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Prisoner Support Directory

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The Prisoner Support Directory is a project of the **Prison Program** of the Partnership for Safety and Justice. If you have any questions about the Prison Program, information about additional groups or resources, or feedback about anything in this directory please mail it to **Partnership for Safety and Justice**, **PO Box 40085**, **Portland**, **Oregon 97240**.

GROUPS IN OUR REGION

These organizations are located in the four western states in our region. This does not necessarily mean that they don't offer aid to out-of-state individuals.

<u>Oregon</u>

ACLU of Oregon, Portland Office

P.O. Box 40585, Portland, Oregon 97240-0585 www.aclu-or.org

Write to request criteria for involvement before submitting a request for legal assistance or sending legal paperwork.

Albany Helping Hands

PO Box 2252, Albany, OR 97321 www.albanyhh.org Helps with transition, re-entry.

Better People

4310 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Portland, OR 97211 (main office) www.betterpeople.org

Employment and counseling services for individuals with legal histories. Job referrals only to employers paying at least \$9/hr with benefits. Portland metro area.

Books to Oregon Prisoners

PO Box 11222, Portland, OR 97211 www.bookstooregonprisoners.org Sends books to people <u>in Oregon state prisons only</u>.

Oregon CURE (Citizens United for the Rehabilitation of Errants)

1631 NE Broadway #460, Portland OR 97232 www.oregoncure.org

Newsletter available, transition info, brochures: Advocating for the Incarcerated, Keeping Love Alive, Free but not Free, and more. Support groups, orientation for families and friends of newly incarcerated people.

Oregonians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty

OADP, PO Box 361, Portland, OR 97207-0361 www.oadp.org

Welcome Home Oregon

106 NW F St #65, Grants Pass, OR 97526 Re-entry support for people releasing to southern OR, primarily Josephine & Jackson counties.

<u>Idaho</u>

ACLU Idaho

PO Box 1897, Boise, ID 83701 Litigation on prison and jail conditions. Legislative advocacy for prisoners' constitutional rights. www.acluidaho.org

Friends and Family of Idaho Inmates

PO Box 1376, Boise, ID 83701

Idaho Innocence Project

Attn: Greg Hampikian, Ph.D., Professor of Biology and Criminal Justice Administration Boise State University, 1910 University Drive Boise, ID 83725-1515 Focus on cases where DNA evidence would change outcome. (Coverage area: Idaho)

Supportive Housing and Innovative Partnership

PO Box 8803, Boise, ID 83707 Clean and sober housing, therapeutic community program, case management, employment program, life skills program, alternative to sentencing. Idaho only. Employment program in Boise only.

<u>Montana</u>

ACLU Montana

PO Box 1317, Helena, MT 59624 www.aclumontana.org

Connections

1117 N 7th, #3, Bozeman, MT 59715 Assistance with transition back to community, parole planning. Services and support statewide.

Washington

ACLU of Washington

705 Second Ave #300, Seattle, WA 98104 Prison conditions and prisoner treatment (no postconviction appeals). <u>www.aclu-wa.org</u>

Justice Works!

PO Box 1489, Lake Stevens, WA 98258 Focuses on racism in the criminal justice system in Washington state. Newsletter, correspondence classes, court watch and advocacy on specific reform issues, transition support. Write for more information. www.justiceworks.info/index

The November Coalition

282 West Astor, Colville, WA 99114 National organization advocating for prisoners of the drug war, and for drug policy reform. Newsletter available. www.november.org

Innocence Project NW Clinic

University of Washington School of Law William H. Gates Hall, Suite 265 P.O. Box 85110, Seattle, WA 98145-1110 IPNW will only consider cases from Washington in which actual innocence is claimed. Write for questionnaire to fill out about your case.

www.law.washington.edu/ipnw/index.shtml

Matthew House

PO Box 201, Monroe, WA 98272 Hospitality house, provides temporary housing for families visiting prisoners in Monroe, bus service to other Washington prisons, programs for children of prisoners and more.

Mothers for Police Accountability

PO Box 22886, Seattle, WA 98122

Oxford Houses of Washington State

Incarceration Committee PO Box 871442, Vancouver, WA 98682 Clean & sober housing. Must be addict/alcoholic in recovery. Write for rules/application. www.waoxfordhouse.org/ic

Taylor House

10830 SE Kent-Kangley Rd, Kent, WA 98042 Clean and sober housing in Tacoma area for people transitioning out of prison. Write for info about vacancies and rental rates.

