

(The) Advocacy Alliance

STATEWIDE

846 Jefferson Avenue

P.O. Box 1368

Scranton, PA 18501

Phone: 877-315-6855 or 570-207-9194

Email: info@theadvocacyalliance.org

Website: www.theadvocacyalliance.org

-Provides adult, children & family mental health advocacy, recovery centers, consumer financial management, social club, healthcare quality units, community education, consumer/family satisfaction teams and independent monitoring teams.

AIDS Intervention Project

**Blair, Bedford,
Huntingdon,
Fulton OR**

P.O. Box 352

Altoona, PA 16603

201 Chestnut Avenue

Altoona, PA 16601

Phone: 814-944-2982

Fax: 814-944-2963

Email: jrice@homenursingagency.com

Website: www.homenursingagency.com

Contact: Jerry Rice

-Provides education on HIV/AIDS to the public and high risk individuals. Case management and financial assistance is also provided to HIV positive clients.

Alcoholics Anonymous

NATIONAL

P.O. Box 459

New York, NY 10163

Phone: 212-870-3400

Website: www.alcoholics-anonymous.org

-A fellowship of men and women who share their experiences with each other, and who support each other in recovery from alcohol addiction.

Alle-Kiski Area Hope Center, Inc.

**Allegheny,
Westmoreland**

P.O. Box 67

Tarentum, PA 15084

Phone: 724-224-1100 Fax: 724-224-1123

Email: hopecenter@akhopecenter.org

Website: www.akhopecenter.org

Contact: Michelle Bond/ED

-Crisis intervention services for victims of domestic violence, victim advocacy, legal advocacy, violence prevention & community outreach programs.

ALPHA House

435 Shady Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Phone: 412-363-4220 Fax: 412-363-6570

Email: vjones@alphahouseinc.org Website: www.alphahouseinc.org

Contact: Veronica I. Jones

Allegheny

-A long-term (6 months) residential treatment facility for substance abusers, offering individual & group therapy in a structured environment. Outpatient counseling for substance abusers & their families and educational services including GED preparation.

(The) AMACHI Program

278 Bryn Mawr Avenue Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

Phone: 215-557-4400

Email: info@proclamation.org Website: www.proclamation.org**Philadelphia**

-Offers mentoring services to children who have parents or caretakers that are or were incarcerated.

American Friends Service Committee

1515 Cherry Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

Phone: 215-241-7000

NATIONAL

-A Quaker organization that works for peace & equality for all. Can provide literature on a number of prison issues and topics.

American Red Cross Homeless Shelter

1909 New Rodgers Road Levittown, PA 19056

Phone: 215-946-4870 Fax: 215-946-5690

Email: lowbucks@redcross/bcc.org Website: www.redcross/bcc.org**Bucks**

-Homeless shelter for men, women and children. Provides 3 meals a day, dormitory sleeping for families and single men & women, hotline services for those facing homelessness.

Angel Tree

44180 Riverside Parkway Lansdowne, VA 20176

Phone: 800-55-ANGEL

NATIONAL

Website: www.angeltree.org

-Offers 3 different components: Christmas, Camping & Mentoring. Incarcerated parents can sign their children up in the fall for Christmas gifts. In Angel Tree camping, children served through the Christmas program have the opportunity to attend a summer camp. Mentoring matches a child or teen with a caring Christian volunteer in an ongoing one-to-one mentoring relationship.

Another Chance Counseling

Lebanon

756 Cumberland St, Ste 2 Lebanon, PA 17042
Phone: 717-507-1386

-Drug and alcohol assessment/treatment. Testing for probation and parole office.

Armstrong County Community Action Agency

Armstrong

705 Butler Road Kittanning, PA 16201
Phone: 724-548-3405 Fax: 724-548-3413
Website: www.armstrongcap.com

-Assists with nutrition, housing, transportation, education, job training & placement, self-sufficiency, service coordination, weatherization and family savings account program.

Associated Charities/Food Pantry

**Crawford, Venango,
Warren**

409 East Central Avenue Titusville, PA 16354
Phone: 814-827-6613 Fax: 814-827-8223

-Assists individuals with the following: new school clothes, new boots and swim passes for children, Christmas Boxes for families, emergency prescriptions, replacement items after a fire, fuel assistance, used clothing & household items, food vouchers, emergency fuel assistance and water bills, and food boxes. No fees are charged for our services.

Atkins House

York

307 East King Street York, PA 17403
Phone: 717-848-5454
Website: www.atkinshouse.org
Contact: Susan Baugh

-Residential and outpatient drug and alcohol treatment center for women offenders. The goal of Atkins House in York, Pennsylvania, is to provide information, skill development and ongoing support to help women offenders lead law-abiding, productive and responsible lives - free of crime, drugs and alcohol.

BEBASHI

Philadelphia

1217 Spring Garden Street, 1st Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19123
Phone: 215-769-3561 Fax: 215-769-3860
Website: www.bebashi.org

-Provides culturally sensitive prevention and education & outreach services, housing, counseling, case management for people living with the HIV disease. Also offers case management for Pennsylvania Prisoners who are HIV positive and returning to the Philadelphia area.

Berks Connections

Berks

633 Court Street 16th Floor Reading, PA 19601
Phone: 610-478-6920 Fax: 610-478-6921

-Operates the Reentry Resource Center, a one-stop location for ex-offenders returning to our community from the Berks County prison as well as State & Federal institutions. BCPS staff also begin to aid successful reentry prior to release by assisting inmates at the Berks County Prison. BCPS also aids individuals upon their release with basic services, from assisting with obtaining proper identification and transportation, to providing a starter kit of toiletry items. BCPS also provides Reentry services both pre-and post-release, volunteer-based fellowship to inmates, connections between incarcerated parents and their children and holiday outreach to families of inmates.

Berks Counseling Center

Berks

35 North 6th Street, 2nd Floor
Reading, PA 19601
Phone: 610-373-4281 Fax: 610-373-3779
Website: www.berkscc.org

-Recovery oriented behavioral health and supportive services organization providing a holistic approach to a culturally and economically diverse population for the purpose of achieving a healthy and productive life.

Blackstone Career Institute

1011 Brookside Road Suite 300
Phone: 610-871-0031 ext. 214
Email: DBoyle@blackstone.edu
Contact: Darlene Boyle

Allentown, PA 18106

Fax: 610-871-0034

Website: www.blackstone.edu

NATIONAL

-founded in 1890, Blackstone Career Institute is the oldest distance learning school in the United States. Inmates across the U.S. turn to Blackstone to improve their knowledge of the law. BCI makes every effort to accommodate the enrollment of incarcerated individuals in our Legal Assistant/Paralegal Diploma Program.

Books Through Bars

4722 Baltimore Avenue
Phone: 215-727-8170

Philadelphia, PA 19143

Email: info@booksthroughbars.org Website: www.booksthroughbars.org

STATEWIDE

-Sends free books to prisoners in PA, NJ, MD, VA, NY, and WV. Please send book request in writing by mail. No phone or email requests accepted. Request books by topic so if we don't have exactly what you want we can substitute. We focus on sending educational materials but will also supply leisure reading.

