

Prisoner Resource Guide

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LEGAL SUPPORT



American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)'s Prisoner's Assistance Directory

National Prison Project Publications, 125 Broad Street, 18th Floor, New York NY 10004 • Tel: (212) 549-2500 • Website: <http://www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights/prisoners-assistance-directory-2008>

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) is our nation's guardian of liberty, working daily in courts, legislatures, and communities to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties guaranteed to all people in this country by the Constitution and laws of the United States. The ACLU offers the Prisoner's Assistance Directory, which includes contact information, services, and descriptions for over 300 national, state, local, and international organizations that provide assistance to prisoners, ex-offenders, and families of prisoners. The Prisoner's Assistance Directory also includes a bibliography of informative books, reports, manuals, and newsletters of interest to prisoners and their advocates. Copies are available for free download. Journal, NPP's biannual newsletter, features articles, reports, legal analysis, legislative news, and other developments in prisoners' rights. The ACLU online Newsroom lists the latest news from the ACLU, its affiliates and national projects <For further information, please go to www.aclu.org>



Centurion Ministries, Inc.

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Centurion Ministries (CM) is a nonprofit organization with headquarters in Princeton, New Jersey. CM has a national network of attorneys and forensic experts who ably assist us in our work on behalf of the convicted innocent throughout the U.S. and Canada. The primary mission of CM is to vindicate and free from prison those who are completely innocent of the crimes for which they have been unjustly convicted and imprisoned for life or death. We also assist our clients, once they are freed, with reintegration into society on a self-reliant basis. CM has very narrow criteria for the types of cases that we will consider reviewing. Please review our stated criteria: (1) We only consider murder or rape cases within the U.S. as well as Canada that carry a life or death sentence. We do NOT consider self-defense or accidental death cases. We will only consider a rape case if there is the possibility of using DNA testing to clear the convicted person. We do NOT consider child sex cases unless the case has physical evidence that could be scientifically tested to prove innocence. (2) You must be absolutely 100% innocent of the crime and have had absolutely no involvement whatsoever with the crime. (3) You must be indigent and have largely exhausted your appeals. (4) We are NOT lawyers and, therefore, we do NOT offer legal assistance to those who petition us for help. We CANNOT make referrals to attorneys. If the inmate does fit ALL of our criteria, their initial letter to us should be brief, outlining the facts of the crime, and what led to their arrest for the crime. Inmates should NOT send briefs or transcripts of other materials! We just want to hear the facts in the inmate's own words. We in turn will send them a letter that outlines exactly what information we want, and what they can expect from us in the way of assistance. You can also visit our resource page at <<http://www.centurionministries.org/resources.html>>



EDPUBS

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A National organization providing information and referral services. We specialize in human services and criminal justice. We link people with resources in their community such as drug or alcohol programs, educational programs (assistance with reading, writing, and math), volunteer

programs, employment assistance, temporary shelter and housing resources, counseling, and other services.



Families Against Mandatory Minimums (FAMM)

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famm@famm.org • Website: www.famm.org

FAMM is a national nonprofit organization founded to challenge inflexible and excessive penalties required by mandatory sentencing laws. We promote sentencing policies that give judges the discretion to distinguish between defendants and sentence them according to their role in the offense, seriousness of the offense, and potential for rehabilitation. FAMM's 25,000 members include prisoners and their families, attorneys, judges, criminal justice experts, and concerned citizens. You may write for further information.

Grassroots Investigation Project (GRIP)

Quixote Center, PO Box 5206, Hyattsville MD 20782 • Tel: (301) 699-0042 • E-mail:

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The mission of The Grassroots Investigation Project is to empower family members of death row inmates and anti-death penalty activists to create partnerships with lawyers, journalists, and academicians for the purpose of conducting low-cost investigations of death penalty cases that may reveal innocence and help to bring about a death penalty moratorium. Inmates may write for further information.



