

INSIDE BOOKS PROJECT RESOURCE GUIDE



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About Inside Books Project

Based in Austin, Texas, the Inside Books Project is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization sending free books and educational materials to people in Texas prisons. Inside Books Project works to promote reading, literacy, and education among incarcerated individuals and to educate the general public on issues of incarceration.

INSIDE BOOKS PROJECT

c/o 12th Street Books
827 W. 12th Street
Austin TX 78701
(512) 655-3121 (voicemail only)
insidebooksproject@gmail.com
www.insidebooksproject.org

Donating to Inside Books

Inside Books Project receives over 15,000 request letters from prisoners every year asking for free books and educational materials. We process these letters, raise funds for postage costs, collect donated books and organize them in our library, staff regular volunteer sessions to reply to the request letters, and maintain the organization necessary to oversee this process.

We have no paid staff; all this is accomplished through donations of money, books, and volunteer time.

We understand that most incarcerated individuals may not be able to contribute to these efforts. However, we invite friends and family members of prisoners to consider a contribution of money, time, and/or books to help us continue to serve the educational needs of prisoners in Texas.

Inside Books Project is always in need of:

- **Money for postage** — over 79% of the money we collect goes directly to postage costs, which totaled over \$35,000 in 2014.
- **Volunteers** to answer letters and make packages for prisoners. Note that we only accept volunteer activity at our physical location — 3121 East 12th in Austin — during regular volunteer hours.
- **Book donations** for our library. See our website listed above for locations.

Inside Books Project is a registered 501 (c)(3) nonprofit, and all donations are tax deductible. Please see insidebooksproject.org/donate/ for information on donating.

Receiving Books from IBP

We send free books and educational materials only to Texas prisoners. Texas prisoners can send a request letter to the address under "About Inside Books Project" on the previous

About this Resource Guide

Inside Books Project thanks all the organizations and people listed within for their assistance with this guide! Users, please send corrections or updates to the address below — we need your help to keep this guide current.

Inside Books Project
ATTN: Resource Guide Updates
c/o 12th Street Books
827 W 12th Street
Austin TX 78701

This Resource Guide is sent free of charge to any prisoner in the U.S. Texas prisoners may include a request with their book order. Prisoners in other states and Texas prisoners not requesting books should write to the address below. Please include a donation of two stamps if possible (but do see note on stamps on next page!).

Inside Books Project
ATTN: Resource Guide
12th Street Books
827 W 12th Street
Austin TX 78701

page. Please consider the following when requesting books:

One request per person every three months. We track requests based on the postmark date of your letter. For example, if you write on January 1st, we will not accept another request from you until April 1st. Requests sent more frequently are discarded.

Always include your TDCJ number, as well as your unit name, address, and information about any special guidelines and rules for receiving books in your unit.

Expect a wait from 2 to 6 months. We process your letters as quickly and efficiently as we can, but various factors, especially the request backlog, can slow progress.

Stamps. We welcome donations of stamps to offset postage costs; however you should check with your mail service which may have a policy of removing them. Please leave donated stamps on their original backing — reattached stamps are often unusable.

Getting the books you want. Our library of donated books is unlikely to have exact titles, so please suggest areas of interest (listed on back page) rather than book titles. If you state a wide range of subject areas, you'll have a better chance of ending up with a good choice. Our legal materials are particularly limited — please see the legal section of this guide for better sources.

Sharing your essays, articles, book reviews, fiction, poetry, and artwork. We love to get your work and want to hear about issues related to library access, health care, and anything else of concern to you or other prisoners. Please indicate on all submissions whether you give consent for publication — in our newsletter, on our online blog, or in fundraising projects.

Notebooks/journals. We regret that we're no longer able to send journals due to a recent ruling by TDCJ.

What's an SASE? Self-addressed stamped envelope

Español. Aceptamos cartas en español, y nuestra biblioteca incluye libros y otros materiales en español. También en estas páginas se encuentra una sección en español.

Contesting Book Denials

If books or literature mailed to you are denied by TDCJ, we recommend that you contest the denial. If a prisoner appeals a mailroom officer's decision to censor a publication, the appeal goes to the Directors Review Committee and/or the Mail System Coordinators Panel in Huntsville. Pages cited by the mailroom as inappropriate are reviewed and if the book is denied, it takes a permanent place on the banned book list.

If the panel choose to censor the book, a mailroom official is responsible for notifying you and informing you of the appeals process. Many books are banned simply because they are not appealed, and this means the book will be denied to everyone else in the TDCJ who ever requests that book. We encourage you to contest your publication denials, not only for your own sake but for future prisoners who may request the same title. To contest denials, write Ombudsman Coordinator, PO Box 99, Huntsville TX 77342-0099 or ombudsman@tdcj.state.tx.us

Book denials in a federal unit may be easier to challenge — according to Federal prison policy, "when a publication is found unacceptable . . . the warden shall permit the prisoner an opportunity to review this material for purposes of filing an appeal."

To report censorship and other TDCJ abuses, write Texas Civil Rights Project, c/o The Michael Tigar Human Rights Center, 1405 Montopolis Drive, Austin TX 78741-3436, or questions@texascivilrightsproject.org

Artists' & Writers' Resources

THE AMERICAN DISSIDENT

217 Commerce Rd.

Barnstable MA 02630

Considers for publication English, Spanish, or French poems and essays (650 words) that portray life in prisons for an outside audience. Write for guidelines. Sorry, no free subscriptions available.

CELL DOOR MAGAZINE

c/o Claudia Whitman

14985 Road 40.2

Mancos CO 81328

www.lairdcarlson.com/celldoor/

Magazine written by prisoners and close associates — submit writings about your experience in prison and upon reentry: poetry, short stories, art, op-ed commentary. Send subscription orders or submissions to the above address from Oct. through May. From June through Sept. use 6 Tolman Rd, Peaks Island ME 04108.

HASTINGS WOMEN'S LAW JOURNAL

U.C. Hastings College of the Law

200 McAllister Street

San Francisco CA 94102-4707

<http://hastingswomenslj.org>

Seeking personal narratives, fiction & poetry from women in prison. Subscription \$45.

JOURNAL OF PRISONERS ON PRISONS

c/o Justin Piché, Assistant Professor

Department of Criminology

University of Ottawa

120 University, Room 13049

Ottawa Ontario Canada K1N 6N5

www.jpp.org

Prisoners and former prisoners may submit papers, collaborative essays, interviews, book reviews, and photo or graphic essays. No fiction or poetry.

MURIEL RUKEYSER POETRY WALL

Cathedral of St John the Divine

1047 Amsterdam Avenue

New York NY 10025

"Where poems will always be accepted."

Send poetry in any language for display on church walls. Viewers are encouraged to take prisoners' poems and write to them.

PEN AMERICAN CENTER PRISON WRITING PROGRAM

588 Broadway, Suite 303

New York NY 10012

www.pen.org/prison-writing/

Write for free Handbook for Writers in Prison and guidelines on annual Prison Writing Contest (annual deadline is Sept. 1).



South Chicago ABC

Zine Distro

P.O. Box 721

Homewood, IL 60430

SAFE STREETS ARTS FOUNDATION

2512 Virginia Ave. NW, #58043

Washington DC 20037

Accepts and sells/distributes prisoner art, publishes prisoner books online, and stages annual shows at the Kennedy Center in DC. All services free; write for submission guidelines; state whether you are a writer or artist (SASE ensures quick reply).

Books-to-Prisoners Projects

APPALACHIAN PRISON BOOK PROJECT

PO Box 601

Morgantown WV 26507

<https://aprisonbookproject.wordpress.com>

Free reading material to prisoners in KY, MD, OH, TN, VA, and WV. Does not send to Texas prisoners.

ASHEVILLE PRISON BOOKS PROGRAM

67 N Lexington Ave.

Asheville NC 28801

www.main.nc.us/prisonbooks/main.html

Free reading material to prisoners in NC, SC, GA, and TN. Does not send to Texas prisoners.

BOOKS THROUGH BARS — NYC

c/o Bluestockings Bookstore

172 Allen Street

New York NY 10002

<http://booksthroughbarsnyc.org>

Free reading material to prisoners from all states except AL, FL, LA, MA, MI, MS, NC, PA, OH and WI, with a priority for NY.

BOOKS THROUGH BARS — PHILADELPHIA

4722 Baltimore Ave.

Philadelphia PA 19143

<http://booksthroughbars.org>

Sends free reading material to prisoners in PA, NJ, DE, NY, MD, VA, WV. Does not send books to Texas prisoners.

CHICAGO BOOKS TO WOMEN IN PRISON

c/o RFUMC

4511 N. Hermitage Ave.

Chicago IL 60640

<http://chicagobwp.org>

Free reading material to incarcerated women in state prisons in AZ, CA, CT, FL, IL, IN, KY, MS and OH, as well as all federal prisons (including Texas). Does

not send to women in Texas state prisons.

CONNECTICUT PRISON BOOK CONNECTION

P.O. Box 946

Rocky Hill CT 06067-0946

Free books to prisoners nationwide with priority for the Northeast (CT, MA, RI, NH, VT, ME).

DC BOOKS TO PRISONS PROJECT

PO Box 34190

Washington DC 20043-4190

www.dcbokstoprisoners.org

Does not accept requests from county or city jails, or from prisons in CT, FL, IL, MA, ME, MI, NH, NJ, NY, OR, PA, RI, VT, WA or WI. Others, including Washington, DC natives in any federal facility, may request books once per 5 months. Does not send legal books. Indicate general area of interest and list prison restrictions. Stamps appreciated.

INSIDE BOOKS PROJECT

c/o 12th Street Books

827 W. 12th St

Austin TX 78701

<http://insidebooksproject.org>

Free books to Texas prisoners. Read about us on pages 2 and 3.

PRISON BOOKS COLLECTIVE

Publishing & Distribution

PO Box 625

Carboro, NC 27510

<https://prisonbooks@gmail.com>

Was Internationalist Prison Books Collective. Free reading material to prisoners in AL and NC only. No books to Texas prisoners. Zine catalog available upon request to prisoners in any state.