Books to Prisoners

92 Pike Street, Box A
Phone: 206-442-2013

Seattle, WA. 98101

Email: bookstoprisoners@cs.com Website: www.bookstoprisoners.net

NATIONAL

-Volunteer program that sends free used books on politics, history, literature and education. Please specify subjects. Limit 1-2 pounds per package. We do not have law books, religious materials or new books.

Books to Prisons

c/o The Quixote Center P.O. Box 5206
Hyattsville, MD 20782

Website: www.bookstoprisoners.org

NATIONAL

-Provides a critical link between citizens who are incarcerated and those outside prison walls by sending donated reading materials to prisoners and educating the public about issues surrounding prisoner education and literacy.

Bridge of Hope

822 Marietta Avenue, Suite 20
Lancaster, PA 17603
Phone: 717-394-7707

Website: www.bridgeofhopelcc.org

**Chester,
Lancaster**

-A 12-18 month program that provides homeless women with support and services necessary to become financially self-sufficient. Case management services match clients with community services that provide job training/placement, individual/family counseling, ongoing support from mentoring church groups and rental assistance.

Bridge to Independence

20 Holland Avenue
Phone: 412-271-5731

Braddock, PA 15104-1197

Allegheny

-Residential program, assists with Parenting Skills development, case management, money management skills, job placement program and transitional housing.

CADCOM

113 East Main Street
Phone: 610-277-6363 Fax: 610-277-7399
Email: info@cadcom.org

Norristown, PA 19401

Website: www.cadcom.org

Montgomery

-Provides weatherization, food resource center, utility management, employment and training, bilingual services, rental assistance, homeless/supportive housing, home energy mortgage assistance, mortgage counseling and various training classes.

CARON Foundation

P.O. Box 150, Galen Hall Road
Wernersville, PA 19565 Phone: 800-678-2332

Lebanon

-Inpatient detoxifications, rehabilitation, drug & alcohol abuse screening, assessment, aftercare, outpatient programming for chemically dependent people.

Catholic Charities

213 East Bishop Street
Phone: 814-353-0502
Contact: Paula Raynor

Bellefonte, PA 16823
Fax: 814-353-0515

Centre

-Individual & family counseling, pregnancy counseling, emergency financial assistance. Catholic Charities is a multi-purpose social service agency that assists clients of all races, creeds or national origins.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Inc. **Beaver**
212 Ninth Street Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Phone: 412-456-6999
Website: www.ccpgh.org

-Pregnancy & Parenting programs, adoption & foster care, counseling, living assistance, emergency relief and tangible assistance.

Catholic Charities USA **NATIONAL**
P.O. Box 17066 Baltimore, MD 21297-1066
Phone: 703-549-1390
Website: www.catholiccharitiesusa.org

-We provide a host of services including emergency services, food banks, soup kitchens, home delivery meals, clothing assistance, disaster response, transitional housing, temporary shelter, counseling and mental health services, substance abuse treatment and recovery services and adoption services.

Center for Alternatives in Community Justice **Centre**
411 South Burrowes Street State College, PA 16801
Phone: 814-234-1059
Email: cacj@choiceonemail.com Website: www.cacj.us/about_us

-Pre-trial supervision program, human resource referrals, mediation services, education, Youth Aid Panel Program and referral for information on the criminal justice system.

Center for the Children of Incarcerated Parents **NATIONAL**
P.O. Box 41-285 Eagle Rock, CA 90041
Phone: 626-449-2470
Email: cciponline@yahoo.com Website: www.e-ccip.org

-Provides free educational material for incarcerated parents and their children.

Centre County Can Help

132 The Meadows Drive

Phone: 800-643-5432

Contact: Shannon L. Quick

Centre Hall, PA 16828

Fax: 814-364-9670

Centre

-Provides 24/7 telephone and mobile mental health crisis intervention as well as drug & alcohol information & education. Mobile crisis counselors are available to respond to individuals in the community.

Centre County Drug & Alcohol/MH/MR

420 Homes Street

Phone: 814-355-6782

Bellefonte, PA 16823

Fax: 814-355-6985

Centre

-CCMH/MR works with public & private agencies to treat persons with a mental disability. Identifies, evaluates and treats people with mental illness or retardation. We provide a range of treatment options to enable people to remain in the community and lead productive lives. We strive to prevent hospitalization or institutional care. We provide crisis intervention services, comprehensive prevention, intervention, treatment & referral services for any person with drug and/or alcohol use/abuse issues and information and referral assistance. All services are confidential.

Centre County Women's Resource Center

140 West Nittany Avenue

Phone: 814-234-5050

Email: edteam@ccwrc.org

State College, PA 16801

Fax: 814-238-4449

Website: www.ccwrc.org**Centre**

-Provides support services for survivors of Domestic & Sexual Violence. Services include individual & group counseling, legal advocacy, emergency shelter, transitional housing, communication and outreach. Our services are available to all survivors free of charge.

CentrePeace, Inc

3013 Benner Pike

Phone: 814-353-9081

Email: thom@centrepeace.org

Contact: Thomas L. Brewster, Executive Director

Bellefonte, PA 16823

Fax: 814-353-9083

Website: www.centrepeace.org**Centre**

-Promotes Restorative Justice and the decrease in victimization in our communities by improving the attitudes and capabilities of prison inmates through productive work and training in job and interpersonal skills. Programs offered by CentrePeace include: PROJECT RESTORE where Centre County inmates learn valuable job, time management and social skills. Inmate volunteers help repair & refinish furniture and are required to complete courses in CREATIVE NON-VIOLENT CONFLICT RESOLUTION and BREAKING BARRIERS programs where they learn to appreciate others' points of view, assume responsibility for mistakes and identify and replace destructive patterns of behavior with positive ones. PRAYER MATE PROGRAM which is a spiritual "pen-pal" program in which participants, using first names only, communicate through a CentrePeace staff coordinator. Many inmates have credited this program with helping to develop a sense of reconnection to the community. CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR INMATES distributes over 22,000 Christmas cards decorated by children and volunteers throughout the prison facilities in Pennsylvania, both state and county. This is sometimes the only piece of mail an inmate receives all year and it reminds them of all of the love and hope symbolized by the season. CONFLICT RESOLUTION WORKSHOPS are available to the general public as well as to correctional staff & inmates. The 10-hour course teaches skills in conflict resolution, mediation and the power of non-violence. THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY & SUPPORT DIRECTORY is a collaborative effort between CentrePeace and the PA Institutional Law Project which lists agencies that provide services for victims of crime, inmates and families of all involved.

Centerforce

2955 Kerner Blvd, 2nd Floor San Rafael, CA 94901
Phone: 415-456-9980 Fax: 415-456-2146

NATIONAL

-Mission is to support, educate and advocate for individuals, families and communities impacted by incarceration. Centerforce provides services for incarcerated individuals, formerly incarcerated individuals and their loved ones through direct services, its annual conference and through consultation and training government agencies, community-based organizations and correctional facilities across the country and internationally. Direct services include children & families services, prison & transitional services and information services.

