Resource List For Women in Prison

LEGAL RESOURCES

National Network for Women in Prison

714 W California Blvd Pasadena, CA 91105

Resources and advocacy work. Produces a free newsletter written by former prisoners.

Native American Rights Fund

1506 Broadway Boulder, CO 80302 http://www.narf.org/

Assists Native prisoners with religious freedom issues.

National Center on Institutions and Alternatives

3125 Mt Vernon Ave

Alexandria, VA 22305

http://www.ncianet.org/

Can help with preparing sentencing and parole recommendations; death penalty mitigating circumstances; jail suicide prevention.

Immigrant Legal Resource Center

1663 Mission, Suite 602

San Francisco, CA 94103

http://www.ilrc.org/

Legal help and advocacy for immigrants. Works with INS detainees and imprisoned immigrants.

Lewisburg Prison Project

P.O. Box 128

Lewisburg, PA 17837

http://www.eg.bucknell.edu/~mligare/LPP.html
Publishes several low cost materials for prisoners,
including Legal Bulletins, Federal Parole Guide, and
Due Process standards for administrative detention

Prisoners Self-help Legal Clinic

35 Hanley Street

Newark, NJ 07102

Publishes bulletin <u>The Bridge</u> and low cost self-help litigation booklets. Some booklets in Spanish.

ACLU National Prison Project

733 15th St. NW Suite 620

Washington, DC 2005

http://archive.aclu.org/issues/prisons/npp_mission.html Handles major class action law suits involving prison conditions in state and federal institutions. Does NOT handle cases for individual prisoners! They publish a quarterly journal and many helpful booklets. Write for current availability/cost.

Prison Legal News

2400 NW 80th St #148

Seattle, WA 98117

http://www.prisonlegalnews.org/

Monthly magazines edited by prisoners. Reviews and analysis of court rulings as well as news about prison issues.

Columbia Human Rights Law Review

435 West 116th St. Box B-25

New York, NY 10027

http://www.columbia.edu/cu/hrlr/

Sells the <u>Jailhouse Lawyers Manual</u>. This can be used for pursing appeals, post conviction relief, civil rights actions and parole. Available at low cost to prisoners, write for current price.

Southern Center for Human Rights

83 Poplar St. N.W.

Atlanta, GA 30303-2122

http://www.schr.org/

Represents individuals and files class action lawsuits to protect the rights of people of color, poor people, and other disadvantaged citizens facing the death penalty or confined to prisons and jails in the South.

Oceana Publications

75 Main St.

Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

http://www.oceanalaw.com/

Publishes <u>The Prisoner's Self-Help Litigation Manual</u> It is pricey, but very comprehensive. Write for current price. They also have other legal self-help publications.

PAROLE & PRE-RELEASE

American Correctional Association

Publications Department 8025 Laurel Lakes Court Laurel, MD 20707 http://www.aca.org/ Sells a parole-planning guide, <u>As Free as an Eagle.</u>

Sells a parole-planning guide, <u>As Free as an Eagle</u> Write for current price and information.

Interstate Publishers

510 Vermillion St. PO BOX 50
Danville, IL 61834
Sells a parole manual, <u>From the Inside Out</u>. Write for current prices.

Contact Referral Center, INC

PO BOX 81826

Lincoln, NE 68501

Publishes a survival source book to help prisoners with post release survival including job and places to live.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Chicago Legal Advocacy for Incarcerated Mothers

220 South State Street Suite 830

Chicago, IL 60604

www.c-l-a-i-m.org/

Gives legal advice, negotiates on the behalf of prisoners and provide in-court representation for family related matters.

National Indian Child Welfare Association

5100 SW Macadam Ave, Suite 300

Portland, OR 97230

http://www.nicwa.org

Can assist Native prisoners in navigating custody issues.

Mothers Reclaiming Our Children

4167 Normandies Ave

Los Angeles, CA 90037

Working to create a nationwide program to provide support to families and provide advocacy for prisoners and their families.

Center for Children with Incarcerated Parents

www.e-ccip.org

65 South Grand Ave

Pasadena, CA 91105

Provides free educational materials for incarcerated parents and their children.

