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Resource Guide

Parenting and Family Resources

Big Brothers Big Sisters of America matches children with support and one-to-one mentoring relationships and friendship for children aged 6-18. The program is the nation's oldest mentorship program. BBBS also runs the Amachi Program, a program specifically designed to support children of incarcerated parents. Contact varies by state. North Carolina: 200 Marshall St NWinston-Salem, NC 27101 • (336) 724-7993 • Alabama: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Birmingham, 1901 14th Avenue South Birmingham, AL 35205 • 205.939.5590 • info@bbbsbhm.org

Save Kids of Incarcerated Parents (SKIP) An organization that provides support services to children of incarcerated parents and their families, including computer-based tutoring, peer mentoring, counseling, and social education and enrichment. Children can share their experiences with others who understand.
669 Bush Drive Hope Hull, AL 36043 P.O. Box 250347 Montgomery, AL 36125 • info@skipinc.org • (334) 549-9674

Spiritual

Worthy Now Prison Ministry Network
Utilitarian religious coalition powered by the Church of the Larger Fellowship. Provides support circles and pen pals. • 24 Farnsworth Street, Boston MA 02210 • 617-948-6150

Jewish Prisoner Support Sends religious materials to inmates, chaplains, or volunteers. Provides holiday programs like seder in a box. • PO Box 85840 Seattle, WA 98145-1840 • 206-617-2367 • <https://jpsi.org/>

Prison Fellowship Provides support including the Inside Journal®, a quarterly newspaper (offered in a men's edition, a women's edition, and in Spanish) that explains the Gospel and offers motivation. Distributed to prisoners via chaplains and program coordinators • 1-800-206-9764 • 44180 Riverside Parkway, Lansdowne, VA 20176d

The National Clearinghouse for the Defense of Battered Women assists defense teams of survivors of domestic violence. Does not provide legal representation, but works with defendants and defense teams to provide justice for women charged with crimes related to domestic violence. The program is available to women nationally. 990 Spring Garden Street, Suite 703, Philadelphia, PA 19123 • 215-763-1144

The Matthew 25 Center provides free accommodations for families who have traveled to visit incarcerated family members in Southeast North Carolina. 910-259-7133
1196 Penderlea Highway, Burgaw, North Carolina 28425

Aid to Inmate Mothers Reunites incarcerated mothers with their children through family connection and visitation programs, mentoring programs for children of incarcerated parents, and reentry resources. PO Box 986 Montgomery, AL 36101 • (800) 679-0246

Angel Tree Program Run by Prison Fellowship, the Angel Tree program connects parents in prison with their children through the delivery of Christmas gifts. 44180 Riverside Parkway, Lansdowne, VA 20176 • 1-800-552-6435

Islamic Ministries and Community Development
Offer counseling, mentorship, and training for Muslims currently incarcerated. Offer free Qurans upon request. • (240) 347-3774 • 455 West Washington Street Hagerstown, MD 21740

Bible Truth Supplies free Bibles in English and Spanish to prisoners in the United States prison system. • 59 Industrial Road, Addison, IL 60101

Liberation Prison Project
UtilitarianOffers spiritual advice and teaching, as well as books and materials, to people in prison interested in exploring, studying, and practicing Buddhism. PO Box 330336 Raleigh, NC 27636 • 415-701-8500 • www.liberationprisonproject.org

General Prisoner Support

Abolition Apostles A national jail and prison pen-pal ministry based in New Orleans. Abolition Apostles connects folks inside with volunteers outside for pen-pal letter writing • 501 N. Jefferson Davis Parkway #791410, New Orleans, LA 70119

Prisoner Visitation and Support provides regular face-to-face contact for those incarcerated in federal or military prisons who do not ordinarily receive visits from family and friends. To request a visitor, write to PVS: 1501 Cherry Street Philadelphia, PA 19102. Include your name, ID# and prison address.

LGBTQ+ Resources

Lambda Legal A national organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people and everyone living with HIV through impact litigation, education and public policy work. • <https://www.lambdalegal.org/> • 730 Peachtree Street, N.E., Suite 640, Atlanta GA 30308-1210 • 404-897-1880

Transgender Law Center Works to end the abuses against transgender and gender nonconforming people. Resources include: state policies on trans rights; guides for filing grievances and lawsuits; guides for trans and LGBT people; medical information about transition related health care; and reentry resources. PO Box 70976 Detention Project Oakland, CA 94612-0976 United States • 510-380-8229

Prison Organizing

The Jericho Movement A group dedicated to gaining recognition that the United States harbors political prisoners and prisoners of war, and to winning amnesty and freedom for these prisoners. Write to their national headquarters. PO Box 2164 Chesterfield, VA 23832 • <http://thejerichomovement.com>