Innocence Project

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info@innocenceproject.org • Website: www.innocenceproject.org

The Innocence Project was set up as and remains a nonprofit legal clinic. This Project only handles cases where post-conviction DNA testing of evidence can yield conclusive proof of innocence. As a clinic, students handle the casework while supervised by a team of attorneys and clinic staff. Most of our clients are poor, forgotten, and have used up all of their legal avenues for relief. The hope they all have is that biological evidence from their cases still exists and can be subjected to DNA testing. All Innocence Project clients go through an extensive screening process to determine whether or not DNA testing of evidence could prove their claims of innocence. Note: All case submissions and follow-up correspondence will be handled by mail or overnight delivery services only. To find an Innocence Project in your state, please go to: <http://www.innocenceproject.org/about/Other-Projects.php>



Lewisburg Prison Project

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prisonproject@windstream.net • Website: www.lewisburgprisonproject.org

Lewisburg Prison Project educates prisoners as to their civil rights and distributes a variety of legal bulletins and publications, written in non-technical laymen's terms, at a minimal cost. We accept stamps and self-addressed stamped envelopes as payment. Write for a free list of materials offered. The prisoners' rights handbook is available for download at: http://www.lewisburgprisonproject.org/prisoners_rights_handbook_2009.pdf



National Center on Institutions and Alternatives

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It is the mission of NCIA to help create a society in which all persons who come into contact with the human service or correctional systems will be provided an environment of individual care, concern, and treatment. NCIA is dedicated to developing quality programs and professional services that advocate timely intervention and unconditional care. Our goal is to reduce the reliance on institutions in criminal justice proceedings by utilizing alternatives such as community service, addressing substance abuse problems, and by using a third party monitor. We offer pre-sentence investigative services, parole release advocacy, and we provide public information on criminal justice matters.



National CURE (Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants)

PO Box 2310, National Capitol Station, Washington DC 20013 • Tel: (202) 789-2126 no collect calls | E-mail: cure@curenational.org • Website: www.curenational.org

A national grass roots organization dedicated to the reduction of crime through the reform of the criminal justice system. CURE is a membership organization of families of prisoners, prisoners, former prisoners, and other concerned citizens. CURE's two goals are to use prisons only for those who have to be in them, and for those who have to be in them, to provide them all the rehabilitative opportunities they need to turn their lives around. Inmates may write to request our newsletter or further information.



The National Death Row Assistance Network of CURE (NDRAN)

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The National Death Row Assistance Network of CURE is a new organization formed to help death row prisoners across the United States gain access to legal, financial, and community support and to assist individual prisoner's efforts to act as self-advocates.



National Lawyers Guild

113 University Place, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10003 • Tel: (212) 679-6018 •

Website: www.nlg.org

The National Lawyers Guild is an association dedicated to the need for basic change in the structure of our political and economic system. We provide self-help law kits free of charge to assist inmates in representing themselves and their own cases or in assisting others. The self-help kits are written in an easy to use language that tells you how to file civil complaints, how to deal with grievances, and most other legal matters that you would encounter in the course of being imprisoned.



National Legal Aid & Defender Association

1140 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20036 • Tel: (202) 452-0620 •

Website: www.nlada.org

NLADA is the nation's leading advocate for front-line attorneys and other equal justice professionals—those who make a difference in the lives of low-income clients and their families and communities. Representing legal aid and defender programs, as well as individual advocates, NLADA is proud to be the oldest and largest national, nonprofit membership association devoting

100 percent of its resources to serving the broad equal justice community. National listing of free legal services.



The Prisoner's Guide to Survival

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A comprehensive legal assistance manual for post conviction relief and prisoners' civil rights actions. 750 pages, soft cover, \$49.95 for prisoners (\$64.95 for non-prisoners) Plus \$5 shipping. Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery. No matter what your legal or educational background, The Prisoner's Guide to Survival will help you learn how to research the law, study your rights, determine your legal options, and take the necessary steps to protect your rights or challenge an illegal conviction or sentence. Complex issues are explained in plain language so that even if you don't have an attorney you can make an informed decision regarding your legal choices. The Survival Guide includes: Current legislation and court decisions affecting prisoners, actual-size example forms for Appeals, Habeas Corpus actions, Motions, Constitutional rights complaints for state and federal prisoners, and much more.



Prison Law Office

General Delivery, San Quentin CA 94964 • Tel: (415) 457-9144 • Website: www.prisonlaw.com

The Prison Law Office provides free legal services to California state prisoners (only), and occasionally to California state parolees. Our assistance is generally limited to cases regarding conditions of confinement. The office attempts to resolve such cases informally, if possible (by advocating to prison officials), or through formal litigation. We also offer numerous self-help law manuals free of charge. Visit our resource page at <http://www.prisonlaw.com/research.php>



Prison Legal News

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Prison Legal News is an independent 36-page monthly publication that provides a cutting edge review and analysis of prisoner rights, court rulings, and news about prison issues. PLN has a national focus on both state and federal prison issues, with international coverage as well. PLN is subscribed to and read by civil and criminal trial and appellate attorneys, judges, public defenders, journalists, academics, paralegals, prison rights activists, students, family members of prisoners, concerned private individuals, politicians, and state-level government officials. PLN will mail, at no charge, an informational brochure, a brochure of the legal and prisoner oriented books it sells, a calendar, and a bookmark to any prisoner in the U.S.

