 Baldwin St, 4th Fl · Montpelier, VT 05633-3301

802-828-3194 · <http://defgen.vermont.gov/research/prisoners-rights-office>

This section of the Vermont Office of the Defender General handles prisoners' rights cases.

VIRGINIA

Innocence Project at the UVA School of Law

University of Virginia School of Law

580 Massie Rd. Charlottesville, VA 22901

434-924-3732 · www.innocenceprojectuva.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Virginia; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements.

Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project

George Washington University Law School · Washington, DC 20052

202-994-4586 · www.exonerate.org

Accepts cases of actual innocence in state or federal courts in Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia; DNA and non-DNA cases; no sentence requirements; arson and shaken baby syndrome cases; may consider child abuse cases.

WASHINGTON

Columbia Legal Services

Institutions Project

101 Yesler Way, Suite 300 · Seattle, WA 98104 · 206-382-3399

www.columbiainnocenceproject.org/advocacy/institutions-project

The Institutions Project represents people confined in Washington's jails, prisons, juvenile detention facilities, mental health facilities, and facilities for people with developmental disabilities. This work has focused on

conditions of confinement, discrimination, sentencing and placement, alternatives to institutionalization, and access to courts, as well as issues related to rehabilitation, re-entry, and reductions in recidivism.

Freedom Education Project Puget Sound

2311 North 45th St, #178

Seattle, WA 98105

206-489-5232 · <http://prisonstudiesproject.org/category/washington>

The FEPPS program offers a rigorous college program inside the Washington Corrections Center for Women leading to an Associate of Arts and Sciences degree. Participating students must already have a high school diploma or GED.

Innocence Project Northwest

University of Washington School of Law

PO Box 85110 · Seattle, WA 98145-1110

206-616-8792 · www.law.washington.edu/Clinics/IPNW

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Washington (state), both DNA and non-DNA cases, with five or more years left to serve on sentence.

Keeping the Faith: The Prison Project

The Pat Graney Company

PO Box 221009 · Seattle, WA 98122

206-329-3705 · www.patgraney.org/education.html

Keeping the Faith—The Prison Project serves women in Washington state prisons through dance, expository writing, visual art and performance.

This program serves hundreds of women in prison as well as offering their incarcerated peers in the audience a chance to discuss topics relating to their own lives after each performance.

University Beyond Bars

PO Box 31525 · Seattle, WA 98103

425-339-8229 · www.universitybeyondbars.org

Prisoners who have earned their GEDs can choose from two educational pathways in UBB: a certificate pathway and a college pathway. The former offers a varied menu of not-for-credit courses; the latter offers college courses for credit through Seattle Central College, primarily at the associate degree level. UBB also offers gateway college preparatory courses in math and English and a twice monthly Arts & Lectures series open to all prisoners. The prisons served at present are the Washington State Reformatory and the Minimum Security Unit, at Monroe Complex.

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia Innocence Project

West Virginia University College of Law

PO Box 6130 ·

Morgantown, WV 26505-6130

304-293-7294 · <http://wvinnocenceproject.wvu.edu>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in West Virginia; DNA and non-DNA cases; three or more years left to serve; will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases.

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin Books to Prisoners Project

Rainbow Bookstore Co-Op · 426 West Gilman St

Madison, WI 53703 · 608-257-6050

<http://rainbowbookstore.coop/services/wisconsin-books-to-prisoners>

Sends free books to state & federal prisoners in Wisconsin only. Please request by subject category.

Wisconsin Innocence Project

University of Wisconsin - Madison

975 Bascom Mall · Madison, WI 53706-1399

608-265-1160 · <http://law.wisc.edu/fjr/clinicals/ip>

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Accepts cases of actual innocence in Wisconsin (will look at cases from neighboring states, or beyond in exceptional circumstances); DNA and non-DNA cases; Will consider arson and shaken baby syndrome cases, and may consider Child Abuse cases; no sentence requirement.

WYOMING

Rocky Mountain Innocence Center

358 South 700 East, B235 - Salt Lake City, UT 84102

801-355-1888 · <http://rminnocence.org>

Accepts cases of actual innocence in Nevada, Wyoming, and Utah; DNA and non-DNA cases; seven or more years left to serve on sentence; must be completely innocent; significant new evidence must be available to prove the prisoner's innocence.