Critical Resistance is a national grassroots prison abolition organization which challenges the use of punishment to "cure" complicated social problems. CR also publishes "The Abolitionist," a bilingual newspaper distributed free of charge to people in prison, jails, and detention centers nationwide. The closest location is: Critical Resistance New York City PO Box 2282, New York NY 10163 Phone: 929-390-8606

Alabama Prison Arts + Education Project
Facilitates educational opportunities to people living in Alabama's correctional facilities who are eager for knowledge • 1061 Beard-Eaves Memorial Coliseum, Auburn, AL 36849 • (334) 844-3240 or (334) 844-8946 • <https://apaepau@auburn.edu>

Level Provides free printed educational, job training and personal development guides for people in prison anywhere in the US. Send a letter to request content. 411 W Monroe St Austin, TX 78704 learnlevel.org

Black and Pink An anti-prison group that provides TRANSitions housing program upon release, penpal support, and a monthly newsletter for LGBTQ+ inmates • 6223 Maple St #4428, Omaha, NE 68104 • 531.600.9089 • members@blackandpink.org

LGBT Books to Prisoners Volunteer-run organization that sends books and educational materials in English and Spanish, free of charge, to LGBTQ-identified people in prison across the US • 1202 Williamson St #1c/o Social Justice Center Incubator, Madison, WI 53703, United States • lgbtbookstoprisoners@gmail.com

Tranzmission Prison Project Provide free books, zines, prisoner resources, and various other means of support to incarcerated folks nation wide. tranzmissionprisonproject@gmail.com • PO Box 1874 Asheville, NC 28802 USA

Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee (IWOC) A prisoner led union committed to ending prison labor. for all workers, a union dedicated to organizing on the job, in our industries and in our communities. If you are currently incarcerated, membership is free. iwoc@iww.org • <https://incarceratedworkers.org>

National Coalition to Protect Civil Freedoms A coalition of national and local organizations dedicated to educating the public about civil and political injustices in the U.S. criminal justice system. P.O. Box 66301, Washington, DC 20035 • (855) 248-3733

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CURE A national organization committed to criminal justice reform. Alabama Chapter: PO Box 190504 Birmingham, AL 35219 • National Headquarters: PO Box 2310 Washington DC, 20013-2310

Legal Resources

ACLU of Alabama and **ACLU North Carolina** Take on a limited number of individual cases for civil liberty violations that occurred in Alabama or North Carolina. To request legal assistance, file a complaint via mail.
For those convicted in Alabama: American Civil Liberties Union of Alabama P.O. Box 6179 Montgomery, AL 36106-0179
For those convicted in North Carolina: ACLU of North Carolina PO Box 28004 Raleigh, NC 27611

NC Prisoner Legal Services Evaluate claims of validity of sentences and convictions as well as claims of violations of civil rights within prisons. NCPLS does not litigate cases; however, they may provide legal advice and self-help packets on post-conviction issues. North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services, Inc. PO Box 25397, Raleigh, NC 27611 • 919.856.2200

Equal Justice Initiative litigates on behalf of condemned prisoners, juvenile offenders, people wrongfully convicted, people denied effective representation, and others whose trials were marked by racial bias or prosecutorial misconduct. EJI takes only a limited number of cases. Send claims to Equal Justice Initiative, 122 Commerce Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104 • General Inquiries: (334) 269-1803

National Lawyers Guild A national organization of progressive and radical lawyers active in criminal justice reform. Publishes a free “Jailhouse Lawyer Handbook” available to all incarcerated folks. The Handbook contains limited information on the American legal system and information on how to file a federal lawsuit addressing poor conditions in prisons. To request a handbook, write to: National Lawyers Guild—Prison Law Project, 132 Nassau Street, Rm 922, New York, NY 10038

Partisan Defense Committee Works to stand up to racist, capitalist oppression and bring attention to the class-war prisoner in the United States. New York/Main Office: P.O. Box 99, Canal Street Station, New York, NY 10013-0099 • (212) 406-4252 • partisandefense@earthlink.net.

NC Center On Actual Innocence Provides legal assistance for inmates convicted of a felony in North Carolina with a credible claim of innocence. To begin a claim, contact P.O. Box 52446 Shannon Plaza Station, Durham, North Carolina 27717-2446 • (919) 489-3268.

Southern Center for Human Rights Provides people facing the death penalty legal representation, challenges human rights violations in prisons and jails, advocates for criminal justice reform, and provides legal information for inmates in Alabama. 60 Walton St NW, Atlanta, GA 30303-2149 • (404) 688-1202

Prisoner Legal News Monthly publication that provides cutting edge review and analysis of prisoner rights, court rulings, and news concerning prison-related issues. Provides information that enables prisoners to seek the protection and enforcement of prisoners’ rights at the grassroots level. \$3.50 sample issue/\$30 one year subscription. Request a catalog of legal books. To subscribe, send a check or money order for the correct amount to: Prison Legal News, P.O. Box 1151, Lake Worth, FL 33460.