FREE BOOK RESOURCES



The Aleph Institute

9540 Collins Ave, Surfside FL 33154 • Tel: (305) 864-5553 • Website: www.aleph-institute.org

Aleph is a not-for-profit national organization which has created and implemented a host of programs over the past 20 years that provide alternatives to incarceration, rehabilitate inmates, counsel and assist their families, and provide moral and ethical educational programs inculcating universal truths and concepts common to all of humanity. Jewish inmates may write to receive free books, regular monthly literature, holiday offerings, and family programs.

Books for Prisoners

c/o Groundwork Books, 0323 Student Center, La Jolla CA 92037 • Tel: (858) 452-9625 • E-mail: groundwork@libertad.ucsd.edu

Groundwork Books offers up to two books per person, free of charge. Send your request, specifying your interests, and we will send you a detailed booklet for that area of interest. Subjects: politics, spirituality, feminism, dictionaries, culture, social criticism, and select novels. Stamp donations are appreciated but not required.



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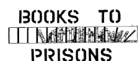
We offer a wide range of reading materials free of charge to inmates. Request books by topic and specific subject areas (for example: novels, self-help, American history, etc.). If you wish, you may request specific titles or authors, however, we may not be able to provide these. No legal books. Donations, including stamps, are greatly appreciated. Please send information regarding prison regulations for reading material being sent in.



Books to Prisoners (BTP)

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BTP sends donated books to prisoners. Choice of books is limited. Please send a list of topics you are interested in. No legal or religious books. It may take six to eight months for material to arrive, please be patient. Donations of stamps are appreciated.



Books to Prisons D.C. Area

PO Box 34190, Washington, DC 20043-4190 • E-mail: btopdc@gmail.org • Website:

<http://dcbookstoprisoners.org/>

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Inmates may write to receive free books on subjects that support the cultivation of planetary consciousness. The metaphysical/transformational subjects of our books range from Native American spirituality to the extraterrestrial presence. Please send postage if possible.



The Inside Books Project

c/o 12th Street Books, 827 West 12th St, Austin TX 78702 • Tel: (512) 647-4803 •

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We send books free of charge to Texas inmates only. Please expect a three to six month wait. We also offer a resource list and a free newsletter. Donations and/or stamps are appreciated if possible.



Prison Book Program

c/o Lucy Parson's Bookstore, 1306 Hancock Street, Suite 100 Quincy, MA 02169 •

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You may request topics or titles: limited legal materials, educational, social, political, fiction, and books in Spanish. No catalogue, however a resource list is available. We do not send books to California, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Michigan, or Texas. Be patient, there is often a wait for a few weeks or months.



Prison Book Project

PO Box 396, Amherst MA 01004 • Tel: (413) 584-8975 ext. 208 • E-mail:

prisonbookproject@riseup.net • Website: www.prisonbooks.org

You may request books by topics of interest. We do our best to meet the needs and demands of inmates. You may also request a specific book and we will try to find it for you. No mailing list or catalogue. Donations of artwork and poetry for fundraising greatly appreciated. Sorry, no Texas inmates.



Prisoners Literature Project

c/o Bound Together Bookstore, 1369 Haight St, San Francisco CA 94117 • Tel: (415) 672 -

7858 • E-mail: prisonlit@yahoo.com • Website: www.prisonersliteratureproject.com

You may request types of books—not specific titles. No Christian, Islamic, horror, romance novels, or legal books. Stamps or donations are greatly appreciated but are not required. Main types of books usually requested: dictionaries, ethnic studies, basic educational books. Sorry, no Texas prisoners.

The Prison Library Project

915 West Foothill Blvd PMB 128, Claremont CA 91711 • Website: <http://www.prisonlibraryproject.org>

The Prison Library Project supplies books free of charge to inmates who request them. We try to provide an ongoing invitation to prisoners to embrace personal responsibility, growth, and a deeper appreciation for the world of books, ideas, and education. We offer books on self-help, personal and spiritual growth, wellness, and metaphysical books. No law books, technical, or GED, and no catalogue.



