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## INTRODUCTION

This Directory was prepared by Family and Corrections Network to replace Directory of Programs Serving Adult Offenders, June 1985. This updated directory lists programs in the United States and Canada offering services specifically for families of adult offenders. Entries were identified by sending survey forms to Directors of Departments of Corrections in the United States and Canada, programs listed in the 1985 directory, and other programs known to Family and Corrections Network.

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# Programs in the United States

## ARIZONA

### **Family Assistance Program**

(602) 542-3148  
1645 West Jefferson  
Phoenix AZ 85007  
Contact: Lynn Reiter Wieser, Family Assistance  
Coordinator  
Area Served: Arizona  
Parent Organization: Arizona Department of  
Corrections

Provides families with information on Arizona  
Department of Corrections' policies and procedures as  
well as information/referral. Will assist with  
transportation and offers individual and group  
counseling, support groups, education and training  
programs.

### **Middle Ground**

(602) 966-8116  
139 East Encanto  
Tempe AZ 85281  
Contact: Donna Leone Hamm, President  
Area Served: Arizona  
Established: 1983

Provides public education, speaker's bureau, training,  
legislative and prisoner/family advocacy with  
information/referral services, pro se litigation for  
family advocacy issues.

Publishes quarterly Newsletter. Suggested donation:  
\$20/year for families or \$1/year for inmates.

## CALIFORNIA

### **Allied Fellowship Service**

(415) 987-8100  
P.O. Box 28882  
Oakland CA 94604  
Contact: Ed Bodaniske, Director of Program  
Agency Head: Patricia Marrone, Executive Director  
Area Served: Alameda County  
Established: 1961

Offers shelter, counseling, job placement support, GED  
preparation, information/referral with advocacy to both  
men and women offenders. Mother-Infant Care  
program connected with California Youth Authority's  
School for Girls in Ventura, allows mothers and babies  
to live in home setting.

### **Centerforce**

(415) 456-9980  
64 Main Street  
San Quentin CA 94964  
Contact: Zakkiyyah Nazeem, Assistant Director  
Agency Head: Patricia Scholes, Executive Director  
Area Served: California State Prisons

Established: 1975  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Administers a network of prison visitor hospitality  
centers at all California State prisons. Offers respite  
from travel, transportation from the nearest public  
transit, crisis intervention, limited child care,  
information referral, emergency clothing, and snacks.  
Some centers provide inmates with pre-release  
assistance. Also educates community groups about  
prison visiting and the criminal justice system. The  
following is a list of programs administered by  
Centerforce:

1. Friendship Place (California Correctional  
Center-Susanville) (916) 257-2211  
Sponsor: Salvation Army

2. Welcome House Visitor Center (Folsom State  
Prison) (916) 985-2372  
Sponsor: Volunteers of America

3. Friendship House, Vacaville (California Medical  
Facility-Main) (707) 446-1235 (California Medical  
Facility-South) (707) 448-1821  
Sponsor: Centerforce

4. The House (San Quentin State Prison)  
(415) 456-4200  
Sponsor: Catholic Charities

5. Rainbow Family Center (Northern CA Women's  
Facility-Stockton) (209) 948-5623  
Sponsor: Women's Center of San Joaquin Co.

6. The New Beginnings Visitor Center (Mule Creek  
State Prison-Ione) (209) 274-4749  
Sponsor: Volunteers of America

7. Mother Lode Hospitality House (Sierra  
Conservation Center-Jamestown) (209) 984-3538  
Sponsor: Friends Outside

8. Hospitality House (Correctional Training  
Facility-Soledad) (408) 424-5601  
Sponsor: Friends Outside

9. El Puente (Correctional Training Facility-Soledad)  
(408) 758-9421  
Sponsor: Friends Outside

10. Visitors Center (California Men's Colony-San Luis  
Obispo) (805) 543-3888  
Sponsor: Friends Outside

11. The Oasis Visitor Center (Avenal State Prison)  
(209) 386-5668  
Sponsor: Centerforce

12. Bienvenidos Visitor Center (California State Prison-Corcoran) (209) 992-8628  
Sponsor: Centerforce

13. Tehachapi Visitor Center (California Correctional Institution-Tehachapi) (805) 822-7020  
Sponsor: Centerforce

14. Hospitality Center (California Institution for Men-Chino) (714) 597-5428  
Sponsor: Friends Outside

15. Casa Frontera (California Institution for Women-Frontera) (714) 597-7845  
Sponsor: Hospitality Place

16. Hospitality Place (California Rehabilitation Center-Norco) (714) 737-3742  
Sponsor: Hospitality Place

17. Su Casa, San Diego (Richard J. Donovan Correctional Facility-San Diego) (619) 661-6865  
Sponsor: Lutheran Social Services

18. Esperanza Visitor Center (Chuckawalla Valley State Prison-Blythe) (619) 992-8326  
Sponsor: Lutheran Social Services

19. Dodd Memorial Visitor Center (Deuel Vocational Institution-Tracy) (209) 836-2580  
Sponsor: Good Samaritan Community Services

Publishes brochure on Centerforce; Annual Report to the Legislature; Annual newspaper Centerforce Journal; Information about Centerforce Mission Statement; Art and Practice of Hospitality.

### **Charles de Foucauld Counseling Ministry, Inc.**

(805) 349-3572  
P. O. Box 22  
Santa Maria CA 93456  
Contact: Arlene Tolles, President  
Area Served: Central Coast, California  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides professional counseling and support services to inmates, parolees, probationers, and their families and friends. Future Plans: Sponsor a halfway house/counseling center.

Quarterly Newsletter: Mailed free of charge to supporters. \$5 annual subscription.

### **Friends Outside National Organization**

(408) 879-0691  
2105 Hamilton Avenue #209  
San Jose CA 95125  
Contact: Judy Evans, Director  
Area Served: California, Nevada  
Established: 1955  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Friends Outside has fourteen Chapters in California and one in Nevada. Chapters serve county and state prisons offering some or all of the following services: support groups for families and parolees; hospitality houses; prison visitor centers; family transportation to prisons; educational, social, recreational activities, and counseling for prisoners' children; emergency services such as food, clothing, transportation, lodging; pre- and post-release services, parole planning, job/employment counseling; support groups; crisis intervention; information/referral; work furlough residences and re-entry houses. Also victim/offender mediation and reconciliation services.

### **CHAPTER/DIRECTOR/TELEPHONE**

1. Contra Costa Co., Maryanne Welchert, (415) 228-0644
2. Kern Co., Bill Oldenkamp, (805) 323-0300
3. Los Angeles Co., Betty Hanna-Witherspoon, (213) 681-1018
4. Monterey Co., Joan Husby, (408) 758-9421
5. Orange Co., Mary Waggoner, (714) 633-6551
6. Riverside Co., Walter Peterson, (714) 781-8114
7. Sacramento Co., Dorothy Montgomery, (916) 446-3838
8. San Bernadino Co., Cynthia Carey, (714) 597-5428
9. San Luis Obispo, Joanne Cummings-Pratt, (805) 543-3888
10. Santa Clara Co., Sue Goodenough, (408) 295-6033
11. Santa Cruz Co., Ellie Greenwood, (408) 423-0554
12. Sonoma Co., Virginia Heck, (707) 526-7318
13. Stanislaus Co., Suzzan Harison, (209) 522-3232
14. Tuolumne Co., Suzanne Copeland, (209) 984-3538
15. Las Vegas, Nevada, Bonnie Polley, (702) 366-8585

### **Jewish Committee for Personal Services/BET-T'SHUVAH**

(213) 413-3321  
216 S. Lake Street  
Los Angeles CA 90057  
Contact: Harriet Rosetto, Program Director  
Area Served: Los Angeles County  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Gateways Hospital

Prison outreach/visitation, pre-sentence evaluation and residential re-entry with alternative sentencing, counseling (individual and family), and addictions rehabilitation.

### **Legal Services for Prisoners with Children**

(415) 552-3150  
1535 Mission Street  
San Francisco CA 94103  
Contact: Ellen M. Barry, Director  
Area Served: CA (services), USA (technical)  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Network on Women in Prison

Impacts legislation on behalf of pregnant prisoners and mothers in prison; information/referral to women prisoners and their children; advocacy on behalf of women prisoners.

Offers "Incarcerated Parents Manual," (straight-forward guide to rights of parents in prison) available also in Spanish, free to prisoners, \$5 to non-profit organizations, and \$10 to institutions and libraries.

### **Northern California Service League**

(415) 863-2323  
28 Boardman Place  
San Francisco CA 94103  
Contact: Shirley Melnicoe, Executive Director  
Area Served: San Francisco  
Established: 1948  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides information and support to families of inmates, takes messages to inmates, offers contact baby visits and job, family, and crisis counseling after release. Also provides advocacy, legal procedural information, and illiteracy programs. Student interns serve as liaisons between prisoner and public defender or private attorney.

### **Prison MATCH**

(415) 834-7897  
477 15th Street, Suite 200  
Oakland CA 94612  
Contact: Griffin Toffler

Technical assistance to groups initiating children's center programs in prisons and jails.

### **Service League of San Mateo County**

(415) 364-4664  
878 Main Street  
Redwood City CA 94063  
Contact: Phil Bray, Community Services Director  
Agency Head: Elizabeth K. Gheleta, Executive Director  
Area Served: San Mateo County  
Established: 1960  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides inmates released from County jail and their families with temporary housing, clothing, emergency food, employment counseling, and transportation home within State of California.

## **COLORADO**

### **FOCUS (Families and Friends of Convicts United for Support)**

(719) 269-3265  
P. O. Box 2272  
Canon City CO 81212  
Contact: Dorothy Plocher, Outreach Chairperson  
Agency Head: Linda Davis, Chairperson  
Area Served: Colorado  
Established: 1982  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides transportation; emergency assistance; information/referral; liaison between agencies serving inmates or families; twice monthly support meetings for inmate wives; greeters at the Diagnostic Unit, and visitor room assistants at the East Complex Facilities. At present, childcare is interrupted but will be resumed.

Publishes quarterly newsletter.

### **Family Integration Program**

(719) 269-4715  
P.O. Box 500  
Canon City CO 81212  
Contact: Timme Pearson, Program Specialist  
Area Served: Colorado  
Established: 1988  
Parent Organization: Colorado Women's Correctional Facility

Program offers parenting and employment groups and classes, retreats for incarcerated mothers and their children, and "family linkage" (both pre- and post-release) to assist in re-entry into community.

## **CONNECTICUT**

### **Creative Connections**

(203) 442-7556  
P. O. Box 274  
Waterford CT 06385  
Contact: Joyce Schmidt, President  
Area Served: Connecticut  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Creative Arts Parenting Program, sponsored by Connecticut Correctional Institution-Niantic, provides parenting program for inmate mothers and all-day family gatherings. Through creative arts, inmate mothers are taught social, communication, parenting, developmental, and behavioral skills.