Centre Volunteers in Medicine

2520 Green Tech Drive, Suite D
Phone: 814-231-4043
Email: info@cvim.net
Contact: Kristen Houser

State College, PA 16803
Fax: 814-272-7167
Website: www.cvim.net

Centre

weatherization, food stamp program, childcare, donations warehouse, youth programs, employment & training, family savings account and private construction company.

Community Empowerment Association

STATEWIDE

400 North Lexington Avenue, Bldg. 500

Pittsburgh, PA 15208

Phone: 412-371-3689

Website: www.ceapittsburgh.org

-Grassroots outreach organization designed to meet the needs of the people on demand and on time. CEA offers community clean up, after school programs, human services, re-entry, job training and many other needed programs and initiatives.

Community Help Center

Centre

139 South Pugh Street

State College, PA 16801

Phone: 814-237-5855

hotline: 800-494-2500 (24 hour info & referral)

-Provides the following services: emotional and crisis support, alcohol/drug information & referral, support group information, emergency food, shelter and transportation to shelter, human services information & referral and basic needs case management.

Conquest House

NATIONAL

7101 7th Street NW

Washington, DC 20012

Phone: 202-723-2014

Fax: 202-478-1739

Website: www.conquesthouse.org

-A Washington, DC based ex-prisoner Christian ministry working with local church and area corrections officials to provide support and options to those affected by, or at risk of being affected by the criminal justice system. Through its Reintegration of Ex-Offenders project and its transitional housing center, CORM seeks to help ex-prisoners turn their lives around and avoid repeat criminal activity.

Convicts for Christ

NATIONAL

3651 N.W. 2nd Street

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Phone: 954-931-3292

Contact: Apostle Earl Lloyd

-Inmate/prison advocacy. Individual & group counseling. Mail prison counseling, Christian & otherwise. Housing & job referrals.

Death Row Support Project

P.O. Box 600 Liberty Mills, IN 46946
Phone: 260-982-7480

NATIONAL

-Offers pen-pal services to death row inmates.

East End Cooperative Ministries

250 North Highland Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15206
Phone: 412-361-5549

Allegheny

-Housing, emergency shelter, safe haven, food pantry, meals on wheels, soup kitchen, children's mentoring programs and numerous other programs for children.

Elisha's Home & Ministries

RR#5 Box 239 Montrose, PA 18801
Phone: 570-278-5078
Email: elishas@epix.net Website: www.elishashome.com

Susquehanna

-Clothing and financial assistance to help with living expenditures, food, transportation, prison ministry, counseling, church and healing services.

Emergency Shelter Project

2700 8th Avenue Altoona, PA 16602
Phone: 814-949-3778 Fax: 814-949-5588

Blair

-Provides emergency shelter for homeless families and individuals who are BLAIR COUNTY residents and who are NOT ABUSE VICTIMS. The homeless come to ESP through referrals by community agencies, churches and through self-referrals.

Exodus Transitional Community, Inc.

2271 3rd Avenue New York, NY 10035-2231
Phone: 917-492-0990
Email: info@etcny.org Website: www.etcny.org

NATIONAL

-Fellowship of formerly incarcerated individuals that helps people coming out of prison build stable lives and fully reintegrate back into society.

Ex-Offender Reentry Program of Monroe County
P.O. Box 1251 Stroudsburg, PA 18360
Phone: 570-421-3280 ext. 49
Website: www.ex-offender.com
Contact: Michael Tabery

Monroe

-Recruits, equips and assists individuals, families and resources within Monroe County to transition those ex-offenders who want to stay out of prison to effectively re-enter the community.

FaithCentre
110 West High Street Bellefonte, PA 16823
Phone: 814-355-0880
Website: www.faithcentre.net
Contact: Nicole T. Summers

Centre

-Non-denominational, faith-based outreach center, targeting persons in need in the Bellefonte area. We offer programs, services and facilities which are available to all persons and groups regardless of race, creed, color or religious affiliation.

Families Against Mandatory Minimums
1612 K Street NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20006
Phone: 202-822-6700 Fax: 202-822-6704
Email: famm@famm.org Website: www.famm.org

NATIONAL

-Works to end mandatory sentence laws through educating, lobbying, building coalitions and promoting grassroots advocacy. We provide a quarterly newsletter and activist training workshops.

Family Services of Western PA
Administrative Headquarters
3230 William Pitt Way Pittsburgh, PA 15238
Phone: 412-820-2050 Fax: 412-820-2060
Crisis: 724-335-6242 Toll Free: 800-222-4200
Email: fswp@fswp.org Website: www.fswp.org

STATEWIDE

-Supportive services for family members and friends of incarcerated individuals. We provide over 38 different services which include: education about the criminal justice system, liaison with prison staff, advocacy for families and transportation to prisons.

Fight for Lifers West

P.O. Box 4683

Phone: 412-361-3066

Email: fightforliferswest@yahoo.com

www.fightforliferswest.mysite.com

Contact: Donna Pfender

Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Website:

NATIONAL

-Dedicated to supporting people sentenced to life without parole and their loved ones, while striving to improve the criminal justice system and building positive community relationships.

Firm Foundation of Pennsylvania, Inc.

P.O. Box 5524

Phone: 717-233-6133

Email: info@firmfoundation.org

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Fax: 717-754-0017

Website: www.firmfoundation.org

Dauphin

-FF values church-based ministry, evangelism & social action as equally important partners, incarnational grass-roots movements and the pursuit of justice and peace. Programs offered include Proud Dads, Transitional Housing, Firm Works and FAITH Mentors.

First Step Recovery Homes, Inc.

336 Penny Street

Phone: 412-673-2113

Email: Giles412@aol.com

Contact: Keith Giles

McKeesport, PA 15132

Fax: 412-673-2114

STATEWIDE

-Provides supervised, temporary safe drug & alcohol free structured housing and supportive services for persons recovering from the disease of addiction. Furthermore, we assist men in the Pittsburgh and Mon Valley areas and throughout Allegheny County. Services we provide are as follows: transitional & long term housing, case management, assessments, referral services, drug & alcohol education, life skills education, peer-to-peer recovery support as well as permanent housing support.

Fortune Society

29-76 Northern Blvd.

Phone: 212-691-7554

Website: www.fortunesociety.org

Long Island City, NY 11101

Fax: 347-510-3451

NATIONAL

-Mission is to support successful re-entry from prison and promote alternatives to incarceration, thus strengthening the fabric of our communities.

From Here to the Streets

NATIONAL

P.O. Box 24-3664

Boynton Beach, FL 33424

Email: joejr122@gmail.com

Website: www.fromheretothestreets.com

Contact: Joe Chiappetta

-we provide information & services for inmates and their families. Our Website contains vital tools and information for successful reentry, pre-release and employment. We offer free book downloads available on our Website.

Gaudenzia Erie, Inc.

Western PA

414 West 5th Street

Erie, PA 16507

Phone: 814-459-4775

Fax: 814-453-6118

Website: www.gaudenziaerie.org

Contact: Nicole Belash

-Non-profit drug & alcohol treatment facility for adults (male and female). We are also contracted with the DOC as a CCF. We offer the full continuum of care which includes detox, short & long term residential, dual diagnosis residential, halfway house services and outpatient services which are located throughout Erie County.