WA Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty

PO Box 3045, Seattle, WA 98114 Provides support only to prisoners on Washington's death row. <u>www.abolishdeathpenalty.org</u>

NW Immigrant Rights Project

Western Washington Office 615 2nd Ave, Suite 400, Seattle, WA 98104 Eastern Washington Office 121 Sunnyside Avenue P.O. Box 270, Granger, WA 98932 Advances the legal rights and dignity of low-income immigrants in Washington by pursuing and preserving their legal status through legal representation, education and public policy www.nwirp.org

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Health & Safety/Hepatitis C/HIV

AIDS in Prison Project – The Osborne Association

809 Westchester Ave, Bronx, NY 10455 NY focus, may provide educational materials on HIV/Hep C to people in other states. www.osborneny.org/aids in prison project

National Prison Project of the ACLU

Prison AIDS, Hepatitis C and Medical Resources 915 15th Street, NW, 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 National resource center to provide educational materials and legal information about AIDS and medical treatment in prison. Know Your Rights Info about disabilities and medical care. Write for resource list. www.aclu.org/Prisons/PrisonsMain

Hepatitis C Awareness Project/HCV Prison Support Project

PO Box 41803, Eugene, OR 97404 Newsletter as funding allows, info packet always available. www.hcvinprison.org

Hepatitis C Support Project

PO Box 427037, San Francisco, CA 94142-7037 Info packet and *HCV Advocate* newsletter available on request. <u>www.hcvadvocate.org</u>

National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Project (NATAP)

580 Broadway #1010, New York, NY 10012 Will mail Hepatitis C and HIV/Hepatitis C Co-Infection Handbook. www.natap.org

National Prison Hospice Association

PO Box 4623, Boulder, CO 80306 NPHA helps to develop and implement hospice and better end of life care for the terminally ill prisoner. NPHA also publishes a tri-annual newsletter. www.npha.org

HIV/Hepatitis C in Prison (HIP) Committee

California Prison Focus 2940 16th St, #B-5, San Francisco, CA 94103

National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC)

1931 13th St NW, Washington, DC 20009 Helps developing leadership within communities of color to address the challenges of HIV/AIDS. Disseminates valuable information. <u>www.nmac.org</u>

Women Organized to Respond to Life Threatening Diseases (WORLD)

414 13th St, 2nd Floor, Oakland, CA 94612 HIV/AIDS information. Free to <u>women</u> in prison. www.womenhiv.org

Jeff Dicks Medical Coalition

PO Box 342, Beechgrove, TN 37018 Advocacy for prisoners who need, and are not receiving, appropriate medical care. <u>www.jeffdicks.org</u>

American Diabetes Association

ATTN: National Call Center 1701 North Beauregard St, Alexandria, VA 22311 Healthcare information about diabetes. <u>www.diabetes.org</u>

Advocacy Organizations

American Friends Service Committee

Criminal Justice Program 1501 Cherry St, Philadelphia, PA 19102 Write for complete list of publications and addresses of state programs. <u>www.afsc.org</u>

All of Us or None

c/o Legal Services for Prisoners with Children 1540 Market St, Suite 490, San Francisco, CA 94310 Fights for full restoration of rights/fights against all forms of discrimination encountered by people with past convictions. <u>www.allofusornone.org</u>

CURE – Citizens United for the Rehabilitation of Errants

PO Box 2310, Washington, DC 20013-2310 Newsletter offered. State chapters. <u>www.curenational.org</u>

Critical Resistance

1904 Franklin St, Suite 504, Oakland, CA 94612 <u>www.criticalresistance.org</u> Critical Resistance (CR) is a national, grassroots, member-based organization. CR is building an international movement to end the prison industrial complex by challenging the belief that caging and controlling people makes our society safe. Write for a complete list of programs and to get involved.

Drug Policy Alliance

2233 Lombard St, San Francisco, CA 94123 Organization working to broaden the public debate on drug policy and to promote realistic alternatives to the war on drugs. <u>www.drugpolicy.org</u>

FAMM – Families Against Mandatory Minimums

1612 K St NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20006 National advocacy group that focuses on mandatory minimums and offers a bi-monthly newsletter, FAMMgram. Many states have chapters. www.famm.org

Innocence Project (National)

c/o The Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, 100 Fifth Ave, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10011 Only handles cases where post-conviction DNA testing of evidence can yield conclusive evidence of innocence. See other projects by state. www.innocenceproject.org

National Prison Project of the ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union)

915 15th St NW, 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 Handles major class action suits involving prison conditions and related issues in state and federal institutions. Does not handle individual prisoner cases. Write for publication list. Publications include National Prison Project Journal (quarterly), \$2/year for prisoners; Prisoners Assistance Directory \$35, and info about your rights and prison. www.aclu.org/Prisons/

Resources for Incarcerated Parents

Center for Children of Incarcerated Parents

PO Box 41-286, Eagle Rock, CA 90041 CCIP's mission is the prevention of intergenerational crime and incarceration. Offers education projects, correspondence courses and child custody and advocacy services. Direct services to prisoners, former prisoners and their families in southern California. <u>www.e-ccip.org</u>

Osborne Association Attn: Beverly Grant

36-31 38th Street Long Island City, NY 11101 Publications -- *Parenting From Inside/Out: The Voices of Mothers in Prison* (\$12.00) write for list of publications and prices. www.osborneny.org

Family and Corrections Network

32 Oak Grove Rd, Palmyra, VA 22963 On-line publications can be downloaded by prison counselors, library, friends, family at <u>www.fcnetwork.org</u>.