Curriculum guide available for planning and operating a similar program.

**Crossroads, Inc.**

(203) 865-3541  
48 Howe Street  
New Haven CT 06511  
Contact: Grace Ford, Director of Residential Services  
Agency Head: Miguel Laguana, Executive Director  
Area Served: State of Connecticut  
Established: 1971  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Offers individual, group, family, vocational, and employment counseling with GED and basic education classes. Hosts NA and AA groups with residential drug free treatment program for 58 men and 10 women. Women and their children can be in residence together.

**Families In Crisis, Inc.**

(203) 236-3593  
30 Arbor Street, North Wing  
Hartford CT 06106  
Contact: Susan Sheffs, Executive Director  
Area Served: Connecticut  
Established: 1977  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Individual, group, and family counseling; education support groups; child care facilities in both men's and women's correctional facilities; transportation programs; training to other private and state providers serving families of offenders.

Publishes "A Visit to the Big House," a children's book regarding parent's incarceration.

**Family Intervention Program (FIP)**

(203) 562-3030  
245 Whalley Avenue  
New Haven CT 06511  
Contact: Cynthia Brown, Director  
Area Served: New Haven Area  
Established: 1986  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Citizens for Humanizing Criminal Justice (CHCJ)

Provides referrals, counseling, services to families of offenders and ex-offenders. Assistance to cope with crises resulting from separation and loss due to arrest, pre-trial procedures, incarceration, and re-entry. Volunteers are recruited to help as family intervention workers, court advocates, and direct contact with clients.

Quarterly newsletter available.

**Family Re-Entry, Inc.**

(203) 972-1220  
131 Nursery Road  
New Canaan CT 06840  
Contact: Terryann Reed, Director  
Area Served: National  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides family therapy to involve offender's family in inmate's rehabilitation by improving interpersonal relationships. On-site programs demonstrate that family strengthening can reduce and prevent both crime and family disintegration.

**ISAIAH 61:1, Inc.**

(203) 367-9440  
P. O. Box 1399  
Bridgeport CT 06604  
Contact: Mary Elizabeth Sandor, Director of Family Services  
Agency Head: Bonnie Rogan, Executive Director  
Area Served: Connecticut  
Established: 1980  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides vocational training and counseling, employment, family therapy, individual and group counseling, spiritual counseling, Bible study, drug and alcohol counseling, with educational and cultural activities.

**Mothers in Prison Project**

(203) 739-6208  
199 West Main Street  
Niantic CT 06357  
Contact: Rev. Laurie W. Etter, Chaplain  
Area Served: Connecticut  
Established: 1981

Provides parenting education, Christmas gifts, public education on parenting issues, resources of visitation and parenting programs; also Parents Anonymous program is active.

**Services for Parents at Niantic**

(203) 739-5413  
199 West Main Street  
Niantic CT 06357  
Contact: Dee Gibbs, Community Services Coordinator  
Agency Head: Beverley Herbert, Parent-Child Coordinator  
Area Served: Connecticut  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Connecticut Correctional Institution-Niantic

Children in foster care and families of inmates are provided van transportation from six locations. Also, expectant mothers receive counseling on placement of unborn. Parent education and mother's support group available with a Parents Anonymous group; all

encourage good parent/child relationships. Sesame Street playroom and trailer space for 24-hour visits are available. Connecticut Prison Association provides attorney to assist with family law issues. Community Services Coordinator connects inmates with parenting program and community supportive services at pre-release phase.

## **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

### **Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE)**

(202) 543-8399  
11 15th Street NE, Suite 6  
Washington DC 20002  
Contact: Pauline Sullivan, Administrator  
Agency Head: Charles Sullivan, Executive Director  
Area Served: United States and Territories  
Established: 1972

Provides errants and families with information on rehabilitative programs and promotes development of such programs. Also encourages change through exercise of constitutional rights.

Membership: \$2/Prisoners, \$5/Basic, \$10/Families, \$25/Sustaining and \$100/Life. CURE members receive a quarterly newsletter.

### **D.C. CURE (Citizens United For Rehabilitation of Errants)**

(202) 543-8399  
11 15th Street NE, Suite 6  
Washington DC 20002  
Contact: Dianne D. Lowery, Chairperson  
Area Served: Washington, DC & Metro Area  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: National CURE

Organization of family and friends of DC inmates, wherever they may be housed. Advocates for better visiting conditions, improved inmate programming and positive change through the legislative process.

Monthly leaflet on happenings in the criminal justice system, upcoming agendas, and meeting information.

### **Visitors' Service Center**

(202) 544-2131  
1422 Massachusetts Avenue SE  
Washington DC 20003  
Contact: Ann Cuningham, Director  
Area Served: D.C. Detention Facility  
Established: 1969  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Visits DC Detention Facility, easing pressures by talking with inmates, gathering information, finding lawyers and records, contacting families, and assisting whenever possible.

## **FLORIDA**

### **Project SKIP, Inc. (Save Kids of Incarcerated Parents)**

(813) 681-1581  
1108 Black Knight Drive  
Valrico FL 33594  
Contact: Jean Y. Andrews, Founder/President  
Area Served: Tampa Bay, Florida  
Established: 1981  
Funding: Private, Non-profit

Serves children of incarcerated parents and "at risk" children in the inner city areas (22nd Street & West Tampa). Assists youth to become responsible with hope for the future through academic education, health education, personal growth, social responsibility and awareness, and work preparation through counseling, tutoring, role model speakers, Bible study, and social activities.

Information brochure.

### **Telelos Ministries**

(904) 589-7477  
P. O. Box 1267  
Tavares FL 32778  
Contact: Rev. David J. Randolph, Chaplain  
Area Served: Florida  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Services to inmates and their families include crisis intervention, information/referral and supportive services for families.

Publishes "Starting Over," a 166-page manual on life management skills, \$15. Covers support systems, relationships, decision-making, ethics, as well as labor unions, selective service registration, and career development plus other topics. "Starting Over" video tape seminar is loaned free to interested parties desiring to initiate program.

## **GEORGIA**

### **Aid to Imprisoned Mothers, Inc. (AIM)**

(404) 881-8291  
957 North Highland Avenue., NE  
Atlanta GA 30306  
Contact: Sandra Barnhill, Director  
Area Served: Georgia  
Established: 1987

Transportation services for families visiting women in prison. Children's counseling project for children of incarcerated mothers provides individual counseling, support groups for kids, and play therapy for younger children. Agency referrals and advocacy. "Parenting from Prison: A Handbook for Imprisoned Mothers," \$5 (free to prisoners and their families.)

## **Family Ministries**

(404) 921-7839  
516 Jordon Drive  
Tucker GA 30084  
Contact: Helen G. Goins, Director  
Agency Head: Bill Goins, Consultant  
Area Served: Atlanta Area  
Established: 1989

Strives for marriage enrichment, personal growth and development with couples and individuals through seminars in institutions, family support groups in the community, and individual counseling.

## **HAWAII**

### **John Howard Society of Hawaii**

(808) 537-2917  
200 N. Vineyard Boulevard, #102  
Honolulu HI 96815  
Contact: Gerald Reardon, Acting Director  
Area Served: Oahu  
Established: 1958

Informs families of institutional rules and procedures, general information and referral, bail/parole information, and provides clothing loans.

### **State of Hawaii Department of Corrections**

(808) 548-3630  
677 Ala Moana Boulevard #700  
Honolulu HI 96813  
Contact: Jo desMarets, Corrections Volunteer Services Admin.  
Agency Head: Harold J. Falk, Jr., Director  
Area Served: Hawaii  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Public

Information and support services for families and friends visiting inmates in the correctional facility. Program is new and scope of services and institutions being served will expand over time.

## **IDAHO**

### **Family Support Systems**

(208) 336-0740  
P. O. Box 14  
Boise ID 83707  
Contact: Jan Graham, Director  
Agency Head: Faye Zamzow, Chairperson  
Area Served: Southern Idaho  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: IDOC Volunteer Services

Provides inmate wives/family telephone hotline and childcare center in prison's visiting rooms.

Publishes Volunteers in Prison Services (VIPS) and Area Community Resources List, free upon request.

## **LUV-A-KID**

(208) 336-0740  
P. O. Box 14  
Boise ID 83707  
Contact: Hilda Floyd, Director  
Agency Head: Jan Graham, Coordinator  
Area Served: Southern Idaho  
Established: 1985  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: IDOC Volunteer Services

Volunteer families "adopt" a kid(s) and take with their own to parks, swimming, zoo, eat-out, etc. Application form with brief description of program available upon request.

### **Prison Fellowship**

(208) 342-1417  
P.O. Box 1808  
Boise ID 83701  
Contact: Harley A. Brueck, Area Director  
Area Served: Idaho, Utah, Montana  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

Ministry to inmates, former inmates, and their families through in-prison seminars and Bible studies, community service projects for inmates, volunteer training workshops, and providing Christmas gifts for children of inmates.

Publishes newsletter for area as well as Bible studies in English and Spanish. Offers Prison Fellowship Ministries publications.

## **ILLINOIS**

### **C.A.U.S.E.S. (Child Abuse Unite for Studies, Education & Services)**

(312) 883-7169  
836 W. Wellington Avenue  
Chicago IL 60657  
Contact: Edward Loew, Psychologist  
Agency Head: Nahman H. Greenberg, M.D., Executive Director  
Area Served: Cook Co. & Dwight Correctional Center for Women  
Established: 1975  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Explores child abuse issues through clinical services to abused children, families, and caregivers while studying the basic problems and educating and training professionals in assessment and treatment of child abuse.

C.A.U.S.E.S. Press has extensive list of significant literature on child abuse studies available by contacting office.

### Defense Group for Justice

(312) 758-3906  
P.O. Box 1110  
Chicago Heights IL 60411  
Contact: Adellar Laye, President  
Established: 1985

Provides counseling, advocacy and support for family and friends of inmates. Also offers legal consultation regarding prisoners' rights, corrections, and the criminal justice system with court accompaniment and legal representation.

Newsletter available.

### Hospitality House

(618) 826-3403  
120 Ferry Street  
Chester IL 62233  
Contact: Gene Funk, Executive Director  
Area Served: Visitors to Menard Correctional Center  
Established: 1987

Overnight lodging for visitors to Menard Correctional Center.

### Prisoner Family Support

(618) 997-1227  
P. O. Box 123  
Marion IL 62959  
Contact: Jane Otte, Coordinator  
Area Served: Marion Co. & surrounding area  
Established: 1974  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides local transportation to U.S. Penitentiary-Marion daily. Transportation to and from bus, train, and airport. Partial payment of motel cost on a monthly basis. A monthly support group for prisoners' families in the southern Illinois area.

Newsletter twice a year, brochures about program.

