

# NATIONAL PRISONER RESOURCE LIST

## WHAT IS THIS RESOURCE LIST?

The National Prisoner Resource List (NPRL) provides information about organizations that support people in prison and their loved ones. The NPRL is published by Prison Book Program in Quincy, MA, one of dozens of books to prisons programs across the country.

## WHAT IS THE PRISON BOOK PROGRAM?

Prison Book Program is a nonprofit founded in 1972 that supports people in prison by sending free books and reading material that meet their needs and interests. We have a small staff and are supported by thousands of volunteers and generous donors.

## HOW DO I REQUEST BOOKS FROM PRISON BOOK PROGRAM?

Write us a letter that includes the following:

- Name as known to the DOC (no nicknames)
- ID number
- Full mailing address
- Any book restrictions that your facility has
- 3-4 subjects that interest you

Send your letter to:

Prison Book Program  
c/o Lucy Parsons Bookstore  
1306 Hancock Street  
Quincy, MA 02169

If you include requests for multiple people in the same envelope, please put each person's request on a separate piece of paper.

## WHO CAN REQUEST BOOKS?

Anyone in any prison or jail facility in the US or its territories can request books! PBP serves prisons in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, and Guam. If your facility allows books from PBP, we will send some. However, please know that many facilities do not consider PBP an approved book vendor.

We currently do not send books to state facilities in MI and TX.

Limit 3 shipments per person per year. Turn to page 10 for a list of other programs that send free books to people in prison and write to them as well!

Loved ones on the outside can fill out a book request on behalf of someone in prison by going to our website, [www.prisonbookprogram.org](http://www.prisonbookprogram.org).

## BOOK SUBJECTS AND RESOURCES

We can't fill requests for specific books. Please tell us 3-4 subjects or genres that you would like! You can also tell us if you want books in a specific language, about a certain part of the world or group of people, at a beginning or intermediate reading level, or in larger print sizes. We may not have it, but we'll try!

### Resources

National Prisoner Resource List • Legal Primer/"We the People" • LGBTQ+ or trans resource list • Meditation guide • Poetry writing guide • Drawing guide

### Fiction (made up stories)

Classics • Fantasy • General fiction • Horror • Historical fiction (set in the past) • Humor • LGBTQ+ fiction • Manga & comics • Military fiction • Mysteries • Plays • Poetry • Romance • Science fiction • Short stories • Thriller & suspense • Westerns

### Nonfiction (factual, true books)

Activism & social change • Addictions • Animals • Art history & appreciation • Art how-to • Biographies & memoirs (people's life stories) • Business & economics • Careers & jobs • Coloring books • Computers & technology • Cooking & food • Dictionary • Disease management (specify which) • Environment • Exercise & nutrition • Film, TV & media • Games • Gardening & plants • GED/HiSet study guide • Health & wellness • History (specify part of the world) • Hobbies (specify which) • Language learning (specify English or other language) • LGBTQ+ • Life skills • Math • Mental health & self-help • Military/Veterans • Music history & appreciation • Music how-to • Parenting • Prison-related • Psychology • Politics • Puzzle books (crossword, sudoku, etc.) • Reading • Religion (specify which religion) • Science • Speech • Sports • Thesaurus • Trade skills (specify which) • Travel • True adventure • Women's • Writing

## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We want to provide you with great books and reading materials. Our goal is for you to achieve whatever reading and learning goals you may have. Please tell us if a book has helped you in prison or if, upon leaving prison, it helps you succeed as you make a new start.

Your artwork, poetry, personal stories, and descriptions of how books have impacted you can make a huge difference to the Prison Book Program. We can take your letters and creative work to potential donors and ask for more books and more funds with which to buy postage for future book shipments. You'll see some of the art we've received featured here! We appreciate your help!

## SEND US YOUR ADVICE AND SUGGESTIONS

Please help us keep this National Prisoner Resource List updated. If you discover incorrect information, disappointing resources, or new resources to be added, please let us know. We are constantly making updates and improvements to better assist you. Thank you!



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**DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN WRITE LETTERS TO EDITORS OF PUBLICATIONS?**

- Prisoners have as much right as anyone to write letters to the editors of newspapers and magazines.
- Get the word out about prison life.
- Help readers understand more about the conditions behind bars.

**A.B.O. COMIX**

see Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender

**AMERICA PRISON WRITING ARCHIVE**

Hamilton College  
198 College Hill Road, Clinton NY, 13323-1218  
<https://www.prisonactivist.org/resources/american-prison-writing-archive>  
[dhi@hamilton.edu](mailto:dhi@hamilton.edu)

American Prison Writing Archive is a digital archive of non-fiction essays that offers the public first-hand testimony to the living and working conditions experienced by prisoners, prison employees, and prison volunteers. All prisoners can contribute. Non-fiction essays, based on first-hand experience, should be limited to 5,000 words (15 double-spaced pages) Serves writers nationally.

**CALIFORNIA PRISON FOCUS**

4408 Market Street Suite A, Oakland, CA 94608  
[www.newist.prison.org](http://www.newist.prison.org)  
Tel: 510-342-9560  
[contact@prisons.org](mailto:contact@prisons.org)

Publishes "Prison Focus" three times a year, a publication primarily by prisoners and for prisoners, their friends, and families, with a focus on issues around solitary confinement. All prisoners are welcome to submit articles, artwork or creative writings for possible publication, but are not guaranteed that items will be returned. Free to all California prisoners in the SHU, upon request.

**FREEBIRD PUBLISHERS**

P.O.Box 541, North Dighton, MA 02764  
[www.freebirdpublishers.com](http://www.freebirdpublishers.com)

Freebird Publishers can professionally handle all your publishing needs. We offer our self-publishing services to all incarcerated prisoners and inmates throughout the USA. We specialize in prisoner publications, for more information order a 92-page full-color catalog filled with books, gifts, and services by mail or website. \$5 or \$10 with tracking.

**SUBMIT COLORING BOOK PAGES!**

Prison Book Program is going to create a free coloring book to send and share for free! You can submit your artwork to be included as a page to be colored in!

To submit, send your black and white line drawing to the address at the bottom of the page. Include a note saying whether we can include your name and location.

We might not be able to include all the drawings we receive. Unfortunately, we won't be able to send your artwork back to you.

**JUSTICE ARTS COALITION (JAC)**

P.O. Box 11065, Takoma Park, MD 20913  
[www.thejusticeartscoalition.org](http://www.thejusticeartscoalition.org)  
[info@thejusticeartscoalition.org](mailto:info@thejusticeartscoalition.org)

Justice Arts Coalition (JAC) unites teaching artists, arts advocates, artists who are or have been incarcerated and their allies, harnessing the transformative power of the arts to reimagine justice. JAC hosts an online Gallery dedicated to work by incarcerated artists and writers. JAC's pARTner Program pairs artists in prison with artists on the outside to provide mentorship and inspiration and the exchange of art. Please write or send us an email for more information on our various programs (listed below) or how to become involved. Let's create! Programs:

- The pARTner Program
- Art + Agency
- CorrespondARTS
- ArtLinks
- ArtConnects

**PEN AMERICA [PRISON WRITING PROGRAM]**

New York: 588 Broadway, Suite 303, New York, NY 10012  
LA: Santa Monica, CA 90406  
D.C.: 1015 15th St NW, Ste 600, Washington, DC 20005  
[www.pen.org](http://www.pen.org)

Free "Handbook for Writers in Prison" upon request. Also sponsors annual writing contest for prisoners.