God's Treasure House Ministries, Inc.

STATEWIDE

P.O. Box 5

Schwenksville, PA 19473

Phone: 215-723-7449

Website: www.godstreasurehouse.org

Contact: Gina M. Stocker

-Christ-centered transitional living center for women & their children built on a firm foundation of God's love. Our ministry provides a comprehensive aftercare program targeted to a carefully selected number of women returning from jails and prisons to the community. Our goal is to minister to the spiritual, emotional & physical needs of the women and their children that God sends to us. Our program is a 9 to 18 month process in 3 phases. Along with the phase training, the women must be involved in Celebrate Recovery, individual counseling, meetings with a mentor, regular church attendance and Bible studies.

Gold Canyon Heart & Home

NATIONAL

6641 Kings Rouch Road
Phone: 800-914-1027
Email: Jeanne@gchh.org
Contact: Nicole Nelson

Gold Canyon, AZ 85118
Website: www.gchh.org

-GCHH is a non-profit organization providing community outreach and health initiative programs to those in need.

Graterfriends

STATEWIDE

The Pennsylvania Prison Society
245 North Broad Street, Suite 300
Phone: 215-564-6005
Toll-Free: 800-227-2307
Contact: Dee Johnson

Philadelphia, PA 19107-1518
Fax: 215-564-7926
Website: www.prisonsociety.org

-Provides communications, education and general information to prisoners, their families, volunteers, the corrections community and general public, primarily through the publication of Graterfriends and provide advocacy, support and charitable projects for prisoners, parolees and their families.

Hand Up Foundation

Susquehanna

262 Willow Street
Phone: 570-742-3000
Email: info@handupfoundation.org

Milton, PA 17847
Website: www.handupfoundation.org

-Dedicated to providing crisis intervention, vehicle to work program, life skills, employees with employers, bargain center and connect to other agencies and affordable home ownership.

Housing Transitions, Inc.

Centre

217 East Nittany Avenue
State College, PA 16804
24-Hour Hotline: 814-237-5508
Phone (office): 814-237-4863

P.O. Box 1391
Fax: 814-237-7480

- Non-profit corporation offering a variety of housing services to Centre County residents in need. Our mission is to assist families and individuals achieve a more independent lifestyle by providing a continuum of effective and well-managed services.

Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.

Indiana, Armstrong

P.O. Box 187/827 Water Street Indiana, PA 15701
Phone: 724-465-2657 Fax: 724-465-5118
Email: lvite@iccap.net Website: www.iccap.net
Contact: Lorna Vite

-Provides several food bank programs, housing services, income management/asset building, energy services, transportation, case management, employment, household furnishings and information and referral to other available services.

Innocence Institute of Point Park University

Allegheny

201 Wood Street Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Phone: 412-765-3164 Fax: 412-392-3176
Email: bmoushey@pointpark.edu Website: www.pointpark.edu
Contact: Bill Moushey

-Non-profit entity that investigates and writes about wrongful convictions based on actual innocence.

Institute for Prison Ministries

NATIONAL

Billy Graham Center Wheaton College
500 College Avenue Wheaton, IL 60187-5593
Phone: 630-752-5727 Fax: 630-752-5916
Website: www.bgcprisonministries.com

-Serves as a training and resource center for those who share the Gospel with offenders and their families.

International Community Corrections Association

NATIONAL

8701 Georgia Avenue, Suite 402 Silver Spring, MD 20910-3713
Phone: 301-585-6090 Fax: 301-585-6094
Email: jbrowning@iccaweb.org Website: www.iccaweb.org
Contact: Jane Browning

-Offers information & training, research & publication and policy advocacy. We have conferences, a quarterly journal and monthly e-newsletter.

(A) Jailhouse Lawyer’s Manual

NATIONAL

435 West 116th Street New York, NY 10027
Phone: 212-854-1601
Email: JLM.Board.Mail@gmail.com
Contact: Daniel Freeman

-Explains the rights of prisoners, and how to navigate the justice system to secure those rights. JLM covers many topics of special interest to prisoners.

Jubilee Ministries
235 South 12th Street
Lebanon, PA 17042
Phone: 717-274-7528
Email: Jubilee@jub.org
Contact: Jon Seip

**Lebanon &
surrounding state
prisons**

Fax: 717-274-0149
Website: www.jub.org

-Strives to show the love of God to the economically disadvantaged by helping to meet their physical, emotional and material needs regardless of race, creed, color, age or gender. We seek to provide Christian discipleship to those incarcerated or in aftercare programs who are committed to seeking reconciliation with God and establishing a personal growth with Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Justice & Mercy, Inc.
P.O. Box 159
Phone: 717-687-7650
Email: jbickmire@justicemercy.org
Contact: Jean Bickmire

STATEWIDE

Strasburg, PA 17579
Fax: 717-687-7385
Website: www.justicemercy.org

-Non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to decreasing the effects of crime in our communities, increasing public safety, and ministering to and restoring both crime victims and offenders. We research pertinent information to advocate on court cases for defense attorneys. We help with correctional issues and reentry.

Justice Denied
P.O. Box 68911
Website: www.justicedenied.org

NATIONAL

Seattle, WA 98168

-Reports on wrongful conviction issues. Sample--\$3/6 issues--\$10 for prisoners, \$20 for non-prisoners. (stamps ok)

Keenan House
18-22 South 6th Street
Phone: 610-439-8479

STATEWIDE

Allentown, PA 18101
Fax: 610-289-1833

Contact: Lauren Henry

-Residential drug & alcohol treatment in a therapeutic community for men and women. We address criminal thinking, joblessness & relapse prevention.

Lancaster Clinical Counseling Associates **Lancaster**
131 East Orange Street Lancaster, PA 17602-5307
Phone: 717-299-0131

-Medical assistance approved and Lancaster County contracted provider for outpatient substance abuse evaluation/treatment with a bi-lingual staff.

Lancaster County Council of Churches **Lancaster**
344 North Marshall Street Lancaster, PA 17602-2427
Phone: 717-291-2261

-Food and clothing banks. limited financial assistance for prescriptions for life-threatening illnesses, restrictions are less for children's prescriptions. Limited financial aid for rent, utility payment and bus tickets upon qualification when funds are available.

Leonard's Mom Enterprises, LLC **NATIONAL**
P.O. Box 5415 Apache Junction, AZ 85278

-Provides inmate e-mail and internet service. Send a self addressed stamped envelope for a copy of Terms, Conditions and an application for services.

Lewisburg Prison Project **NATIONAL**
P.O. Box 128 Lewisburg, PA 17837-0128
Phone: 570-523-1104 Fax: 570-523-3944
Email: prisonproject@windstream.net Website: prisonproject@dejazzd.com
Contact: David Sprout

-Non-profit civil rights organization serving the Middle District of Pennsylvania. LPP is dedicated to the principle that prisoners are persons with indisputable rights to justice. LPP counsels and assists prisoners who write to them when they encounter problems they

perceive as illegal or unfair. We review grievances and are able to assist the prisoners by talking to prison authorities, make referrals and furnish prisoners with appropriate legal materials to help their individual causes. In addition, LPP prepares and distributes Legal Bulletins to thousands of prisoners nationwide.