### SAFER Foundation

(312) 922-2200  
371 W. Jackson  
Chicago IL 60606  
Contact: Daniel J. Coughlin, Dep. Director of External Operations  
Agency Head: Raymond D. Curran, Executive Director  
Area Served: Northern IL & Northeastern IA  
Established: 1970  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides employment and educational services, work release, substance abuse counseling, family counseling, individual counseling, victim assistance counseling, literacy tutoring, transportation, and services to mothers in prison. One division of SAFER Foundation, the PACE Institution, maintains a corps of 180-220 volunteers to provide literacy tutoring and spiritual

awareness in the maximum security wing of the Cook County Jail.

## INDIANA

### Bridgework Theater, Inc.

(219) 534-1085  
133 1/2 East Lincoln Avenue  
Goshen IN 46526  
Contact: Carla Robinson, Marketing Director  
Agency Head: Donald C. Yost, Executive Director  
Area Served: USA  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private

Created a video "Waiting on the Outside," which explores problems faced by those who wait. Organizations may purchase rights to the script and stage their own production of the play "Waiting on the Outside."

To order video or receive a preview, contact office.  
Price: \$100. Royalties for script are \$50 for first performance and \$35 for each additional performance.

### Mennonite Central Committee-US, Office of Criminal Justice

(219) 293-3090  
107 West Lexington  
Elkhart IN 46516  
Contact: Howard Zehr, Director  
Area Served: National  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Mennonite Central Committee

Development and distribution of written and audio-visual resources.

Booklet "Waiting On The Outside" for wives of prisoners available. Traveling exhibit and video-taped drama.

### Prison Fellowship

(219) 747-3773  
6110 Bluffton Road, Suite 100  
Fort Wayne IN 46809  
Contact: Ken Jackson, Area Director  
Area Served: Indiana  
Established: 1978  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

Provides clothing, transportation (in most cases) to and from prisons to visit family, assistance in locating church contacts, marriage seminars, Project Angel Tree provides gifts for inmates' children at Christmas, inmate family support groups, and ex-offender support groups.

### **Riverside Residential Center**

(317) 632-7638  
P. O. Box 22307  
Indianapolis IN 46222  
Contact: Lloyd Bridges, President  
Agency Head: Michael Lloyd, Center Director  
Area Served: Central Indiana  
Established: 1978  
Parent Organization: Riverside Community Corrections Corporation

Provides services to family members of offender clients as an adjunct to residential work release services. Counselors provide information/referral services as needed. Involves family members in therapeutic programming when resident clients are participating in certified intensive outpatient programming for alcohol and substance abuse treatment.

### **Very Special Persons**

(317) 639-1445  
P. O. Box 2344  
Indianapolis IN 46206  
Contact: Shirley Maynard, Director  
Area Served: Indiana  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides for families coping with problems, camp for children, help for the elderly, and a Christmas party for children.

Publishes brochures: "Family Survival Tips,"  
"Inmates: Do's and Don'ts For First Time Offender,"  
and "Meet the Unintended Victims of Crime."

## **IOWA**

### **Iowa Correctional Institution for Women**

(515) 967-4236  
Box 700  
Mitchellville IA 50169  
Contact: Kay Rhoads, Program Director  
Agency Head: Barbara D. Olk, Superintendent  
Area Served: Iowa  
Funding: Public

Provides parenting skills class and children's activities center where inmates are trained to prepare and lead activities to facilitate mother and child interaction.

Booklets are prepared and available for inmates to send their children describing their specific daily routine and the institution. Booklets are also prepared for child caregivers describing the institution, explaining visiting procedures, and providing tips on visit expectations.

### **Iowa State University**

Department of Child Development  
Ames IA 50011

Contact: Shirley C. Karas, Ph.D., Assistant Professor  
Area Served: Iowa  
Parent Organization: University of Iowa

Not directly involved in programming, but serves as resource persons to the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women.

Publishes "Exploring Parenting: A Parenting Program Adapted to a Prison Setting." Cost: \$12.

## **KANSAS**

### **Outside Connections, Inc.**

(913) 621-1504  
229 South 8th Street  
Kansas City KS 66111  
Contact: Becky Matin-Johns, Executive Director  
Area Served: Kansas  
Established: 1985  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Serves correctional facilities across the state by providing day care and meals, if necessary, information on prison visits, clothing closet to insure appropriate dress, and facilitates weekly support groups. Also parole planning, job placement, and emergency assistance as well as advocacy for family programming in Kansas.

Publishes newsletter "The Connection."

## **KENTUCKY**

### **Prison Fellowship**

(606) 426-7291  
P. O. Box 23063  
Louisville KY 40223  
Contact: Rick Drewitz, Area Director  
Area Served: Kentucky  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

Conducts in-prison seminars, Bible studies, one-to-one visitation, Project Angel Tree for children, family ministry.

State newsletter published quarterly.

## **LOUISIANA**

### **Prison Fellowship**

(504) 293-5345  
P. O. Box 40865  
Baton Rouge LA 70865  
Contact: Rev. Ed DeWeese, Area Director  
Area Served: Louisiana and Arkansas  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

Conducts in-prison ministry, aftercare, family assistance, community service projects, and inmate correspondence.

Publishes Arkansas/Louisiana area newsletter quarterly.

## **MAINE**

### **Mid-Coast Hospitality House**

(207) 763-3885  
P.O. Box 1526  
Rockland ME 04841  
Contact: Susan Silverio, Board Chair  
Agency Head: Frand and Rena Zak, House Managers  
Area Served: Mid-Coast/Maine Region  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Mid-coast Care Committee

Serves families of inmates of Maine State Prison by providing overnight accommodations, breakfasts, and evening meals. Provides afternoon "tea" (support group for wives) and referral to housing and services.

Publishes newsletter.

### **Project H.I.P. (Helping Incarcerated Parents)**

(207) 780-4430  
96 Falmouth Street  
Portland ME 04107  
Contact: Karen Tilbor, Project Coordinator, University of Southern Maine  
Agency Head: Lorraine Christiansen, Project Director, Maine Correctional Center  
Area Served: Maine  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Public, Non-profit  
Parent Organization: Maine Department of Corrections & Human Services Developmental Institution

Provides parenting classes, parent/child workshops, transportation for children, and social services referral for children.

## **MARYLAND**

### **Prison Fellowship**

(301) 740-1412  
10451 Twin Rivers Road  
Columbia MD 21044  
Contact: Jane Bosworth, Secretary  
Agency Head: Eddie Codelia, Director  
Area Served: Maryland & Delaware  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

In-prison ministry and family ministry to inmates' family, as well as aftercare for ex-offenders.

Publishes Maryland newsletter.

## **Providence Christian Ministries**

(301) 880-3044  
P. O. Box 162  
Fulton MD 20759  
Contact: Mrs. Medora Rau, Maryland Prison Missionary  
Area Served: Baltimore/Washington area  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church

Provides religious counseling to inmates, ex-offenders, and inmate/ex-offender family members. Aid in finding jobs, housing, church support on "the street" as available. Bibles are available to those who sincerely desire a copy while supplies last.

## **Teen Challenge of Maryland, Inc.**

(301) 350-6373  
6900 Central Avenue  
Capitol Heights MD 20743  
Contact: Rev. Manuel Baera, Director  
Agency Head: Rev. Mike Zello, Executive Director  
Area Served: DC, MD, Northern VA  
Established: 1965  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Residential program for males, 17 and older, who are experiencing life controlling problems. Services include family counseling and vocational training guided by Christian principles. Alternative to incarceration.

## **MASSACHUSETTS**

### **Aid to Incarcerated Mothers**

(617) 523-5856  
88 Tremont Street  
Boston MA 02111  
Contact: Jean Fox, Executive Director  
Area Served: Massachusetts  
Established: 1975  
Parent Organization: Massachusetts Department of Corrections

Advocacy, family oriented assistance, and counseling.

Publishes A.I.M. Booklet.

### **Massachusetts Correctional Legal Services**

(617) 482-2773  
8 Winter Street, 9th Floor  
Boston MA 02108  
Contact: Dianne McLaughlin, Paralegal  
Agency Head: Barry Barkow, Esq., Director  
Area Served: Massachusetts  
Established: 1971

Provides legal assistance and advice ONLY to Massachusetts inmates and their families. Will accept collect calls.

Manuals on good time, sentence calculations, and parole revocation applicable only to Massachusetts prisoners and their families.

### **Neil J. Houston House**

(614) 445-3066  
9 Notre Dame Street  
Roxbury MA 02119  
Contact: Cecilia Yu, Administrative Assistant  
Agency Head: L. Ruth Smith, Program Director  
Area Served: Massachusetts  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Social Justice for Women

Residential treatment program that provides services to pre- and post-natal addicted women in conflict with the law (capacity 15). Goals are: addressing perinatal and substance abuse issues, family education, and community reintegration services.

### **New England Criminal Justice Program**

(617) 442-9563  
10 Putnam Street  
Roxbury MA 02119  
Contact: Linda M. Thurston, Program Coordinator  
Area Served: Massachusetts  
Established: 1969  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: American Friends Services Committee

Program monitors prison policy and legislation, and works with prisoners and their families, church, and community groups concerned with the need for a justice system based on reconciliation and restoration. Provides resources and referrals for prisoners and their families.

Newsletter: "Outlook on Justice." Subscription: \$7/individual outside prison, \$15/libraries and organizations, \$2/prisoners (if a spare \$2 is available, free if not).

### **YWCA Female Offender Program**

(413) 732-3121  
137 Chestnut Street  
Springfield MA 01103  
Contact: Kate DeCou, Coordinator  
Area Served: Hampden County, Massachusetts  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Hampden County Sheriff's Department

Individual and family counseling, concrete services, parenting classes, van trips for families and children to visit incarcerated mothers, women's health class, and loan program.

## **MICHIGAN**

### **People's Community Congregation in Ogemaw**

(517) 789-8728  
109 West Franklin  
Jackson MI 49201  
Contact: Barbara Hyatt, Director of Volunteers  
Agency Head: Rev. Ken J. Weber, Director,  
Schweitzer House  
Area Served: Michigan  
Established: 1957

Provides alternatives to incarceration with parole programs in cooperation with State Parole Board. Housing probation programs in harmony with pre-sentence investigations, transportation, family problem solving, possibilities of employment. Prison Families Anonymous is headquartered at Schweitzer House. Support group for families of persons incarcerated and assists children of incarcerated persons.

Newsletter incorporating all of the four programs under this sponsorship. Special inspirational booklets at varied seasons of the year: Christmas, Easter, etc. primarily for individuals in the prisons and their families.

## **MINNESOTA**

### **Family Focus**

(612) 340-5432  
822 South 3rd Lane  
Minneapolis MN 55415  
Contact: Shirley Stead, Coordinator  
Area Served: Stillwater  
Established: 1989  
Parent Organization: SOLOS

Parenting classes for inmates. Children's Corner in the facility.