**PRISON JOURNALISM PROJECT**

2093 Philadelphia Pike #1054, Claymont, DE 19703  
[submissions@prisonjournalismproject.org](mailto:submissions@prisonjournalismproject.org)

We are an organization focused on training incarcerated and incarceration-impacted people in the tools of journalism. We welcome reported news articles; feature stories; personal and reported essays, and op-eds. We prioritize writers interested in training with us and articles that are timely and current. Our training handbook "Prison Writer's Guide to Media Writing" will be published in fall 2024 and will include specifics on the kind of stories we look for and how to participate in PJP's Introduction to Media Writing certificate program. The handbook will be free to any incarcerated writer.

**PRISON POETRY WORKSHOP**

P.O. Box 448, Wilmington, NC 28402  
[www.prisonpoetryworkshop.org](http://www.prisonpoetryworkshop.org)  
Tel: 606-454-8864  
[info@narrativearts.org](mailto:info@narrativearts.org)

Prisoners can send us their poetry. To learn more and download writing prompts visit website.

**PRISONERS EXPRESS**

CTA / Durland Alternatives Library  
P.O. Box #6556 Ithaca, NY 14851  
[www.prisonerexpress.org](http://www.prisonerexpress.org)

Every six months a new edition of Prisoner Express News is created and sent free of charge to men and women incarcerated throughout the United States. The Prisoner Express newsletter contains selected art, writing and poetry submitted by prisoners from the previous programming cycle and explains how new members can begin participating in Prisoner Express programming. Past program topics have included chess, meditation, writing for film, immunology, journaling, art and philosophy.

**PRISONS FOUNDATION**

2512 Virginia Ave NW #58043, Washington, DC 20037  
[www.prisonfoundation.org](http://www.prisonfoundation.org)  
[dennissobin@yahoo.com](mailto:dennissobin@yahoo.com)

Free information on how to publish prisoner books without cost on Amazon. Free resources on our website including list of literary agents and how to legally avoid being placed on the sex offender registry.

**RAIN SHADOW REVIEW**

P.O. Box 85462, Tucson, AZ 8574-5462  
 www.rainshadowreview.com  
 rainshadowreviewwork@gmail.com

Write to the above address to receive a free literary journal showcasing the creative talents of current and former inmates and a free monthly newsletter with writing exercises. To submit your work for possible inclusion in a future issue, send your work of nonfiction, fiction, poetry of literary quality, or artwork. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want your work returned. Please do not send your only copy.

**Z MAGAZINE (THE SPIRIT OF RESISTANCE LIVES)**

18 Millfield Street, Woods Hole, MA 02543  
 www.zcomm.org/zmag  
 Tel: 508-548-9063  
 zmag@zmag.org

Welcomes unsolicited submissions from any writer via email or RTF attachment to: zmag@zmag.org, or sent to above address.

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**ADAMS STATE UNIVERSITY**

Prison Education Program (PEP)  
 208 Edgemont Blvd., Suite 3000, Alamosa, CO 81101  
 www.adams.edu/academics/printbased  
 Tel: 719-587-7671 Toll Free: 800-548-6679  
 prisonedprogram@adams.edu

The Prison Education Program (PEP) offers print-based courses for students without access to technology to achieve educational goals and earn Associate, Bachelor, and Master's degrees. Request a catalog by submitting a letter.

**CENTER FOR LEGAL STUDIES**

12222 Merit Drive Suite 1340, Dallas, TX 75251  
 www.legalstudies.com  
 Tel: 1-800-522-7737

Offers online, online flex, live lecture, and text only options. Course topics include legal support, paralegal, nursing and medical, and industry specialty.

**COLLEGE GUILD**

P.O. Box 696, Brunswick, ME 04011  
 www.collegeguild.org  
 info@collegeguild.org

Our mission is to provide free correspondence courses that connect incarcerated people with a community beyond prison walls, fostering mutual respect through a shared passion for learning. Anyone currently incarcerated in federal or state prison is welcome, regardless of previous level of education attained. College Guild is free of religious or political affiliation and welcomes students of all identities. Write to the above address and ask for an enrollment package, or email the above address.

**OHIO UNIVERSITY**

Grosvenor Hall 018, 1 Ohio University Drive, Athens, OH 45701  
 www/ohio.edu/online  
 Tel: 740-593-2910 Toll Free 800-444-2910  
 ecampus@ohio.edu

60+ programs available online. Also offers print-based degree programs.

**PRISON SCHOLAR FUND**

1752 NW Market St. #953, Seattle, WA 98107  
 www.prisonsscholars.org

Programs include:

- Food security (for those in Washington State)
- Support for postsecondary students (tuition, textbooks, tutoring, mentoring, & advising) and for returning residents (education and workforce transition). Application requests must include S.A.S.E.
- Digital Equity: computer literacy and navigation
- Employment navigation
- Coding Bootcamp— must apply online

**RIO SALADO COLLEGE**

Incarcerated Re-Entry Correspondence Program  
 2323 W. 14th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281-6942  
 www.national.riosalado.edu  
 Tel: 480-517-8345 Fax: 480-517-8119  
 incarcerated.reentr@riosalado.edu

Rio Salado College was approved as a Prison Education Program (PEP) at Perryville Prison in Arizona and will expand to other prisons in Arizona. If HLC requires all prisons to be considered a location, print based education will be limited to Arizona. For now, Rio Salado College is providing print based options in AA/AGEC and ASD AAS for out of state students through self-pay.

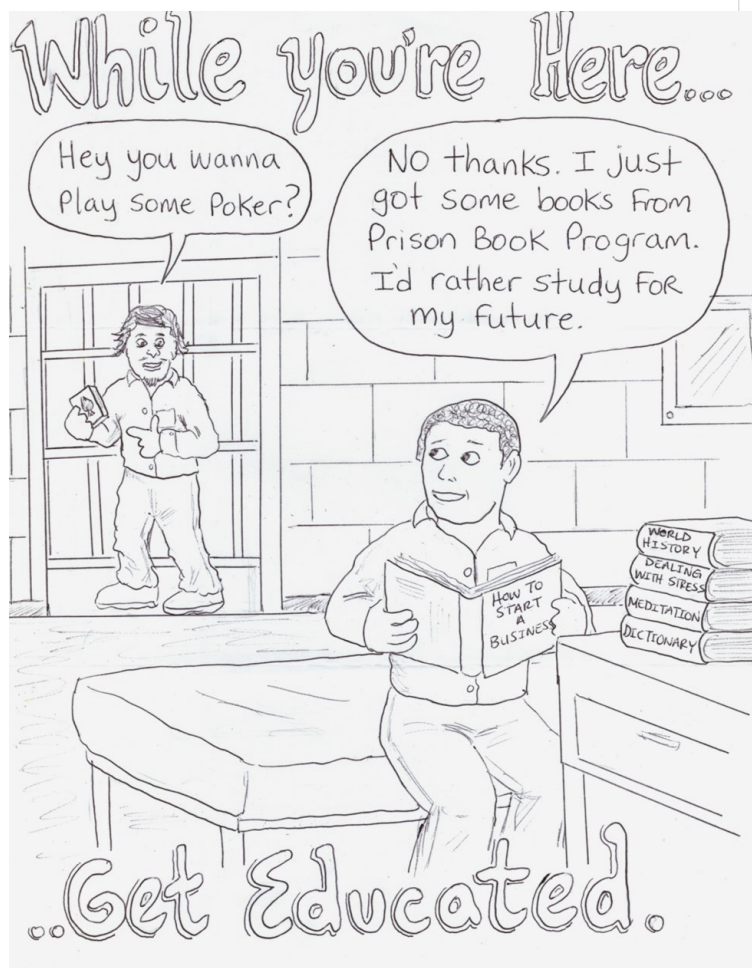
**STRATFORD CAREER INSTITUTE**

1 Champlain Commons Unit 3, P.O. Box 1560  
 Saint Albans, VT 05478-5560  
 www.scitraining.com  
 Tel: 1-800-254-4070  
 admissions@scitraining.com  
 60 career training courses.

**UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO**

Independent Study in Idaho  
 875 Perimeter Dr. MS 3081, Moscow, ID 83844-3081  
 Tel: 208-885-6641 Toll Free: 877-464-3246  
 indepst@uidaho.edu  
 Classes for the incarcerated. Catalog of information & classes available upon request.

Anonymous Artist



Groups listed here provide a variety of books similar to what you would find in a small bookstore or library. Books are free & yours to keep. Individuals & publishers donate books, so what's available varies. This list only includes programs that serves multiple states or one state that incarcerates a large population.

**To request books**, send your name as known to the DOC, ID Number, address with cell number, and a list of subjects that interest you. Specific titles are hard to fill. Note any facility restrictions on mailing books, if known. Many programs have a backlog of several months, please be patient. Books may not get to you if you are moving in the next few months. The USPS does not forward Media Mail rate packages.

**APPALACHIAN PRISON BOOK PROJECT**

P.O. Box 601, Morgantown, WV 26507  
 www.appalachianprisonbookproject.org  
 appalachianpbp@gmail.com  
 SERVES: KY, MD, OH, TN, VA, WV

**ASHEVILLE PRISON BOOK PROGRAM**

67 N. Lexington Ave, Asheville, NC 28801  
 www.avlpb.org  
 ashevilleprisonbooks@gmail.com  
 Also supplies a NC Prisoner Resource List to NC prisoners upon request.  
 SERVES: NC, SC

**BOOKS THROUGH BARS NYC**

c/o Bluestocking Bookstore,  
 116 Suffolk Street, New York, NY 10002  
 Specializes in political and history books. Also has literary fiction and other educational books. No religion books. Prioritizes requests from NY.  
 SERVES: AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, ME, MD, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OK, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WY

**BOOKS THROUGH BARS PHILLY**

4722 Baltimore Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143  
 www.booksthroughbars.org  
 Tel: 215-727-8170  
 info@booksthroughbars.org  
 Sending books to incarcerated people in six mid-Atlantic states.  
 SERVES: PA, NY, NJ, DE, MD, VA

**BOOKS TO PRISONERS**

c/o Left Bank Books  
 92 Pike Street Box A, Seattle, WA 98101  
 www.bookstoprisoners.net  
 Tel: 206-527-3339  
 bookstoprisoners@live.com  
 SERVES: Nationwide

**CHICAGO BOOKS TO WOMEN IN PRISON**

4511 N. Hermitage Ave, Chicago, IL 06040  
 www.chicagobwp.org  
 chicagobwp@gmail.com  
 Women and trans people only. Does not serve jails and other short-term facilities outside Chicago. Please give us at least six kinds of books you want.  
 SERVES: Federal prisons nationwide  
 State prisons in: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CT, FL, IL, IN, KY, MS, OH, TN

## FREE BOOKS TO PRISONERS PROGRAMS

### DC BOOKS TO PRISONS PROJECT

P.O. Box 34190, Washington, DC 20043  
www.dcbookstoprisoners.org  
btopdc@gmail.com

Stamps and donations are appreciated where possible. Request reading material by prioritized subjects. List prison restrictions if known. Please wait 5 months between requests.

SERVES: Federal prisoners in AZ; DC residents in Federal prisons AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, GA, HI, ID, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MD, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WV, WY

### GAINESVILLE BOOKS FOR PRISONERS

433 S. Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601  
SERVES: Nationwide

### HAYMARKET BOOKS

P.O. Box 180165, Chicago, IL 60618  
Tel: 773-583-7884  
info@haymarketbooks.org

Haymarket Books is committed to making our books available for free to people who are incarcerated. In an effort to support those inside who are dealing with the immense violence of the prison system we want to do what we can to connect people with radical books and opportunities for political education. Write for book catalog, or request books online.

SERVES: Nationwide

### INSIDE BOOKS PROJECT

PO Box 301029, Austin, TX 78703  
www.insidebooksproject.org  
Tel: 512-655-3121  
insidebooksproject@gmail.com

One request every three months. Also publishes a free Resource Guide for TX prisoners.  
SERVES: TX

### LGBT BOOKS TO PRISONERS

c/o Social Justice Center Incubator  
1202 Williamson St #1, Madison, WI 53703  
www.lgbtbookstoprisoners.org  
lgbtbookstoprisoners@gmail.com

LGBTQ-identified prisoners only. Also offers LGBT and Trans resource lists.

SERVES LGBTQ prisoners in: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY

### LOUISIANA BOOKS 2 PRISONERS

3157 Gentilly Blvd Box #141, New Orleans, LA 70122  
www.lab2p.org  
Tel: 504-272-7323  
books2prisoners@gmail.com

Women and LA prisoners are prioritized.

SERVES: AL, AR, LA

### MIDWEST PAGES TO PRISONERS PROJECT

c/o Boxcar Books & Community Ctr.  
P.O. Box 1324, Bloomington, IN 47402  
www.pagestoprisoners.org  
Tel: 812-727-0155  
mwpp@pagestoprisoners.org

SERVES: AR, IA, IN, KS, MN, MO, ND, NE, OK, SD

## FREE BOOKS TO PRISONERS PROGRAMS

### NONAME BOOK CLUB

Book Club HQ, 2304 W Jefferson BLVD, Los Angeles CA 90018  
www.nonamebooks.com  
sage@nonamebooks.com

A Black-led worker cooperative founded upon collective learning as a tool towards collective liberation. Each month we uplift a radical book written by Black, Indigenous, and other people of color. We operate in the legacy of Martin Sostre and other revolutionaries who have fought for access to radical text while incarcerated. We believe books to be amazing tools of liberation and portals into other worlds, new ways of being in relation to each other, and roadmaps for a future where we can all be free. To sign up to receive the monthly book pick, write a letter to the above address.

SERVES: Nationwide \*limitations apply, cannot guarantee books for everyone

### OPEN BOOKS PRISON BOOK PROJECT

1040 N. Guillemard St, Pensacola, FL 32501  
www.openbookspcola.org  
Tel: 850-453-6774

openbookspcola@riseup.net

SERVES: FL

### PRISON BOOK PROGRAM

c/o Lucy Parsons Bookstore  
1306 Hancock Street, Suite 100, Quincy, MA 02169  
www.prisonbookprogram.org  
Tel: 617-423-3298

SERVES: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA (Federal only), CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI (Federal only), MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX (Federal only), UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Puerto Rico, Guam

### PRISON BOOKS COLLECTIVE PUBLISHING AND DISTRIBUTION

P.O. Box 625, Carrboro, NC 27510  
www.prisonbooks.info  
Tel: 919-443-9328  
prisonbooks@gmail.com

Zines (small booklets) on various topics Request our zine catalog.  
SERVES: Books: AL, NC Zines: Nationwide

### PRISON LIBRARY PROJECT

915-C W. Foothill Blvd, PMB 128, Claremont, CA 91711  
Tel: 909-626-3066  
claremontforum@gmail.com

Personal and spiritual growth, general fiction and non-fiction. Reference sometimes available. Include mail rules.

SERVES: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY

### PRISONERS LITERATURE PROJECT

c/o Bound Together Books  
1369 Haight St, San Francisco, CA 94117  
www.prisonlit.org  
prisonlit@gmail.com

Limit requests to once per year. Send a list of 5-10 subjects (no Bibles or religious material). Stamps and donations appreciated, but not required. Wait list 8-12 weeks.