ITHACA COLLEGE BOOKS THRU BARS

c/o Ithaca College Library

PO Box 113

Brooktondale NY 14817

www.facebook.com/ICBTB/

Free reading material to prisoners in New York state only.

LGBT BOOKS TO PRISONERS

c/o Rainbow Bookstore Co-operative
426 W. Gilman Street

Madison WI 53703

<http://lgbtbookstoprisoners.org>

Sends free books to LGBT-identified prisoners nationwide.

LOUISIANA BOOKS 2 PRISONERS

c/o Iron Rail Book Collective
1631 Elysian Fields Ave. #117
New Orleans LA 70117

<http://lab2p.org>

Serves all states except California and Texas. Ask for a few general types or categories of books. Limit to one request every three months.

MAOIST INTERNATIONALIST MINISTRY OF PRISONS

PO Box 40799

San Francisco CA 94140

<http://prisoncensorship.info>

Revolutionary anti-imperialist group helps prisoners organize and educate themselves. Sends free books to prisoners, free subscription to newspaper Under Lock & Key.

MIDWEST PAGES TO PRISONERS PROJECT

c/o Boxcar Books and Community Center
118 S Rogers St.

Bloomington IN 47404

www.pagestoprisoners.org

Free reading material to prisoners in AZ, AR, FL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, OK, SD, TN, and WI. Does not send books to Texas prisoners.

OPEN BOOKS PRISON BOOKS PROJECT

1040 N. Guillemard St.

Pensacola FL 32501

www.openbookspcpla.org

Free reading material to prisoners in Florida. Does not send books to Texas prisoners.

PRISON BOOK PROGRAM

c/o Lucy Parsons Bookstore

1306 Hancock St. Suite 100

Quincy MA 02169

www.prisonbookprogram.org

Sends free reading material to prisoners in all states except CA, IL, MI, MD, NV, and TX. "National Prisoner Resource List" free to prisoners in any state.

THE PRISON LIBRARY PROJECT

915-C West Foothill Blvd. PMB 128

Claremont CA 91711

(909) 626-3066

<http://prisonlibraryproject.org>

Free reading and educational material to prisoners nationwide except AL, ME, MI.

PRISONER EXPRESS

127 Anabel Taylor Hall

Cornell University

Ithaca NY 14853

prisonerexpress.org

Free books to prisoners nationwide -- please send 8 "forever" stamps and specify areas of interest.

PRISONERS LITERATURE PROJECT

c/o Bound Together Books

1369 Haight St

San Francisco CA 94117

www.prisonersliteratureproject.com

Sends free reading material to prisoners in all states except Texas.

PROVIDENCE BOOKS THROUGH BARS

c/o Paper Nautilus Books

5 Angell Street

Providence RI 02906

www.providencebtb.org

Sends free reading material to prisoners nationwide including targeted self-help and inspirational books upon request.

READ BETWEEN THE BARS

c/o Daily Planet Publishing

P.O. Box 1589

Tucson AZ 85702-1589

<http://readbetweenthebars.com>

Sends free reading material to prisoners in AZ only. No books to Texas prisoners.

UC BOOKS TO PRISONERS

PO Box 515
Urbana IL 61803

www.books2prisoners.org

Sends free reading material to prisoners in IL. Does not send to Texas prisoners.

WISCONSIN BOOKS TO PRISONERS

c/o Rainbow Bookstore Co-operative
426 W. Gilman Street
Madison WI 53703

Free reading material to prisoners in WI only. Also hosts LGBT Books to Prisoners.

WOMEN'S PRISON BOOK PROJECT

c/o Boneshaker Books
2002 23rd Ave S
Minneapolis MN 55404

www.wobpp.org

Free books and reading materials to women and transgender people incarcerated in state and federal facilities. Serves all US states except CA, CT, FL, IL, IN, MA, MI, MS, OH, OR, and PA.

Death Penalty Resources

CAMPAIGN TO END THE DEATH PENALTY

PO Box 25730
Chicago IL 60625

www.nodeathpenalty.org

National grassroots organization working for the abolition of capital punishment.

CANADIAN COALITION AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY

80 Lillington Ave
Toronto Ontario
M1N 3K7, Canada

www.ccadp.org

Website with several forums on various aspects of death penalty. No obvious pen pal service other than a classified section where anyone can post.

CENTURION MINISTRIES

1000 Herrontown Road
Princeton NJ 08540

(609) 921-0334

www.centurionministries.org

Nonlegal, nonreligious investigators for prisoners sentenced to death or life-in-prison. Accepts one or two cases per year, actual innocence only, concentration on murder and rape cases.

COMPASSION

140 W. South Boundary Street
Perrysburg OH 43551

www.compassionondeathrow.net

Bimonthly newsletter edited and written by Death Row prisoners, sent free to Death Row prisoners.

DEATH PENALTY INFORMATION CENTER

1015 18th St., NW, #704
Washington DC 20036
(202) 289-2275

www.deathpenaltyinfo.org

Analysis and information on issues concerning capital punishment. Detailed information by state. No legal services.

DEATH ROW SUPPORT PROJECT

Church of the Brethren
PO Box 600, Dept P
Liberty Mills IN 46946

www.brethren.org/drsp/

Pen pal service for Death Row prisoners only. Sponsored by Church of the Brethren but Death Row prisoners of all faiths or none are encouraged to write and tell about yourself. No online sign-up.

EQUAL JUSTICE USA

20 Jay St, Suite #808
Brooklyn, NY 11201

<http://act.ejusa.org>

National policy organization working to end the death penalty. Download Capital Defense Handbook for Defendants and Their Families.

MURDER VICTIMS' FAMILIES FOR RECONCILIATION

P.O. Box 27764

Raleigh NC 27611-7764

www.mvfr.org

Supports family members of murder victims who opposed the death penalty; advocates for their needs and for replacing the death penalty with alternatives that keep us safer and better address the needs of those harmed by violence. Online resources only.

NATIONAL CAPITAL CRIME ASSISTANCE NETWORK (NCCAN)

c/o Claudia Whitman

14985 Road 40.2

Mancos CO 81328

<http://nccan.org>

Helps prisoners gain skills in summarizing case issues, identifying tasks, and finding resources to become effective advocates. Write to above address October thru May. From June thru September use 6 Tolman Rd, Peaks Island ME 04108.

NATIONAL COALITION TO ABOLISH THE DEATH PENALTY

1620 L Street, NW, Suite 250

Washington DC 20036

www.ncadp.org

Seeks to abolish the death penalty in the US. Many important online resources.

TEXAS DEFENDER SERVICE

1927 Blodgett Street

Houston Texas 77004

(713) 222-7788

<http://texasdefender.org>

Aims to improve the quality of representation afforded those facing a death sentence and to expose and eradicate the systemic flaws plaguing the Texas death penalty. Provides limited direct representation.

TEXAS MORATORIUM NETWORK

3616 Far West Blvd, Suite 117, Box 251

Austin Texas 78731

(512) 961-6389

www.texasmoratorium.org

Grassroots organization mobilizing support for a temporary halt on executions in Texas. Tracks and monitors executions.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS CAPITAL PUNISHMENT CLINIC

School of Law

727 E. Dean Keeton St.

Austin TX 78705

www.utexas.edu/law/clinics/capital/

Law students work closely with attorneys in limited representation — at trial, appellate, and post-conviction stages of litigation — of indigent defendants charged with or convicted of capital offenses.

Education

BLACKSTONE CAREER INSTITUTE

1011 Brookside Road, Suite 300

P.O. Box 3717

Allentown PA 18106-3717

(800) 826-9228

Paralegal, medical, dental, physical therapy, pharmaceutical assistant correspondence courses. Write for free information.

COLLEGE-LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM®

PO Box 6600

Princeton NJ 08541

(800) 257-9558

<https://clep.collegeboard.org>

Program enables students to receive college credit for what they already know. All tests are administered electronically, with exceptions only for disability; however prisoners can request special accommodation. The cost per test is \$80. Practice tests and information about which institutions (2,800 colleges and universities) accept CLEP credits are available online.

DISTANCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING COUNCIL

1101 17th Street NW, Suite 808

Washington DC 20036

(202) 234.5100

<http://www.deac.org>

Online list of accredited correspondence institutions and information.

EDPUBS

PO Box 22207

Alexandria VA 22304

Toll free (877) 433-7827

www.edpubs.gov

US Department of Education sends free materials in English, Spanish, or Braille; no catalog. Order by phone or mail:

Take Charge of Your Future: Get the Education and Training You Need —
(written for reentering ex-offenders)

Comparing Colleges: A Guide to the U.S. Dept. of Education's Tools for Students and Families

Graduate! Financial Aid Guide to Success
Funding Your Education: The Guide to Federal Student Aid

Financial Aid for Graduate & Professional Degree Students

My Future, My Way: First Steps Toward College

Federal Student Loans: Be a Responsible Borrower"

EDUCATION BEHIND BARS NEWSLETTER

P.O. Box 69

Berryville AR 72616

www.prisoneducation.com

Bimonthly newsletter from prisoner Christopher Zoukis, focused on prison education and its advocacy. Online only, accepts submissions from incarcerated and non-incarcerated individuals.

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

(800) 433-3243

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/>

Anyone seeking student aid should file this ten-page application. Download, or request from this number; they recommend calling between 3 and 6 p.m. CST. You should never pay to file this form or to have someone do it for you.

INCARCERATED RE-ENTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Rio Salado College

2323 West 14th Street

Tempe AZ 85281-6942

Toll-free: (877) 517-8345

Onsite educational programs in Arizona; distance learning for all states, associate degrees. Write for catalog. Tuition fee is \$245 per credit hour.

OHIO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE PROGRAM FOR THE INCARCERATED

Ohio University Correctional Education

102 Haning Hall

1 Ohio University

Athens OH 45701

Correspondence courses. Write for free catalog of courses and tuitions.

THE PRISON SCHOLAR FUND

1752 NW Market St # 953

Seattle, WA 98107

www.prisonerscholars.org

Seeking partners and investors willing to supply talent and funds for educational grants to prisoners. Write with a summary of your post-secondary goals and the classes you're interested in. Accepted scholars are funded for a single class, with further requests considered upon successful completion of the first course.