Legal Services for Prisoners with Children

1540 Market St #490, San Francisco, CA 94102 Provides advocacy and referrals for prisoners, former prisoners and family members. **<u>Please **do not** send</u> <u>documents unless requested.</u> www.prisonerswithchildren.org

National Institute of Corrections

1860 Industrial Circle, Suite A, Longmont, CO 80501 Provides the Directory of Programs Serving Families of Adult Offenders. Research and publications about other prison topics. <u>www.nicic.org</u>

Family Support America

205 W Randolph St, Ste 2222, Chicago, IL 60606 Provides information about family programs across the US, including prison projects. Write for publication catalog. <u>www.familysupportamerica.org</u>

Books, Publications, and Publishers

Innocence Denied

PO Box 18477, Pittsburgh, PA 15236 Bi-monthly newsletter focused on innocent individuals wrongfully incarcerated. \$5 for prisoners. \$15 for all others. Also offers case profile access, contacts and other services to inmates and their families on the internet. Write for more information. www.innocencedenied.com

American Correctional Association Publications Department

206 North Washington St, Suite 200 Alexandria, VA 22314 Offers over 300 publications including a parole planning guide and sells self-help books. <u>www.aca.org</u>

The Graduate Group

PO Box 370351, West Hartford, CT 06137 Sells a book entitled *Opportunity for Newly Released Offenders* for \$22. Write for other titles. www.graduategroup.com

OPEN (Offender Preparation and Education Network) Inc.

PO Box 472223, Garland, TX 75047-2223 Sells in prison and transition publications for \$9.95 and up. Write for catalog.. <u>www.openinc.org</u>

The Angolite

c/o Cashier's Office, Louisiana State Penitentiary Angola, LA 70712 A magazine produced by prisoners at Angola prison in Louisiana. Considered excellent prison journalism. Subs are \$20 a year.

Graterfriends

Pennsylvania Prison Society 245 N Broad St, Suite 300, Philadelphia, PA 19107 Newsletter relating to prisons and prisoner issues. Prisoners subscriptions \$3. <u>www.prisonsociety.org</u>

Coalition for Prisoners' Rights Newsletter

Prison Project of Santa Fe, Inc. PO Box 1911, Santa Fe, NM 87504 Published monthly. Free to prisoners, family members, and ex-prisoners who request it themselves.

Cry Justice Now

New Life Evangelistic Center PO Box 2525, New Bloomfield, MO 65063 Bi-monthly newsletter about justice issues. Shares articles by inmates and family members of inmates. Resource lists and referrals. Prison ministry.

The Nuclear Resister

PO Box 43383, Tucson, AZ 85733 Newspaper that provides information about and support for imprisoned anti-nuclear and anti-war activists. Free to prisoners. <u>http://nuclearresister.org</u>

Fortune Society

53 West 23rd St, 8th Fl. NY, NY 10010 Publishes *Fortune News*. The Fortune Society provides advocacy for prisoners, HIV counseling, and support groups. <u>www.fortunesociety.org</u>

Justice Watch

1120 Garden St, Cincinnati, OH 45214-2123 Works to eliminate classism and racism from prisons. Newsletter free to prisoners. <u>www.justicewatchinc.org</u>

National Prison Project Journal

ACLU National Prison Project 915 15th St NW, 7th Floor, Washington, DC 20005 \$2/year for prisoners. <u>www.aclu.org</u>

Oxford University Press, Inc.

198 Madison Ave, New York, NY 10016 (includes Oceana Publications) *Brief Writing and Oral Arguments* \$35, *Introduction to the Legal System of the United States* \$29.50, more. <u>www.us.oup.com</u>

American Friends Service Committee

1501 Cherry St, Philadelphia, PA 19102 Write for publication list. Criminal justice newsletter called *The Vision*. <u>www.afsc.org</u>

California Prison Focus

2940 16th St, #B-5, San Francisco, CA 94103 Newsletter focusing on California prisoners and Control Units. \$5 for prisoners. (Free to California SHU prisoners). <u>www.prisons.org</u>

Legal Action Center

225 Varick St, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10014 Mission is to "fight discrimination against and protect the privacy of people with histories of addiction, HIV/AIDS, or criminal records, and to advocate for sound public policies in this area." Publications about looking for work when you have a criminal record on website. <u>www.lac.org</u>

National Hire Network

Project of the Legal Action Center 225 Varick St, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10014 <u>www.hirenetwork.org</u> website is clearinghouse for legal and practical info, research on criminal justice and employment-related policies. Also has "know your rights" info for youth affected by the criminal justice system.