SERVES: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY

**PROVIDENCE BOOKS THROUGH BARS**

c/o Paper Nautilus Books  
19 South Angell St., Providence, RI 02906  
www.provbtb.org

SERVES: Federal prisons nationwide and state prisons in: AK, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, GA, HI, ID, KS, MD, MI, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NJ, NM, OK, OR, SD, TX, UT, VT, VA, WV, WY

**WOMEN'S PRISON BOOK PROJECT**

3751 17th Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55407  
https://wpbp.org/  
womensprisonbookproject@gmail.com

Serves women and transgender people across the US.  
SERVES: Nationwide

**FAMILIES AGAINST MANDATORY MINIMUMS (FAMM)**

1100 H Street NW Suite 100, Washington, DC 20006  
www.famm.org  
Tel: 202-822-6700

FAMM works to change mandatory sentencing laws through the legislative process on the federal and state levels by participation in precedent-setting legal cases and educating the public.

**FAMM FLORIDA PROJECT**

P.O. Box 142933, Gainesville, FL 32614  
www.famm.org/florida  
Tel: 352-682-2542

FAMM's Florida Project works to change mandatory minimum sentencing laws, as required by Florida state law, for drug and gun offenses.

**LEGAL SERVICES FOR PRISONERS WITH CHILDREN**

4400 Market St, Oakland, CA 94608  
www.prisonerswithchildren.org  
Tel: 415-255-7036  
info@prisonerswithchildren.org

Information and referrals only. No individual legal aid.

**Where does the name  
Lucy Parsons Bookstore come from?**

Our bookstore is named after an important historical figure, a labor organizer and public speaker named Lucy Parsons. Lucy Parsons was born to an enslaved woman in Virginia in 1851. Her father may have been their enslaver, and he moved mother and child to Texas in 1863 to avoid having to emancipate them. Lucy married Albert Parsons, a white man, in 1872 and together they fled the racial terror of Texas for Chicago. The couple became highly effective labor organizers and prominent anarcho-socialists. They were instrumental in organizing the "wage slaves" of Chicago's sprawling factories to strike for an 8-hour work day, among other causes. Albert was executed in 1887 for conspiracy in the Haymarket Riot, a charge widely regarded as a frame-up. Lucy regarded Albert as a martyr and maintained a rigorous schedule of public speaking, demonstrating, and advocating for workers' rights into her nineties. The Chicago police called Lucy "more dangerous than a thousand rioters."



Lucy's legacy lives on in the Lucy Parsons Bookstore and Center in Jamaica Plain, which once provided physical space to PBP and still provides important book distribution assistance.

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**A.B.O. COMIX**

P.O. Box 11584, 195 41st St. Oakland, CA 94611  
[www.abocomix.com](http://www.abocomix.com)

A.B.O. is a collective of creators and activists who work to amplify the voices of LGBTQ prisoners through art, keep queer prisoners connected to outside community, and help them in the fight toward liberation. They work closely with incarcerated LGBTQ+ members to develop artwork & provide feedback, gain experience in the publishing industry, and provide credentials for portfolios and letters of recommendation.

**ACLU LGBTQ RIGHTS / AIDS PROJECT**

125 Broad St, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10004

[www.aclu.org](http://www.aclu.org)

Tel: 212-549-2500

Experts in constitutional law and civil rights, specializing in sexual orientation, gender identity, and HIV/AIDS.

**BLACK AND PINK MINNEAPOLIS**

See Pen Pals section.

**BLACK AND PINK, NATIONAL OFFICE**

2406 Fowler Ave, Ste 316, Omaha, NE 68111

[www.blackandpink.org](http://www.blackandpink.org)

Tel: 531-466-3346

[admin@blackandpink.org](mailto:admin@blackandpink.org)

An open family of LGBTQ and/or HIV+ prisoners and "free world" allies who support each other. As a national organization made up of thousands of prisoners, B&P provides a free prisoner-generated monthly newspaper to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer prisoners and prisoners living with HIV regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. B&P also provides a free non-romantic pen pal program. B&P is unable to promise a pen pal, but they regularly recruit "free world" volunteers to write prisoners. B&P is also able to provide limited advocacy for those experiencing harm and harassment (B&P is not able to help with court cases as they are not lawyers).

**GENDER IDENTITY CENTER OF COLORADO INC.**

120 Bryant St., Denver, CO 80219

[www.lgbtqcolorado.org](http://www.lgbtqcolorado.org)

Offers *The T.I.P. Journal* newsletter for transgender prisoners.

**LEGAL INFORMATION HELPLINE, NCLR**

870 Market St. #370, San Francisco, CA 94102

[www.nclrights.org](http://www.nclrights.org)

Tel: 415-392-6257

[info@nclrights.org](mailto:info@nclrights.org)

NCLR is a national legal organization committed to advancing the civil and human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people through litigation, legislation, policy, and public education.

NCLR's Legal Information Helpline provides basic information about laws that affect LGBT people, including LGBT people in prison, and has resources available for people who are facing discrimination or other civil rights issues. We do not conduct client intake and cannot provide any legal advice, legal representation or take on cases through the Legal Information Helpline.

**LGBT BOOKS TO PRISONERS**

See Free Books to Prisoners section

**QUEER DETAINEE EMPOWERMENT PROJECT (QDEP)**

308 W 46th Street, New York, NY

Tel: 377-645-9339

[info@qdep.org](mailto:info@qdep.org)

An Alternative to Detention Program (ATD), that works with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Queer, Two Spirit, Trans and Gender Non-Conforming, HIV+ detainees and their families currently in detention centers and those that are recently released from immigrant detention centers, seeking status in the United States. We engage in community organizing and international policy to demand the liberation of our people.

**SINISTER WISDOM, INC.**

2333 McIntosh Road, Dover, FL 33527

Tel: 813-502-5549

Publishes work by lesbians only - prose, poetry, essays, graphics, and book reviews. Free to women in prison.

**TRANSGENDER LAW CENTER**

See Legal Publications and Education.

**TRANSMISSION PRISON BOOKS (TPP)**

P.O. Box 1874, Asheville, NC 28802

[tranzmissionprisonproject@gmail.com](mailto:tranzmissionprisonproject@gmail.com)

Offers free books and resources to LGBTQIA (Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual) identified folks and women only. No pen pal services.



**POZ MAGAZINE, SMART + STRONG**

157 Columbus Ave Suite 525, New York, NY 10001-2508  
 www.smartandstrong.com  
 Tel: 212-242-2163

Free subscription to any HIV+ person who cannot afford it.

**TEST POSITIVE AWARE NETWORK**

5537 N. Broadway, Chicago, IL 60640  
 www.tpan.com  
 Tel: 773-989-9400

Publishes Positively Aware, a bi-monthly magazine covering HIV/AIDS treatment, research, policy and lifestyle. Annual drug guide covers all HIV drugs. No dating or pen pal services. Write for free subscription.

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**How do you choose the resources included in the NPRL?**

There are several ways organizations get added to the NPRL.

Sometimes organizations reach out to us directly to be included. Many of our incarcerated readers reach out with updates of organizations that are not responding, or new additions that they don't see listed. Because we serve people all over the US, PBP does not generally include in our listings organizations that serve a limited population. We try to include organizations that serve multiple or very large jurisdictions.

**AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)- NATIONAL PRISON PROJECT**

125 Broad St, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10004  
 Tel: 212-549-2500

Write for list of publications and contact information for your state.