PRISONERS' CORRESPONDENCE GUIDEBOOK

<https://www.prisonlegalnews.org/store/>

Brand new guide by prisoner Christopher Zoukis with current information on prisoner education opportunities, available by October 2015. \$49.95 — Ask your library to order from this online bookstore.

WINDHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

PO Box 40

Huntsville TX 77342-0040

(936) 291-5303

www.windhamschooldistrict.org

Academic and vocational education for eligible offenders incarcerated within the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Family Resources

AMACHI TEXAS

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Texas

1400 Tillery Street

Austin TX 78721

(512) 472-5437

www.amachi-texas.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters program provides mentors for children (6-16) of incarcerated parents, including those on parole or probation. In 32 Texas cities and counties.

BEHIND THE WALLS: FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF TEXAS INMATES

<http://www.barnesandnoble.com>

Book for outsiders by former inmate Jorge Renaud about life in Texas prisons, \$29.00.

CORRECTIONS.COM

<http://www.corrections.com/LINK/LINK/37259>

Online prison-related news, information for families, forums, and inmate locator database by state, prison, or jail.

FAMILIES AGAINST MANDATORY MINIMUMS

1100 H Street NW

Washington DC 20005

(202) 822-6700

Policy activist organization, website with valuable information for families, data from prisoners sentenced to mandatory minimums.

FREEBIRD PUBLISHERS

Box 541

North Dighton MA 02764

1-888-712-1987 (toll free)

<http://www.freebirdpublishers.com>

Website with services for prisoners: books, self-publishing, art work, education. Order The Best 500+ Non Profit Organizations for Prisoners and Their Families, \$14.99.

GIRL SCOUTS BEYOND BARS (CENTRAL TEXAS)

12012 Park Thirty-five Circle

Austin TX 78753

Program allows incarcerated mothers and their daughters to spend positive time together to break the incarceration cycle and enhance the bond between mother and daughter during incarceration.

PRISON TALK ONLINE

PO Box 73151

Houston TX 77273-0151

www.prison-talk.com

"Conceived in a prison cell, designed in a halfway house, and funded by donations from families," free online forum for prisoners and their families. Some service links outdated, but forum current.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE MINISTRIES

1229 Avenue J

Huntsville TX 77340

(936) 291-2156

<http://www.rjmntexas.net>

<http://thehospitalityhouse.org/> (Huntsville)

<http://cjhhouse.org> (Gatesville)

Operates hospitality houses in Huntsville and Gatesville for family visits. Also works inside, providing parolees with helpful reentry information. Website offers many references under the categories of Re-Entry, Juvenile, Families, Penpals, and Residential Aftercare, among others.

SAFER SOCIETY FOUNDATION

P.O. Box 340

Brandon VT 05733-0340

(802) 247-3132

<http://www.safer-society.org>

Sells books for survivors of sexual abuse, and persons in treatment. National online

database of treatment services. Free storybook for children of incarcerated parents can be requested by a home-based caregiver, available in Oct. 2015.

TEXAS ADVOCACY PROJECT

PO Box 833

Austin TX 78767-0833

(512) 476-5377

Family Violence Line: (800) 374-4673

Family Law Hotline: (800) 777-3247

Sexual Assault Hotline: (800) 286-7233

www.texasadvocacyproject.org

Legal solutions to end violence, phone lines staffed by attorneys during business hours to assist Texans on a variety of civil legal concerns related to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking as they pertain to family law. Be prepared with specific and accurate information, including a copy of any court orders.

TEXAS CRIMINAL JUSTICE COALITION

1714 Fortview Road, Suite 104

Austin Texas 78704

(512) 441-8123

www.texascjc.org

Policy advocacy organization addresses problems with Texas criminal justice. No legal assistance to prisoners. Maintains online database of Texas resources by county and responds to requests for specific information. Down-loadable publications: New Start Reentry Guide and How to Write Parole Packets.

TEXAS COUNCIL ON FAMILY VIOLENCE

PO Box 163865

Austin, Texas 78716

Hotline (800) 799-7233 (live connection)

www.tcfv.org/resources-home/resources-for-survivors/

Website listing information and statewide resources. Above hotline is national.

TEXAS CURE

P.O. Box 38381

Dallas TX 75238-0381

(214) 348-0293

www.texascure.org

Nonlegal mediation. When prisoners have exhausted all grievance remedies on the institutional level, we mediate regarding prison conditions, policies, and related matters. Where appropriate we interact with prison officials or contact legislators.

TEXAS INMATE FAMILIES ASSOCIATION

P.O. Box 300220

Austin TX 78703-0004

(512) 371-0900

www.tifa.org

Membership organization (\$25) providing support, education, and advocacy for prisoners and families through monthly meetings, website, storybook project for incarcerated parents, a newsletter and more. Multiple chapters across the state.

TEXAS LEGAL SERVICES CENTER HOTLINES

www.tlsc.org/texas-legal-services-center

These are called "hotlines" but you have to leave a message for callback.

Veterans' Legal Assistance Project:

(800) 622-2520, option 2.

Health Law Program: (866) 979-4343

(Medicare information)

Crime Victims: (888) 343-4414

Health Resources

CENTER FOR HEALTH JUSTICE

900 Avila St., Ste. 102

Los Angeles CA 90012

Toll-free hotline: (213) 229-0979

www.centerforhealthjustice.org

Expanded from HIV/AIDS to all health disparities between prisoners and the general populations. Serves mostly Los Angeles but answers all calls during office hours.

EPILEPSY FOUNDATION

8301 Professional Place E, Ste. 200
Landover MD 20785

Toll-free helplines: (800) 332-1000

Español: (866) 748-8008

www.epilepsyfoundation.org

Advocacy for those living with epilepsy.

HCV ADVOCATE

PO Box 427037

San Francisco CA 94142

<http://hcvadvocate.org>

Monthly newsletter on Hepatitis C. Free sample issue sent to prisoners, subscription \$12/yr. Online fact sheets in Spanish.

JUST DETENTION INTERNATIONAL

3325 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 340

Los Angeles, CA 90010

(213) 384-1400

www.justdetention.org

Health and human rights organization seeking to end sexual abuse in detention. Sends Survivor's Packet with a state-by-state guide to legal and psychological counseling for incarcerated and reentering survivors and their families. Legal mail to Cynthia Totten, Esq., CA Attorney Reg. #199266 at the same address.

MIND FREEDOM INTERNATIONAL

PO Box 11284

Eugene OR 97440-3484

www.mindfreedom.org

Membership organization advocates for rights of people with mental disabilities. Information and advocacy resources available — no direct medical or legal aid.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

PO Box 9999

Van Nuys CA 91409

(818) 773-9999, ext. 135

www.na.org

Publishes Behind the Walls (price: 95 cents) a booklet for prisoners. Those who will be incarcerated for at least six months can request a free subscription to Reaching Out, a quarterly recovery-oriented newsletter.

Materials in Spanish and other languages.

NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS

3803 N. Fairfax Dr., Suite 100

Arlington VA 22203

HelpLine: (800) 950-6264

www.nami.org

HelpLine staff respond to questions about mental health symptoms, treatment, support options, and legal issues but do not give legal advice. Se habla español.

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE (800) 273-8255

POSITIVELY AWARE

Attention : PA

5050 N. Broadway St. Suite 300

Chicago IL 60640

www.positivelyaware.com

National magazine on HIV/AIDS. Covers treatment, social issues, financial, and legal matters. Free subscriptions to HIV-positive individuals. Issues also available on website.

PRISM OPTICAL

PO Box 680030

North Miami FL 33168

Toll free: (800) 637-4104

www.prismoptical.com

Providers of affordable eyewear to prisoners nationwide. Write for catalog.

PRISON HEALTH NEWS

c/o Philadelphia FIGHT

1233 Locust St., 5th floor

Philadelphia PA 19107

(215) 985-4448

nbazargan@fight.org

www.fight.org/fight-programs/institute-for-community-justice/prison-health-news/

Quarterly newsletter written by and for prisoners and ex-prisoners, covering such topics as HIV, hepatitis C, addictions and more. Write for free subscription.

PRISON YOGA PROJECT: A PATH FOR HEALING AND RECOVERY

P.O. Box 415
Bolinas CA 94924

<http://prisonyoga.org/how-you-can-help/give-a-prisoner-a-book/>

Excellent yoga manual for men or women (specify), free from this address to people in prison. Focuses on self-reflection and personal discipline, contains guides for physical poses, breathing, and meditation.

THE PROJECT ON ADDRESSING PRISON RAPE

Washington College of Law
4801 Massachusetts Ave NW
50th Street Bldg.
Washington DC 20016
(202) 274-4385

www.wcl.american.edu/endsilence/

Many downloadable publications including AN END TO SILENCE: Inmates' Handbook on Identifying and Addressing Sexual Abuse, 3rd Ed., September 2014. Online directory to US crisis centers.

PROJECT INFORM

273 9th Street
San Francisco CA 94103
Write for free information on HIV/AIDS.

RAPE, ABUSE AND INCEST NATIONAL NETWORK (RAINN)

2000 L Street NW Suite 406
Washington DC 20005
Sexual assault hotline: (800) 656-4673
www.rainn.org

Works to prevent sexual assault, help victims, and bring rapists to justice.

SEX ADDICTS ANONYMOUS

ISO of SAA, Inc.
PO Box 70949
Houston TX 77270
saa-recovery.org

Spiritual program in the 12-step model. Books in English and Spanish, \$11-14.

SURVIVORS OF INCEST ANONYMOUS

World Service Office
PO Box 190

Benson MD 21018

www.slawso.org

Free literature and 12-step program for adult survivors of childhood sexual abuse.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT

6200 La Calma Drive, Suite 110
Austin TX 78752
Victim assistance line: (888) 343-4414
www.taasa.org

Connects sexual assault survivors to rape crisis centers around Texas.

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

Attention: Investigations
P.O. Box 2018
Austin TX 78768-2018
(512) 305-7100
www.tmb.state.tx.us

Investigates medical malpractice reports on MDs and physician assistants.