Prison Legal News

2400 NW 80th St, #148, Seattle, WA 98117 Monthly magazine edited by WA state prisoners. Review and analysis of prisoner rights court rulings and news about prison issues. Subscription rates are \$18/year, \$9/six months for prisoners. <u>www.prisonlegalnews.org</u>

South Chicago ABC Zine Distro

PO Box 721, Homewood, IL 60430 Provides serious political educational zines, free to prisoners. Works closely with many conscious prisoners who are strong writers and artists to get the empowering truth both inside and outside US gulags. All expenses out of the group's pocket. Donations, including stamps, are appreciated.

Compassion

St. Rose Peace & Justice, 140 W Boundary St, Perrysburg, OH 43551

Newsletter written by death row prisoners. Free to people on death row. \$25 for other prisoners, \$50 for people outside prison. Half of subscription money given in scholarships to family members of murder victims.

Turning the Tide: Journal of Anti-Racist Action, Research and Education

ARA-LA/PART, PO Box 1055, Culver City, CA 90232 Analysis and perspectives of the oppressed in the struggle for liberation. Free to prisoners.

Lawrence ABC Publisher and Distributor

PO Box 1483, Lawrence, KS 66044

Sends free literature to <u>women prisoners</u> and to <u>men in</u> <u>Oregon, Kansas and Missouri ONLY</u>. Donations of stamps gladly accepted. Provides info on topics including anarchism, the prison industrial complex, and prisoner writing and art. Due to time and money constraints, make only one request per month. Does NOT provide legal assistance. DO NOT send legal paperwork, as we cannot afford to return it. NOT able to send books to prisoners. Write for a copy of literature list.

The Veterans Advocate published by National Veterans Legal Services Project

PO Box 65762, Washington, DC 20035 Monthly newsletter covers veteran's law and advocacy issues, \$80, other publications available, write for price list. <u>www.nvlsp.org</u>

Legal Publications/Resources Special Litigation Section

U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division Special Litigation Section, PHB 950 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20530 The Special Litigation Section of the US government enforces federal civil rights statutes regarding conditions of institutional confinement; law enforcement misconduct; protection of institutionalized persons' religious exercise rights. www.usdoj.gov/crt/split

Lewisburg Prison Project

PO Box 128 Lewisburg, PA 17837 Publishes a number of low-cost materials for prisoners, including legal bulletins. Bulletins can be downloaded for free on website. www.eg.bucknell.edu/~mligare/LPP.html

Protecting your Health and Safety: A Litigation Guide for Inmates

c/o Prison Legal News (PLN)

2400 NW 80th St #148, Seattle, WA 98117 Litigation manual \$10 (formerly produced by Southern Poverty Law Center), PLN also publishes a magazine.

Prisoner's Rights Research Project

University of Illinois College of Law 332 Law Bldg. m/c 594

504 E Pennsylvania Ave, Champaign, IL 61820 Project involves student volunteers, working under a faculty advisor and more advanced student supervisors, who research and respond to legal research questions posed by indigent prisoners incarcerated across the country.

ness2.uic.edu/UI-Service/programs/UIUC182.html

National Center for Youth Law

405 14th St, 15th Floor, Oakland, CA 94612-2701 Represents juveniles involved in or at risk of becoming involved in the juvenile justice system in cases likely to result in significant systemic reforms. Assists lawyers who are directly representing at-risk or incarcerated youth. Publishes *Youth Law News*. www.youthlaw.org

Nolo Press

950 Parker St, Berkeley, CA 94710 Publishes legal self-help material such as *Legal Research*, *4th edition*, which gives step-by-step instructions in finding legal information. Please write for catalog.

Columbia Human Rights Law Review

A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual 435 W 116th St, New York, NY 10027 <u>www.columbia.edu/cu/hrlr/</u> Publishes a two volume Jailhouse Lawyers Manual, \$25 per volume, \$45 for both.

National Lawyers Guild

Prison Law Project

132 Nassau St, Suite 922.

New York, NY 10038

Publishes *Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook* and Women's Appendix in collaboration with Center for Constitutional Rights and other self-help legal publications. Handbook is free & may take several weeks for delivery. Handbook can be downloaded free from the following web site. www.jailhouselaw.org National Lawyers Guild web site is www.nlg.org

Center for Constitutional Rights

666 Broadway, 7th Floor New York, NY 10012 Offers publications and books including the *Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook* and Women's Appendix in collaboration with the National Lawyer's Guild. www.ccr-ny.org handbook at www.jailhouselaw.org.