**HEALTH LIBRARY (STANFORD HEALTH CARE)**

Hoover Pavilion  
 211 Quarry Road, Suite 201  
 Palo Alto, CA 94304  
 www.healthlibrary.stanford.edu  
 Tel: (800) 295-5177 (toll free)

healthlibrary@stanfordhealthcare.org

Our medical librarians are here to help you find answers to your health related questions and connect you to support resources. We provide scientifically based information to help you make informed decisions about your health and health care. This is a free service open to all. Examples of requests include a general overview of a new diagnosis, treatment options, and meditation and mindfulness resources. Please note we can not take a list of symptoms and offer a diagnosis, nor do we offer advice or recommendations.

**NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFERENCE SERVICE**

P.O. Box 6000, Rockville, MD 20849-6000  
 www.ncjrs.gov  
 Tel: 800-851-3420

Distributes documents and information from the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS), the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP).

**NEWS & LETTERS**

228 South Wabash, Suite 230, Chicago IL 60604  
 www.newsandletters.org

Ideas of Marxist-Humanism and revolutionary social change. Subscriptions for prisoners are free upon request.

Artist: Juan C





**BLACKSTONE CAREER INSTITUTE**

1011 Brookside Road, Suite 300, P.O. Box 3717  
Allentown, PA, 18106-0717  
<https://blackstone.edu/sponsor-information/>  
Tel: 800-826-9228  
[info@blackstone.edu](mailto:info@blackstone.edu)

Provides Paralegal Certificate training for inmates and has other training programs designed to lead to certification in Paralegal and Allied Health fields.

**CENTER ON WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS**

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law  
375 East Chicago Ave, Chicago, IL 60611-3069  
Tel: 312-503-8576

The CWC handles claims of actual innocence in DNA and non-DNA cases.

**CENTURION MINISTRIES, INC**

1000 Herrontown Rd, The Clock Building, Princeton, NJ 08540  
[www.centurion.org](http://www.centurion.org)  
Tel: 609-921-0334  
[info@centurion.org](mailto:info@centurion.org)

Works to vindicate and free prisoners who are factually innocent and have been unjustly sentenced to either death or life in prison without parole. Focuses on murder and rape cases. Does not consider child abuse/sex cases (unless physical evidence can be scientifically tested to prove innocence). Does not consider accidental death or self-defense cases. CM has no religious affiliation. CM is not a law office. To have a case considered, write a short letter to CM outlining the facts of the case (do not include documents or transcripts). CM reads and responds to all letters within approximately 6-8 weeks.

**INNOCENCE PROJECT**

40 Worth St, Suite 701, New York, NY 10013  
Tel: 212-364-5340  
[info@innocenceproject.org](mailto:info@innocenceproject.org)

Accepts post-conviction cases where DNA testing can yield conclusive proof of innocence. All cases for consideration should be mailed with a brief factual summary of the case and a list of the evidence used against the defendant. For cases originating from the states of AZ, CA, MI, OH, WA and WI, and for cases not involving DNA evidence, see the Innocence Network ([www.innocencenetwork.org/members](http://www.innocencenetwork.org/members)). Please do not send documents.

**JAILHOUSE LAWYER'S HANDBOOK**

Center for Constitutional Rights  
666 Broadway, 7th Fl, NY, NY 10012  
[www.jailouselaw.org/](http://www.jailouselaw.org/)

A free resource for people in prison who wish to file a federal lawsuit addressing poor conditions in prison or abuse by prison staff. The latest edition is the 6th, revised 2021. A free copy can be ordered online.

**A JAILHOUSE LAWYER'S MANUAL (JLM)**

435 West 116th Street, New York, NY 10027  
[www.jailouselaw.org](http://www.jailouselaw.org)  
[www.jlm.law.columbia.edu](http://www.jlm.law.columbia.edu)  
Tel: 212-854-1601 Fax: 212-854-7946  
[jlm.board.mail@gmail.com](mailto:jlm.board.mail@gmail.com)

*A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual (JLM)* is a handbook of legal rights and procedures designed for use by people in prison. Thousands of prisoners in institutions across the country have used *A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual* to exercise their legal rights through:

- Informing prisoners of their legal rights and instructing them about how to secure these rights through the judicial process
- Clearly explaining legal research techniques
- How to read legal documents.

While it is no substitute for legal advice or representation, prisoners can use the JLM to address specific problems related to their treatment in prison, or to attack their unfair convictions or sentences. **For prisoners and their family members:** The JLM 11th Edition main volume is \$30. The Immigration & Consular Access Supplement is \$15. First class shipping is included in the price. Prices and availability may be subject to change. You may also order up to three chapters of the 10th Edition of *A Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual* for FREE! Please note that the 10th Edition was published in 2014. It is not the most recent edition of the JLM, and may contain information that is out of date and no longer accurate. A copy of the *Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual/Handbook* can also be found free online at [jlm.law.columbia.edu/current-edition](http://jlm.law.columbia.edu/current-edition).

**LEWISBURG PRISON PROJECT**

P.O. Box 128, Lewisburg, PA 17837-0128  
Tel: 570-523-1104  
[info@lewisburgproject.org](mailto:info@lewisburgproject.org)

Free list of low-cost legal bulletins related to prisoner rights.

**MUSLIM LEGAL FUND OF AMERICA / CONSTITUTIONAL LAW CENTER FOR MUSLIMS IN AMERICA**

833 E Arapaho Rd, Suite 209, Richardson, TX 75081  
[www.clcma.org](http://www.clcma.org)  
[www.mlfa.org](http://www.mlfa.org)  
Tel: 972-331-9021

A charitable law firm providing free legal services to Muslims facing challenges to constitutional civil rights and liberties in America. Some of its clients are Muslim prisoners facing difficulties with religious accommodations.

**NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE & EDUCATIONAL FUND INC**

40 Rector St, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10006  
[www.naacpldf.org](http://www.naacpldf.org)  
Tel: 212-965-2200

Non-profit law firm which deals only with cases of obvious race discrimination, as well as a small number of death penalty and life without parole cases.

**PRISON LEGAL NEWS**

P.O. Box 1151, Lake Worth, FL 33460  
[www.prisonlegalnews.org](http://www.prisonlegalnews.org)  
Tel: 561-360-2523 Fax: 866-735-7136

Monthly prison-related magazine. Covers court decisions affecting prisoner rights and conditions of confinement. (\$30 per year for prisoners). Write for catalog.

**TRANSGENDER LAW CENTER**

PO Box 70976 Oakland, CA 94612  
<https://transgenderlawcenter.org/resources/prisons>

Write to the above address to request one of the following resources:

- policies issued by specific state DOCs and the federal BOP
- guides to navigating grievance processes and filing lawsuits
- know-your-rights guides for transgender and LGBT people
- model policies developed by LGBT advocacy organizations
- statements from medical professional associations on the necessity of transition-related health care
- medical information about transition-related health care
- case law from previous lawsuits filed by transgender people in prison
- reentry resources
- resource lists of other organizations

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CORRECTIONS  
CORRESPONDENCE SERVICE**

General Service Office

P.O. Box 459, Grand Central Station New York, NY 10169

If an A.A. member has an interest in sharing about their experiences as they relate to sobriety and problems with alcohol, they can write to the above address with name, gender, primary language, inmate number, estimated release date, facility name and address. They will be randomly matched to an outside A.A. member from another region, with men writing to men and women writing to women.

**CURE-SORT (SEX OFFENDERS RESTORED  
THROUGH TREATMENT)**

P.O. Box 1022, Norman, OK 73070-1022

www.cure-sort.org

Tel: 405-639-7262

Treatment program referrals & educational materials free or low-cost to inmates.

**GRANT PUBLICATIONS**

Box 28812, Greenfield, WI 53228-0812

Magazine subscription services with years of experience servicing inmates. Send S.A.S.E. for more information.