### **S.O.L.O.S. (Sharing Our Lives of Separation)**

(612) 340-5432  
822 S. 3rd Street  
Minneapolis MN 55415  
Contact: Sharon Moeller, Program Director  
Area Served: Greater Metro area  
Parent Organization: Minnesota Citizens Council on Crime and Justice

Services include transportation to institutions, support groups for families and friends of incarcerated, family advocacy and referral, information on prison/parole, and parenting classes for inmate fathers inside institution.

## **MISSOURI**

### **Agape House, Inc.**

(417) 865-5408  
1225 North Grant  
Springfield MO 65802  
Contact: Jack Cole, Chairman of the Board of Directors  
Area Served: Springfield/Fordland  
Established: 1985

Provides overnight lodging for families of men and women in prison at the U.S. Medical Center for Federal Prisoners, Springfield, or at the Ozark Correctional Center, Fordland. May also serve out-of-town family members visiting at one of the area jails.

Newsletter available.

### **Agape House, Inc.**

(314) 634-9705  
810 East High  
Jefferson City MO 65101  
Contact: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, Co-Directors  
Area Served: Central Missouri  
Established: 1980

Provides overnight lodging for families of men and women in prison in the Central Missouri area.

Newsletter available.

### **C.H.L.P.S. (Challenging Incarcerated Parents and Spouses)**

(314) 751-4748  
Renz Correctional Center  
P.O. Box 28  
Cedar City MO 65022  
Contact: Sr. Ruth Kertz & Sr. Damien Hogan, Directors  
Area Served: Renz Correctional Center  
Established: 1987

After screening, evaluation and identifying needs, male inmates are taught parenting skills and offered counseling which lead to family classes and quality visitation at CHIPS Facility. Parent mini-workshops and in-service seminars are available.

### **Families and Friends of Persons in Prison (FFPP)**

(314) 634-2901  
515 East High Street  
Jefferson City MO 65101  
Contact: Sister Ruth Heaney, Coordinator  
Area Served: Missouri  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Missouri Association for Social Welfare

Gathers families of prisoners in Jefferson City and St. Louis to support each other and to become politically aware of their potential influence. Contact Rev. Ted Shroeder, (314) 381-8771, for St. Louis area. Monthly

meetings offer emotional support to deal with problems of incarcerated loved ones.

Sporadic newsletter available.

### **Harvest House, Inc.**

(816) 882-5601  
521 Main  
Boonville MO 65233  
Contact: Mary Jackson, President  
Area Served: Cooper & Howard Counties  
Established: 1989  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: HDC Community Action Center

Housing for families visiting the Boonville Correctional Center. Transitional housing for homeless, one-fourth of which are related to prisoners at the Boonville facility. Plans are to provide housing, food, counseling, medical services, and developmental screening (where appropriate) plus job training and services necessary to access social services in the community.

### **Prison PATCH (Parents And Their Children)**

(816) 646-6462  
1500 W. 3rd Street  
Chillicothe MO 64601  
Contact: Colleen Scott, CCC Director  
Agency Head: Marion Fleischman, General Director  
Area Served: Missouri  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Chillicothe Correctional Center

Located at Chillicothe Correctional Center and Fulton Reception and Diagnostic Center, Prison PATCH helps children of inmates by providing a normalized visiting area and child-related activities while in the Children's Centers. Also provides individual counseling for parents, liaison with the Division of Family Services and the Juvenile Courts, educational programming to incarcerated parents on parenting, communications, child development, and other child-related topics. Provide assistance with statewide transportation. Speaker's Bureau for schools, religious community, and other organizations.

Brochure with program information.

### **Prison Service Committee**

(314) 381-8771  
3540 Marcus  
St. Louis MO 63115  
Contact: Hershel Walker

Twice monthly bus transportation is provided to families from the St. Louis area to visit twelve Missouri correctional institutions. Cost minimal. Call (314) 381-5955 or 381-6001 for information.



**Project COPE (Congregation/Offender Partnership Enterprise)**

(314) 389-4804  
3545 Marcus  
St. Louis MO 63115  
Contact: Linda Shroeder, Director  
Area Served: Greater St. Louis/Missouri  
Established: 1983  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Organizes congregations to participate in partnership to assist individuals re-entering the community. Assistance may deal with employment issues, becoming a family member again, getting an education, and/or emotional support to live outside again. Commitment starts at pre-release phase and continues for a minimum of 12 months post-release.

**NEBRASKA**

**Contact Center, Inc.**

(402) 646-0602  
P. O. Box 81826  
Lincoln NE 68502  
Contact: Kelli Snow, Human Services Assistant  
Agency Head: Gary Hill, President  
Area Served: United States  
Established: 1973  
Funding: Private, non-profit

International clearinghouse on criminal justice offering information and referral, Literacy Center (referring volunteers and clients to local literacy programs), and publications.

Includes: "Survival Sourcebook," "Question of Capital Punishment," "Conversational Spanish for Criminal Justice Workers," and "Inmate Lawsuits." Also, "Corrections Compendium" (with subscription you gain access to Contact's criminal justice information service).

**Prison Fellowship**

(402) 476-2428  
315 S. 9th Street, Suite GL-17  
Lincoln NE 68508  
Contact: Sherryll Tharp, Administrative Secretary  
Agency Head: David Traster, Area Director  
Area Served: Nebraska  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

Provides Angel Tree Project (Christmas gifts for inmates' children), marriage seminars, counseling, food assistance, housing assistance, referrals to churches and other agencies.

**NEVADA**

**Friends Outside**

(702) 366-8585  
1631 Ottawa Drive  
Las Vegas NV 89109  
Contact: Bonnie Polley

Support groups for families and parolees with emergency services as necessary.

**NEW JERSEY**

**Edna Mahon Correctional Facility**

(201) 735-7111  
Drawer E  
Clinton NJ 08809  
Contact: Richard T. Salvatore, Assistant Social Work Supervisor  
Area Served: New Jersey  
Parent Organization: State of New Jersey

Under Title XX Federal Funds, mothers see their children two times a month. Transportation, lunch, and play activities are supported. Selected inmates and their children can spend weekends together off grounds once a month at Camp Retreat.

**New Jersey Community Relations Program**

(201) 643-3079  
972 Broad Street, 6th Floor  
Newark NJ 07102  
Contact: Bonnie Kerness, Associate Director  
Agency Head: Wray Bailey, Director  
Area Served: New Jersey  
Established: 1975  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: American Friends Service Committee

Provides full range of social services to individual and family from time of arrest through release. Special counseling for released long termers and their families. Visit Essex and Union County Jails weekly. Employability Skills workshops at Essex County Jail Annex. Special emphasis on work with youth and Spanish speaking. Statewide advocacy for prisoners and their families. Issue-related services for all of New Jersey and casework limited to Essex and Union County Jails.

Publishes AFSC New Jersey Annual Report; "The Lessons of Marion;" "I Know How You Feel Because This Happened To Me" (for children of prisoners); "What Prisons Do To People."

## **New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services**

(201) 782-8784  
84 Park Avenue  
Flemington NJ 08822  
Contact: N. Sharon McCobin, DO Manager  
Area Served: New Jersey, Hunterdon County  
Funding: Public

Child welfare and protective services, parenting skills, and counseling to inmates and their families.

## **NEW MEXICO**

### **Prison Fellowship**

(505) 242-8272  
P. O. Box 27706  
Albuquerque NM 87125  
Contact: Homer Gonzales, Area Director  
Area Served: New Mexico & El Paso, Texas  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

One to one visitation, Bible studies, in-prison seminars, community service projects, Angel Tree (provides Christmas gifts to inmates' children), family and marriage seminars.

### **The Visitor Hospitality Center**

(505) 471-2585  
Route 2, Box 315  
Santa Fe NM 87501  
Contact: Pamela Seaworthy, Director  
Area Served: Penitentiary of New Mexico  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: United Way

Offers families a warm, supportive waiting place and a sense that someone cares by providing a living room area, kitchen area for light snacks, and child care center. Transportation, referral, advocacy, and development of community awareness is also provided.

## **NEW YORK**

### **Children's Center**

(914) 241-3100  
247 Harris Road  
Bedford Hills NY 10507  
Contact: Sr. Elaine Roulet, Exten. 363, Director  
Area Served: Bedford Hills Correctional Facility  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Parenting programs offered to inmates to preserve and strengthen families' ties. Inmate caregivers and volunteer hosts facilitate visitation in the children's playroom and provide care in prison nursery. Paroled women may go to the "Providence House" for services after leaving prison. Also, "My Mother's Houses" (2) offer foster care homes for inmates' children.

## **Correctional Association of New York**

(212) 254-5700  
135 East 15th Street  
New York NY 10003  
Contact: Cathy Potler  
Agency Head: Robert Gangi  
Area Served: New York State

Offers services to friends and families of prisoners with AIDS to strengthen ability to cope with stresses accompanying the illness.

### **Families of Incarcerated: Support and Services**

(716) 454-3683  
121 North Fitzhugh Street  
Rochester NY 14614  
Contact: R. Bruce Colburn, Project Director  
Area Served: Western New York State  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Rochester Interfaith Jail Ministry, Inc.

Resource information on Monroe County Jail and the New York state correctional system, two support groups (Families Anonymous Support Team, and Ex-Offender and Family Support Group), pre-counseling service to assist people in looking at available options for getting help and resources.

Monthly newsletter "INCOMMUNICADO" available, and brochure which describes family project.

### **Family Matters Prison Project**

(315) 424-9485  
1050 W. Genesee Street  
Syracuse NY 13204  
Contact: Willie Andrews  
Area Served: Onondaga County  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Cornell Cooperative Extension of Onondaga County

Provides self-help group for family/loved ones of incarcerated individuals, home visits to families providing human development/child development education, and transportation (van) to various New York State Correctional Facilities for family members/loved ones.

Publishes list (and ordering information) of books for children who have a parent or other family member in prison. These books, available on loan from Family Matters, deal with isolation, stressful relationships, and childhood worries. "Joey's Visit" can be ordered directly for \$1.50 plus \$.50 postage.

### **Family Services Program**

(518) 731-2781

Coxsackie Correctional Facility

Coxsackie NY 12051

Contact: Ms. Keehna Sture, Coordinator

Area Served: Coxsackie Correctional Facility

Established: 1986

Funding: Public

Parent Organization: New York Department of  
Correctional Services

Provides counseling, support, hospitality, parenting education, information sharing, and inmate/family linkage.

Informational pamphlet.

### **FamilyWorks**

(212) 673-6633

135 E. 15th Street

New York NY 10003

Contact: Angel Centeno, Program Director

Area Served: Sing Sing Complex

Established: 1986

Parent Organization: Osborne Association

Provides parenting education for incarcerated fathers, children's centers, transitional counseling, and family services in New York City for families of inmates enrolled in prison programs. Serves inmates in Sing Sing and Sullivan Correctional Facilities.