La Raza Centro Legal, Inc.

Lawyer Referral Service and Pro Bono Project 474 Valencia St #295, San Francisco, CA 94103 Mainly for Spanish-speaking clients. Handles all types of legal problems, civil and criminal. All attorneys located in San Francisco though no geographic requirements for clients. <u>www.lrcl.org</u>

The Paralegal Institute

2933 W Indian School Rd, PSV Mail Drawer 11408 Phoenix, AZ 85061-1408 Associate degree program. Accredited by Distance Education Training Council. Registered with National Association of Legal Assistants. www.theparalegalinstitute.edu

West Group Publishing

PO Box 64833, St Paul, MN 55164 Books on legal topics: *Criminal Procedure in a Nutshell*, *Law of Corrections and Prisoner Rights*, *Prisoners and the Law*, all for sale.

The Georgetown Law Journal Annual Review of Criminal Procedure

Georgetown ARCP, 600 New Jersey Ave NW, Washington, DC 20001 Publication \$15. Topic-by-topic summary of criminal procedure in the United States Supreme Court and Courts of Appeals. Do not send legal materials.

Death Penalty Resources

American Civil Liberties Union Capital Punishment Project

201 West Main Street, Suite 402, Durham, NC 27701 A branch of the ACLU that deals with death penalty issues. <u>www.aclu.org/capital/</u>

Death Row Support Project

PO Box 600, Dept W, Liberty Mills, IN 46946 Pen-pal services to death row inmates. Mail from nondeath-row prisoners won't be acknowledged. www.brethren.org/genbd/witness/drsp.htm

NAACP Legal Defense Fund

99 Hudson St, Suite 1600, New York, NY 10013 Civil rights law firm that supports minority rights; also has an anti-death penalty project. Separate organization from NAACP. Publishes quarterly *Death Row USA*, free to prisoners. <u>www.naacpldf.org</u>

National Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty

1717 K St NW Ste 510, Washington, DC 20036 Provides information and advocates for legislation in opposition to death penalty. <u>www.ncadp.org</u>

Resources for Gay, Lesbian, Trans Prisoners

American Civil Liberties Union

Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender & AIDS Project 125 Broad St, 18th Fl. New York, NY 10004 Helps prisoners who are facing discrimination because they are transgender, lesbian, gay, bisexual or they have HIV www.aclu.org/lgbt

Gender Identity Center of Colorado Inc.

3985 Upham St. Suite 40, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 A non-profit that provides support to people who cross dress, are transsexual, or are non-traditional in their gender identity, also an informational and educational resource to the community at large. www.gicofcolo.org

Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD)

30 Winter St, #800, Boston, MA 02108 HIV and LGBT Prison Issues, New England focused, will refer out non-New England prison issues. <u>www.glad.org</u>

National Coalition for Lesbian Rights

870 Market St, Suite 370

San Francisco, CA 94102 www.nclrights.org

NCLR is a national legal resource center committed to advancing the rights and safety of lesbians and their families. Provides representation and resources to gay men, and bisexual and transgender individuals on key issues that also significantly advance lesbian rights. Publications include an overview of legal issues affecting transsexual clients and another publication on the rights of transgender prisoners.

Out of Control Lesbian Committee to Support Women Political Prisoners

3543 18th St, Box 30, San Francisco, CA 94110 Free newsletter, *Out of Time*, 5 times a year. www.prisonactivist.org/ooc/

Prisoner Art and Writing

The Poetry Wall

Cathedral of St. John the Divine 1047 Amsterdam Ave, New York, NY 10025 Displays poetry written by prisoners. www.stjohndivine.org

Keeping the Faith – the Prison Project

The Pat Graney Company

1419 S Jackson St, Studio 11, Seattle, WA 98144 A community outreach project. Every year the artist team goes to the Washington Corrections Center for Women for 2 months to conduct workshops of movement, writing and visual art that culminate in a powerful performance by the inmates presented to other inmates, prison administrators, press, and members of the public. www.patgraney.org/faith

www.patgraney.org/latin

Prison Writing Program

Pen American Center

588 Broadway, Suite 303, New York, NY 10012 Free writing resource booklet for prison writers. Sponsors annual writing contest for prisoners.