**ISO OF SAA (SEX ADDICTS ANONYMOUS)**

P.O. BOX 70949, Houston, TX 77270

www.saa-recovery.org

Tel: 713-869-4902

info@saa-recovery.org

Free catalog of literature mailed to prisoners upon request.

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**

P.O. Box 9999, Van Nuys, CA 91409

www.na.org

NA publishes a wide variety of materials concerning drug addiction and recovery, some of which are expressly produced for persons currently incarcerated, including *Behind the Walls*. También ofrece literatura en español, incluyendo *Entre Rejas*. Booklets are 85 cents each.

**PRISON MATH PROJECT**

10810 N. Tatum Blvd, Phoenix, AZ 85028-6055

www.prisonmathproject.org

pmp@pmathp.org

Write or fill out online form to request an intake form to be paired with a mentor on the outside to assist you in your education of math and STEM topics.

**U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION**409 3<sup>rd</sup> St, SW, Washington, DC, 20416

www.sba.gov

Write for free information.

**ADOPT AN INMATE**

P.O. Box 1543, Veneta, OR 97487

http://adoptaninmate.org

Tel: 971-236-7897

Accepts applications from people on the outside and matches them with people in prison with similar backgrounds and interests. People who adopt have compassion and an interest in prison reform. They are open to discovering the challenges that people in prison face. They are willing to provide support and mentorship to a person in prison. Please note you will be added to a waitlist to be paired with a pen pal.

**BLACK AND PINK MINNEAPOLIS**

% Boneshaker Books

2002 23rd Ave S. Minneapolis, MN 55404

mwtppp@gmail.com

Formerly the Midwest Trans Prisoner Pen Pal Project, which was formed to connect Midwest-based incarcerated trans/gender non-conforming people with other trans/gender non-conforming and allied community member pen pals for friendship. This project was initially launched to reach out to transgender prisoners who are placed in lock down (administrative segregation) but later accepted pen pal requests across the LGBTQI spectrum.

**BLACK AND PINK NATIONAL OFFICE**

See Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender.

**CHRISTIAN PEN PALS**

P.O. Box 11296, Hickory, NC 28603

www.cpministry.com

cpministry@gmail.com

Pair prisoners with Christians who would like to offer encouragement, guidance, and provide Christian fellowship & friendship to prisoners through correspondence.

**I'VE GOT A FRIEND SOMEWHERE**

3523 Leonard Street, Cincinnati, OH 45244

igotafriendssomewhere@gmail.com

Send a letter to the above address to be added to the mailing list for a monthly newsletter providing inmates with hope, connection, and support. Please include your date of birth and expected release date.

**MATIR ASURIM: JEWISH CARE NETWORK FOR  
INCARCERATED PEOPLE**

See Religion and Spiritual Materials.

**PEN PAL CONNECTION**

P.O. Box 11296, Hickory, NC 28603

www.cppministry.com

cppministry@gmail.com

Usually takes about 18 months for males, and several months for females. For Christian support and friendship, not the place to seek pen pals of the opposite sex.

**REGENERATION FELLOWSHIP PEN PAL PROGRAM**

P.O. Box 162685, Alamonte Springs FL 32716

The Pen Pal Christian Correspondence Program was developed in response to a need for Christians to reach out and show the love of Jesus to those behind prison walls and that they can be forgiven for their sins by His grace and mercy through written encouragement.

**AFSC PRISON WATCH PROGRAM**

89 Market Street, 6th floor, Newark, NJ 07102

www.afsc.org

Tel: 973-643-1924 Fax: 973-741-2702

An advocacy program monitoring human right abuses in US federal and state prisons. The program promotes national and international attention to mass imprisonment, and the use of torture and isolation in US prisons. Publishes several titles available to prisoners:

- *Survivors Manual: Surviving In Solitary*
- *Survivors Speak: Prisoner Testimonies of Torture in United States Prisons and Jails*
- *Aging in Prison*
- *Our Children's House* – a pamphlet and a one act play of testimonies of imprisoned children.
- LGBTQ+ Prisoner Resource Guide
- *Testimonies of Torture in New Jersey Prisons*

**CITIZENS UNITED FOR THE REHAB OF ERRANTS (CURE)**

P.O. Box 2310, Washington, DC 20013-2310

www.curenational.org

Tel: 202-789-2126

Focuses on analysis of prison issues and working with the friends and families of prisoners to bring about prison reform. Write for local information.

**COALITION FOR PRISONERS' RIGHTS (CPR)**

P.O. Box 1911, Santa Fe NM 87504

www.realcostofprisons.org

Publishes free to prisoners:

- A short monthly newsletter nationwide
- The booklet *Psychological Soldier, a Guide to a Healthy Life in Solitary*
- A small meditation manual, *Doing your Time with Peace of Mind*

CPR also offers several resource lists, by state and topic and has a limited number of free, mostly used, paperback English & Spanish dictionaries. Cannot offer any legal advice. There are no lawyers or legal workers on staff.

**FAIR SHAKE**

P.O. Box 63, Westby, WI 54667

www.fairshake.net

Tel: 608-634-6363

outreach@fairshake.net

Fair Shake is a reentry resource hub with the nation's largest free resource directory, a free 'office in the cloud' for all formerly incarcerated people and lots of free tools and information for all reentry stakeholders. We have free software for all prisons and jails. We've created a 120+ page Reentry Packet which your family or friends can download or print for free. We can also mail a copy of the packet to you with your donation of \$8 (our cost) or more. If you have Trulincs, feel free to sign up for our newsletter at the above email.

**THE FORTUNE SOCIETY**

29-76 Northern Blvd, Long Island City, NY 11101-2822

www.fortunesociety.org

Tel: 212-691-7554

info@fortunesociety.org

Helps people formerly incarcerated break the cycle of crime and incarceration, and educates the public about prison and the causes of crime.

**JUST DETENTION INTERNATIONAL (FORMERLY STOP PRISONER RAPE)**

3325 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 340, Los Angeles, CA 90010

www.justdetention.org

Tel: 213-384-1400 Fax: 213-384-1411

info@justdetention.org

Nonprofit organization that seeks to end sexual abuse in all forms of detention. Anyone who has experienced any form of sexual harm in custody – including sexual harassment, sex in exchange for protection, sexual assault, etc. – is encouraged to contact JDI for support and a packet of information. Prisoners can write to JDI via confidential, legal mail by addressing their letter to Cynthia Totten, Attorney at Law, CA Attorney Reg. # 199266, at the address above.

**PRISON ACTIVIST RESOURCE CENTER**

P.O. Box 70447, Oakland, CA 94612

www.prisonactivist.org

Tel: 510-893-4648

Source for progressive and radical information on prisons and the criminal prosecution system. Produces a national directory that is free to all prisoners upon request, and seeks to work in solidarity with prisoners, formerly incarcerated people, their friends and families.

**PRISON HEALTH NEWS**

4722 Baltimore Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143

www.prisonhealth.news

prisonhealthnews@gmail.com

The Prison Health News newsletter, published four times a year for people in prison, strives to lift up the voices, experience and expertise of currently and formerly incarcerated people.

**PRISONER VISITATION AND SUPPORT**

1501 Cherry Street, P.O. Box 58068 Philadelphia, PA 19102

www.prisonervisitation.org

Tel: 215-241-7117 Fax: 215-241-7227

PVS@prisonervisitation.org

Prisoner Visitation and Support (PVS) is the only nationwide, interfaith visitation program with access to all federal and military prisons and prisoners in the United States. **PVS DOES NOT VISIT COUNTY OR STATE PRISONS.** The visitors make monthly visits to see prisoners who rarely, if ever, receive outside visits. PVS visitors also focus on seeing: those serving long sentences, those frequently transferred from prison to prison, and those in solitary confinement and on death row.