Immigration Resources

ADVOCATES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

330 Second Avenue South, Suite 800
Minneapolis MN 55401
Immigrant Clients: (612) 341-9845
Asylum Hotline (612) 746-4674
www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/legal_services-free

Free legal services to immigrants seeking asylum and afraid to return home, detained, trafficked, harmed in detention. Website in English, Spanish, and French.

CENTRAL TEXAS COALITION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

(888) 3737-888
http://ctcaht.org/Services_for_Victims.html
Helps trafficking victims get certified by the Health and Human Services Office of Refugee Resettlement to be eligible for Foodstamps, Medicaid, etc. Also helps with legal services, life necessities, employment help, housing and more.

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES FOR VISITING IMMIGRANTS IN CONFINEMENT

P.O. Box 40677

San Francisco CA 94140

Hotline (385) 212-4842

www.endisolation.org/resources/for-families/

Addresses the isolation and abuse of people in immigration detention through visitation, independent monitoring, storytelling, and advocacy. Website answers basic questions on detention, detainee locator services. Family resource directory on above website.

GRASSROOTS LEADERSHIP

607 W 14th St,

Austin TX 78701

(512) 499-8111

<http://grassrootsleadership.org>

Coordinates a visitation program at the T. Don Hutto immigrant detention center for women in Taylor, Texas, and advocates for an end to family detention.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR IMMIGRATION REVIEW (EOIR)

www.justice.gov/eoir/index.html

Dallas Office: 1100 Commerce St #404,

Dallas TX 75202, (214) 767-1814

El Paso Office: 700 E. San Antonio

Avenue, Suite 750, El Paso TX 79901,
(915) 534-6020

Houston Office: Continental Center II,

600 Jefferson, Suite 900, Houston TX
77002, (713) 718-3870

San Antonio Office: 800 Dolorosa Street,
Suite 300, San Antonio TX 78207, (210)
472-6637

www.justice.gov/eoir/free-legal-services-providers/

Conducts immigration court proceedings, appellate reviews, and administrative hearings. Website above gives directory of free legal service providers by state. Get updates 24/7 on individual immigration cases at (800) 898-7180.

NATIONAL IMMIGRATION PROJECT

www.nationalimmigrationproject.org

Online directory of immigration attorneys by state. Policy work in the areas of criminal and deportation defense, victims of crimes and intimate partner violence, raids and immigration enforcement, non-citizens living with HIV/AIDS, and defending political rights

TAHIRIH JUSTICE CENTER

Houston Office: (713) 496-0100

www.tahirih.org

Offices in Houston, Baltimore, and DC, legal / social services for ethnically diverse immigrant women and girls who have suffered female genital mutilation, rape, torture, human trafficking, honor crimes, forced marriage, widow rituals, and/or domestic violence. Call or apply online.

US CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICE

(800) 375-5283 (same phone for all)

www.uscis.gov

The government agency that oversees lawful immigration to the United States.

Dallas Field Office: 6500 Campus Circle
Drive East, Irving TX 75063

El Paso Field Office: 1545 Hawkins
Boulevard, El Paso TX 79925

Harlingen Field Office: 1717 Zoy Street,
Harlingen TX 78552

Houston Field Office: 126 Northpoint
Drive, Houston TX 77060.

San Antonio Field Office: 8940 Fourwinds
Drive, San Antonio TX 78239

Información en Español

ADVOCATES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

330 Second Avenue South, Suite 800
Minneapolis MN 55401

Línea de cliente: (612) 341-9845

Línea de ayuda de asilo: (612) 746-4674

Email: hrights@advrights.org

www.theadvocatesforhumanrights.org/

legal services - free/

Servicios legales gratuitos a los refugiados

e inmigrantes de bajos ingresos quienes buscan asilo, temen regresar a su país, han estado detenidos, traficados, o dañados en detención. Información en inglés, español y francés en el web.

AMERICAN GATEWAYS

314 E. Highland Mall Blvd Ste. 501
Austin TX 78752

(512) 478-0546 XT 200

www.americangateways.org/programas-y-servicios/

Previamente el "Proyecto de Asilo Político." La única organización que ICE permite entrar en los centros de detención. Ayudan y representan a los refugiados que apliquen para asilo político en los EE UU, y ofrecen consejería legal a inmigrantes maltratadas para la petición de residencia bajo el Acta de Violencia Contra la Mujer y otras programas.

CARIDADES CATÓLICAS DEL CENTRO DE TEJAS

Oficina de Asuntos Migratorios

1625 Rutherford

Austin TX 78754

(512) 651-6100

Asesoran a inmigrantes documentados e indocumentados sobre sus derechos pero no ayudan con problemas de la deportación o la remoción.

HUMAN KINDNESS FOUNDATION

PO Box 61619

Durham NC 27715

www.humankindness.org

(919) 383-5160

Las personas encarceladas pueden recibir gratis "Todos Estamos Encarcelados," una publicación interreligiosa dedicada a la obtención de la libertad personal y espiritual.

IMMIGRATION EQUALITY

40 Exchange Place, 17th floor

New York NY 10005

(212) 714-2904 (cobros revertidos)

www.immigrationequality.org

Información para inmigrantes lesbianas, homosexuales, bisexuales, transgéneros, y positivos SIDA.

LATINO COMMISSION ON AIDS

ATTN: Araceli Quiñones

24 West 25th Street, 9th Floor

New York NY 10010

(212) 675-3288

Escribese para que le manden información gratis en español sobre la SIDA.

CONSULADO MEXICANO

410 Baylor St.

Austin TX 78703

(512) 478 2803

Ayuda para los mexicanos encarcelados. Se le pueden hacer visita, contactar su familia en México, y clarificar su situación legal.

NATIONAL NETWORK FOR IMMIGRANT & REFUGEE RIGHTS

310 8th St., Ste. 303

Oakland CA 94609

www.nnirr.org

Trabajan para defender y ampliar los derechos de todos los inmigrantes y refugiados. Información y análisis.

PRISON GRIEVANCES [QUEJAS] EN ESPAÑOL

www.prisongrievances.com o amazon.com

Una novela gráfica que explica las reglas que gobiernan el proceso de las quejas en las instituciones correccionales de Texas. Se vende en Amazon a \$9.00.

PROJECT INFORM

273 9th Street

San Francisco CA 94103

Se puede escribir para información en español sobre la SIDA.

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

Attention: Investigations

Mail Code 263

P.O. Box 2018

Austin TX 78768-2018

(512) 305-7100

Las quejas sobre los médicos o los asistentes médicos en el Estado de Texas se pueden presentar para investigarse.

Legal Resources

AMERICAN ARAB ANTI-DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE

Legal Department

1990 M Street, Suite 610

Washington DC 20036

(202) 244-2990

legal@adc.org

Civil rights organization defending the rights of people of Arab descent and promoting their rich cultural heritage. Receives discrimination complaints by phone or mail

ANNUAL REVIEW OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

c/o 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/arcp/

Information on federal criminal procedure, habeas corpus relief, and prisoners' rights. Special rate to correctional facility address is \$25 for 44th edition (July 2015), check or money order only, includes shipping and handling. Request order form via mail or download from website.

THE INNOCENCE NETWORK

<http://innocencenetwork.org>

Online directory to organizations providing pro bono legal and investigative services to individuals seeking to prove innocence in crimes of which they've been convicted.

THE INNOCENCE PROJECT

Intake Department

40 Worth St., Suite 701

New York NY 10013

(212) 364-5340

www.innocenceproject.org

Assists prisoners convicted of crimes that occurred in the US (except CA, OH, WA, or WI) whose innocence can be proven through DNA testing of physical evidence. Write to request form for review or download from website. For projects accepting non-DNA cases see Innocence Network.

TEXAS INNOCENCE PROJECTS

All investigate DNA or non-DNA cases for actual innocence but do not provide legal representation. Before filing an innocence claim, read Chapter 13 of the Offender Legal Handbook (11th Ed., 2010) in your law library. If you meet requirements and criteria, fill out two forms from the Handbook: the Texas Prisoner Innocence Questionnaire and the Consent for Release of Information. Mail to one of the clinics listed below. Courts require new, clear, and convincing evidence of your innocence that was not available at time of trial and not considered by the court. If you claim innocence on convictions involving more than one victim, fill out a questionnaire for each one.

ACTUAL INNOCENCE CLINIC

The University of Texas School of Law

727 East Dean Keeton Street

Austin TX 78705

INNOCENCE PROJECT OF TEXAS

1511 Texas Avenue

Lubbock TX 79409

INNOCENCE PROJECT, THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW

Earl Carl Institute for Legal and Social Policy

Texas Southern University

3100 Cleburne Street

Houston Texas 77004

**INNOCENCE PROJECT OF TEXAS
A&M UNIVERSITY**

Texas A&M University School of Law
1515 Commerce Street
Fort Worth TX 76102
(Formerly known as Wesleyan
University Innocence Project.)

**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON LAW
CENTER INNOCENCE PROJECT**

Criminal Justice Institute
University of Houston Law Center
100 Law Center
Houston TX 77204-6060
(Formerly known as Texas
Innocence Network.)

(For a list of other states' innocence
projects, write for the Prisoner Resource
Directory, Prison Activist Resource Center,
PO Box 70447, Oakland CA, 94612.)

JAILHOUSE LAWYER'S HANDBOOK

c/o National Lawyers' Guild
132 Nassau Street, Room 922
New York NY 10038
www.jailhouselaw.org

A resource for prisoners wishing to file a
lawsuit regarding prison conditions and/
or staff abuse. Write to request a copy —
\$2 check, money order, or stamps. Also
available as a free download.

JAILHOUSE LAWYER'S MANUAL

Columbia Human Rights Law Review
Attn: JLM Order
435 West 116th Street
New York, NY 10027
www3.law.columbia.edu/hrlr/jlm/toc/

9th edition (2011). Handbook on prisoners'
rights and how to use judicial process on
federal and state levels, emphasis on New
York State law. Immigration & Consular
Access Supplement on immigration
law for non-citizens. Handbook \$30
shipped directly to correctional institution;
supplement \$5. Check or money order.
only. Chapters online as free downloads.

LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS

600 East Weatherford Street
Fort Worth TX 76102
(800) 955-3959
(888) 529-5277 (Centralized intake
hotline)
www.lanwt.org

Provides free civil legal services to
eligible low-income residents in 114 Texas
counties, with regional offices in fifteen
Texas cities.

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

3333 K Street NW, 3rd Floor
Washington DC 20007-3522
(202) 295-1500
www.lsc.gov

US government website for searching
sources of legal aid to eligible low-income
residents in specific communities.

LEGAL SERVICES SUPPORT

State Bar of Texas
P.O. Box 12487
Austin TX 78711-2487
(800) 204-2222, XT 1855
www.texasbar.com/referraldirectory/
Refers low-income clients to Legal
Aid programs in their community for
civil issues only — unable to help
prisoners. No direct legal services for
clients; representation, or pro bono
referrals. 2015 Referral Directory: Legal
Services and Other Resources for Low-
IncomeTexans, available by download.

LONE STAR LEGAL AID

1415 Fannin Street
Houston TX 77002
(800) 733-8394
www.lonestarlegal.org

Help for eligible clients with civil matters,
limited representation. Offices in
Angleton, Beaumont, Belton, Bryan,
Conroe, Galveston, Houston, Longview,
Nacogdoches, Paris, Texarkana, Tyler,
Waco.

MUSLIM LEGAL FUND OF AMERICA

2701 W. 15th St. Suite 640

Plano TX 75075

(972) 331-9021

www.mlfa.org

No legal advice or services, but funds selected cases and provides online information. To submit a case for funding consideration; fill out online form or write for an application.

NATIONAL LEGAL AID & DEFENDER ASSOCIATION

1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Ste. 500

Washington DC 20006

(202) 452-0620

<http://www.nlada.org>

Directory of Legal Aid & Defender Offices and Resources (2014 ed.) available soon.

Lists over 4,000 US civil legal aid and public defender offices, state and national poverty law support and resource centers, and Sentencing Advocates and Mitigation Specialists — \$100.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

2001 Evans Road

Cary NC 27513

(800) 445-9714

<http://global.oup.com>

Publishes these legal manuals. Check or money order only. Add \$5.50 shipping for first book, \$1.50 for each additional book.

Brief Writing and Oral Argument

(9th ed., 2010). *Legal writing and oral presentation, legal document samples, trial and appellate advocacy techniques — \$49.95.*

An Introduction to the Legal System of the U.S. (4th ed. 2010). *U.S. legal system structure and function — \$41.95*

Prisoners' Self-Help Litigation

Manual (4th ed., 2010). *Legal research, prisoners' rights, federal postconviction remedies, law library requirements, civil rights forms, parole, litigating in federal courts. — \$41.95*

PRISON CONSULTANT

Harvey R. Cox, M.S.

P.O. Box 1551

Weatherford TX 76086

(817) 596-8457

<http://www.prisonconsultant.com>

Retired warden provides fee-based advice and assistance on federal pre-sentence report review, prison orientation, initial placement, transfers, administrative remedies, petition for commutation of sentence, compassionate release, expert witness testimony. No charge for review and opinion.

PRISON JUSTICE LEAGUE

P.O. Box 49988

Austin TX 78765

<http://prisonjusticeleague.org>

Works for civil rights of Texas prisoners through impact litigation in such issues as prison rape and unhealthful conditions. No wrongful conviction cases or other criminal matters, but feel free to write about conditions inside. Legal mail: PJL, Special Legal Counsel Brian McGiverin, 1405 Montopolis Drive, Austin TX 78741.

PRISON LEGAL NEWS

P.O. Box 1151

Lake Worth FL 33460

(561) 360-2523

www.prisonlegalnews.org

<https://www.prisonphonejustice.org>

Independent 56-page monthly with review and analysis of prisoner rights, court rulings and other news on international and national (state and federal) fronts. Price to prisoners: \$30/year subscription. Also operates Prison Phone Justice website (see above), with up-to-date information on the effort to control charges for prisoner phone conversations, and an online bookstore featuring prison-related topics. Encourages submission of first-person accounts of life inside as well as information on unpublished court rulings.

SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER

400 Washington Ave.
Montgomery AL 36104
(334) 956-8200
www.splcenter.org

Advocates for prisoners' rights focusing on impact litigation in the areas of children's rights, economic justice, immigrant justice, LGBT rights, and mass incarceration. Applications for case review online only.

TDCJ OFFENDER GRIEVANCE PROGRAM

PO Box 99
Huntsville TX 77342-0099
Grievances must be filed from within units per TDCJ policy. Use this address only to comment on the grievance procedure.

TEXAS COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE

Attention: CAAP
PO Box 12487
Austin TX 78711-2487
Grievance Helpline (800) 932-1900
Dispute resolution service of the State Bar for filing a lawyer-related grievance, can provide information about the disciplinary process or refer to other resources. Services in Spanish, Thai, and Laotian.

TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

6808 Hill Meadow Drive
Austin TX 78736
<http://www.tcdla.com> (Lawyer Locator)
Online referrals to attorneys.

TEXAS FAIR DEFENSE PROJECT

510 South Congress Avenue, Suite 208
Austin TX 78704
(512) 637-5220
www.fairdefense.org
Call for help if you're threatened with revocation of parole or probation because of criminal justice debts. Detailed online information about the steps in getting court representation after being charged.

TEXAS RIOGRANDE LEGAL AID

300 South Texas Boulevard
Weslaco TX 78596
Hotline: (888) 988-9996
Rural Legal Aid (800) 369-0574
www.trla.org

Free legal services to low-income residents in sixty-eight counties of Southwest Texas. Offices in Austin, San Antonio, Brownsville, Laredo, El Paso, Del Rio and more. Online applications for uncontested divorce, protective orders, and issues with schools.

L-G-B-T Resources

BLACK AND PINK

614 Columbia Rd
Dorchester MA 02125
(617) 519-4387
www.blackandpink.org
Volunteer organization lists queer and transgender prisoners on a pen pal website, distributes a monthly newsletter of primarily queer/trans prisoner writing, and advocates for specific prisoner needs when possible.

GAY & LESBIAN ADVOCATES & DEFENDERS

30 Winter Street, Suite 800
Boston MA 02108
Legal services limited to prisoners in northeast, but all may write to receive resource guide and pen pal list.

LAMBDA LEGAL

3500 Oak Lawn Avenue, Ste. 500
Dallas TX 75219-6722
(214) 219-8585
www.lambdalegal.org
Limited representation in impact cases challenging criminal laws directed at or disproportionately applied against members of the LGBT and HIV-positive communities and government actions that fund, support or facilitate discrimination.

SINISTER WISDOM INC

PO Box 3252

Berkeley CA 94703

www.sinisterwisdom.org

Multicultural lesbian literary and art journal publishing four issues per year. Free to women in prisons and mental institutions..

SERO PROJECT

P.O. box 1233

Milford PA 18337

Write for free copy of Turn It Up!, a single-issue magazine for inmates living with HIV and/or hepatitis. Personal stories and advice from the inside on HIV, hepatitis and diabetes, nutrition, exercise, meditation and more. Includes 12-page resource guide.

TRANSGENDER LAW CENTER DETENTION PROJECT

1629 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 400

Oakland CA 94612

(510) 380-8229 (Prisoners call collect)

<http://transgenderlawcenter.org/programs/detention-project>

Information about laws affecting transgender people and resources for those facing other forms of discrimination and civil rights issues. No individual legal advice or representation, but occasional cases reviewed.

TRANSGENDER LEGAL DEFENSE & EDUCATION FUND, INC.

20 West 20th Street, Suite 705

New York NY 10011

(646) 862-9396

<http://tldef.org>

In-house legal program brings test-case litigation with wide impact in all areas of transgender civil rights. Call or write if you feel you've been discriminated against because of gender identity or expression.

TRANZMISSION PRISON PROJECT

P.O. Box 1874

Asheville NC 28801

<http://tranzmissionprisonproject.yolasite.com>

Offers books, zines, and information

to LGBTQIA (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual) and women prisoners. No longer offers pen pal connections.

Parole & Pre-Release

211 TEXAS

Texas Health and Human Services
Commission

<http://www.211texas.org>

Web directory by zip code of Texas resources for housing/shelter, employment, food/nutrition, veterans, crisis/emergency, income/expenses, legal aid/victims, criminal justice, aging/disability, health/medical, mental health, and child care/education.

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION HANDBOOK

c/o National Institute of Corrections

320 First St. NW room 5002

Washington DC 20534

(202) 307-3198

www.bop.gov/inmate_programs/emp_info_handbk.PDF

Handbook for employers of ex-offenders, info on federal programs for ex-offenders, and more. Updated 2011. Free upon written request or download online.

EXODUS MINISTRIES INC.

4630 Munger Avenue, Suite 110

Dallas TX 75204

(214) 827-3772

<http://exodusministries.org/contact-us/resident-application/>

Provides a 16-unit apartment building for reentering Christian mothers with no more than 3 children. Twelve-month program includes parenting, budgeting and finance, Bible studies, drug rehabilitation, and counseling. Write for application or download from website.

FAIR SHAKE INC.

PO Box 63

Westby WI 54667

information@fairshake.net

Prisoners can write for free 90-page reentry kit. Online resource offers vast directory of information and tools for families anticipating reentry of a member. Downloads on hundreds of subjects including legal roadblocks for reentering prisoners by state.

GALAXY COUNSELING CENTER

1025 South Jupiter Rd.

Garland TX 75042

(972) 272-4429

Family counseling, group therapy, anger management services. Centers in Dallas, Garland, Plano, and Richardson Texas. Nonprofit, sliding scale based on income.

HELP FOR FELONS

PO BOX 8008

Plano TX 75023

<http://www.helpforfelons.org>

Very useful website with directories and practical information on searching for employment, housing, reentry programs, scholarships, loans, and grants. Some info updated regularly with date noted.

IMPACT PUBLICATIONS

9104-N Manassas Drive

Manassas Park VA 20111

(800) 361-1055

Many books for ex-offenders: Write for catalog and order form. Examples:

Ex-Offender's New Job Finding and

Survival Guide (2016), \$19.95

99 Days to Re-Entry Success Journal,

\$4.95

Best Jobs for Ex-Offenders (2015), \$11.95.