Real Cost of Prisons Project (RCPP)

Comix from the Inside/Writing from Prison 5 Warfield Place, Northampton, MA 01060 RCPP will post original comics, cartoons, and writings from people in prison on its web site. Write for guidelines. www.realcostofprisons.org

Sex Offender Resources

Sex Abuse Treatment Alliance

CURE-SORT

PO Box 1191, Okemos, MI 48805-1191 Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants-Sex Offenders Restored through Treatment. Publishes quarterly newsletter and advocate for reintegration of sex-offenders back into the community.

Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers

4900 SW Griffith Dr, Suite 274, Beaverton, OR 97005 www.atsa.com Newsletter for members only. Provides treatment referrals.

The Safer Society Foundation

PO Box 340, Brandon, VT 05733-0340 Research, advocacy, referrals, self-help materials for sex offenders. <u>www.safersociety.org</u>

Resources for Native American Prisoners

Native American Indian Inmate Support Project

8 Dallas Dr, Grantville, PA 17208 Supports the introduction of Native American religious ceremonies and programs in prisons.

Native American Prisoners' Rehabilitation Research Project

2848 Paddock Lane, Villa Hills, KY 41017 Offers many services for Native American prisoners, including legal and spiritual support, tribal and cultural programs, and direct contact with prison administrators.

Native American Rights Fund

1506 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80302 Legal organization, works for religious freedom for native people in prison and on other legal issues. Publication -*Study of Native American Prisoner Issues*, by Walter Echo-Hawk, Native American Rights Fund (1996) - \$12. www.narf.org

Resources for Women Only

Women and Prison: A Site for Resistance Beyondmedia Education

7013 N. Glenwood Ave, Chicago, IL 60626 A forum for public discourse about the ways that incarceration affects women's lives and the work that people are doing to dismantle systems of violence and oppression. Accepts submissions of articles, visual work, personal narratives, etc. Write for guidelines. www.womenandprison.org

National Clearinghouse for the Defense of Battered Women

125 South 9th St #302, Philadelphia, PA 19107 Legal and other assistance for battered women charged with crime and to their defense teams. Resource library of articles available.

Chicago Books to Women in Prison

c/o Beyondmedia Education 7013 N. Glenwood Ave, Chicago, IL 60626 Chicago Books to Women in Prison is a volunteer collective working to distribute books free of charge to women in prison nationwide. <u>www.chicagobwp.org</u>

Women's Prison Book Project

c/o Arise Bookstore 2441 Lyndale Ave S Minneapolis, MN 55405 Provides women and transgender –identified persons in prison with free reading materials covering a wide range of topics – all volunteer. <u>www.prisonactivist.org/wpbp/</u>

National Lawyers Guild

Prison Law Project 132 Nassau St, Suite 922. New York, NY 10038 The Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook has an <u>Appendix on</u> <u>legal issues specific to women</u>. It can be downloaded for free at <u>www.jailhouselaw.org</u> National Lawyers Guild web site is <u>www.nlg.org</u>

Other Directories

Prison Activist Resource Center

PO Box 339, Berkeley, CA 94701 Publications, fact sheets, national resource directory. www.prisonactivist.org

National Prison Project of the ACLU

ATTN: Prisoner's Assistance Directory 915 15th St NW, 7th Floor Washington DC 20005 \$35 for directory, updated for 2007.

Prisoner Resource Guide, ACLU of Texas

Prison & Jail Accountability Project PO Box 12905, Austin, TX 78711 Info about federal lawsuits, Texas and national prisoner resources. Resource guide can be downloaded for free at the web site. <u>www.aclutx.org/projects/prisons</u>

Other Resources

Project for Older Prisoners (POPS)

c/o Jonathan Turley, Director George Washington School of Law 2000 H St NW, Washington, DC 20052 For prisoners over 55. www.gwu.edu/~ccommit/law.htm#pop

www.gwu.edu/~ccommit/law.ntm#pop

Alliance of Incarcerated Canadians/Foreigners in American Prisons (AICAP/AIFAP)

2 Bloor St W Ste 100 , Toronto, ON Canada M4W 3E2 http://way.to/aicap

Jewish Prisoner Services International

PO Box 85840, Seattle, WA 98145-1840 Advocacy organization for Jewish prisoners and their families. Chaplaincy. <u>www.jewishprisonerservice</u>s.org

Prisoner Visitation and Support

1501 Cherry St, Philadelphia, PA 19102 Provides institutional visits to prisoners in <u>federal and</u> <u>military prisons</u> nationwide. **No state prisons**.