**THE ABOLITIONIST**

Critical Resistance, Attn: Abby Subscription  
 P.O. Box 22780, Oakland, CA 94609  
[www.criticalresistance.org/press/the-abolitionist-newspaper/](http://www.criticalresistance.org/press/the-abolitionist-newspaper/)  
 A bilingual (English/Spanish) publication dedicated to the strategy and struggle of prison industrial complex abolition. To subscribe to the biannual newspaper, send your name, prisoner number, and mailing address to the address above. If you'd like to sign up a friend or loved one, you can do so on their website.

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**THE ANGOLITE**

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 Louisiana State Penitentiary, Angola, LA 70712  
*The Angolite's* mission is to educate, inform and enlighten readers about criminal justice, the world of prison, and the lives of people who work, live, and die there. *The Angolite* searches for depth, insight, perspective, and the human aspect of the stories that support its editorial mission. It is written, edited, and produced by inmates, writing and reporting from a perspective that is inaccessible to the mainstream media. Subscriptions are \$20 for 1 year, \$38 for 2 years, or \$54 for three years. Write for order form.

**CALIFORNIA PRISON FOCUS**

See "Artists and Writers in Prison" section.

**EAST BAY PRISONER SUPPORT**

P.O. Box 22449 Oakland, CA 94609  
[eastbayprisonersupport@protonmail.com](mailto:eastbayprisonersupport@protonmail.com)  
 Formed in 2007 as an prison abolitionist, anti-authoritarian collective. We establish solidarity with prisoners by providing free, radical political literature that is otherwise largely inaccessible behind prison walls. Our primary projects include distributing decolonial, queer liberation, anti-capitalist, black, brown and indigenous oriented literature to prisoners by request. We also send an abundance of resource guides relevant to the many struggles and needs that prisoners have. Write the address above to request a catalog of publications.

**MAOIST INTERNATIONALIST MINISTRY OF PRISONS**

P.O. Box 40799, San Francisco, CA 94140  
[www.prisoncensorship.info](http://www.prisoncensorship.info)  
 Anti-imperialist group fighting criminal injustice, helping prisoners to organize and educate themselves. Free subscriptions to newsletter, sends books, and runs political study groups.

**THE MILITANT**

306 W. 37th St. 13th Floor, New York, NY 10018  
[www.themilitant.com](http://www.themilitant.com)  
[themilitant@mac.com](mailto:themilitant@mac.com)  
 Tel: 212-244-4899  
 The *Militant* is a socialist newsweekly published in the interests of working people in English as well as several pages in Spanish every week. The *Militant* covers key questions in U.S. and international politics and the struggles of working people. Subscriptions for prisoners are substantially discounted: \$6 for six months or \$12 for a year. Prisoners may also request free subscriptions. To get a subscription write to the above address or purchase online.

**PATHFINDER PRESS**

P.O. Box 162767, Atlanta, GA 30321  
[www.pathfinderpress.com](http://www.pathfinderpress.com)  
 Tel: 404-669-0600 Fax: 404-506-9431  
 50% prisoner discount. Write for a catalog. Books on the works of revolutionary and working class leaders. There is a flat shipping and handling fee of \$2.75. Books in English, Spanish, French, Farsi, Arabic, Swedish, Greek, Chinese, Russian, and Indonesian. Family members may order for inmates and receive the same discount if the recipient's address is a correctional institution.

**THE SLINGSHOT**

3124 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94705  
[www.slingshotcollective.com](http://www.slingshotcollective.com)  
[slingshotcollective@protonmail.com](mailto:slingshotcollective@protonmail.com)  
 Slingshot is a quarterly, independent, radical, newspaper published in the East Bay since 1988 by the Slingshot Collective. We are an all volunteer, non-profit, tax exempt project of the Long Haul. Subscriptions are FREE to USA prisoners.

**THE ALEPH INSTITUTE**

9540 Collins Ave, Surfside, FL 33154  
 www.alephinstitute.org  
 Tel: 305-864-5553  
 info@aleph-institute.org

Offers Jewish religious instruction to prisoners; religious articles, Torah literature, quarterly newsletter, correspondence courses, counseling, religious-freedom advocacy. Also personal visits to prisoners by Rabbis, rabbinical students, and family support groups.

**AMERICAN BIBLE ACADEMY**

P.O. Box 1627, Joplin, MO 64802-1627  
 www.abarc.org  
 Tel: 417-781-9100

Free English and Spanish Bible correspondence courses for prisoners. All courses are 120 pages in length. Also available online.

**ARM PRISON OUTREACH – INTERNATIONAL**

P.O. Box 1490, Joplin, MO 64802-1627  
 www.arm.org  
 Tel: 417-781-9100

ARM is the jail and prison chaplains' source for Christian greeting cards from Day Spring, Bibles from the American Bible Society, in-prison seminars, gospel tracts, and baptisteries.

**ASSOCIATION OF HAPPINESS FOR ALL MANKIND**

4368 NC Highway 134, Asheboro, NC 27205  
 www.aham.com  
 Tel: 336-381-3988  
 generalmail@aham.com

AHAM is nondenominational. It offers some free materials on Ramana Maharshi's self-inquiry method of meditation, has a price list of other books directly related to self-inquiry. Does not offer pen pals nor materials on Wicca, paganism, the occult, or black magic.

**ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH & ENLIGHTENMENT**

c/o Prison Outreach  
 215 67<sup>th</sup> St, Virginia Beach, VA 23451  
 www.edgarcayce.org  
 Tel: 800-333-4499

Books about the life and work of Edgar Cayce, meditation, and reincarnation.

**BBI MEDIA**

P.O. Box 687, Forest Grove, OR 97116.  
 www.bbimedia.com  
 Tel: 503-430-8817

Offers free subscriptions to prison chaplains and prison libraries. Requests must be submitted on official prison letterhead. Its publications include *Witches & Pagans* and *SageWoman* (women's facilities only). *Witches & Pagans* features:

- Interviews with those who create and lead our traditions
- Visits to the sacred places and people who inspire us
- In-depth discussions of our ever-evolving practices
- Practical daily magic
- Ideas for solitary ritual and devotion
- Craft projects
- Pagan poetry and short fiction and reviews

**CHANDRA YOGA RESOURCES**

1400 Cherry St, Denver, CO 80220  
 Free books on devotional yoga and mantra meditation.

**CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP PUBLISHERS**

11515 Allecingie Parkway, Richmond, VA 23235  
 www.c-f-p.com  
 Tel: 804-794-5333  
 info@c-f-p.com

Free books mailed to prisoners upon request.

**CHRISTIAN PEN PALS**

See Pen Pals.

**CHUANG YEN MONASTERY**

2020 Route 301, Carmel, New York 10512  
 www.baus.org  
 Tel: 845-225-1819

Our organization sends free Buddhist books to prisoners who request them, answers questions regarding Buddhist beliefs and practice that prisoners may have, and sponsors a free Buddhist Correspondence Course for prisoners.

**CHURCH OF THE LARGER FELLOWSHIP**

24 Farnsworth Street, Boston, MA 02210  
 Tel: 617-948-6150

A Unitarian Universalist congregation with no geographical boundary, comprised of thousands of people from all over the world. One of their ministries is the Worthy Now Prison Ministry Network. Over 900 people in prison are members, most having discovered Unitarian Universalism behind bars. Members enjoy mailings of *Quest* magazine, *UU World* magazine, letters from pen-pals, and classes by mail.