Aid to Children of Imprisoned Mothers, Inc.

http://www.takingaim.net

524 Larkin St SW

Atlanta, GA 30313

An advocacy group for incarcerated mothers. Provides helpful information for all women prisoners with children.

The November Coalition

www.november.org

795 South Cedar

Colville, WA 99114

A national organization made up mainly of family members of prisoners. Advocates abolishing mandatory minimum sentences and imprisonment for drug related offenses-Free newsletter.

Families against Mandatory Minimums (FAMM)

www.famm.org

1612 K street NW, Suite 1400

Washington, DC 20006

Works to end unjust mandatory minimum sentencing laws, as well as change US policy towards drug laws. Also helps to prepare clemency petitions for federal prisoners. Free newsletter.

FAMILY AND CORRECTIONS NETWORK

32 Oak Grove Rd.

Palmyra, VA 22963

www.fcnetwork.org/

Offers information, training and technical assistance on children of prisoners, parenting programs for prisoners, prison visiting, incarcerated fathers and mothers, hospitality programs, keeping in touch, returning to the community, the impact of the justice system on families, and prison marriage.

WOMEN"S HEALTH & RECOVERY

Women Organized to Respond to Life Threatening Diseases (WORLD)

www.thebody.com/world/worldix.html 414 13^{th} St., 2^{nd} floor

Oakland, CA 94612

Advocacy group. Produces a newsletter written by and for HIV+ women and women with AIDS. Information and referrals.

CorrectHELP

www.correcthelp.org/ 1223 Wilshire BLVD #905

Santa Monica, CA 90403

Works to improve the treatment of prisoners living with HIV/AIDS.

WOMEN"S HEALTH & RECOVERY (continued)

Prisoners with AIDS Rights Advocacy Organization

Po Box 2161

Jonesboro, GA 30237

Offers support, educational materials, and referrals for prisoners with HIV/AIDS.

Nat'l Black Women's Health Project

www.blackwomenshealth.org 1237 Abernathy Blvd SW Atlanta, GA 30310

Health information (medical, social, political) available for African American women. Write for newsletter.

POZ

www.POZ.com PO Box 417 Mt Morris, IL 61054

Magazine about living with HIV. Free subscriptions to prisoners.

POZ En Espanol

www.POZ.com Little West 12th street, 6th floor New York, NY 10014 Spanish version of POZ magazine.

Nat'l Asian Women's Health Organization

www.nawho.org/ 250 Montgomery St #410 San Francisco, CA 94104 Resources, referrals, newsletter, fact sheets.

National Latina Health organization

www.latinahealth.org/index.html PO Box 7547 Oakland, Ca 94601 Resources, referrals, newsletter, fact sheets. Info in English and Spanish.

Oberlin Action against Prisons

www.oberlin.edu/stuorg/oaap/ PO Box 285 Oberlin, OH 44704 Activist group that produces a free health packet for women prisoners.

American Diabetes Association

www.diabetes.org ATTN: Customer service 1701 North Beauregard Street Alexandria, VA 22311

Free packets for diabetics. Includes information about the disease. diet and exercise.

Women for Sobriety

www.womenforsobriety.org PO Box 618

Quakertown, PA 18951

Info and woman centered approach to Drug and alcohol recovery, pen-pal program

Alcoholic anonymous

www.alcoholics-anonymous.org Grand Central Station PO Box 459 NY, NY 10163

12 step program for recovery of alcohol abuse. There is a charge for booklets.

Narcotics Anonymous

www.na.org World Service Office PO Box 9999 Van Nuys, CA 91409

12 step program for recovery of drub abuse. There is a charge for booklets.

Project for Older Prisoners (POPS)

c/o Jonathan Turley National Law Center 2000 H St. NW Washington, DC 20052 Info for older prisoners.

EDUCATION

PEN, Writing Program for Prisoners

www.pen.org/prison.html 568 Broadway NY, NY 10012

Offers a free resource guide for prison writers and a list of correspondence course leading to GED, college or paralegal degrees. Sponsors and annual writing project.