LUMINA

133 Pearl Street
Phone: 717-394-8412

Lancaster, PA 17603
Website: www.luminaoutreach.org

Lancaster

-Professional clothing bank that makes business clothing available to persons who have acquired job skills but lack the money to put together a professional wardrobe together.

MidPenn Legal Services, Inc.

213A North Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101
Phone: 717-234-0492
Fax: 717-234-0496
Email: info@midpenn.org
Website: www.midpenn.org
Contact: Rhodia Thomas

**Adams, Berks, Blair, Bedford,
Centre, Cumberland, Dauphin,
Franklin, Fulton, Lancaster,
Lebanon, Huntingdon, Mifflin,
Juniata, Perry, Schuylkill and
Clearfield**

-Non-profit, public interest law firm dedicated to low-income residents and survivors of domestic violence. We provide information, advice and representation in all civil legal matters. We do not provide services for criminal matters.

Milton Hershey School

P.O. Box 830
Phone: 800-322-3248
Email: mhs-admissions@mhs-pa.org

Hershey, PA 17033-0830
Fax: 717-520-2117
Website: www.mhs-ps.org

STATEWIDE

-MHS is a free, private, co-educational home and school for children from families of low income and social need. For admission requirements and information, contact the school.

National Center for Victims of Crime

200 M Street NW Suite 480
Phone: 202-467-8700

Washington, DC 20036
Fax: 202-467-8701

NATIONAL

Website: www.ncvc.org

-Provides crime victims & witnesses with direct assistance. We have a database of over 10,000 organizations that link victims with a variety of important services.

National Center on Institutions & Alternatives(NCIA)

NATIONAL

7222 Ambassador Road

Baltimore, MD 21244

Phone: 410-265-1490

Fax: 410-597-9656

Email: aboring@ncianet.org

Website: www.ncianet.org

Contact: Alice Boring

-Provides criminal justice services to defense attorneys, defendants, inmates and court systems throughout the country. We have worked with more than 10,000 clients in all 50 states. When assisting defense attorneys or defendants facing sentencing, we provide assistance in understanding the applicable sentencing statutes or guidelines and design individualized sentencing reports or memoranda, which include specific sentencing proposals. When permitted by the applicable State or Federal law, our sentencing proposals frequently include the use of creative public service that draws on the offender's strengths and background, substance abuse counseling, work-release, home confinement and community confinement. In addition to sentencing advocacy, we also provide capital case mitigation services, parole release advocacy, institutional designation and transfer and release planning.

National HIRE Network

NATIONAL

Legal Action Center

225 Varick Street, 4th Floor

New York, NY 10014

Phone: 212-243-1313

Fax: 212-675-0286

or

236 Massachusetts Avenue NE, Suite 505

Washington, DC 20002

Phone: 202-544-5478

Fax: 202-544-5712

Email: info@hirenetwork.org

Website: www.hirenetwork.org

Contact: Roberta Meyers-Peeples

-Mission is to increase the number and quality of job opportunities available to people with criminal records by improving employment practices and public policies, and changing public opinion. HIRE engages in a number of activities that promote the hiring and retention of people who have criminal histories.

National Prison Hospice Association

P.O. Box 4623

Boulder, CO 80306-4623

NATIONAL

Website: www.npha.org

-Helps to develop and implement hospice and better end life care for the terminally ill prisoner. We also publish a tri-annual newsletter.

New Person Center—YPM

P.O. Box 223

Reading, PA 19607

Berks

Phone: 610-777-2222

Contact: Rev. John Rush

-Transitional reentry program owned by Yokefellowship Prison Ministry. The New Person Center provides the much-needed transition from a world of almost no freedom to a life of thousands of daily choices. The New Person Center offers a haven for newly released prisoners who have no other place to go. It serves as a transitional house for male ex-prisoners.

Open, Inc

Offender Preparation & Education Network

P.O. Box 472223

Garland, TX 75047-2223

NATIONAL

Phone: 972-271-1971

Fax: 972-278-5884

-Develops correctional education materials & programs that are used by correctional agencies to help offenders prepare to live as law-abiding citizens. We also provide technical assistance & training for correctional staff to improve their effectiveness and job satisfaction.

PA Institutional Law Project

The Cast Iron Building

718 Arch Street Suite 304 S

Phone: 215-925-2966

Email: alove@pailp.org

Contact: Angus Love, Esquire

Philadelphia, PA 19106

Fax: 215-925-5337

Website: www.pailp.org

STATEWIDE

-Provides free civil legal assistance to institutionalized persons in Pennsylvania. These institutions include prisons, jails, state hospitals (mental health), state centers (mental

retardation), halfway houses and community living arrangements. We also provide a variety of free self-help materials for those not directly represented. We specialize in civil rights, family law and immigration issues.

PA Prison Society

STATEWIDE

245 N. Broad Street, Suite 300

Philadelphia, PA 19107

Phone: 215-563-5423

Fax: 215-564-7926

Email: geninfo@prisonsociety.org

Website: www.prisonsociety.org

-Provides advocacy, support, information & referral services to prisoners, their families and ex-offenders. Members and official visitors are organized in county-based chapters throughout the state. Official visitors meet with prisoners to discuss complaints (limited to medical & mental health concerns, institutional conditions & inmate/staff relations) and attempt to mediate resolutions. **NO LEGAL SERVICES ARE PROVIDED.** Service programs include: Re-Entry Services Project (RESP), which assists ex-offenders in transiting back to the community and in finding employment. Parenting Skills Training (PST), which provides workshops for incarcerated mothers & fathers at 8 state prisons, and in Philadelphia County Prisons. Services to Kids with Incarcerated Parents (SKIP), which offers group counseling for children ages 8-12. Services to Elder Prisoners (STEP), which provides case management & discharge planning services to prisoners age 50 and older in all Pennsylvania state prisons. Transportation services from Philadelphia to all state prisons. Virtual Visitation with 8 state prisons.

**PA Treatment & Healing (PATH)
(formerly Bethesda)**

STATEWIDE

1400 Fox Hill Road, Suite 300

State College, PA 16803

or

5972 Susquehanna Trail

Turbotville, PA 17772

Phone: 570-649-6855

Fax: 570-649-6754

Contact: Erica Frey

-PATH is dedicated to working with at risk adolescents and their families. Our goal is to assist them in reconciling their relationships and getting them back on a positive path to change. We offer 2 Day Treatment Programs, D & A for adults and adolescents and Alternative Education Program at each center. We also have a 8 bed adolescent halfway house. We also have foster care in other areas. PATH is credentialed with CCBH, CBHWP, CBH and MA.

PEN American Center/Prison Writing Program

NATIONAL

588 Broadway Street Suite 303 New York, NY 10012
Phone: 212-334-1660 Fax: 212-334-2181
Email: pen@pen.org Website: www.pen.org

- Founded in 1971, the PEN Prison Writing Program believes in the restorative and rehabilitative power of writing, by providing hundreds of inmates across the country with skilled writing teachers and audiences for their work. The program seeks to provide a place for inmates to express themselves freely with paper and pen and to encourage the use of the written word as a legitimate form of power. The program sponsors an annual writing contest, publishes a free handbook for prisoners, and provides one-on-one mentoring to inmates whose writing shows merit or promise, conducts workshops for former inmates, and seeks to get inmates' work to the public through literary publications and readings.