**COMPASSION WORKS FOR ALL**

P.O. Box 7708, Little Rock, Arkansas 72217-7708  
 www.compassionworksforall.org  
 Tel: 501-508-4334

cory@compassionarkansas.org

We provide a free Dharma Friends newsletter every other month. This Buddhist-based newsletter gives teachings about the Dhammapada and meditations to support people in all faith traditions who are seeking personal growth and transformation. Subscribe by writing to us, and include "new subscriber" on the envelope.

**THE DAWAH PROJECT**

PO Box 17728, El Paso, TX 79907  
 Dawah@DawahProject.org  
 www.thedawahproject.com

Project Dawah aims to provide Islamic material to those who wish to know and study Islam. The Dawah Package, which contains a copy of the Quran in either English or Spanish, a book of collected Hadith, the biography of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh), a Basic Guide to Islam, as well as a collection of pamphlets. The Dawah package is free to any, and all inmates, as well as halfway house residents. If you would like to request a package, or other Islamic material, please send us a letter, or email, to the address above. Please note, we do have a waiting list, and cannot provide an accurate shipping time for your package. If you would like to know when you are added to our waiting list, please include a SASE, or send us an email request.

**FOUNDATION OF PRAISE**

P.O. Box 2518, Escondido, CA 92033  
 www.foundationofpraise.org  
 mail@foundationofpraise.org

*Prison to Praise* is not only about a prison with bars, but about a prison of circumstances - and how to be set free! This book is available free to prison Chaplains when they write and request them for the inmates in their facility.

**HUMAN KINDNESS FOUNDATION**

P.O. Box 61619, Durham, NC 27715  
 www.humankindness.org  
 Tel: 919-383-5160

hkf@humankindness.org

Free (English & Spanish) books and newsletters about interfaith spiritual practices in prison, including *We're All Doing Time*.



**IN TOUCH MINISTRIES**

P.O. Box 7900, Atlanta, GA 30357

www.intouch.org

Tel: 800-789-1473

Christian ministry led by Dr. Charles Stanley. Free *In Touch* religious magazine.**ISKCON PRISON MINISTRY**

P.O. Box 2676 Alachua, FL 32616

IskconPrisonMinistry@gmail.com

www.iskconprisonministry.org

Sends free material about bhakti-yoga study and practice; books, prayer beads, CDs, MP3s, and incense. When writing, please note if anything is not allowed (like specific items or hardbound books.) The books cover reincarnation, karma, and how to live a simple, godly life, and find internal peace and joy no matter what your circumstances.

**JEWISH PRISONER SERVICES INTERNATIONAL**

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www.jpsi.org

jpsi@jpsi.org

Offers the Jewish Bible, prayer books, and Jewish history/culture books to Jewish prisoners only. Hebrew available.

**LIBERATION PRISON PROJECT**

P.O. Box 33036, Raleigh, NC 27636

Tel: 415-701-8500

infousa@liberationprisonproject.org

Offers spiritual materials on Buddhism. Offers correspondence courses and spiritual materials on Buddhism.



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**MATIR ASURIM: JEWISH CARE NETWORK FOR INCARCERATED PEOPLE**P.O. Box 18858, Philadelphia, PA 19119, <https://matirasurim.org/>

Matir Asurim is a cross-denominational Jewish community, providing Jewish holiday and educational resources and Jewish penpal matching across prison walls. We welcome writing and art contributions from incarcerated members on Jewish holidays and topics for our materials.

**NALJOR PRISON DHARMA SERVICE**

www.naljorprisondharmaservice.org

Tel: 530-327-9999

Offers *The Heart of Dharma Collection*: ten precious Dharma teachings. These accurate, concise teachings are perfect for daily study, contemplative meditation, and inspiration. This entire collection is available free of charge from our website. Offers a 29-page Resource Directory for Prisoners.**NEW DAY IN CHRIST MINISTRY**

2119 Avalon Place, Houston, TX 77019

Write to the above address for a daily devotional calendar.

**PBPF PRISON PROJECT**

4936 Route 414, Dept. LP, Burdett, NY 14818

www.paulbrunton.org

Tel: 607-546-9432

Larson@lightlink.com

Free book *What Is Karma?* by Paul Brunton—a positive view of what karma is and how to get it working for you. Available on written request. Include your name, prisoner ID, full prison name, cell location and address. Please also your facility's restrictions on mailing books.**PEN PAL CONNECTION**

See Pen Pals.

**REGENERATION FELLOWSHIP PEN PAL PROGRAM**

See Pen Pals.

**SYDA FOUNDATION PRISON PROJECT**

P.O. Box 99140, Emeryville, CA 94662

www.siddhayoga.org

Tel: 510-898-2700 ext. 4113

prisonproject@syda.org

The Prison Project is dedicated to disseminating the Siddha Yoga teachings and practices to incarcerated individuals. Sends free monthly newsletter and "Home Study Course" to prisoners. Siddha Yoga teaches that within each of us, behind the mind, body, and ego, is a divine power called the Self. We meditate to harmonize our actions, thoughts and words with this power. Also available in Spanish.

**UNITED PRISON MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL**

P.O. Box 8, Verbana, AL 36091-0008

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**WISDOM PUBLICATIONS**

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Provides free Buddhism books to prisoners.

## WOMEN'S RESOURCES

### CHICAGO BOOKS TO WOMEN IN PRISON

See Free Books to Prisoners section.

### MS. MAGAZINE

ATTN: MS. IN PRISON PROGRAM  
 1600 Wilson Blvd, Suite 801, Arlington, VA 22209  
[www.msmagazine.com](http://www.msmagazine.com)  
 Tel: 310-556-2515  
[letterstotheeditor@msmagazine.com](mailto:letterstotheeditor@msmagazine.com)

Ms. is a feminist publication covering current events, politics, and culture. Women in prison can obtain a free membership by writing to the address above.

### NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR THE DEFENSE OF BATTERED WOMEN

990 Spring Garden St Suite 703, Philadelphia, PA 19123  
[www.ncdbw.org](http://www.ncdbw.org)  
 Tel: 215-703-1144  
[ncdbw@ncdbw.org](mailto:ncdbw@ncdbw.org)

Resource center for victims of battering who have been charged with crimes related to their abuse. Does not provide direct legal representation; assists defense team members. A very small nonprofit organization, they do what they can to answer requests for assistance as promptly as possible but it often takes a long time to get a response. Phone or write.

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Your letters are handled by many caring volunteers, all of whom take your requests seriously and are excited to send you quality reading material that you will enjoy.

We get 1,200-1,800 letters each month. Typically, 2-3 weeks worth of mail is put into a "batch." Every letter in the batch is opened and read, and book requests are separated from mail that does not contain book requests.

Then, volunteers called Mail Processors organize each batch of mail by facility and mark each request up with all the rules for books and packages at that facility.

Next, volunteers called Verifiers confirm your location and address to see if you've been transferred or released.

After that, your letter goes to volunteers called Pickers who comb our library to choose the best books for you.

The picked books are then passed on to other volunteers called Invoicers, who write your packing slip complete with a personal note.

At that point, volunteer Packers prepare your books for the mail in precisely the way your facility requires.

The final step is done by our Quality Control volunteers, who check everything for correctness and then weigh and stamp each package.

At each step, volunteers check each other's work to ensure that we are accomplishing our goal of supporting you by providing books and resources that meet your specific needs and interests. Our goal is to get your package in the mail within 60-90 days of receiving your request.

Please know, however, that we do not keep a record of each request and its status, so we won't be able to answer questions about where in the process your books are. If you made a request and haven't received anything within 90 days, please write a new request. We don't keep files on each person and we don't have a mailing list.



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