Books to Women in Prison Project

c/o BeyondMedia Education 7013 N. Glenwood Chicago, IL 60626 www.chicagobwp.org

Striving to improve the quality of life for women in prison through the pleasure of reading and to provide educational, diverse and enjoyable FREE books. Serving IL, IN, FL, OH, MS, CT only.

Blackstone Carreer Institute

www.blackstone1890.com/info.php PO Box 701449 Dallas, TX 75370

Offers a well-known paralegal correspondence course and other continuing education. Write for cost and info.

Distance Education and Training Council

www.detc.org 1601 18th St. NW Washington, DC 20009 Offers info about various academic and job training correspondence schools.

LESBIAN, BI AND TRANSGENDER

National Center for Lesbian Rights

www.nclrights.org 870 Market St. #750 San Francisco, CA 94102 Legal assistance on civil rights issues for lesbians. Hotline (415) 392-6257

Gay and Lesbian Prisoner Project

PO Box 1481 Boston, MA 02117-1481 Pen pals and info for queer prisoners.

Lesbian AIDS Project

c/o GMHC 129 W 20th St NY, NY 10011 Free newsletter and info lots of contacts with women in prison.

Out of Control

www.prisonactivist.org/ooc/ 3543 18th St. Box 30 San Francisco, CA 94110 Lesbian group that does support work for women political prisoners in U.S. Jails. Great free newsletter.

Sinister Wisdom

www.sinisterwisdom.org PO Box 3252 Berkley, CA 94703 A journal of fiction, poetry, and essays by lesbians. Free to women prisoners on request.

Lesbian Connection

Helen Diner Memorial Women's Center Ambitious Amazons PO Box 811 East Lansing, Michigan 48826 Month ly magazine by and for lesbians. Free on request.

Bisexual Resource Center

www.biresource.org PO Box 1026 Boston, MA 02117 Offers a discreet Bisexual resource guide on request. Trans/gender Variant in Prison Committee

www.prisons.org/TIP.htm California Prison Focus 2940 16th Street #307 San Francisco, CA 94103 Defends the rights of trans prisoners (mostly CA).

ABUSE ISSUES

Nat'l Coalition Against Domestic Violence

www.ncadv.org PO Box 18749 Denver, CO 80218

Lots of info and resources. Free newsletter.

Nat'l clearing house in defense of Battered women

125 s. 9th St. Suite 302

Philadelphia, PA 19107

Information, referrals and legal assistance for battered women. Works a lot with prisoners, free newsletter.

Network for Battered Lesbians/La Red

www.thenetworklared.org

PO box 6011

Boston, MA 02114

Free Information and resources (617) 423-SAFE

Rape, Abuse and Incest Nat'l Network

www.rainn.org 1800 656-HOPE

Free crisis line.

Survivors of Incest Anonymous

www.siawso.org World Service Office PO Box 190

Benson, MD 21018

Organization for sexual abuse survivors using the 12 step method. Free literature.

VOICES in Action, Inc.

www.voices-action.org P.O Box 148309 Chicago, IL 60614 Network of abuse survivors, information and resources.

ACTIVIST GROUPS

Prison Activist resource Center

www.prisonactivist.org PO Box 339 Berkeley, CA 94701 Does advocacy and prison support work. Free resources packet for prisoners.

The Sentencing Project

www.sentencingproject.org 514-10th street NW Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20004 Working to change sentencing laws and incarceration to deal with society's problems. Low cost pamphlets on various prison issues.

Western Prison Project

www.westernprisonproject.org PO Box 40085

Portland, OR 97240

Working to create progressive reform of the prison and criminal justice system.

Critical resistance

www.**criticalresistance**.org 1904 Franklin Street, Suite 504 Oakland, CA 94612

Group working to end human rights abuses in CA prisons. Newsletter and advocacy.

OTHER

Covenant of the Goddess

www.cog.org PO Box 1226 Berkeley, CA 94701

National organization of Wicca. This groups offers free information, write for details.