PARC RECOMMENDED LEGAL AND EDUCATIONAL PRISON BOOKS

(All books are paperback)

A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual

Columbia Human Rights Law Review, Attn: JLM Order

435 West 116th Street · New York, NY 10027 · 212-854-1601 · www3.law.columbia.edu/hrlr/jlm

A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual (9th Ed, 2011, 1077 pages, \$30) is a handbook of legal rights and procedures designed to inform prisoners of their rights and how use to judicial process to secure these rights on both the federal and state level, with an emphasis on New York State law. The additional Immigration & Consular Access Supplement (102 pages) contains information about the immigration law consequences of criminal convictions for people who are not U.S. Citizens. The Manual is \$30 if shipped directly to prisoners; \$105 for all others. The Supplement is \$5 for prisoners, \$22 for all others. Please note the Manual is available for free by individual chapter if downloaded from the above-listed website by an outside source, printed out, and mailed to the prisoner. 11th edition due out in the latter part of 2016.

California State Prisoner's Handbook

ChromaGraphics · 440 Tesconi Circle · Santa Rosa, CA 95401

800-630-4104 · <http://prisonlaw.com/resources/prisoner-handbook>

The California State Prisoners Handbook (Heather MacKay & Prison Law Office, 4th Ed, 2008, 1100 pages), is \$40 if shipped directly to prisoners or parolees, \$182 for all others (including the 2014 supplement). All orders include sales tax and shipping. The Handbook discusses in detail the laws governing prisoner rights and the policies and practices of the CDCR. The Handbook also includes numerous sample forms and model pleadings. The 17 chapters cover: Administrative Appeals, Rights of Prisoners, Classification and Transfers, Determinate Sentences, Time Credits and Release Dates, Life Prisoners, Disciplinary Violations and Segregation, Medical and Mental Health Care, Detainers and Extradition, Early and Temporary Releases and Special Prison Programs, Parole, MDO and SVP Commitments, Workers Compensation and Other Benefits, Immigration Issues for Noncitizen Prisoners, Writs of Habeas Corpus and Mandate, Federal Civil Rights and State Tort Law Actions, Direct Appeals of Convictions, Legal Research and Writing. PLEASE NOTE: This book is offered to prisoners and parolees at a special subsidized price. Those who are not a prisoner or parolee (or are not purchasing the book for shipping directly to a prisoner or parolee) must pay the regular price.

Georgetown Law Journal Annual Review of Criminal Procedure

Georgetown Law Office of Journal Administration - ARCP · 600 New Jersey Avenue NW · Washington, DC 20001-2075

202-662-9457 · www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/law-journals/subscribe/arcpl/upload/2015-Order-Form-Inmate-ARCP-15.pdf

The Georgetown Law Journal Annual Review of Criminal Procedure (ARCP) 45th Ed, July 2016, 1000+ pages) is \$25 if shipped directly to prisoners, \$85 for all others. The ARCP provides readers with objective, concise and accurate overview of criminal procedure and recent case-law decisions in the United States Supreme Court and each of the 12 Federal Circuit Courts. The \$25 discounted rate is only honored for orders sent directly to correctional facilities. Refunds are not available. Orders are shipped USPS, so please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery. Tax must be included if shipping to DC (5.75%), VA (5.0%), MD (6%), NY (7.0%), TN (7% state & 2.25% local) and PA (6.0%, or 7.0% if sent to Philadelphia or Allegheny County.)

Inmate Shopper

Freebird Publishers · PO Box 541 · North Dighton, MA 02764 · 888-712-2993 · www.inmateshopper.com

Inmate Shopper (Spring/Summer 2016, 325 pages) is America's largest book of resources for inmate's services plus many other sections of reading and entertainment. Inmate Shopper reviews and rates many of the businesses that service inmates. Their business directory has hundreds of listings for gift shops, catalogs to order, photo sellers, personal assistants, magazine & book sellers and many more. Added sections include *Segments From the Arts* (writers, poetry, art, music), *Criminal Justice News*, *Entertainment*, *Sports Schedules*, *Centerfold* (non-nude) and more. Published twice a year with new content in each issue. Order online, phone, email or send a payment for \$24.99 (includes priority shipping) to the above address. Accepts JPay and Corrlinks at Diane@FreebirdPublishers.com. MoneyGram also accepted.

Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook

National Lawyers Guild · 132 Nassau St, Rm 922 · New York, NY 10038 · 212-679-6018 · www.nlg.org/jailhouse-lawyers-handbook

The Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook (5th Ed, 2010, 158 pages, \$2.00 or \$2 in stamps) published jointly by the National Lawyers Guild and the Center for Constitutional Rights, explains how a prisoner can start a lawsuit in federal court to fight against mistreatment and bad conditions in prison. To receive a paperback copy, mail \$2.00 in money order, stamps, or check to the above address. Note the Handbook is available free if downloaded from their website by an outside source, printed out, and mailed to the prisoner. List of chapter headings: (1) Introduction; (2) Your Legal Options; (3) Your Rights in Prison; (4) Structuring Your Lawsuit; (5) How to Start Your Lawsuit; (6) Legal System & Research; (7) The Legal System and Legal Research; and 12 appendices.

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Prison Education Guide

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Prison Education Guide (Christopher Zoukis, 2016, 280 pages, \$49.95 + \$6 S&H) is the most comprehensive guide to correspondence programs for prisoners available today. This exceptional book provides the reader with step-by-step instructions to find the right educational program, enroll in courses and complete classes to meet their academic goals. It is perfect for the incarcerated student who lacks Internet access or the ability to attend education classes in person. Prison Education Guide includes a detailed analysis of the quality, cost, and course offerings of all college correspondence programs available to prisoners. In a time when so many academic opportunities in prisons have been eliminated, this book is an invaluable reentry tool for prisoners who seek to further their education while incarcerated, and to help them prepare for life and work following their release.

Prisoners' Self Help Litigation Manual

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www.prisonlegalnews.org/store/products/prisoners-self-help-litigation-manual-4th-edition
The Prisoners' Self-Help Litigation Manual (John Boston & Dan Manville, 4th Ed, 2010, 960 pages, \$39.95 + \$6 S&H) is an indispensable guide for prisoners and prisoner advocates seeking to understand the rights guaranteed to prisoners by law and how to protect those rights. Clear, comprehensive, practical advice provides prisoners with everything they need to know on conditions of confinement, civil liberties in prison, procedural due process, the legal system, how to litigate, conducting effective legal research, and writing legal documents. Written by two legal and penitentiary experts with intimate knowledge of prisoner's rights and legal aid work, authors John Boston and Daniel E. Manville strategically focus on federal constitutional law, providing prisoners and those wishing to assist them with the most important information concerning legal rights.

Protecting Your Health and Safety: A Litigation Guide For Inmates

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www.prisonlegalnews.org/store/products/protecting-your-health-and-safety-a-litigation-guide-for-inmates
Protecting Your Health & Safety (Robert E. Toone, 2nd Ed, 2009, 325 pages, \$10 + \$6 S&H) is an easy to read, plain language guide prisoners can use to identify and litigate federal civil rights claims against prison officials. Over 100 pages are dedicated to the different kinds of constitutional and statutory violations prisoners frequently encounter while incarcerated. Topics discussed include the First to Fourteenth Amendments, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Rehabilitation Act. Each issue, whether it may be First Amendment retaliation or a violation of the Equal Protection Clause, is addressed in laymen's terms and supported by case citations from federal district courts, federal courts of appeal, and the United States Supreme Court. Difficult concepts like deliberate indifference are simplified in just seven pages, giving you what you need to know to make out a cognizable Eighth Amendment claim. Another 130 pages discuss how to write a complaint, seek *in forma pauperis* status, ask for appointment of counsel, respond to motions to dismiss and motions for summary judgment, conduct discovery, and even present your case at trial. Even procedural issues such as exhaustion of administrative remedies are addressed, helping to avoid dismissal at the pleading stage. A glossary of commonly used legal terms is also included, along with a directory of addresses where to file a federal civil rights suit in each judicial district.

The Disciplinary Self-Help Litigation Manual

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The Disciplinary Self-Help Litigation Manual (Dan Manville, 2nd Ed, 2015, 368 pages, \$49.95 + \$6 S&H) is designed to inform prisoners of their rights when faced with the consequences of a disciplinary hearing. This authoritative and comprehensive work educates prisoners about their rights throughout this process and helps guide them at all stages, from administrative hearing through litigation. This invaluable how-to guide offers step by step information for both state and federal prisoners and includes a 50 state analysis of relevant case law.