Philadelphia Brotherhood Rescue Mission

NATIONAL

401 East Girard Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19125
Phone: 267-284-0405 Fax: 267-284-0404
Email: tdonnell@pbrm.org Website: www.pbrm.org
Contact: Terrilynn Donnell or Eric Dorsey

-The Recovery Through Faith program provides a community-oriented environment for PBRM program participants to gain the skills, stability and self-esteem necessary to become productive, self-sufficient members of society. This program provides long term rehabilitation by integrating spiritual and emotional counseling, life skills, education, Bible Study and work therapy.

Philadelphia FIGHT/Institute for Community Justice

NATIONAL

1233 Locust Street, 5th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107
Phone: 215-985-4448 x.162 or 402 Fax: 215-985-4952
Website: www.fight.org
Contact: Hannah Zellman or Laura McTighe

-Locally, we support inmates living with HIV within the Philadelphia Prison System, providing advocacy, linkages to services, education and expedited access to our HIV primary care clinic upon release. Prison Health News is a quarterly newsletter written by and for people who have been in prison or are currently living behind the walls.

Phoenix Dream Center

Maricopa/AZ

3210 NW Grand Avenue Phoenix, AZ. 85017

Phone: 602-346-8700

Email: info@phxdreamcenter.org Website: www.phxdreamcenter.org

Contact: Pastor Tommy Barnett

-Mission is to reach in and mine the incredible potential we believe lies within the lives of at-risk youth, the homeless and the needy families of the community by restoring hope and allowing them to dream again.

Prison Art Project

P.O. Box 47439

Seattle, WA 98126-7439

Phone: 206-271-5003

Email: sales@prisonart.org

Website: www.prisonart.org

Contact: Ed Mead

NATIONAL

-Prison Art posts COPIES of prisoner art and crafts for sale on the internet. NO ORIGINAL ARTWORK is accepted, ONLY copies or pictures of art are posted on the Website. Prisoners receive 90% of their asking price in the event of a sale. Send a self addressed stamped envelope for a free brochure with full information. No SASE, no brochure.

Prison Dharma Network

P.O. Box 4623

Boulder, CO 80306

Phone: 303-544-5923

Email: info@prisondharmanetwork.org

Website: www.prisondharmanetwork.org

Contact: Fleet Maull

NATIONAL

-Mission is to provide prisoners and those who work with them, the most effective contemplative tools for self-transformation & rehabilitation. We support prisoners in the practice of contemplative disciplines with an emphasis on sitting meditation practice and study of Buddhist teachings and other wisdom traditions.

Prison Fellowship Ministry

P.O. Box 224

Kemblesville, PA 19347

Phone: 610-255-3926

Fax: 610-255-3658

Email: pstock@pfrn.org

Website: www.prisonfellowship.org

Contact: Paul Stock

NATIONAL

-Prison Fellowship is a Christ-centered ministry which seeks the transformation and reconciliation of prisoners to God, family and community through Jesus Christ. We train

volunteers from local churches to execute their ministry. Re-entry is a focus area as well. Prison Fellowship is facilitating re-entry conferences around the United States in order to build coalitions in local communities so that each service organization, non-profit organization, church and local government agencies are able to contribute to the successful return of offenders.

Prison Outreach Worldwide

NATIONAL

13610 North Scottsdale Road , Suite 10-291

Scottsdale, AZ 85254

Phone: 480-443-2511 Fax: 602-467-3308

Email: pow@thepownetwork.com Website: www.thepownetwork.com

-The Jailhouse Journal is a quarterly magazine of the incarcerated Christian community. Inmates receive 4 issues per year.

Prisoner Visitation & Support

NATIONAL

1501 Cherry Street

Philadelphia, PA 19102

Phone: 215-241-7117

Website: www.prisonervisitation.org

Contact: Eric Corson

-Sends volunteers to prisons to visit prisoners at federal and military prisons throughout the United States.

Renewal, Inc.

**Allegheny, Mercer,
Butler, Washington**

601 Grant Street, 5th Floor

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Phone: 412-690-2445

Email: lhoover@renewalinc.com Website: www.renewalinc.com

-Believes in the positive integration and rebuilding of offenders by offering education, job readiness, counseling, community service, opportunities for drug and alcohol/mental health treatment, as well as social readjustment by redefining life goals and values. The program promotes work release opportunities, assists in the recovery process, increases accountability and reduces recidivism with the assurance of promoting public safety. The program is also cost effective for the taxpayer and a safety valve for the criminal justice system. Residents live in a controlled environment, which offers stability and encourages confidence in self. Skilled security staff and case managers supervise residents 24 hours a day. During the day and in the evening hours, a dedicated and experienced staff provides supportive and counseling services in the form of academic learning, cognitive

restructuring, employment, and life-skills training. There are several self-help programs providing meetings on a regular basis in the facility.

Restorative Justice Ministries ECS

Philadelphia

225 South 3rd Street

Philadelphia, PA 19106

Phone: 215-351-1453

Fax: 215-351-1456

Website: www.ecs1870.org

-Provides education & consultation support for churches wanting to maintain or be in justice ministries with the Episcopal Diocese of PA. The coordinator also provides Pastoral Care and Case Advocacy and Referrals to persons impacted by the justice system (survivors, inmates & former inmates).

Safe Haven, Inc. of Pike County

Pike

500 West Harford Street

Milford, PA 18337

Phone: 570-296-2827 or 800-296-7878

Fax: 570-296-4410

Email: surv@ptd.net

Website: www.safehavenofpikecounty.org

Contact: Peggy Emanuel

-Services provided include the following: 24/7 Helpline, medical/legal advocacy, support groups, individual counseling, emergency shelter, school programs and community outreach. Services are available for men, women & children and are free and confidential.

Sullivan County Victim Services

Sullivan

P.O. Box 272

Laporte, PA 18626

Phone: 570-946-4063

Fax: 570-946-4570

Email: scvs@epix.net

Website: www.sullivancountyvictimservices.org

Contact: Marty Gates

-Comprehensive services provided for victims of all crimes. We provide information, referrals, counseling, emergency shelter, educational programs and advocacy services for victims.

Thomas Merton Center

NATIONAL

5129 Penn Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15224

Phone: 412-361-3022

Fax: 412-361-0540

Email: info@thomasmertoncenter.org

Website: www.thomasmertoncenter.org

-We are people from diverse philosophies and faiths who find common ground in the nonviolent struggle to bring about a more peaceful and just world.

Transitional Living Centers, Inc.

900 West 3rd Street
Phone: 570-326-7220
Email: gregtlc@comcast.net
Contact: Greg Smith

Williamsport, PA 17701
Fax: 570-326-6687
Website: www.tlcwilliamsport.org

**North Central PA
Counties**

-Half-way house for female offender re-entry. Groups to reduce recidivism and improve parole success. TLC also provides services to SIP and BOTO referrals. All participants must be referred by DOC or PBPP.