### **First Presbyterian Church Prison Ministry**

(914) 941-0540

34 S. Highland Avenue

Ossining NY 10562

Contact: Rev. Russell Feroe, Pastor

Area Served: Ossining, New York

Established: 1986

Funding: Private, non-profit

Parent Organization: First Presbyterian Church

Provides hospitality to families in processing trailer on Saturday and Sunday, childcare in visiting room on Saturday and Sunday, parties in visiting room on special holidays or for birthdays, advocacy for visitors, and helps to maintain contact between inmates, families, and local churches.

### **My Mother's House**

(718) 392-7734

36-30 12th Street

Long Island City NY 11106

Contact: Sister Teresa Fitzgerald, Director

Agency Head: Sister Elaine Roulet, Executive Director

Area Served: Metropolitan New York City

Established: 1986

Funding: Private, non-profit

Parent Organization: Providence House

Offers foster care of inmates' children, maintenance of relationships between parent and child, and assistance to reunite parent and child.

### **New York State Department of Correctional Services**

(518) 457-8106

Building #2, State Campus

Albany NY 12226

Contact: Rev. Dr. Earl B. Moore, Assistant  
Commissioner

Agency Head: Thomas A. Coughlin III, Commissioner

Area Served: New York State

Funding: Public

Family Reunion Program exists in 12 sites serving 14 facilities. Families are provided residential units for family visits lasting from 36 to 44 hours. The Inmate Family Service Programs are offered at most facilities to enhance visiting centers, provide specific play and interaction areas for children with parenting education and family living programs for the inmates. The Family Visiting Program schedules free buses to transport family members and friends from major population centers to a number of facilities. Contact the Family Services Office at the facility for service.

Introductory handbook and informational brochures available.

### **Prison Families Anonymous**

(518) 587-5000

142 Regent Street

Saratoga Springs NY 12866

Area Served: Saratoga County, NY State

Established: 1988

Funding: Non-existent

Parent Organization: Saratoga County Catholic Family  
& Community Services

Self-help group for families of offenders meeting weekly to discuss issues unique to families with a loved one in prison.

### **Prison Families Anonymous**

(516) 538-6065

353 Fulton Avenue

Hempstead NY 11788

Contact: Sharon Brand, Executive Director

Area Served: National

Established: 1974

Funding: Private, non-profit

Parent Organization: The Federation of Justice  
Agencies

Support services provided to the family and friends of the incarcerated. Programs include self-help groups, information/referral, family advocacy, and crisis intervention.

### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

(516) 882-3132  
249 Broadway  
Bethpage NY 11714  
Contact: E.A. Murphy, Criminal Justice Director  
Agency Head: Robert S. Ellis, Executive Director  
Area Served: Long Island  
Parent Organization: Diocese of Rockville Centre

Provides advocacy to families and minor financial services. Collects and donates toys and family gifts to agencies for distribution to families of inmates during Christmas season. Limited bail program for non-violent crimes.

### **The Visitors' Center at Attica Correctional Facility, Inc.**

(716) 591-1719  
P. O. Box 23  
Attica NY 14011  
Contact: Rev. Ellen Hurwitz, Director  
Area Served: Attica  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit

All visitors begin clearance processing in the Center. The Center offers general hospitality, child care, food service (free), a waiting room with rest rooms and dressing rooms, phone access, family counseling/crisis intervention/emergency assistance on lodging, travel arrangements, car repair, illness, and referrals to community-based direct service agencies.

### **Working Group on the Right to Marry**

(518) 465-3524  
P. O. Box 2348  
Albany NY 12220  
Contact: Geraldine L. Bryant, Coordinator  
Agency Head: Jack Lander, President  
Area Served: New York State  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides support and advice to incarcerated persons who are affected by the restriction on marriages for life sentenced persons in the State of New York. Provides referral services to social agencies and family services and provides community legal education.

## **NORTH CAROLINA**

### **Families In Crisis, Inc.**

(919) 762-1464  
1 North 3rd Street, Suite 206  
Wilmington NC 28401  
Contact: Teresa Cox, Administrative Assistant  
Agency Head: Deborah Edge, Executive Director  
Area Served: North Carolina  
Established: 1985  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Founded on basis of Christian principles. Information/referral, court room monitoring, crisis intervention, emotional support to families and limited monetary resources for family emergencies. Sponsors visiting improvement programs and activities for children. Program is expanding.

Newsletter "Reach Out" is available.

### **North Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

(704) 456-3111  
114 Hospital Drive  
Clyde NC 28721  
Contact: Gary Coldren, Counselor  
Agency Head: Clyde Myers, Director  
Area Served: Haywood Correctional Center  
Established: 1930  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Human Resources

Services to families of inmates including counseling, crisis intervention, and limited financial support to families under stress.

## **NORTH DAKOTA**

### **North Dakota State Penitentiary**

(701) 221-6131  
Box 5521  
Bismarck ND 58502  
Contact: Beverly Bergson, Director-Treatment & Counseling Services  
Agency Head: Jack D. Paul, Director of Programs  
Area Served: North Dakota  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Director of Institutions

Family counseling and therapy for families and loved ones (significant others) of inmates and financial support to bring families to institution for necessary individual, group, and specialized counseling.

## **PENNSYLVANIA**

### **Arsenal Family and Children's Center**

(412) 681-4210  
3939 Penn Avenue  
Pittsburgh PA 15224  
Contact: Von E. Keairns, Ph.D., Executive Director  
Area Served: Allegheny County, Pennsylvania  
Established: 1953  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Program for Female Offenders

Services provided to pre-school children whose mothers are incarcerated in Allegheny County. First time offenders are eligible for services and are referred by Program for Female Offenders.

### **Community Services Center**

(412) 322-6806  
915 Ridge Avenue  
Pittsburgh PA 15212  
Contact: Pat Ackeson, Corrections Counselor  
Agency Head: Patrick Malloy, Director  
Area Served: Western Pennsylvania  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Pennsylvania Department of Corrections

Provides counseling services in appropriate areas of conflict or need, supervision and assistance for re-entry into the community related to families, employment, and referrals to specialized community agencies for special needs, monitoring whereabouts and abstinence from drugs and alcohol when appropriate.

### **Families Outside**

(412) 261-3623  
921 Penn Avenue, 4th Floor  
Pittsburgh PA 15222  
Contact: Ned Pfundt, Coordinator  
Agency Head: A. R. Smith, Executive Director  
Area Served: Allegheny Co., SW Pennsylvania  
Established: 1980  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Family and Children's Service

Offers specialized services to families of incarcerated persons to include transportation, self-help groups, education groups, individual counseling, liaison with corrections staff, and referral to community agencies.

### **Parent Child Resource Center at Graterford**

(215) 351-1475  
225 South Third Street  
Philadelphia PA 19106  
Contact: Marnie Henretig, Coordinator  
Area Served: Southeastern PA  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Sponsors playcenters at State Correctional Institution at Graterford. Volunteers interact with children and fathers in the prison and direct activities such as arts and crafts, organizing toys and games, reading and telling stories, and hand out age-appropriate toys. Offers parenting groups for inmates (co-sponsored by the Parent Action Network). Episcopal Community Services offers wives support group with information/referral and family counseling.

Booklets "Finding a Child You Have Lost Touch With," "Parental Rights and Responsibilities in PA," "Parenting under Very Difficult Circumstances," and "Celebrating Christmas at Graterford" can be obtained by sending a self-addressed envelope for each booklet.

### **Parent-Action-Network**

(215) 489-4151  
Box 246  
Graterford PA 19426

Contact: Lance Couturier, Chief Psychologist  
Area Served: Graterford  
Established: 1986  
Parent Organization: State Correctional Institution at Graterford

Inmates, with assistance from community sponsors and volunteers, provide Children's Playcenters. Parenting groups available for inmates, wives, and both together. Also available is fathers' group for male conscience-raising.

### **Pittsburgh Hospitality House**

(412) 731-6611  
7211 Thomas Boulevard  
Pittsburgh PA 15208  
Contact: Mark Corbin, Co-Director  
Agency Head: Cynthia Corbin, Co-Director  
Area Served: Pittsburgh  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Allegheny Mennonite Conference

Ministry providing meals, overnight accommodations, help with transportation, information about criminal justice system, and emotional/spiritual support to families and friends who must travel significant distances to visit incarcerated men and women.

Quarterly newsletter "Hopeline" and a brochure on program available.

### **Project IMPACT**

(717) 546-3171  
P. O. Box 493  
Muncy PA 17756  
Contact: Rebecca Everest, Director  
Area Served: Pennsylvania  
Established: 1986  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Project IMPACT, Inc.

Provides visiting center for inmates and their children and child-related training for parents. Also provides individual counseling and support groups for inmates covering topics of letter writing, survival after release, and parent discussions.

### **Volunteers in Prison**

(814) 234-8222  
1524 W. College Avenue, #8  
State College PA 16801  
Contact: Marie Hamilton, Executive Director  
Area Served: Pennsylvania  
Established: 1975  
Parent Organization: Voluntary Action Center of Centre County

Travel assistance to families visiting inmates at Rockview. Prison visitation, therapy discussion groups, and Pennsylvania Prison Runathon.

Publishes Criminal Justice Advocacy and Support Directory, Volunteers in Prison Newsletter, and video training film "How to Do Life on the Streets," all free.

## **SOUTH DAKOTA**

### **Parent Education and Family Development Center**

(605) 369-2201  
P. O. Box 322  
Springfield SD 57062  
Contact: Patsy Fox, Coordinator  
Agency Head: Lynne DeLano, Superintendent  
Area Served: South Dakota  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Springfield Correctional Facility

Teaching three parenting-type classes: child development, parent education, and family life. The classes are coed, meeting once a week for 12 weeks; inmates may enroll more than once. Family therapy for individual inmates and their families. These families come once a month for a two-hour session for approximately six sessions. Inmate mothers may have their children once a month for a weekend visit through program P.A.C.T. (Parents and Children Together).

## **TENNESSEE**

### **Bethel Bible Village**

(615) 842-5757  
P. O. Box 5000  
Hixson TN 37343  
Contact: Dr. Richard Amy, Director of Family Services  
Agency Head: Ike Keay, Executive Director  
Area Served: Tennessee (mostly Chattanooga)  
Established: 1954  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Children's home established exclusively for prisoners' children. Ages range from 5 to 15, except in situations whereby siblings can be together. Family-style living with houseparents.

"Bethel News," bi-monthly newsletter, is available.

### **Project Return, Inc.**

(615) 226-9862  
907 Main Street  
Nashville TN 37206  
Contact: Jacqueline L. Thomas-Suggs, Executive Director  
Area Served: Nashville, surrounding counties  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Assists ex-offenders and their families in becoming stable, law-abiding, and productive members of society through job counseling and placement, family support services (emergency food, shelter, and clothing), supervision of conditional clemency persons,

pre-release classes to prepare for the streets, and community education coordinating criminal justice activities.

Publishes "Comin' Out," a criminal justice issues newsletter.