ETC Campaign

c/o Michigan CURE PO Box 2736, Kalamazoo, MI 49003 ETC Campaign's goal is to reduce high cost of prison phone calls. Michigan CURE has quarterly newsletter for members also self-help brochures and booklets-some cost money. www.etccampaign.com

Inside Dharma

PO Box 220721, Kirkwood, MO 63122 Bi-monthly Buddhist newsletter for prisoners. Focus on Missouri prisons. <u>www.insidedharma.net</u>

Prison Dharma Network

PO Box 4623, Boulder, CO 80306 International, nonsectarian, contemplative support network for prisoners, volunteers, and COs. PDN's mission is to provide prisoners, and those who work with them, with the most effective contemplative tools for self-transformation and rehabilitation. Provides books and educational materials. www.prisondharmanetwork.org

Stop Prisoner Rape, Inc.

3325 Wilshire Blvd, Ste 340, Los Angeles, CA 90010 Information and advocacy on sexual abuse and exploitation of prisoners. Support and advice for victims and targets of both sexes including info on psychological and health consequences, legal action, and survivor options. <u>www.spr.org</u>

Ohio University College Program for the Incarcerated

Haning Hall 222, Ohio University, Athens, OH 45701 College degree correspondence program. Write for more info & costs. <u>www.ohiou.edu/adultlearning/incarc.htm</u>

Books-to-Prisoners Programs

(adapted from the Ohio Criminal Justice Program/AFSC's list)

Books to Prisoners groups are almost all volunteer run, with limited funding and not always enough people to keep up with requests. Since there are so many prisoners who need books, please write to just one or two projects, and please don't write with a request within six months of receiving books. **Please include your release date with your letter**– it may take months for a group to fill your request. Most of these groups will not supply pulp fiction (romance, action, thrillers, or other non-educational materials). Please list genres or topics if possible, not just specific titles, and check the requirements for your state or prison *before* writing. Remember, these groups want you to be reading!

1. General book programs that are free or ask for a small donation

Books to Prisoners

c/o Left Bank Books 92 Pike St., Box A, Seattle, WA 98101 Request by subject. No religious materials and very limited legal materials available. Cannot pay postage to prisons requiring 1st class mail. Donations or stamps appreciated. No books to prisons requiring "new books." No books to prisons in California. www.bookstoprisoners.net

Books Through Bars

New Society Publishers 4722 Baltimore Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19143 No title requests, include a variety of subjects. *Very limited* legal resources.

Prison Book Project

PO Box 396, Amherst, MA 01004

Prison Book Program

1306 Hancock St, Suite 100, Quincy, MA 02169 Request topics or titles: legal materials, educational, social, political, and books in Spanish. No catalogue. **Does not send to TX, MI, NV, OR, CA, LA.**

The Prison Library Project

915 West Foothill Blvd, PMB 128, Claremont, CA 91711 Free books on self-help, personal and spiritual growth, wellness, and metaphysical books. No law books, technical, or GED. No catalogue.

Prison Literature Project

c/o Bound Together Books 1369 Haight St., San Francisco, CA 94117 Request books by title, no Christian/Islamic, horror, romance novels, stamps or donations greatly appreciated.

Books thru Bars of Ithaca

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PO Box 29670, Los Angeles, CA 90029-0670 Free bi-weekly newspaper *MIM Notes*, journals and books with a revolutionary perspective. Current events, revolutionary nationalism (BPP, YLP, etc.), Marxist Classics.

Siddha Yoga Prison Project

SYDA Foundation PO Box 99140, Emeryville, CA 94662 Mails monthly a free newsletter, correspondence course, *In Search of the Self*. Will stock prison libraries with Siddha Yoga books, tapes and other materials.

Women's Prison Book Project

c/o Arise Bookstore, 2441 Lyndale Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55405 This program is for <u>women prisoners only</u>. Unable to send books to Oregon prisoners.

2. Specifically religious Books-to-Prisoners organizations

ARE – Assn. for Research and Enlightenment - Prison Outreach

215 67th St, Virginia Beach, VA 23451-2061

International Bible Society

1820 Jet Stream Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80921-3696 Inmates can receive free on the inside Bible (English or Spanish) and a booklet for women or men. No large print inmate bibles.

Islamic Center

2551 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008 Free Koran and study guides. Can send through chaplain.

Human Kindness Foundation

P.O. Box 61619, Durham, NC 27715 Spiritual books only. www.humankindness.org

Core Ministries

8857 Bennett Hill Rd, Central Lake, MI 49622 Publishes and distributes a prisoner newsletter *The Christian Inmate News* to jails and prisons all over the country. Four issues a year.

Jewish Prisoners Services International

P.O. Box 85840, Seattle, WA 98145 Religious materials and support for Jewish prisoners and their families. Info for Chaplains.

Alavi Foundation

500 5th Ave., 23rd Floor, Ste 2320, New York, NY 10110 Free Koran for Muslim prisoners.

Rock of Ages Prison Ministry

P.O. Box 2308, Cleveland, TN 37320 Free King James Bible, correspondence course.