Transitions

P.O. Box 170
Fax: 570-524-9367
Email: heather_o@svwit.org
Contact: Heather Over

Lewisburg, PA 17837
Website: www.svwit.org

**Union, Snyder &
Northumberland**

-Provides a 24-hour hotline, legal advocacy, adult and children's counseling, support groups to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other serious crimes. Transitions also provides emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence. We also provide educational outreach programs to schools, businesses and the community.

Treatment Trends, Inc./CONFRONT

1130 Walnut Street
Phone: 610-433-0148
Website: www.treatmenttrends.org

Allentown, PA 18102
Fax: 610-433-6201

Lehigh

-The mission statement (official goals) of Treatment Trends, Inc. is to reduce addiction, crime and violence in our communities by developing and operating community service programs which increase respect for law and order with justice, by treating the causes of addiction, crimes and violence, and by seeking to prevent violence both against other persons and property, and the community at large.

United Churches of Lycoming County

Lycoming

202 East 3rd Street
Phone: 570-322-1110
Email: director@uclc.org
Contact: Rev. Gwen Bernstine

Williamsport, PA 17701
Fax: 570-326-4572
Website: www.uclc.org

-Among the many things we do, we work as churches in Lycoming County to provide many ministries to people in need in the county, including operating a Food Pantry and a Shepherd of the Streets ministry.

Victim Outreach Intervention Center

Butler

P.O. Box 293
Phone: 724-776-5910
Email: voice@voiceforvictims.com
Contact: Elizabeth Clark Smith

Evans City, PA 16033
Fax: 724-776-6781
Website: www.voiceforvictims.com

-System change organization that provides free & confidential services to individuals and families who are victims of violent crime. We work within the community to provide survivors with the resources, tools and options that allow them to assert their personal power and self-determination skills.

Victim Services Center of Montgomery County, Inc.

Montgomery

18 West Airy Street
Phone: 610-277-0932
Website: www.victimservicescenter.org
Contact: Faith Zipper

Norristown, PA 19401
Fax: 610-277-6386

-Non-profit located in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania that provides free and confidential comprehensive support services to crime victims, their families and significant others; prevention education and risk reduction programs, and training to the professionals who work with the victims of these crimes. **All services are provided free of charge to those who request assistance. Our vision** is to empower the community and to aid in the creation of a society free from violence.

Our mission is to provide advocacy and counseling for all who have been affected by sexual violence and other crimes against the person, and to promote sensitivity and awareness in the community through education.

Victim Services, Inc

Cambria, Somerset

638 Ferndale Avenue
Phone: 814-288-4961
Email: wdvavrek@yahoo.com

Johnstown, PA 15905
Fax: 814-288-3904
Website: www.victimservicesinc.org

Contact: Wanda D. Vavrek

-24 hour hotline, confidential free services, crisis intervention, crisis counseling, support counseling, accompaniment to medical, police and justice proceedings. Court preparation & accompaniment assistance with Crime Victim Compensation Claims. Education & prevention education and intervention for schools, communities, seniors, churches and businesses.

Women Against Abuse-Legal Center

Philadelphia

100 South Broad Street 5th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19110
Phone: 215-686-7082 Fax: 215-686-7041
Website: www.womenagainstabuse.org

-Offers free advocacy and representation for victims of Domestic Violence in legal matters including: protection from abuse, limited custody & support representation, legal options counseling, safety planning and court accompaniment and advocacy.

(The) Women's Center, Inc. of Columbia & Montour

Columbia, Montour

111 North Market Street Bloomsburg, PA 17815
Phone: 570-784-6632 Fax: 570-784-6680
Email: womenctr1@verizon.net Website: www.thewomenscenterinc.org
Contact: Kathlene Russell

-Comprehensive services for victims of domestic and sexual violence including emergency shelter, crisis counseling, long & short term counseling, legal representation and accompaniment, medical advocacy, child advocacy and information and referral services.

Yokefellowship Prison Ministry

STATEWIDE

P.O. Box 223 Reading, PA 19607
Phone: 610-777-2222
Email: info@yokefellowship.org Website: www.yokefellowship.org
Contact: Rev. John Rush

-Christian volunteers enter prisons weekly to facilitate small discussion groups. Topical and Biblical studies, along with prayer, are to complement felt needs surfacing in the session. Emphasis is on respectful listening and caring relationship building, compared to "conducting a service" or preaching and teaching. The Gospel of Jesus Christ offers hope for the future. It calls for repentance, offers forgiveness, renewal and reconciliation. Re-entry issues are of great priority. By discussing topics about lifestyle and skills we can

reduce the tendency of a return to prison. We offer in-prison support, aftercare support, family & community support.

Pennsylvania

Statewide

Services

Pennsylvania CareerLink Centers

Pennsylvania CareerLinks

Adams County 717-334-1173	150 V-Twin Drive	Gettysburg, PA 17325-7985	
Allegheny County	425 6 th Avenue, 22 nd Floor Regional Enterprise Tower Pittsburgh, PA 15219	866-317-JOBS	412-552-7051(Fax)
Armstrong County 724-548-5693	77 Glade Drive	West Hills Commons, Kittanning, PA 16201	
Beaver Falls 724-728-4860	2103 9 th Avenue	Beaver Falls, PA 15010-3957	
Bedford County 866-942-9675	One Corporate Drive, Suite 103	Bedford, PA 15522	
Berks County	501 Crescent Avenue	Reading, PA 19605-3050	610-988-1300
Blair County	3001 Fairway Drive	Altoona, PA 16602-4473	814-940-6200
Bradford & Sullivan County	218 Main Street Unit 1	Towanda, PA 18848-1822	570-265-2171
Cambria County	445 Schoolhouse Road 814-533-2493	Johnstown, PA 15904-299	
Capitol Region 717-234-0077	2971 North 7 th Street	Harrisburg, PA 17100	
Centre County	1300 Benner Pike 814-272-5465	State College, PA 16804	
Clearfield County 814-765-8118	1125 Linden Street	Clearfield, PA 16830-3317	
Clinton County	8 N. Grove Street, Suite F&G 570-893-4022	Lock Haven, PA 17745 570-893-2952(Fax)	TTY 570-893-2989
Columbia/Montour Counties	351 Tenny Street	Bloomsburg, PA 17815-3264	570-387-6288
Cumberland County	1 Alexandria Court	Carlisle, PA 17013	717-243-4431
Elk County	301 Depot Street 814-781-7872(Fax)	St. Marys, PA 15857	814-834-2857
Fulton County	116 W. Market Street, Suite 101 717-485-5131	McConnellsburg, PA 17233 717-485-9595 (fax)	
Huntingdon County	54 Pennsylvania Avenue	Huntingdon, PA 16652	866-942-9675
Lancaster 717-509-5613	1016 North Charlotte Street	Lancaster, PA 17603-2764	
Lebanon County	243 Schneider Drive	Lebanon, PA 17046	717-274-2554
Perry County	112 Centre Drive	New Bloomfield, PA 17068	717-582-8971
Somerset County	218 N. Kimberly Avenue	Somerset, PA 15501	866-942-9675
Sullivan County 570-928-9668	224 South German St./P.O. Box 389	Dushore, PA 18614	
Montrose Area	10 Public Avenue	Montrose, PA 18801	570-278-3338