Ex-Offender's 30/30 Job Solution (2015), \$11.95

Ex-Offender's Job Interview Guide, \$11.95

Ex-Offender's Re-Entry Success Guide, \$11.95

Re-Entry Employment and Life Skills Pocket Guide, \$2.95

Re-Entry Personal Finance Pocket Guide, \$2.95

LEGAL ACTION CENTER

<http://lac.org/roadblocks-to-reentry/>

Online state-specific database on legal barriers with criminal record (2009).

MINISTRY OF CHALLENGE MEN'S HOME

1500 E 12th Street

Austin TX 78702

Faith-based rehabilitation center, reentry assistance for ex-offenders, requires a six-month commitment to the program.

NATIONAL REENTRY RESOURCE CENTER

100 Wall Street, 20th Floor

New York NY 10005

(877) 332-1719

<http://csgjusticecenter.org/reentry/reentry-services-directory/>

No direct services to individuals. Online list of reentry services by state.

PRISONER ASSISTANT

482 Summit Wind Drive, Suite 704

Lake Harmony PA 18624-0704

(570) 722-5800

<http://www.prisonerassistant.com/>

Rehabilitation and reentry planning services. Establish a bank account at nonprofit bank with \$100, including a \$25 registration fee, and choose level of support for monthly fees ranging from \$5 to \$50. Establish banking history and gain online profile for the outside. Other services available -- write for brochure.

SALVATION ARMY – TX DHQ

Correctional Ministries Team

6500 Harry Hines Blvd.

Dallas TX 75235

(214) 956-6278

www.salvationarmytexas.org

Write for regularly updated listing of halfway houses, information on pen pals, a free residential rehabilitation center, missing person locator referrals, and Bible correspondence course for prisoners.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF GOODWILLS
12400 Hwy 71 West, Ste. 350, PMB #174
Austin TX 78738
(512) 263-8920

www.texasgoodwills.org/locations.html

Call or write for locations of walk-in job placement centers: assessment, training, retention, and other support services. Website lists Texas locations in 14 cities.

TEXAS CURE

<http://www.texascure.org/alternativehousing.html>

See full entry under Prisoner Services. Maintains this web directory of Texas alternative and transitional housing by city.

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION

Labor Market Information Department
(866) 938-4444

www.twc.state.tx.us/dirs/wdbs/wdbmap.html

Online directory to 28 local workforce development boards for job search resources, training programs, resume and application preparation, career development.

Pen Pal Programs

ADOPT AN INMATE

P.O. Box 1543

Veneta OR 97487

info@adoptaninmate.org

Arranges outside communication for prisoners, which may include pen pal, visitation, and more. Send an SASE with your name, prisoner ID, and mailing address to be placed on a waiting list. No fee, not faith-based but tries to match requests for spiritual connection.

CHRISTIAN PEN PALS

PO Box 11296

Hickory NC 28603

www.christian-penpals.com

If you have at least two years remaining in your sentence, you can ask a chaplain to

register you online or write for an application form, also prisoners' resource directory. Large resource directory online. Free service, long wait time for males.

FRIENDS BEYOND THE WALL

Attn: New Ad Orders

2600 South Road, Suite 44-244

Poughkeepsie NY 12601

www.friendsbeyondthewall.com

Pen pal listings since 1999. Write for order form. \$30/6 months, \$40/1 year, \$60/2 years. 250 words with picture. If you pay for a year and get no mail in the first six months you get another six months free.

INMATE-CONNECTION.COM

PO Box 83897

Los Angeles CA 90083

www.inmate-connection.com

Accepts 200 words with photo for \$40/year. Download or write for application.

MEET-AN-INMATE

Arlen Bischke

P.O. Box 1342

Pendleton OR 97801

www.meet-an-inmate.com

Pen pal listings since 1998. Write for application or sign up online. 250 words with two photos: \$25/6 months, \$35/1 year, \$50/2 years. No ads for county jail prisoners if sentence is less than six months. No refunds or adjustments for non-receipt of mail.

OUTLAWS ONLINE

PO Box 333

Inverness FL 34451

www.outlawsonline.com

Pen pal listings, from \$10 yearly for just photo and address to \$30 for one or more photos, address, description and bio. No word limit specified.

PRISON PEN PALS

P. O. Box 235

East Berlin PA 17316-0235

www.prisonpenpals.com

Address with photo — \$10 per year, 200 words — \$20, up to \$100 per year for slide show with photos, artwork, etc. Request an application by mail. Include SASE

PRISONERLIFE.COM

PO Box 1664

Voorhees NJ 08043

www.prisonerlife.com

Anyone with internet access can load your basic information into online site for free. Personal-Ad webpage with photo and up to 250 words costs \$35/year.

(See also **Black & Pink** — p. 19, and **Salvation Army** — p. 22.)

Prisoner Support

ACLU NATIONAL PRISON PROJECT

915 15th Street NW, 7th Floor

Washington DC 20005

www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights/

Litigates to make U.S. prisons, jails, and other detention facilities comply with the Constitution, domestic law, and international human rights principles, but doesn't assist individuals with criminal cases. Prisoner Assistance Directory available online only. The following "Know Your Rights" series available by mail, but expect long wait.

Medical, Dental and Mental Health Care
Freedom of Religion
Legal Rights of Disabled Prisoners
Environmental Hazards and Toxic Materials

The Prison Litigation Reform Act
Privileged and Non-Privileged Mail
Prisoner Assistance Directory online only

CORRLINKS -- INMATE EMAIL SYSTEM

www.prisoninmates.com/listing/corrlinks

Bureau of Prisons' official email system for federal inmates. Inmates pay to send/

receive email without full access to the Internet. Available in a few state prisons.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE MINISTRY OF TEXAS / STILL GOING SOMEWHERE

301 S. Schutz

El Paso, TX 79907

cjm@stillgoingsomewhere.com

Free services to all U.S. inmates including books, advocacy, and more. To receive up to 4 books, choose 5 areas: history, fiction, nonfiction, sci fi, basic education, or religious (Christian, Islamic, Sikh). Help with medical, education, housing, or transfer issues, and basic legal services to inmates seeking redress within the federal court system. They have a 'Story Wall' where they will showcase your story, poetry, or letter, to let your voice be heard outside.

CRITICAL RESISTANCE

1904 Franklin Street, Suite 504

Oakland CA 94612

www.criticalresistance.org

International movement to end the Prison Industrial Complex. Free quarterly newspaper written mostly by prisoners, *The Abolitionist*, in English and Spanish.

DISABILITY RIGHTS EDUCATION AND DEFENSE FUND

3075 Adeline St. Suite 210

Berkeley CA 94703

(510) 644-2555

Legal aid for disability-related civil rights violations. Research and advocacy on "School-to-Prison Pipeline."

LEWISBURG PRISON PROJECT, INC.

P.O. Box 128

Lewisburg PA 17837-0128

<http://www.lewisburgprisonproject.org>

Helps prisoners in Pennsylvania with issues that arise from confinement. Valuable online PDF, *Prisoners' Rights Handbook: A Guide to Correctional Law Decisions of the Supreme Court*.

**NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE AND
EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.**

40 Rector Street, 5th floor
New York NY 10006
(212) 965-2200

www.naacpldf.org

*Litigation, advocacy, and public education
to eliminate the improper role of race in the
criminal justice system. Scholarships for
African American law students.*

NATIONAL CURE

P. O. Box 2310
Washington DC 20013-2310
(202) 789-2126

www.curenational.org

*Membership organization working in prison
reform. Special issue chapters provide
help to incarcerated veterans, non-citizens,
women, death row prisoners, sex offenders.*

PRISON ACTIVIST RESOURCE CENTER

PO Box 70447
Oakland CA 94612
www.prisonactivist.org

*Working to expose and challenge institu-
tionalized racism and classism of prison
industrial complex. Resource guide free to
prisoners, updated March 2015.*

PRISON POLICY INITIATIVE

PO Box 127
Northampton MA 01061
<http://www.prisonpolicy.org/research.html>

*This page contains links to virtually all the
criminal justice research — racism, policing,
corrections, the private prison industry, and
more, organized by category and date.
No legal assistance, but annually updated
nationwide list of free legal assistance to
incarcerated people on non-criminal matters.*

THE PRISON SHOW

KPFT 90.1 FM Houston
419 Lovett Blvd
Houston TX 77006
(713) 526-5738
*Radio show airs Friday night 9:00–11:00
p.m. on Houston Pacifica radio. Created by*

*Ray Hill, former convict turned advocate.
Long distance call-ins at 9:20 p.m.*

PRISON WATCH PROJECT

American Friends Service Committee
89 Market Street, 6th Floor
Newark NJ 07102

[https://afsc.org/story/survivors-manual-
those-suffering-solitary/](https://afsc.org/story/survivors-manual-those-suffering-solitary/)

*Write for free publications, including
Survivors Manual: Surviving in Solitary, a
powerful collection of voices from solitary,
artwork and poetry. Download PDF online.*

**TEXAS COMMISSION ON
JAIL STANDARDS**

300 West 15th Street / Suite 503
Austin TX 78701
(512) 463-5505

*Receives complaints on county jails only —
do not send complaints about TDCJ.*

TEXAS JAIL PROJECT

1712 E. Riverside Drive, Box 190
Austin TX 78741
(512) 597-8746

info@texasjailproject.org

*Working to improve prison conditions by
helping families solve prisoners' issues.
Publicizes widespread abuse and neglect
in Texas city and county jails and maintains
informative website on jail news. No legal
support. For jails only, TDCJ prisons not
included. Email for more immediate reply.*

Publications & Magazines

A WORD ON ORDERING BOOKS

There's no one solution to make sure
prisoners receive the books they order
— rules enforced by prisons and jails are
as numerous as their jurisdictions. Some
prisons refuse books not sent from the
publisher, many accept from bookstores,
some accept from bookstores with physical
locations but refuse "resellers," some
accept from Amazon. Some insist that
books be new, some limit number of books,

and some base rules on a prisoner's security status. On the other end, a few even allow visitors to bring books into the unit. It's vital that families and friends get to know the rules for their prisoner's situation and order from a bookseller who's famili... with the system.