Lewisburg Prison Project Produces and sells low-cost (\$1-\$3) legal bulletins related to litigation, First Amendment Rights, Rights of Pretrial Detainees, Due Process, Punishment, Medical Care, and Post-Conviction information. Request a catalog by writing to P.O. Box 128, Lewisburg, PA 17837-0128

Salvation Army politically conservative, Christian organization that provides parole assistance, prerelease, job training, employment opportunities, housing, and material aid.
North Carolina Headquarters: 501 Archale Drive, Charlotte, NC 28217 • 704-522-4970
Alabama/Mississippi Headquarters: 1450 Riverside Drive, Jackson, MS 39202 • 601-969-7560

Books and Magazines

Human Kindness Foundation sends free interfaith spiritual books and newsletters to anyone who requests them from a prison or jail. Write to: HKF, PO Box 61619, Durham NC 27715.

Ms. Magazine is a feminist magazine covering current events, politics, and culture. Women in prison can receive a free membership by writing to Attn: Ms. In Prison Program, 1600 Wilson Blvd. #801 Arlington, VA 22209

Prison Literature Project sends books to inmates once per year. To request a book, write a letter to Prisoners Literature Project c/o Bound Together Books, 1369 Haight St., San Francisco, CA 94117. Include your name, prison ID, address, and requests for books. The organization limits book requests to once per year, and does not supply law books and legal guides, romances, horror, or Bibles and Christian literature.

PEN Prison Writing Program distributes a Handbook for Writers in Prison, They also run an annual Writing Contest. To enter the contest (before September 1st each year) and request a handbook, send a note to PEN Prison Writing Program 588 Broadway, Suite 303 New York, NY 10012

Health, Mental Health, & Substance Abuse

National Alliance on Mental Illness NAMI is a nationwide organization that oversees affiliate locations across North Carolina and Alabama. These locations conduct peer support groups and educational programs that address the needs of people living with mental illness.
North Carolina: NAMI North Carolina Office, 309 W. Millbrook Road, Suite 121, Raleigh, NC 27609 • Mental Help Hotline: (800) 451-9682 • General Contact: (919) 788-0801
Alabama: NAMI Alabama Office, 1401 I-85 Parkway, Suite A Montgomery, AL 36106 • Information, Resources, and Support: 800-950-6264

RAINN - Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network A national anti-sexual assault organization that works in collaboration with rape crisis centers across the country. Their services are free and confidential and provided to survivors of all identities. Call their line and be connected to the nearest sexual assault service provider. 800-656-HOPE (4673)

Books to Prisoners sends books to inmates across the country. To request a book, write a letter to Books to Prisoners c/o Left Bank Books, 92 Pike Street, Box A, Seattle, WA 98101. Include your name, ID#, address, and requests. The organization can send books every nine months.

Asheville Prison Book Project sends books to inmates in North Carolina. To request a book, write to Asheville Prison Books Program c/o Downtown Books and News, 67 N. Lexington Ave., Asheville, NC 28801. Include name, ID#, and address.

Earth First! Journal sends a quarterly journal focused on the radical environmental movement. Free subscriptions are available to inmates nationwide. Write to PO Box 1112, Grants Pass, OR 97528 • (541) 244-1533

4StruggleMag Free magazine from the hearts and minds of North American political prisoners. Free prisoner subscriptions. It costs \$1.20 to send a letter to Canada. P.O. Box 97048 RPO Roncesvalles Ave. Toronto, Ontario, M6R 3B3 Canada

AIDS Alabama Provides supportive housing options for people living with HIV, PrEP prescriptions, health insurance assistance, substance abuse programming, and mental health services. 3529 7th Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35222 • (205) 324-9822

The Alliance of AIDS Services – Carolina Offer free HIV testing, free counseling sessions, a food pantry, and support groups for people living with HIV. • Tillery Place Office Park, 1637 Old Louisburg Road, Raleigh NC 27604 • 919-834-2437 • www.aas-c.org

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline provides 24/7 confidential support for people in crisis. The hotline also provides resources to individuals and family members experiencing mental illness. The lifeline can also recommend local crisis centers for access to local resources. Call 1-800-273-8255

North Carolina Association of Free and Charitable Clinics: A network of affordable healthcare providers for the uninsured or underinsured. 1399 Ashleybrook Ln Suite 110, Winston-Salem, NC 27103 • 336-251-1111