

Family and Corrections Network Children of Prisoners Library #901

Resources

Selected National Agencies

Angel Tree/Angel Tree Camping

800/55-ANGEL

PO Box 1550

Merrifield, VA 22116-1550

www.angeltree.org

Provides religious ministry and support to the children and families of prisoners by distributing holiday gifts to children of prisoners and providing a children's camping program.

Center for Children of Incarcerated Parents

(626) 449-8796

P.O. Box 41-286

Eagle Rock, CA 90041

ccipdj@aol.com, www.e-ccip.org

Contact: Denise Johnston, Director

Agency Head: Denise Johnston, Director

Provides parent education, self-help support groups, information, referrals, mentoring, family reunification support, family therapy, public education, legal assistance and advocacy. Provides technical assistance, training, policy development and research services in a variety of areas related to children of prisoners.

Children and Family Networks

770/939-2417

2034 Henderson Mill Road

Atlanta, GA 30341

www.childrenandfamily

networks.com

Contact: Sandra Barnhill, Managing Consultant

A recent initiative on behalf of children of prisoners and their families.

CURE (Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants)

(202) 789-2126

P.O. Box 2310

Washington, DC 20013
www.curenational.org
Contact: Charles Sullivan, Executive Director
Agency Head: Charles Sullivan, Executive Director
Area Served: USA
Established: 1972

Provides advocacy to bring about prison reform including equitable rates for inmate phone calls. Provides information on reform and rehabilitation to offenders and their families. For a list of CURE's state chapters and affiliates, see the CURE web site at www.curenational.org.

Family and Corrections Network

434/589-3036
32 Oak Grove Road
Palmyra, VA 22963
fcn@fcnnetwork.org,
www.fcnetwork.org
Contact: Jim Mustin, Executive Director

Provides information, technical assistance and training on families of offenders, children of prisoners, parenting programs for prisoners, prison visiting, and the impact of the justice system on families. FCN's web site has over 100 articles, an e-mail list, a directory of programs and links to offender family web sites.

Federal Resource Center for Children of Prisoners

202/639-4939
440 First Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001
Childrenofprisoners@cwla.org, www.childrenofprisoners.org
Contact: Arlene Lee, Director
Provides support and evaluation services to 10 demonstration sites around the United States.

Girl Scouts Beyond Bars

410/358-9711
4806 Seton Place
Baltimore, MD 21215
www.gscm.org
Contact: Marina Gethers, Project Coordinator

Provides transportation, parent education, mentoring, group scouting activities and family reunification.

Legal Services for Prisoners with Children

100 McAllister Street
San Francisco, CA 94102
415/255-7036
lspc@igc.org

Provides training, technical assistance, advocacy and litigation support to legal service offices and to prisoners, their families and advocates throughout California.

Selected Videos

A Sentence of Their Own, Edgar Barends, 2001, E. Barends, www.asentenceoftheirown.com. An intense documentary of family struggling with a father's incarceration.

Champagne and the Talking Eggs, Michael Sporn, Director, VHS, 1997. Cartoon format appropriate for children and adults.

Ulee's Gold, Victor Nunez, Director, VHS, 1997. Powerful drama for adults.

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Book List

- Illustrated books for parents, caregivers and professionals to read with children of prisoners

A Visit to the Big House by Oliver Butterworth. Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston, 1993, ISBN #0-395-52805-4.

I Know How You Feel Because This Happened to Me. Center for Children with Incarcerated Parents, Pacific Oaks College and Children's Programs, 714 West California Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91105.

Joey's Visit by Donna Jones. Cornell Cooperative Extension of Onondaga County, 1050 West Genesee Street, Syracuse, NY 13204.

Just for You - Children with Incarcerated Parents. Center for Children with Incarcerated Parents, Pacific Oaks College and Children's Programs, 714 West California Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91105.

Mama Loves Me from Away by Pat Brisson, illustrated by Laurie Caple. Boyds Mills Press, 815 Church Street, Honesdale, PA 18431, www.boydsmillspress.com, 2004, ISBN# 1-56397-966-7.

My Mother and I Are Growing Stronger by Inez Maury. New Seed Press, PO Box 9488, Berkeley, CA 94709, ISBN# 0-938678-06-X.

Two in Every Hundred: a special workbook for children with a parent in prison Reconciliation, 702 51st Avenue North, Nashville, TN 37209, (615) 292-6371.

When Andy's Father Went to Prison by Martha Whitmore Hickman. Albert Whitman and Company, 5747 Howard Street, Niles, IL 60648, ISBN #0-8075-8874-1.

- A novel for 10-14 year olds

The Same Stuff as Stars by Katherine Paterson, Clarion Books, NY, 2002, ISBN 0-618-24744-0.

In addition to the resources listed here, the Children of Prisoners Library webpage at www.fcnetwork.org has links to articles on line and the Incarcerated Fathers Library.