### **Reconciliation Ministries, Inc.**

(615) 292-6371  
P. O. Box 90827  
Nashville TN 37209  
Contact: Rev. Mary K. Friskies-Warren, Co-Director  
Area Served: Tennessee  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Helps families maintain close family bonds, survive crisis of incarceration, and inmates to come back into the family and community by sponsoring Reconciliation Guest House, Women's Support Group, Children's Program, family advocacy, and counseling.

Publishes "Be Reconciled" twice a year for supporters and "On The Outside" twice a year for families.

## **TEXAS**

### **Adventist Prison Commission**

(817) 783-2223  
P. O. Box 800  
Alvarado TX 76009  
Contact: Lynda L. Culver, Associate Director  
Agency Head: Timothy S. Culver, Director  
Area Served: Texas  
Established: 1985  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Texas Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

Inmates are provided Bibles and religious materials, Pen Friend Program, and personal visits. Ex-offenders and families are offered assistance in locating community resources. Families are provided special programs for children at Christmas and Summer Camp, Bible studies, religious materials, and assistance in attending church of their choice. Services provided to Texans, but informational services provided nationwide.

Offers "Prisoner's Cry" magazine free, a resource for prison ministry volunteers, with separate edition for prisoners also.

### **OPEN, Inc. (Offender Preparation and Education Network)**

(214) 271-1971  
P. O. Box 566025  
Dallas TX 75356  
Contact: Ned Rollo, Executive Director  
Area Served: United States  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Informational handbooks and tapes to help offenders and their loved ones, and the community at large, understand how the criminal justice system works. Materials are developed from the perspective of a client of the system and have the goal of helping offenders learn how to change values and behavior so they can exit the criminal justice system and not commit repeat crimes.

### **Parents and Children Together, Inc. (PACT)**

(817) 531-1469  
P. O. Box 15543  
Fort Worth TX 76119  
Contact: Debbie Key, Executive Director  
Area Served: United States  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Children's center program, parenting classes and support groups, children's support groups, technical assistance to other institutions interested in parent-child programs.

Publishes "A Child Serving Time on the Outside," a pamphlet on effects of incarceration on children. A monthly newsletter is also published.

### **Prison Fellowship**

(505) 242-8272  
(based in New Mexico)  
P.O. Box 27706  
Albuquerque, NM 87125  
Contact: Homer Gonzales, Area Director  
Area Served: El Paso, TX and New Mexico  
Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

One-to-one visitation, Bible studies, in-prison seminars, community service project, Project Angel Tree (Christmas gifts to inmates' children), family and marriage seminars.

### **Texans Do Care/TDC Ministries**

(915) 581-2506  
P. O. Box 220551  
El Paso TX 79913  
Contact: L. Edwin Williamson, Ministry Director  
Area Served: Texas  
Established: 1986  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Offers spiritual programs for inmates, marriage/family maintenance programs for inmates and spouses, parenting enrichment programs for inmates and their children, with personal and spiritual stabilization activities for families of inmates.

Activity newsletters, promotional and information literature on the organization and its ministry available as well as a manual for Christian volunteers corresponding with inmates.

## **VIRGINIA**

### **Alexandria Division of Economic Opportunities Va. CARES**

(703) 838-0901  
2525 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Unit 9  
Alexandria VA 22301  
Contact: Nelson Smith, Assistant Director  
Agency Head: Jack Powers, Director  
Area Served: City of Alexandria  
Established: 1978  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Virginia Community Action  
Re-entry System (Va. CARES)

Serves families and inmates who have been released/paroled from Va. Dept. of Corrections. Transitional services stress adjusting to life in the community and developing means for self-support through job development, training, counseling, and limited financial help. Emergency aid includes food, clothing, shelter, and transportation.

### **Family and Corrections Network**

(804) 823-6115  
P.O. Box 59  
Batesville, VA 22924-0059  
Contact: Jim Mustin, Executive Director  
Area Served: USA and Canada  
Established: 1982

Information on programs serving families involved in correctional systems. Assistance with program development. Research. Public information. Conferences.

Publishes newsletter for members, also publishes "Voices & Visions" (\$12), "Research & Background" (\$10).

### **James River Correctional Center**

(804) 784-3551  
State Farm VA 23160  
Contact: Ed Wright (ext. 2328), Assistant Warden  
Agency Head: Sam Pruett, Acting Warden  
Area Served: Richmond, VA  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Virginia Department of  
Corrections

Provides opportunities for inmates to assist their school-age children with homework one night per week from 7 to 9 p.m. Both mother and father participate with child.

### **M.I.L.K. Program (Mothers/Men Inside Loving Kids Program)**

(804) 264-2901  
1212 Wilmer Avenue  
Richmond VA 23227  
Contact: Johanna Schuchert, Executive Director

Area Served: Virginia  
Established: 1981  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Parents Anonymous of Virginia

Offers child development classes, parent education classes, independent living skills classes, support groups for inmates, support groups for child guardians, extended parent/child visits, transportation assistance, and leadership training for inmate program participants.

Program Development Manual: forms, class outlines, constitution, sample program proposal.

### **OAR Family Assistance Program**

(703) 273-1662  
4153 Chain Bridge Road  
Fairfax VA 22030  
Contact: Marjorie Ginsburg, Counselor  
Agency Head: Marjorie Morrison, Director of OAR  
Area Served: Fairfax County  
Established: 1983  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: OAR Fairfax

Serves offenders and families living in Fairfax area through individual and/or family counseling, information/referral, emergency assistance and one-to-one volunteer support working with families in the Adult Detention Center visiting room.

Publishes "Handling the Crisis," a free handbook for families of offenders.

### **Powhatan Correctional Center**

(804) 784-3551  
Department of Corrections  
State Farm VA 23160  
Contact: F.B. Newton or D.M. Drummond,  
Correctional Rehabilitation Counselors  
Agency Head: Layton T. Lester, Assistant Warden  
of Programs  
Area Served: Richmond, VA  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Public  
Parent Organization: Community Advisory Board

Guest speakers brought in to inform inmates of family services available to them upon release. Homework program whereby children can work with father/significant (male) other and reinstitute support relationships. Offer social functions/gatherings whereby the family can attempt to function as a unit together rather than dwelling on the separation that incarceration fosters.

### **Prison Fellowship Ministries**

(703) 478-0100  
1856 Old Reston Avenue  
Reston VA 22090

Contact: Bert Rosen, Director, Programs & Human  
Resource Development  
Agency Head: Charles Colson, Chairman and Founder  
Area Served: USA  
Funding: Private, non-profit

In-prison evangelism, instruction, visitation, pre-release counseling, and aftercare support, family assistance, criminal justice reform, and Angel Tree program (provides Christmas gifts to children of prisoners).

Publishes "Jubilee" monthly as well as "Alumni News" quarterly for ex-offenders and family members. Complete listing of extensive literature, tapes, books, etc. is available from office, Attention: Fellowship Communications.

### **Prison Visitation Project**

(804) 643-2401  
5 North 5th Street  
Richmond VA 23219  
Contact: Kelley Brandt, Coordinator  
Area Served: Greater Richmond Area  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides transportation to families who wish to visit their loved ones incarcerated outside the Richmond Area. Over 15 institutions served. Call or write for reservations and more information. Also serves hot meals for travelers and offers support groups.

Publishes information on visitation (rules and regulations) of institutions. Also available are booklets on effective visits and preparing for family member's return.

### **Virginia CURE (Citizens United For Rehabilitation of Errants)**

please write  
P. O. Box 19453  
Alexandria VA 22320  
Contact: Jean Auldrige, Editor  
Area Served: Virginia  
Established: 1988  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: National CURE

Legislative advocacy, education on political process and criminal justice issues.

Publishes quarterly newsletter "Inside Out" (\$5/year).

## **WASHINGTON**

### **Freedom Connection Ministries**

(206) 794-8239  
23524 165th Avenue, SE  
Monroe WA 98272  
Contact: Jo Ann Anderson, Co-Director  
Agency Head: E. Clay Anderson, Director  
Area Served: Washington/Western USA



Established: 1987

Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides ministry to inmates and their families. Present activities include teaching marriage seminars, with weekly follow-up classes in prison with inmates and spouses; conducting chapel services in prison; and handling on a partnership basis all the family ministry duties of Prison Fellowship in Washington including directing Project Angel Tree. Meets specific needs of families of inmates such as housing and financial emergencies.

Monthly newsletter available.

### **Simon of Cyrene Society, Inc.**

(206) 794-8720

P. O. Box 201

Monroe WA 98272

Contact: Mary Stuart Cosby, Director

Area Served: Puget Sound Area

Established: 1980

Funding: Private, non-profit

Sponsors Matthew 25:36 House for hospitality to families visiting state detention institutions in Monroe. Provides snacks, child care, clothing closet, legal assistance, visitor advocacy, counseling and referral services, and special overnight lodging for families traveling over 200 miles (reservations necessary, stay limited). Family Bus Service provides transportation monthly from Seattle to distant institutions. Call office (12 to 4 p.m.) for schedules. Reservations necessary. No charge.

### **Washington State Department of Corrections**

(206) 753-1678

P. O. Box 9699

Olympia WA 98504

Contact: Vicki Roberts, Community Involvement Program Manager

Agency Head: Chase Riveland, Secretary

Area Served: State of Washington

Established: 1981

Funding: Public

Extended family visitation is available to all of Washington's major institutions and many of the less restrictive facilities. Inmates can spend up to 48 hours in a visitation trailer with their families. Parenting classes are available at the Washington Corrections Center for Women for inmates who desire to improve their relationship with their children. Twin Rivers Corrections Center piloted an Artist in Residence program in February 1989 on building better family relationships through play.

## **WEST VIRGINIA**

### **Alderson Hospitality House**

(304) 445-2980

P. O. Box 579

Alderson WV 24910

Contact: Dee & John Cole-Vodicka, Co-Directors

Area Served: N/A

Established: 1977

Funding: Private, non-profit

Offers hospitality at a house separate from the Women's Federal Correctional Institution for visitors. Provides sleeping accommodations, meals, transportation, information, support activities, indoor and outdoor playthings for children. All services are provided free of charge.

Quarterly newsletter "The Trumpet" free, but donation requested.

### **L.I.F.T. Program (Linking Inmate Families Together)**

(304) 445-2617

P. O. Box 70

Alderson WV 24910

Contact: Deborah Arbogast, Children's Advocate  
Agency Head: Robin Skillcan, Children's Center Director

Area Served: Alderson, West Virginia

Established: 1987

Funding: Private, non-profit

Parent Organization: Catholic Community Services

Provides for Children's Center at the Federal Correctional Institution, children's advocacy by working with mothers to plan for child's needs such as foster care placement, pre-natal planning, custody issues, crisis intervention, parenting education, and special programs (summer camp, children's days, Mother's Day, and Christmas).