California Coalition for Women Prisoners

California Coalition for Women Prisoners, 1540 Market St, Suite 490 San Francisco, CA 94102

• Tel: (415) 255-7036 • E-mail: info@womenprisoners.org • Website:

<http://www.womenprisoners.org>



EQUAL JUSTICE USA

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SDCCWP sends books to women prisoners on various women's and political issues. Please write to request a free book list. Stamp donations are appreciated to pay for shipping.



Women's Prison Book Project (WPBP)

WPBP c/o Arise Bookstore, 2441 Lyndale Ave South, Minneapolis MN 55405 • Tel: (612) 729-5845 • E-mail: womensprisonbookproject@gmail.com • Website: www.wpbp.org

Since 1994, the Women's Prison Book Project has provided women in prison with free reading materials covering a wide range of topics from law and education (dictionaries, GED, etc.) to politics, history, and women's health. There are other prison book projects, but we seek to meet the specific needs of women in prison.

PEN PAL CORRESPONDENCE -----

(BUDDHIST / CHRISTIAN / JEWISH / NON-RELIGIOUS)

CellPals!

PO Box 13278, Las Cruces, NM 88013 • Website: www.cellpals.com • Phone: 1 (855) PEN-PALS (736-7257)
CellPals! is a prison pen pal organization on the internet that seeks to aid inmates in finding positive influences during a given term of incarceration. You may write to request an application packet from our company. We try to make our site accessible to everyone regardless of financial status.



Christian Pen Pals

PO Box 2112, Statesville NC 28687 • Tel: (828) 256-6100 • Website: www.christian-penpals.com

We share the love of Jesus by providing a Christian pen pal for friendship and spiritual help to those who ask, and by networking with other sources of help for other needs common to prisoners. We are here to help prisoners, prisoner's families, and chaplains. Our ministry is therefore focused on proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, His forgiveness, and His great love for all. When prisoners come to know and follow Jesus, hearts are changed. The Holy Spirit gives them power to overcome sin and bondage, giving them a transformed life.

The Conversations With God Foundation / God's Pen Pals

Recreation Foundation, Inc. PMB#1150, 1257 Siskiyou Blvd, Ashland OR 97520 • Tel: (541) 482-8806 • E-mail: Foundation@cwg.org • Website: www.cwg.org

Our foundation is based upon the work of Neale Donald Walsch and his books Conversations With God. Through our program, God's Pen Pals, we will connect you with other people who are interested in these teachings. In addition, you may write to request a scholarship subscription to our newsletter, Conversations, and through our Books for Friends program, you may request any of the Conversations with God books free of charge.

Death Row Support Project

PO Box 600 Dept P, Liberty Mills IN 46946 • Tel: (260-982-7480 • E-mail: drsp.cob@earthlink.net • Website: <http://support.brethren.org>

In 1978, concerned Church of the Brethren members formed the Death Row Support Project to facilitate one-to-one correspondence with persons sentenced to death. Since then, thousands of people from all over the country and around the world have responded to the challenge of connecting with death row prisoners.

Friends on Both Sides

PO Box 780608, San Antonio TX 78278 • Tel: (210) 846-6576 • E-mail: customerservice@friendsonbothsides.com • Website: www.friendsonbothsides.com

Friends on Both Sides was started with the idea of helping both males and females in prison express their interest in meeting people in the free society with whom they may establish a friendship or relationship. This is accomplished through our website on the internet. You may write to request an information packet.



Hoshia Inmate Ministry (Messianic Jews)

6304 Beltline Road, Dallas TX 75254-7867 • Tel: (972) 386-0121 • Website:
www.baruchhashem.com

Support and pen pal program for Messianic Jews.



Inmate-Connection.com

PO Box 83897, Los Angeles CA 90083 • E-mail: info@inmate-connection.com • Website:
inmate-connection.com

“Though they may incarcerate the flesh, they can't incarcerate the mind.” This website is dedicated to connecting inmates with the outside world. You may write to request an application form that will give you a full web page on our site. The cost is \$20.00 for an entire year. Inmate-connection.com is an excellent place to advertise on the net and get pen pal connections.