3. Organizations who will sell books to prisoners

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) 125 Broad St, New York, NY 10004 National Prison Project Journal \$2 and other publications for prisoners. www.aclu.org

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National Lawyers Guild

Prison Law Project 132 Nassau St, Suite 922, New York, NY 10038 Write for list of publications. <u>www.nlg.org</u>

Oxford University Press, Inc.

198 Madison Ave, New York, NY 10016 (includes Oceana Publications) *Brief Writing and Oral Arguments* \$35, *Introduction to the Legal System of the United States* \$29.50, more. <u>www.us.oup.com</u>

Prison Legal News

2400 80th St NW #148, Seattle, WA 98117 Monthly legal publication, \$18/year. Also sells books on prison and political issues www.prisonlegalnews.org

South End Press

7 Brookline St #1, Cambridge, MA 02139-4146 Write for catalogue of books for purchase. www.southendpress.org

Our Favorite Books

Are Prisons Obsolete? Angela Davis, Seven Stories Press, 2003

Instead of Prisons, Prison Research Action Project, Safer Society Press 1986

Criminal Injustice: Confronting the Prison Crisis Elihu Rosenblatt Editor, South End Press, 1996

Live From Death Row, Mumia Abu Jamal, 1996

Lockdown America: Police and Prisons in the Age of Crisis, Christian Parenti, Verso Books 1999

The Perpetual Prisoner Machine: How America Profits from Crime, Joel Dyer, Westview Press, 1999

Prison Writing: My Life is My Sundance Leonard Peltier, St. Martins Press, 1999

The Prisoner's Wife: A Memoir, Asha Bandele, Pocket Books, 2000

Gates of Injustice: The Crisis in America's Prisons, Alan Elsner, Prentice Hall, 2004

New Jack: Guarding Sing Sing, Ted Conover, Vintage Books, 2000

Invisible Punishment: The Collateral Consequences of Mass Imprisonment, Marc Mauer and Mada Chesney-Lind Editors, The New Press, 2002

The Crime Drop in America, Alfred Blumstein and Joel Wallman, Editors, Cambridge University Press, 2000

The American Gulag, Marc Dow, University of California Press, 2004

Prison Nation, Tara Heriel and Paul Wright Editors, Routledge Press, 2003

Race to Incarcerate, Marc Mauer/The Sentencing Project, The New Press, 1999

The Real War on Crime: The Report of the National Criminal Justice System, Steven R. Donziger Editor, Harper Perennial, 1996

Search and Destroy: African American Males in the Criminal Justice System, Gerome G. Miller, Cambridge University Press, 1996

Confronting Confinement, Commission on Safety and Abuse in America's Prisons, 2006, download report at www.prisoncommission.org/report.asp

A Human Rights Approach to Prison Management Andrew Coyle, International Center for Prison Studies, 2002, download book at: www.kcl.ac.uk/depsta/rel/icps/human rights prison mana

gement.pdf

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P.O. Box 235, East Berlin, PA 17316-0235 Prisonpenpals.com Women friendly, Gay Friendly, legal ads Moderately priced

The Pampered Prisoner.com

PMB #120 9220 SW Barbur Blvd, Suite 119 Portland, Oregon 97219 Thepamperedprisoner.com Women friendly, Gay Friendly, Displays inmate art and poetry, Moderately Priced

WriteAPrisoner.com

PO Box 10, Edgewater, FL 32132 Women & gay friendly, high price

Prisoner Life.com

P.O. Box 1664, Voorhees, New Jersey 08043 Prisonerlife.com Women friendly, Gay Friendly, Displays inmate art and poetry, Moderately Priced, e-mail forwarding

Inmate Classified

PO Box 3311, Granada Hills, CA 91394 Inmate.com Women friendly, Gay Friendly, High priced, e-mail forwarding

Inmate Connections

465 NE 181st #308, Portland, OR 97230 <u>www.inmate-connections.com</u> moderate to expensive Women friendly, gay friendly, email forwarding, stamps accepted, personal and legal webpages, state and federal directories

Meet-An-Inmate.com

Attn: Arlen Bischke PO Box 1342, Pendleton, OR 97801 meet-an-inmate.com Women friendly, Gay Friendly, Moderately Priced

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PO Box 6905, Rutland, VT 05702

www.rbtw.org

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Friends Beyond The Wall, Inc

Poughkeepsie Plaza 2600 South Rd, Suite 44-244, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601-7004 Women friendly, gay friendly, inmate art, poetry & writings, legal ads, e-mail forwarding, moderate www.friendsbeyondthewall.com

Outlaws Online, Inc.

973 N. Shadeland Ave PMB 161, Indianapolis, IN 46219-4809 Women friendly, gay friendly, email forwarding www.outlawsonline.com

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