AK PRESS

674- A 23rd Street
Oakland CA 94612
(510) 208-1700

www.akpress.org

*Collective publishing anarchist books.
30% discount if shipped to a correctional facility. Send 3 stamps for catalog.*

CAROLINA ACADEMIC PRESS

700 Kent St.
Durham NC 27701

www.cap-press.com

*Publishes 192 academic books in criminal justice including state-specific analyses of 12 state justice systems (no Texas yet).
No catalog available, order online.*

COALITION FOR PRISONERS' RIGHTS

PO Box 1911
Santa Fe NM 87504

Short monthly newsletter sent free to prisoners nationwide since 1976, also the booklets Psychological Soldier, a Guide to a Healthy Life in Solitary and Doing Your Time with Peace of Mind. Send SASE and be prepared to wait for a response.

EAST BAY PRISONER SUPPORT

P.O. Box 2249
Oakland CA 94609

<https://eastbayprisonersupport.wordpress.com>

Free anarchist/radical zines for prisoners in TX and CA, and for female/queer prisoners nationwide. Write for catalog.

FORTUNE NEWS

Attn.: Fortune News Subscriptions
29-76 Northern Blvd.
Long Island City NY 11101

<http://fortunesociety.org>

Prisoner support to prisoners in New York City area. Email from website for subscription to free newsletter on criminal justice issues.

THE GRANITE PUBLISHING GROUP

PO Box 1429
Columbus NC 28722

<http://granitepublishing.us>

Sends free books to prisoners, only on metaphysical/transformational subjects from Native American spirituality to the extraterrestrial presence. Long waiting list, please send postage if possible.

INMATE MAGAZINE SERVICE, INC.

P.O. Box 2063
Fort Walton Beach FL 32549
(855) 936-4674 (Toll free)

<https://inmatemagazineservice.com>

Discounted magazine subscriptions. Order online or print form and mail.

JUSTICE DENIED

PO Box 68911
Seattle WA 98168
www.justicedenied.org

To report a wrongful conviction, send a first-class stamp or SASE with request for an information packet. Write for catalog of books on prison issues plus reference and legal self-help. Publishes quarterly online magazine (accepts written submissions) relating to wrongful conviction.

PAPERBACK SWAP N SHOP

1115 FM 517 Rd E
Dickinson TX 77539
(281) 534-3370

<http://imailtoprison.com>

Purchase a "grab bag" of used paperbacks for a Texas inmate, a 3-foot stack books for \$30 to \$54. Order by phone, on-line, or in person. Also mails books and offers magazine subscriptions to prisons and jails from coast to coast.

PRISON ACTION NEWS

Boston ABC
PO Box 230182
Boston MA 02123

prisonactionnews@riseup.net

Semi-annual journal of worldwide prison resistance, written mostly by prisoners. Write to above address for subscription. Submissions to: PAN, PO Box 832, Watertown MA 02472 or email above. Many useful PDFs on website such as Handbook on Surviving Solitary Confinement, How to Use the Law Library, etc.

PRISON LEGAL NEWS

www.prisonlegalnews.org

Online bookseller offering many titles pertinent to prisoners including many legal resources. Also publishes a 56-page monthly magazine. Details and address in the "Legal" section of this Resource Guide.

PRISON GRIEVANCES: WHEN TO WRITE, HOW TO WRITE

www.prisongrievances.com

Graphic novel explaining grievance rules and regulations in Texas prisons. Ask your librarian to order a copy for the prison library — \$9.00 from Amazon.com. Also available in Spanish, "Prison Grievances en Español."

SOLITARY WATCH

PO Box 11374
Washington DC 20008
www.solitarywatch.com

Information, advocacy, and resources relating to solitary confinement. Publishes a downloadable quarterly edition and mails free print copies to prisoners on request.

TEXAS PRISON BOOKSTORE

1301 Dupont Drive
Orange TX 77630
(409) 232-0032
texasprisonbookstore@yahoo.com
www.texasprisonbookstore.com

In Texas write or call to purchase TDCJ-

approved books and have them sent to prisoners; phone order outside Texas. Write for free catalog. Your order receives special attention from folks who understand TDCJ regulations. Regrettably, no longer able to send free books.

Religious & Spiritual

ALEPH INSTITUTE

9540 Collins Avenue
Surfside FL 33154
(305) 864-5553

<http://aleph-institute.org>

Instruction on Judaism for prisoners, with articles, correspondence courses, and counseling. Other educational programs based on a universal code of ethics and morality for non-Jews.

AHAM MEDITATION CENTER

Attn: Prison Ministry
4368 NC Highway 134
Asheboro NC 27205
<http://www.aham.com>

Serious seekers of inner peace may write for meditation aids. Living Free While Incarcerated or Freeing Yourself From the Prison of the Mind sent free of charge with "no charge" invoice. No pen pal service.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

1865 Broadway
New York NY 10023-7505
(212) 408-1200
www.americanbible.org

Free Bibles in English or Spanish, including large print and study guides. Can arrange with a chaplain to have books sent.

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

1501 Cherry Street
Philadelphia PA 19102
(215) 241-7000
www.afsc.org

Quaker policy organization working to

improve prison conditions and end prison privatization and mass incarceration.

CATHOLIC HOME STUDY

PO Box 363

Perryville MO 63775-0363

www.catholichomestudy.com

Offers free courses on the Catholic faith.

CHAPEL LIBRARY

MT. ZION BIBLE CHURCH

2603 W. Wright St.

Pensacola FL 32505

(850) 434-0058

www.chapelibrary.org

Free to prisoners: Bible, Christian booklets, study courses, audiotapes. Write for order form with over 100 free titles.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

(877) 537-0003

Call to request a free Book of Mormon.

COMPASSION WORKS FOR ALL

Dharma Friends

PO Box 7708

Little Rock AR 72217-7708

Buddhist-based monthly newsletter, "Dharma Friends", free to prisoners. Support in meditation practice, healing and psychological guidance, and some reentry counseling and resource information through letter-writing.

CROSSROADS BIBLE INSTITUTE

PO Box 900

Grand Rapids MI 49509-0900

(800) 668-2450

<http://cbi.fm>

International ministry offering Bible correspondence courses and a Life Skills Program, free of charge to prisoners.

HUMAN KINDNESS FOUNDATION

PO Box 61619

Durham NC 27715

(919) 383-5160

www.humankindness.org

Publishes "We're All Doing Time: a Guide for Getting Free," an interfaith publication for obtaining personal and spiritual freedom. English or Spanish version free to prisoners. Write for free copy of this and newsletter, "A Little Good News." Regretfully unable to fill pen pal requests.

IAS PRISON PROJECT

P. O. Box 2382

San Rafael CA 94912

www.ias.org

Islamic resources and outreach on Sufism to men and women in US state and federal prisons. Write for free quarterly newsletter.

INTERNATIONAL PRISON MINISTRY

P.O Box 2868

Costa Mesa CA 92628-2868

(800) 527-1212

www.chaplainray.com

Bibles, concordances, and other Christian literature free to prisoners.

ISKCON PRISON MINISTRY

3759 McCreary's Ridge Road NBU #46
Moundsville WV 26041

www.iskconprisonministry.org

Write for free books on Krishna consciousness, yoga, and meditation.

ISLAMIC ASSOCIATION OF NORTH TEXAS)

840 Abrams Road

Richardson TX 75081

www.iant.com

Sends Qurans and pamphlets on Islamic study to prisoners and prison libraries.

JEWISH PRISONER SERVICES INTERNATIONAL

PO Box 85840

Seattle WA 98145-1840

(206) 528-0363

<http://lipsi.org>

Educational, religious, cultural and spiritual resources to Jewish prisoners, releasees, and their families.

MIRACLES PRISONER MINISTRY

4118 County Hwy B
Wisconsin Dells WI 53965
(608) 253-4622

Spiritual Recovery correspondence course based on the Bible, a 12-step program, and A Course in Miracles, for prisoners, friends, and families. Year-long study, minimum commitment of 60 days. Workbooks supplied at no cost.

NALJOR PRISON DHARMA SERVICE

<http://sourcepointglobaloutreach.org/naljor-prison-dharma-service/>

Buddhist resource materials online. No longer mailing materials directly to prisoners, but 29-page resource directory and teachings on wisdom, compassion, and nonviolence are available online.

PAN AMERICAN LITERATURE MISSION

5215 East Fort Lowell Road
Tucson AZ 85712
(520) 326-1787

Free Bible correspondence courses and Bibles to prisoners — English only.

PRISON FELLOWSHIP

44180 Riverside Parkway,
Lansdowne VA 20176
www.prisonfellowship.org

Faith-based ministry sends free book on reentry, Shortimer, to prisoners as well as quarterly newspaper, Inside Journal.

PRISON MINDFULNESS INSTITUTE

11 South Angell St. #303
Providence RI 02906
www.prisonmindfulness.org
www.prisondharmanetwork.net

Free books to prisoners on mindfulness practices, Buddhism, and other contemplative paths. Online Directory of Prison Dharma Organizations.

PRISON MISSION ASSOCIATION

PO Box 2300
Port Orchard WA 98366
www.pmabcf.org

Free Bible correspondence courses in

English and Spanish with Bibles and literature. Prison visitation and inside programs in some areas.

SHALOM CENTER

6711 Lincoln Drive
Philadelphia PA 19119
(215) 844-8494

Jewish policy organization seeking to reunify political action and spiritual search.

SYDA FOUNDATION YOGA PRISON PROJECT

PO Box 99140
Emeryville CA 94662
www.siddhayoga.org/syda-foundation/prison-project/

Free 20-page monthly newsletter and home study course in Siddha Yoga meditation for prisoners in English or Spanish. Write to receive an introductory packet and enroll in the course.