The Insight Prison Project

Insight Prison Project 805 Fourth Street, Suite 3 San Rafael, CA 94901 • Tel: 415-459-9800 •
E-mail: info@InsightPrisonProject.org • Website: <http://insightprisonproject.org>

IPP is based out of the Spirit Rock Meditation Center and its volunteers are happy to correspond with prisoners and discuss Buddhist issues through a pen pal situation.



Jewish Prisoner Services International

PO Box 85840, Seattle WA 98145-1840 • Tel: (206) 985-0577 • Emergency Collect: (206) 528-0363 • Website: www.jewishprisonerservices.org

Offers support, referrals, guidance, educational and religious programs, pen pal service.

Messenger Bible Institute

PO Box 1756, Oakdale CA 95361 • Tel: (209) 845-1718 • E-mail: mbimessenger@aol.com • Website:
<http://prisonministry.net/MBI>

Messenger Bible Institute offers free Bible correspondence studies and Christian ministry diplomas. They also offer Jail and Prison Ministry Training Programs and Writing Ministries (Pen Pals).



The Pampered Prisoner

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Portland OR 97219 • E-mail: info@thepamperedprisoner.com • Website:
www.thepamperedprisoner.com

This is an Internet prison pen pal site for inmates in need of a caring friend. Through this site we hope to bring friendship, love, and laughter to lonely prisoners. We hope to help ease the time they have to serve. Write for details.



PrisonerLife.com

PO Box 1664, Voorhees NJ 08043 • Website: www.prisonerlife.com (Can e-mail via the website)

The PrisonerLife.com website is dedicated to providing all prisoners incarcerated in the U.S. opportunities to communicate with the world and expand their networks of support. Prisoner's can become a part of the PrisonerLife.com family by simply entering their information into our member directory. You may ask anyone with internet access to load information about you into our database. There is no charge for this service.



Prison Pen Pals

PO Box 235, East Berlin PA 17316-0235 • E-mail: info@prisonpenpals.com •

Website: www.prisonpenpals.com

The largest prison pen pal site on the internet since 1996. Thousands of inmates' personal, legal, and specialty ads are listed on this site, providing prisoners with correspondence opportunities. Write for a brochure.

Strawberry Dragon Zendo

Desert Zen Center, 10989 Buena Vista Rd, Lucerne Valley, CA 92356-7303 • Website:

www.desertzencenter.org • Tel: 760 985 4567

Strawberry Dragon Zendo is a Buddhist outreach program involved in prison work, hospital and hospice, and inter-religious work. Inmates may write to request pen pal services or books for prison libraries.



WriteAPrisoner.com

PO Box 10, Edgewater FL 32132 • E-mail: General-Information@writeaprisoner.com •

Website: www.writeaprisoner.com

WriteAPrisoner.com is a website helping prisoners find pen pals. Write to receive a brochure.

CREATIVE WRITING / ARTISTIC RESOURCES



The Beat Within

275 Ninth St, San Francisco CA 94103 • Tel: (415) 503-4170 • Website:
<http://thebeatwithin.org> • Email: dinocencio@newamericamedia.org

Our Beat contributors, most of whom are in the system, from death row to county jail, to various youth facilities, as well as some of whom are now in the free world, are in a unique position to express themselves and realize they are not alone. Through their writings and art, they discover that they are a part of a larger community. Furthermore, their voices reach, touch, and hopefully influence the lives of judges, probation officers, families, community workers, youth, and many others. Our purpose is to educate readers inside and outside of the system. This is why we challenge our writers to think as teachers as they reflect on their pasts and look ahead. Prisoners may send commentaries, artwork, and poetry, directed towards teaching, inspiring, and giving hope. Prisoners may receive a free subscription, donations are appreciated.



Cell Door Magazine

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www.celldoor.com

The Cell Door Magazine is written for a free audience by prisoners or people who are family members or friends of prisoners. Our goal is to develop an audience who reads The Cell Door Magazine for its educational and entertainment value and quality, learning in the process that prisoners are intelligent, personable, talented human beings. We will definitely consider all submissions. We publish art, poetry, essays, news, opinion, fiction, humor, and inmate cases.



Gassho Newsletter / Atlanta Soto Zen Center

Attn: Gassho, 1167-C Zonolite Place, Atlanta GA 30306 • Website: www.aszc.org (Can email via website)

The Gassho newsletter is a free publication created by and written for incarcerated sangha practitioners. Articles discuss prison life and the practice of Buddhism for those serving time. Each issue is produced in conjunction with the Atlanta Soto Zen Center. You may write and request to be on the mailing list. Also, we welcome questions, articles, artwork, etc. from prisoners for publication.