The Habeas Citebook: Ineffective Assistance of Counsel

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www.prisonlegalnews.org/store/products/the-habeas-citebook-ineffective-assistance-of-counsel
The Habeas Citebook (Brandon Sample, 2010, 220 pages, \$49.95 + \$6 S&H) is a much-needed tool for prisoners who are forced to seek relief on their own. The book is thorough, but simple and readable. It starts with a well-organized listing of hundreds of different types of ineffective assistance of counsel, set forth in the form of citations to court rulings - a novel approach that not only acts as a springboard for further research but also saves the prisoner countless hours of preliminary research. The book is also practical and useful. It provides invaluable resources, including templates and forms, that explain what, when, where and how to file for habeas relief. It contains readable summaries of the relevant laws and rules and Plain-English explanations of some of the inherently mystifying concepts of habeas law, such as "procedural default" and "certificates of appealability" and the "AEDPA." It includes practical advice on what to do and what not to do on issues such as identifying and selecting the claims to be argued; seeking discovery and evidentiary hearings; and seeking the appointment of counsel. In addition, the book consistently offers critical insights on winning court strategies.

STANDARD MINIMUM RULES FOR THE TREATMENT OF PRISONERS (EXCERPTS)

United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders, held at Geneva 1955, approved 1957. Revised and reapproved on May 22, 2015 as 122 individual rules, now known as the "*Mandela Rules*." (Full set of the 122 Mandela Rules is 36 pages, available for download at: www.penalreform.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/MANDELA-RULES.pdf. According to our readers, the UN will not send free printed copies.)

Accommodations

- Cells for individuals should not be used to accommodate two or more persons overnight; dormitory facilities are to be supervised at night.

Exercise and Sport

- If not employed in outdoor work, every prisoner shall have at least one hour of exercise in the open air, weather permitting.
- Young prisoners and others of suitable age and physique are to receive physical and recreational training.

Medical Services

- Pre-natal and post-natal care and treatment are to be provided by women's institutions; where nursing infants are allowed to remain with their mothers, a nursery staffed by qualified persons is needed.
- The medical officer shall see all sick prisoners daily, along with those who complain of illness or are referred to his/her attention.
- The medical officer is to report to the director on prisoners whose health is jeopardized by continued imprisonment and on the quality of the food, hygiene, bedding, clothing, and physical regimen of the prisoners.

Discipline and Punishment

- Cruel, inhuman, and/or degrading punishments, including corporal punishment and restriction to a dark cell, shall be prohibited.

Instruments of Restraint

- Handcuffs, straitjackets, and other instruments of restraint are never to be applied as a punishment, and irons and chains are not to be used as means of restraint.

Information to and Complaints by Prisoners

- Upon admission, prisoners shall be informed of the regulations they are to live by and of authorized channels for seeking information and making complaints.
- Prisoners are to have the right to make complaints to the director of the institution, as well as to the central prison administration and the judicial authority, in the proper form but without censorship as to substance, and they are to have the opportunity to speak directly to an inspector of prisons outside the presence of institutional staff members.
- Unless evidently frivolous, each complaint shall be replied to promptly.

Contacts with the Outside World

- Prisoners are to be allowed regular contact with family and friends, by both correspondence and personal visits.
- Prisoners who are foreign nationals shall be allowed communication with diplomatic and consular representatives of their State, or a State or international authority that has taken charge of their interests.
- Prisoners are to be kept informed of current events and important items of news.

Books

- Every institution shall maintain for the use of prisoners a library with recreational and instructional books.

Guiding Principles

- The prison system must not aggravate unnecessarily the suffering inherent in a prisoner's loss of self-determination and liberty.
- Prisons should utilize all remedial, educational, medical, and spiritual forms of assistance to treat the prisoner's needs and facilitate his return to society as a law-abiding member.
- Government or private agencies should be available for the after care of released prisoners

Treatment

- Treatment of prisoners under sentence shall be directed to achieve the capacity for law-abiding and self-supporting lives, utilizing professional services whenever possible.

Education and Recreation

- The ongoing education of prisoners is to be facilitated, and schooling of illiterates and youthful prisoners is to be considered compulsory.
- Recreational and cultural activities are to be made available.