Resources for Veterans**CHRISTIAN PEN PALS**

Attn: Veterans' Ministry
PO Box 2112
Statesville NC 28687

Free pen pals for incarcerated veterans. To register, send name, TDCJ number, address, birth date, length of sentence, release date, education level, dates of military service, religion, and a statement about you and what you want in a pen pal.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

810 Vermont Avenue NW
Washington DC 20420
Veterans crisis line: (800) 273-8255, #1
Women veterans hotline: (855) 829-6636
VA Benefits: (800) 827-1000
GI Bill: (888) 442-4551
Homeless: (877) 424-3838
Healthcare benefits: (877) 222-8387
Mammography Helpline: (888) 492-7844
Toxic issues, Agent Orange, Gulf War Syndrome: (800) 749-8387

www.va.gov

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Program available to those with honorable discharge. Send for application.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

Waco Region: 1 Veterans Plaza, 701 Clay St., Waco TX 76799, (254) 299-9932
Houston: 6900 Almeda Rd., Rm. 1033, Houston TX 77030, (713) 383-2715
San Antonio: 5788 Eckhert Rd., Rm. 2A112, San Antonio TX 78240, (210) 699-5064

www.dav.org

Membership organization serving disabled veterans. Learn how disability benefits withheld from incarcerated veterans can be made available to eligible dependents.

HEALTH CARE FOR RE-ENTRY VETERANS (HCRV) PROGRAM

Texas regional offices:
7329 Fannin Street
Houston TX 77030
(713) 791-1414, Ext. 2321
4800 Memorial Drive
Waco TX 76711
(800) 423-2111, Ext. 53699

http://www.va.gov/homeless/reentry_guides.asp

Government agency addressing re-entry needs of incarcerated veterans with prison outreach and pre-release assessments, as well as linkage to medical, psychiatric, social services, employment services, and short-term case management upon release. Reentry guide for Texas available from above website.

NATIONAL COALITION FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

333 1/2 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE
Washington DC 20003-1148
Toll-free: (800) 838-4357

<http://www.nchv.org>

"Planning for Your Release: A Guide for Incarcerated Veterans." Booklet for reintegration sent free to prisoners, also available as PDF from website.

NATIONAL GULF WAR RESOURCE CENTER

1725 SW. Gage Blvd
Topeka KS 66604
Toll free (866) 531-7183

<http://www.ngwrc.org>

Operation Forgotten Warrior II <http://www.ngwrc.net>

Education, advocacy, and support for veterans suffering from Gulf War Illness, Traumatic Brain Injury and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. Order free information and support guide. Second website invites "Forgotten Warriors" of Desert Shield through Operation Southern Watch to contribute their experiences.

NATIONAL VETERANS LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM

2001 S Street NW, Ste. 610
Washington DC 20009
(202) 265-8305

www.nvlsp.org

Publishes Veterans Benefits Manual, a 1,900-page treatise on veterans' law. Updated yearly. Ask your library to order a copy (\$158).

NATIONAL VETERANS FOUNDATION

5777 Century Boulevard Suite 350
Los Angeles CA 90045
Toll-free Lifeline for Vets: (888) 777-4443
9:00 to 5:00 Pacific Standard Time

<http://nvf.org/veterans/>

Nongovernmental service staffed by veterans, answering requests for assistance or advice from online or by phone. Lifeline for Vets counselors access comprehensive database of local, national, community-based, and government resources to help with financial problems, mental health issues, receiving benefits and healthcare, employment, housing, family counseling and many other issues.

VETERANS AFFAIRS REGIONAL OFFICES

Phone for both: (800) 827-1000
6900 Almeda Rd., Houston TX 77030
701 Clay Ave, Waco TX 76799

VETERANS ASSISTANCE LINES

Recovery Helpline: (800) 888-9383. 24-hour alcohol and drug abuse addiction and treatment hotline

Texas Homeless Network: (800) 531-0828. Provides a directory of organizations assisting homeless individuals.

National AIDS Hotline: (800) 822-7422. Information about AIDS services in your city or state

VA Medical Centers: (877) 222-8387

VETERANS CONSORTIUM PRO BONO PROGRAM

2101 L Street NW, Suite 420
Washington DC 20037
Toll free (888) 838-7727

www.vetsprobono.org

Veterans whose benefits were denied by the Board of Veterans' Appeals and have appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims can ask for case review. Free representation if accepted. Write for or download "Request Representation" form.

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

Luther "Buster" Newberry
Texas State Council President
P.O. Box 1860
Fritch TX 79036

Membership organization open to Vietnam veterans who served on active duty during a specified period. Free Agent Orange booklet available from the above address.

VETERANS' LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

(800) 622-2520, option 2
Free civil legal assistance by phone to low-income and/or disabled Texas veterans and their families at or below 200% of federal

poverty guidelines. No criminal cases accepted.

SWORDS TO PLOWSHARES

1060 Howard Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 252-4788

<http://www.swords-to-plowshares.org>
Community-based nonprofit organization helping veterans reentering the San Francisco Bay Area to break through the cultural, educational, psychological and economic barriers brought by their transition to the civilian world.

Resources for Women

2000 ROSES FOUNDATION INC.

P.O. Box 227015
Dallas TX 75222-7015
(214) 941-1333
<http://2000roses.org>

Provides safe transitional housing, education, job training, and entre-preneurial skills to help women live successfully after incarceration.

ACLU REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM PROJECT

915 15th Street NW, 7th Floor
Washington DC 20005
www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights

Works to see that pregnant women who are incarcerated receive the reproductive health services they need. Write for a "Know Your Rights" fact sheet.

CALIFORNIA COALITION FOR WOMEN PRISONERS

1540 Market Street, Suite 490
San Francisco CA 94102
<http://womenprisoners.org>

Social justice organization with members inside and out, challenges the institutional violence imposed on women, transgender people, and communities of color by the prison industrial complex. Publishes

irregularly. The Fire Inside, a quarterly publication for and about women in prison.

CENTER ON WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS (WOMEN'S PROJECT)

Northwestern University School of Law
357 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago IL 60611-3069
(312) 503-2391

<http://www.law.northwestern.edu/legalclinic/wrongfulconvictions/womensproject/>

Focuses on litigation aimed at exonerating women in prison for crimes they didn't commit and on raising public awareness of factors that lead to their convictions.

THE FIRE INSIDE

c/o California Coalition for Women Prisoners

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

Quarterly publication for and about women in prison.

FAMILIES UNITED FOR RACIAL & ECONOMIC EQUALITY

81 Willoughby Street #701
Brooklyn NY 11201
(718) 852-2960

www.furee.org

Brooklyn-based multiracial organization made up almost exclusively of women of color. Organizes low-income families to build power to change the system so that all people's work is valued.

FUERZA UNIDA

710 New Laredo Hwy
San Antonio TX 78211
(210) 927-2294

www.lafuerzaunida.org

Women's group that helps families achieve justice through education, organizing, and advocacy.

NATIONAL ADVOCATES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

875 6th Avenue, Suite 1807

New York NY 10001

(212) 255-9252

www.advocatesforpregnantwomen.org

Provides support nationwide for public defenders and other local lawyers faced with civil or criminal cases that raise legal and medical issues related to pregnancy.

NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR THE DEFENSE OF BATTERED WOMEN

125 S. 9th Street, Ste. 302

Philadelphia, PA 19107

(215) 351-0010 (accepts collect calls)

www.ncdbw.org

Assists defense teams on cases involving domestic violence survivors charged with crimes related to their abuse. No direct legal representation or advice, no social services. Very small nonprofit organization, tries to answer requests promptly, but replies may be delayed.

THE SENTENCING PROJECT

1705 DeSales Street NW, 8th Floor

Washington DC 20036

(202) 628-0871

<http://www.sentencingproject.org>

Policy and advocacy organization promotes reforms in sentencing policy, addresses unjust racial disparities and practices, and advocates for alternatives to incarceration. A wealth of online publications and articles on the experience of women prisoners as well as drug policy, voting rights, juvenile justice, sentencing law and policy, racial disparities, felon disenfranchisement and more.

TENACIOUS: ART AND WRITINGS BY WOMEN IN PRISON

Victoria Law

PO Box 20388

Tompkins Square Station

New York NY 10009

Seeking contributions to zine by women in prison. \$3 per zine, back issues available.

WOMEN AND PRISON

Beyondmedia Education

4001 N. Ravenswood Ave., Suite 204-B

Chicago IL 60613

www.womenandprison.org

Online forum on the effects of incarceration on women's lives. Accepts articles, visual work, personal narratives. Submissions reviewed and posted 3 times/year. Deadline dates are Jan. 15, May 15, and Sept. 15. (Mailed submissions should be postmarked by the deadline.)

WOMEN ORGANIZED TO RESPOND TO LIFE-THREATENING DISEASES (WORLD)

449 15th Street, Suite 303

Oakland CA 94612

(510) 986-0340

www.womenhiv.org

Write for information and referrals concerning AIDS and other life threatening diseases. They also send a free quarterly newsletter with treatment information and advocacy tips.

Please order from these subject areas rather than specific titles!

Addiction / 12-step	Foreign language study	Poetry
Africa / Caribbean	Games / puzzles	Political science
African American	Gardening	Prison Legal News
AIDS / HIV / Hepatitis C	Geology	Psychology
Alternative technology	Global corporatism	Racism
Anthropology	Global warming	Radical zines
Archeology	Grammar / writing	Reading / education
Architecture	Graphic novels	Reference works
Art / drawing	Health issues	Religion (specify)
Asia / Pacific	Historical fiction	Research
Astrology	History (specify time/area)	Romance
Astronomy	Humor	Science fiction
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Biology	Indigenous peoples	Self-help
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Chemistry	LGBT / gender studies	South America
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Computers	Literature / classics	Spirituality
Cookbooks / diet	Mathematics	Sports
Death / dying	Media studies	Statistics
Dictionaries	Middle East	Trades / automotive
Diseases (specify)	Music	Travel / outdoor
Drama	Mysteries / crime	UFO / conspiracy
Dreams	Mythology	War stories
Economics	National Geographics	Westerns
Engineering	Occult subjects	Wicca
Fantasy	Parenting	Women's health
Feminist theory	Philosophy / logic	Yoga / body work
Film	Photography	
Food / cookbooks	Physics	when available