## **WISCONSIN**

### **Prison Fellowship**

(414) 449-2311

7830 West Burleigh

Milwaukee WI 53222

Contact: Lisa Whitney, Wisconsin Area Director

Area Served: Wisconsin

Established: 1978

Parent Organization: Prison Fellowship USA

Training of volunteers to minister to inmates and/or families for counseling, fellowship, and practical needs. Inmates who are assisted are members of seminars, Bible studies, or other programs offered in the institution. Marriage seminars are offered as well as Project Angel Tree (gifts to children of inmates).

Publishes announcements of local events.

## **We Are Inmates Too, Inc. (W.A.I.T.)**

(414) 384-9248  
1251 S. 34th Street  
Milwaukee WI 53215  
Contact: Penny Rodriguez, Vice President  
Agency Head: Susan Dansand, President  
Area Served: Wisconsin  
Established: 1986  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: The Benedict Center

Support group for those who have someone in prison.  
Provides information and encouragement for families  
and loved ones of inmates, helping with separation,  
bureaucratic difficulties, travel to prisons, and eventual  
reunion. Bus information (414) 871-5200.

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## **PROGRAMS IN U.S. TERRITORIES**

### **GUAM**

#### **Guam Department of Corrections**

(671) 734-3981  
P. O. Box 3236  
Agana, Guam 96910  
Contact: Jose S.N. Chargualaf, Corr. Social Work  
Supervisor  
Agency Head: A. P. Sgambelluri, Director  
Area Served: Guam  
Established: 1970  
Funding: Public

Referral services for Public Assistance (AFDC) and  
family counseling.

### **PUERTO RICO**

#### **Orientation Center For The Families of The Inmates**

(809) 764-0000  
University of Puerto Rico  
Rio Piedras PR 00931  
Contact: Prof. Victor I. Garcia-Toro ext. 2481,  
Associate Professor  
Area Served: Metropolitan area of San Juan  
Established: 1982  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: University of Puerto Rico

Counseling, orientation, guidance, referrals, and  
treatment at individual and group level.

Brochure and other materials in Spanish available.

## **PROGRAMS IN CANADA**

### **ALBERTA**

#### **Alberta Correctional Services**

(403) 427-3441  
10th Floor, 10365 97th Street  
Edmonton AB T5J 3W7  
Contact: Gordon Telford, Coordinator  
Agency Head: Jack Davis, Asst. Deputy Minister  
Area Served: Province of Alberta  
Parent Organization: Alberta Solicitor General

Offers opportunity for the families of inmates to have  
extended visits in separate living quarters, or be  
transferred to increase proximity to families. Special  
temporary absence program allows serving sentences  
with family. Centres sponsor special family activities  
such as socials, sports days, and parenting courses  
regularly. Probation officers may also involve the  
family in counseling.

#### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Calgary**

(403) 294-0737  
#204, 1009 7th Avenue, SW  
Calgary AB T2P 1A8  
Contact: Audrey Farrier, Executive Director  
Area Served: Southern Alberta  
Established: 1965  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Offers specialized services to females and family  
members coping with criminal justice system in court.  
Provides prison visiting, after care, community  
resources program and parole supervision.

#### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Edmonton**

(403) 421-1175  
#702 McLeod Bldg., 10136 100 Street  
Edmonton AB T5J 0P1  
Contact: Tricia Smith, Executive Director  
Area Served: Edmonton  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides individual and group services which promote  
skill and emotional development through counseling,  
liaison with agencies, advocacy, home visits,  
community monitoring and preventive intervention,  
crisis intervention, free clothing room, library, craft  
program, leisure and recreation programs, food bank,  
community court directives, traditional holiday  
programs, and peer group support systems.

## **M2/W2**

(403) 275-6935  
76 Skyline Cr. NE  
Calgary AB T2K 5X7  
Contact: Evelyn Klassen, Coordinator  
Agency Head: Darrel Heidebrecht, Director  
Area Served: Mid, Southern Alberta  
Established: 1982  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Mennonite Central  
Committee-Alberta

Primary Service is one-to-one relationships — volunteers and matched inmates on a friendship basis. W2 volunteers visit with wives (or girlfriends, parents, siblings) twice a month to provide moral support and some practical assistance. M2 volunteers visit inmates once a month federally, twice a month provincially, also for moral support.

"BarNone," a quarterly newsletter, is available.

## **BRITISH COLUMBIA**

### **Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society**

(604) 763-4613  
202-1610 Bertram Street  
Kelowna BC V1Y 2G4  
Contact: Diane Wilkinson, Executive Director  
Area Served: British Columbia  
Established: 1982  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Short-term counseling is offered to people who are having family problems, or are dealing with emotional stress as a result of a traumatic event. Offers family court advocacy and courtwork. Part of the process is to explore options and make appropriate referrals.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of British Columbia**

(604) 873-5501  
2412 Columbia Street  
Vancouver BC V5Y 3E6  
Contact: Sandy Simpson, Executive Director  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides residential programs, courtwork, pre-release counseling, and comprehensive in-home supportive counseling services to families with children ages 6 to 16. Short term intensive family work intervention is also provided to caregivers.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of British Columbia (Prince George's Branch)**

(604) 563-1113  
204-2666 South Queensway  
Prince George BC V2L 1N2  
Contact: Ann Howard, Executive Director

Area Served: British Columbia  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides supervised visits of children, victim/offender services, programs for youth at risk.

### **Family House**

(604) 853-4802  
33887 Marshall Road  
Abbotsford BC V2S 1L6  
Contact: Sylvia Griffith, Coordinator  
Agency Head: H.A.C. (Bert) Massiah, Executive  
Director  
Area Served: Lower Mainland of B.C.  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: John Howard Society

Offers accommodation, co-op, thrift store, counseling, transportation, information, women's group, children's program, seminars, parenting programs.

Newsletter.

### **John Howard Society**

(604) 872-5651  
300-96 East Broadway  
Vancouver BC V5T 4N9  
Contact: H.A.C.(Bert) Massiah, Executive Director  
Area Served: Lower Mainland of B.C.  
Established: 1932

Supervises Family House accommodation, counseling, workshops with parole supervision, prison visits, youth education, and prevention.

### **Kamloops & District Elizabeth Fry Society**

(604) 374-2119  
201-156 Victoria Street  
Kamloops BC V2C 1Z7  
Contact: Margaret Cissell, Executive Director  
Area Served: Kamloops and District  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides supervised visits, courtwork, pre-sentence counseling and referral, and advocates are assigned to individual clients with family law problems (custody, separation, access to children, maintenance, etc.)

### **South Cariboo Elizabeth Fry Society**

(604) 453-9656  
P. O. Box 603  
Ashcroft BC V0K 1A0  
Contact: Denise Kellington, Executive Director  
Area Served: British Columbia  
Established: 1984

Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Addresses the needs of children, particularly those who have been victims of family violence. At summer camp, the children participate in learning new personal and interpersonal skills. Also provides courtwork, community work services, visits inmates to provide information, childcare, parenting program, family crisis intervention, and helps married couples maintain a good marriage relationship through effective communication and skills development.

## **MANITOBA**

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Manitoba, Inc.**

(204) 474-2469  
51 Osborne Street, South  
Winnipeg MB R3L 1Y2  
Contact: Carol Bhakar, Executive Director  
Area Served: Manitoba  
Established: 1983  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Works with and on behalf of accused, offenders, families, and victims. Encourages and facilitates community and citizen awareness of, and constructive involvement in, the criminal justice system.

### **John Howard Society of Manitoba, Inc.**

(204) 942-2241  
165 Garry Street  
Winnipeg MB R3C 1G7  
Contact: Graham Reddoch, Executive Director  
Area Served: Winnipeg  
Established: 1957  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides parent/child support group as well as families of prisoners support group. Inmate family support needs assessment with appropriate referrals.

## **NEW BRUNSWICK**

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of New Brunswick, Inc.**

(506) 855-7781  
18 Botsford Street  
Moncton NB E1C 4W7  
Area Served: New Brunswick  
Established: 1961  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Support for wives and families of male inmates, and for female ex-offenders, provides opportunities for personal growth, mutual support, heightened self-awareness, and self-esteem. Lifeskills are taught, and child care provided to participants. Gifts are given

to children at Christmas on behalf of imprisoned family members, money may be given to permit a child to attend summer camp, and urgent needs of female ex-offenders and wives of offenders (such as clothing or food) are met by the Society.

## **NOVA SCOTIA**

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Halifax**

(902) 420-1069  
1657 Barrington Street, Suite 320  
Halifax NS B3J 2A1  
Area Served: Nova Scotia  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides visitation, programs to divert youth from becoming involved in prostitution by providing support counseling and referral services to prostitutes, and some financial aid to women at risk or who are in conflict with the law.

### **Unison Affiliate of the Elizabeth Fry Society**

(902) 539-6165  
106 Townsend Street  
Sydney NS B1P 5E1  
Contact: Claudine MacDonald, Executive Director  
Area Served: Cape Breton, Nova Scotia area  
Established: 1976  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Serves female offenders and wives of male offenders. It also focuses upon the needs of other women who may be at risk such as separated/divorced women, single mothers, and women who are unemployed.

## **ONTARIO**

### **Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies**

(613) 238-2422  
600-251 Bank Street  
Ottawa ON K2P 1X3  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Area Served: Canada

CAEFS is a national voluntary organization concerned with women in conflict with the law. Nineteen Elizabeth Fry Societies across Canada provide direct services and assistance to women at risk, and to women who have been or presently are in federal or provincial correctional institutions.

Extensive briefs/position papers are available in French and English with price range of free to \$6. Write to office for listing. Subjects include Incarcerated Mothers, Prostitution, Sentencing, Male Guards in Women's Prisons, Upgrading Programs at Women's Prisons, and many more.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society Hamilton Branch**

(416) 527-3097  
627 Main Street East, 2nd Floor  
Hamilton ON L8M 1J5  
Contact: Terri-Lee Seeley, Executive Director  
Area Served: Ontario  
Established: 1971  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides lifeskills training, pre-release planning,  
courtwork, visitation, and community support groups.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society Peel-Halton Branch**

(416) 459-1315  
203, 14 George Street North  
Brampton ON L6X 1R2  
Contact: Sandra Larsen, Executive Director  
Area Served: Ontario  
Established: 1973  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Provides residential programs, court services,  
visitation, and supervises community service.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society Sudbury Branch**

(705) 673-1364  
204 Elm Street West  
Sudbury ON P3C 1V3  
Contact: Mary Roy, Executive Director  
Area Served: Ontario  
Established: 1983  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Family visiting program which provides visiting rooms  
arranged for inmates and their families, in a private,  
supervised setting at Elizabeth Fry House. Courtwork,  
visitation, and lifeskills program available.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Kingston**

(613) 544-1744  
503A Princess Street  
Kingston ON K7L 1C3  
Contact: Sally Wills, Executive Director  
Area Served: Ontario  
Established: 1961  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Society offers women in conflict with the law support  
throughout the court process and term of sentence, and  
assists in their re-integration into society after  
imprisonment.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Ottawa**

(613) 238-1171  
195A Bank Street  
Ottawa ON K2P 1W7  
Contact: Jane Fjeld, Executive Director  
Area Served: Ottawa-esp. Carleton Co. Jail  
Established: 1967  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Serves women who have been imprisoned, those who  
are currently in conflict with the law, and those who  
are at risk. Services emphasize preventive measures  
and alternatives to incarceration, with the Society  
operating two residential centers for its client group,  
with pre-trial and parole programs, court  
accompaniment, counseling inmates, and counseling to  
women.