The Journal of Prisoners on Prisons

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The Journal of Prisoners on Prisons is a unique forum for the voices of prisoners everywhere. Drawing on writing from prisoners across the world, the JPP allows those most knowledgeable about the realities of prison life and most closely affected by those realities to speak out. The JPP brings us the passionate, articulate voices not previously heard in the ongoing debates about penology, prison abolition, and prisoners' rights. Creative writing, personal stories, artwork, academic, and legal arguments, contribute their perspective to a wide range of contemporary issues related to crime, justice and punishment. Published annually. Submissions: Prisoners and former prisoners are encouraged to submit papers, collaborative essays, discussions transcribed from tape,

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book reviews, and photo or graphic essays (no fiction or poetry). We publish articles in either French or English.




Pen Prison Writing Program

*Pen American Center, 588 Broadway Suite 303, New York NY 10012 • Tel: (212) 334-1660 •
E-mail: pen@pen.org • Website: www.pen.org*

Upon request, we will send inmates, free of charge, a short guide offering information on creative writing, places to send your work, how to write a cover letter, and it also includes a list of organizations that provide pen pals. In addition, upon request, we send a free guide for starting your own writing workshops in prison. We also sponsor an annual writing contest for prisoners.

JOBS AND CAREERS

(WEBSITES)

 **CareerBuilder.com**
Website: www.careerbuilder.com

CareerBuilder.com puts jobs in front of poised job seekers, wherever they are, at home or at work, in print and on the internet. We are the leading recruitment resource, with presence in more than 130 local newspapers and more than 26 million visitors to our newspaper websites each month.



Cool Works—Jobs In Great Places
E-mail: greatjobs@coolworks.com • Website: www.coolworks.com

Year-round, full-time jobs in great places: national and state parks, camps, cruise ships, rafting, ranches, amusement parks, ski resorts, lodges and resorts. Some of the coolest jobs in the best places.

 **Net-Temps Career Center**
Website: www.net-temp.com

A website that helps you find a new job and manage your career. Search from tens of thousands of contract and direct jobs, post your resume, have jobs automatically e-mailed to you, reach over 7,500 top recruiters.



Non-Profit Career Network
Nonprofit Career Network, PO Box 912, Essex, CT 06426-0912 • E-mail:
nonprofitcareer@comcast.net • Website: www.nonprofitcareer.com • Tel: 860 767 1424

This website is dedicated to the nonprofit sector of today's business and economic world. Our mission is to be a complete, one-stop resource center for nonprofit organizations, individuals seeking job opportunities in a nonprofit organization, and people who want to volunteer to make a difference in this world.

USAJOBS

Tel: (478) 757-3000 or (478) 744-2299 - 24 hours, 7 days a week • Website: www.usajobs.opm.gov

This is a United States Office of Personnel Management web site. USAJOBS is the Federal Government's official one-stop source for federal jobs and employment information. Learn how to apply for jobs, build your resume, find an ideal job, or explore exciting federal career options that match your interest.

REENTRY ASSISTANCE / FAMILY SUPPORT / CONTINUING
EDUCATION

Aid to Incarcerated Mothers

PO Box 986, Montgomery, AL 36101-0986 • Tel: (617) 536-0058 • E-mail: info@aim-ma.org • Website: www.inmatemoms.org • Tel: 800 679 0246 (Toll free)

We are an international organization working with women on the inside and outside. We help incarcerated mothers keep their families together, provide support and counseling for children, and also offer assistance with jobs and housing when women leave prison. You may write for further information.



Breakthrough Urban Ministries

P.O. Box 47200 Chicago IL 60647 • Tel: (773) 722-1144 • E-mail:

info@breakthrough.org • Website: Breakthroughministries.com • Contact for Women: Breakthrough Joshua Center • Tel: (773) 722-0179

Limited job placement and training, addiction recovery programs, food, clothes. Limited overnight accommodations. Please call ahead before release.



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A National organization providing information and referral services. We specialize in human services and criminal justice. We link people with resources in their community such as drug or alcohol programs, educational programs (assistance with reading, writing, and math), volunteer programs, employment assistance, temporary shelter and housing resources, counseling, and other services.

Family and Corrections Network

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