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Toronto**

(416) 924-3708  
215 Wellesley Street, East  
Toronto ON M4X 1G1  
Contact: Gael Gilbert, Director of Public Relations  
Agency Head: Darlene Lawson, Executive Director  
Area Served: Toronto  
Established: 1952  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of  
Elizabeth Fry Societies

Offering specialized services to females and family  
members coping with criminal justice system in court,  
prison visiting, and with an aftercare/community  
resources program and parole supervision.

Informational brochure, newsletter, fact sheets, and  
annual reports.

### **John Howard Society of Durham Region**

(416) 579-8482  
94 Bruce Street, Box 951  
Oshawa ON L1H 7N1  
Contact: Felicity Nelson, Community Education  
Coordinator  
Agency Head: William J. Fry, Executive Director  
Area Served: Durham Region  
Established: 1962  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: John Howard Society of Ontario

Offers literacy program including English as a second  
language. Provides counseling to variety of special  
needs persons such as wives, family and friends of  
prisoners; one to one counseling when identified as  
most suitable. Conducts community education and  
crime prevention programs, i.e., anti-shoplifting,  
vandalism, and substance abuse programs in the  
elementary schools and to community groups.  
Presentations in secondary schools in conjunction with  
law and man and society, urban geography, etc.

Resource library for public use (by appointment) to research for papers, projects, etc. on criminal justice issues.

### **John Howard Society of Kingston**

(613) 542-7373  
771 1/2 Montreal Street  
Kingston ON K7K 3J4  
Contact: Gordon C. MacFarlane, Executive Director  
Area Served: City of Kingston  
Established: 1956  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: John Howard Society

Supports programs to assist the family to cope with the problems stemming from incarceration of a family member: individual counseling, weekly group meetings, transportation service, and community services.

Pamphlets on woodworking shop, welfare, discharge allowance, etc. available.

### **John Howard Society of London**

(519) 438-4168  
601 Queens Avenue  
London ON N6B 1Y9  
Contact: Tom Dykstra, Executive Director  
Area Served: Greater London  
Established: 1947  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: John Howard Society of Ontario

Intake Services include counseling, information/referral, crisis intervention. Casework services include counseling and rehabilitation services to prisoners and ex-prisoners (male and female), advocacy for rights, employment counseling, and supervision and counseling of parolees. Family Program provides individual and group support for families and friends of inmates, helps in solving problems such as housing and family welfare benefits, family counseling to ex-prisoners and their families, consultation to parents of potentially delinquent youths. Community Outreach program offers speaking engagements and lectures, promotion of community awareness around legal and correctional process, advocacy and support on issues in the criminal justice system.

Informational brochure.

## **QUEBEC**

### **P-2 Program**

(514) 843-4356  
120 Avenue Duluth East  
Montreal QU H2W 1H1  
Contact: Craig Cressman Anderson, Coordinator  
Area Served: Quebec  
Established: 1982  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Deals with prisoners who have little contact with family or friends on the outside, matching them with a volunteer who will visit regularly while they are inside and help them get established in the community upon release. Arranges transportation for families who want to visit their incarcerated family member.

Quarterly newsletter "Bulletin P-2" available.

### **Societe Elizabeth Fry de Montreal Metropolitan**

(514) 277-7033  
7250, St-Laurent  
Montreal QU H2R 2X9  
Contact: Lyse Brunet, Executive Director  
Area Served: Quebec  
Established: 1977  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies

Offers residential programs, court services, visitation, counseling in the community, education, and information programs.

## **SASKATCHEWAN**

### **Elizabeth Fry Society of Saskatchewan**

(306) 934-4606  
#307-135, 21st Street East  
Saskatoon SK S7K 0B4  
Contact: Arla Gustafson, Executive Director  
Area Served: Saskatchewan  
Established: 1981  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies

Community worker assists women with housing, education, daycare, family crisis situations, drug and alcohol referrals, and pre-release planning. Courtwork and probation/parole services available.

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## PROGRAMS IN U.S. AND CANADA OFFERING NATIONAL SERVICES

### **Bridgework Theater, Inc.**

(219) 534-1085  
133 1/2 East Lincoln Avenue  
Goshen IN 46526  
Contact: Carla Robinson, Marketing Director  
Agency Head: Donald C. Yost, Executive Director  
Area Served: USA  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private

Created a video "Waiting on the Outside" which explores problems faced by those who wait. Organizations may purchase rights to the script and stage their own production of the play "Waiting on the Outside."

To order video or receive a preview, contact office.  
Price: \$100. Royalties for script are \$50 for first performance and \$35 for each additional performance.

### **Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies**

(613) 238-2422  
600-251 Bank Street  
Ottawa ON K2P 1X3  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Area Served: Canada

CAEFS is a national voluntary organization concerned with women in conflict with the law. Nineteen Elizabeth Fry Societies across Canada provide direct services and assistance to women at risk, and to women who have been or presently are in federal or provincial correctional institutions.

Extensive briefs/position papers are available in French and English with price range of free to \$6. Write to office for listing. Subjects include Incarcerated Mothers, Prostitution, Sentencing, Male Guards in Women's Prisons, Upgrading Programs at Women's Prisons, and many more.

### **Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE)**

(202) 543-8399  
11 15th St. NE, Suite 6  
Washington DC 20002  
Contact: Pauline Sullivan, Administrator  
Agency Head: Charles Sullivan, Executive Director  
Area Served: United States and Territories  
Established: 1972

Provides errants and families with information on rehabilitative programs and promotes development of such programs. Also encourages change through exercise of constitutional rights. Membership: \$2/Prisoners, \$5/Basic, \$10/Families, \$25/Sustaining and \$100/Life.

CURE members receive a quarterly newsletter.

### **Contact Center, Inc.**

(402) 646-0602  
P. O. Box 81826  
Lincoln NE 68502  
Contact: Kelli Snow, Human Services Assistant  
Agency Head: Gary Hill, President  
Area Served: United States  
Established: 1973  
Funding: Private, non-profit

International clearinghouse on criminal justice offering information and referral, Literacy Center (referring volunteers and clients to local literacy programs) and publications.

Includes: "Survival Sourcebook," "Question of Capital Punishment," "Conversational Spanish for Criminal Justice Workers," and "Inmate Lawsuits." Also, "Corrections Compendium" (with subscription you gain access to Contact's criminal justice information service).

### **Family and Corrections Network**

(804) 823-6115  
P.O. Box 59  
Batesville, VA 22924-0059  
Contact: Jim Mustin, Executive Director  
Area Served: USA and Canada  
Established: 1982

Information on programs serving families involved in correctional systems. Assistance with program development. Research. Public information. Conferences.

Publishes newsletter for members, also publishes "Voices & Visions" (\$12), "Research & Background" (\$10).

### **Family Re-Entry, Inc.**

(203) 972-1220  
131 Nursery Road  
New Canaan CT 06840  
Contact: Terryann Reed, Director  
Area Served: National  
Established: 1987  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Provides family therapy to involve offender's family in inmate's rehabilitation by improving interpersonal relationships. On-site programs demonstrate that family strengthening can reduce and prevent both crime and family disintegration.

### **Legal Services for Prisoners with Children**

(415) 552-3150  
1535 Mission Street  
San Francisco CA 94103  
Contact: Ellen M. Barry, Director  
Area Served: CA (services), USA (technical)  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Network on Women in Prison

Impacts legislation on behalf of pregnant prisoners and mothers in prison; information/referral to women prisoners and their children; advocacy on behalf of women prisoners.

Offers "Incarcerated Parents Manual," (straightforward guide to rights of parents in prison) available also in Spanish, free to prisoners, \$5 to non-profit organizations, and \$10 to institutions and libraries.

### **Mennonite Central Committee-US, Office of Criminal Justice**

(219) 293-3090  
107 West Lexington  
Elkhart IN 46516  
Contact: Howard Zehr, Director  
Area Served: National  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: Mennonite Central Committee

Development and distribution of written and audio-visual resources.

Booklet "Waiting On The Outside" for wives of prisoners available. Traveling exhibit and video-taped drama.

### **OPEN, Inc. (Offender Preparation and Education Network)**

(214) 271-1971  
P. O. Box 566025  
Dallas TX 75356  
Contact: Ned Rollo, Executive Director  
Area Served: United States  
Established: 1979  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Informational handbooks and tapes to help offenders and their loved ones, and the community at large, understand how the criminal justice system works. Materials are developed from the perspective of a client of the system and have the goal of helping offenders learn how to change values and behavior so they can exit the criminal justice system and not commit repeat crimes.

### **Parents and Children Together, Inc. (PACT)**

(817) 531-1469  
P. O. Box 15543  
Fort Worth TX 76119  
Contact: Debbie Key, Executive Director  
Area Served: United States  
Established: 1984  
Funding: Private, non-profit

Children's center program, parenting classes and support groups, children's support groups, technical assistance to other institutions interested in parent-child programs.

Publishes "A Child Serving Time on the Outside," a pamphlet on effects of incarceration on children. A monthly newsletter is also published.

### **Prison Families Anonymous**

(516) 538-6065  
353 Fulton Avenue  
Hempstead NY 11788  
Contact: Sharon Brand, Executive Director  
Area Served: National  
Established: 1974  
Funding: Private, non-profit  
Parent Organization: The Federation of Justice Agencies

Support services provided to the family and friends of the incarcerated. Programs include self-help groups, information/referral, family advocacy, and crisis intervention.

### **Prison Fellowship Ministries**

(703) 478-0100  
1856 Old Reston Avenue  
Reston VA 22090  
Contact: Bert Rosen, Director, Programs & Human Res. Develop.  
Agency Head: Charles Colson, Chairman and Founder  
Area Served: USA  
Funding: Private, non-profit

In-prison evangelism, instruction, visitation, pre-release counseling and aftercare support, family assistance, criminal justice reform, and Angel Tree program (provides Christmas gifts to children of prisoners).

Publishes "Jubilee" monthly as well as "Alumni News" quarterly for ex-offenders and family members. Complete listing of extensive literature, tapes, books, etc. is available from office, Attention: Fellowship Communications.

### **Prison MATCH**

(415) 834-7897  
477 15th Street, Suite 200  
Oakland CA 94612  
Contact: Griffin Toffler  
Technical assistance to groups initiating children's center programs in prisons and jails.



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