Website: www.pacareerlink.state.pa.us

-CareerLink offers a variety of programs for both adults & youth. For adult services, CareerLink offers Resume/Cover Letter Writing Workshops, Interview Skills Workshops, Basic Computer Literacy, The "Edge" Workshops, Enrollment/Job Search on the CareerLink Internet System, Employment Search & Job Readiness, Employment Coordination, Work Experience, Counseling Services, Competency Training, Life Skills, Supportive Services, On-the-job Training, Individual Training Account, Out of Area Job Search,

Specialized Assessment, Follow-up Services, Case Management and Referral to Other Agencies/Partners. Youth Services provided are Occupational Skills Training, Job Search Readiness, Out of School Youth Program, In School Youth Program, Dropout Prevention Program, Summer Youth Program, Youth Supportive Services, Job Retention Program, Adult Mentoring, Follow-up Services, Comprehensive Guidance & Counseling, Leadership Development Opportunities and Preparation for post Secondary Education.

Community Action Service Organizations in PENNSYLVANIA

Berks Community Action Program, Inc.

P.O. Box 22 Reading, PA 19603-0022
Phone: 610-376-6571

Blair County Community Action Agency
P.O. Box 1833
2100 6th Avenue Suite 102
Altoona, PA 16602
Phone: 814-946-3651

Center for Community Services
10241 Lincoln Highway Everett, PA 15537
Phone: 814-623-9129

Central PA Community Action, Inc.
P.O. Box 792
207 East Cherry Street
Clearfield, PA 16830
Phone: 814-765-1551

Community Action, Inc.
105 Grace Way Punxsutawney, PA 15767-1209
Phone: 814-938-3302

Fayette County Community Action Program, Inc.
140 North Beeson Avenue Uniontown, PA 15401
Phone: 724-437-6050

Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.
P.O. Box 187
1827 Water Street Indiana, PA 15701
Phone: 724-465-2657

Lycoming-Clinton County Community Action, Inc.
P.O. Box 3568
2138 Lincoln Street Williamsport, PA 17701
Phone: 570-326-0587

Schuylkill Community Action
206 North 2nd Street Pottsville, PA 17901

Phone: 570-622-1995

South Central Community Action Programs, Inc.
153 North Stratton Street Gettysburg, PA 17325
Phone: 717-334-7634

Union-Snyder Community Action Agency
713 Bridge Street, Suite 10 Selinsgrove, PA 17870
Phone: 570-374-8938

-Community Action agencies assist with basic needs such as food, clothing, fuel, housing, etc. Contact the agency in your area to see what specific services are offered by that agency.

PENNSYLVANIA

I. Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry

Contact:

Labor and Industry Bldg., Room 1700
7th and Forster Streets
Harrisburg, PA 17120
717-787-5279
Web Site: www.dli.state.pa.us

Information about State Department of Labor resources may be of interest to:

- potential employers looking for incentives to hire individuals with criminal histories;
- service providers and individuals with criminal histories who are looking for assistance in finding employment; and
- researchers and policy makers looking at current programs to ascertain what programs are effective and serve their intended purpose.

A. Federal Bonding Program

The Federal Bonding Program provides fidelity bonding insurance coverage to individuals with criminal histories and other high-risk job applicants who are qualified, but fail to get jobs because regular commercial bonding is denied due to their backgrounds.

Contact:

Pennsylvania Bureau of Workforce Investment
Labor and Industry Bldg., 12th Floor
7th and Forster Streets
Harrisburg, PA 17120
717-787-6915
717-772-5478 Fax
Web Site: www.dli.state.pa.us

B. Tax Credits

The Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) is a federal tax credit to reduce the federal tax liability of private for profit employers to be used as an incentive for employers to hire individuals from eight different targeted groups: TANF recipients, veterans, ex-felons, high risk youth, summer youth, Food Stamp recipients, SSI recipients, and vocational rehabilitation referrals.

Contact:

Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry, 12th Floor
Labor and Industry Bldg.
7th and Forster Streets
Harrisburg, PA 17120
717-783-3676
717-787-5785 Fax
Web Site: www.dli.state.pa.us/

C. Unemployment Insurance Office

Unemployment compensation is a social insurance program designed to provide benefits to most individuals out of work, generally through no fault of their own, for periods between jobs. In order to be eligible for benefits, jobless workers must demonstrate that they have worked, usually measured by amount of wages and/or weeks of work, and must be able and available for work.

The unemployment compensation program is based upon federal law, but administered by states under state law.

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Contact:

Claims Information Center
Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry
Labor and Industry Bldg., 6th Floor
7th and Forster Streets
Harrisburg, PA 17121
888-313-7284
717-783-3734 Fax
Web Site: www.dli.state.pa.us/

II. Criminal Record Repository

This is the agency individuals may contact to obtain a copy of their state rap sheet. The criminal record repository can also tell the individual who else is legally entitled to have access to his or her record.

To obtain a copy of a criminal record, a "Request for Criminal Record Check" (Form SP4-164) must be sent to the contact address below, along with a certified check or money order in the amount of \$10.

Contact:

Bureau of Records and Information Services
Pennsylvania State police
1800 Elmerton Ave.
Harrisburg, PA 17110
717-783-5588
717-772-3681 Fax

III. State Attorney General

Employers and service providers may obtain information from the state attorney general regarding occupational bars, the licensing of individuals with criminal records in certain

jobs, and whether the state has laws that limit what employers may ask job applicants or protections against employment discrimination based on a criminal record.

Contact:

Office of the Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General
Strawberry Square
Harrisburg, PA 17120
717-787-3391
717-783-1107 Fax
E-Mail: info@attorneygeneral.gov
Web Site: www.attorneygeneral.gov/

IV. State Department of Corrections

New Organization Name

Pennsylvania Correctional Industries (PCI) aims to maximize inmate employment while providing vocational training and work experience. The program provides inmates with job skills that are marketable in high-level production and manufacturing occupations. Inmates are trained in 115 different job titles, including machine and equipment operators, laundry workers, cannery workers, shipping and receiving clerks, painters, meat cutters, bookkeepers and optical lab technicians. To qualify for the program, inmates must be in good standing and able to read at a fifth grade level.

Contact:

Pennsylvania Department of Corrections
Bureau of Correctional Industries
717-731-7135
Web Site: www.cor.state.pa.us/

Bureau of Community Corrections

The Bureau of Community Corrections supervises the residential treatment services provided to inmates housed in the Department's 14 community correction centers and nearly 50 private contract facilities. Programs include transition services from state correctional institutions to the community, as well as a halfway-back program for parolees encountering difficulties in the community. Community corrections centers are instruments of the Department of Corrections that provide initial support to the resident in his or her first steps back to the community through: counseling services to both individuals and their family; employment assistance; vocational and educational guidance; and referrals to other public and private agencies. Additional information is available at www.cor.state.pa.us/programs2.html.

Contact:

Community Orientation Reintegration Program

The Pennsylvania Department of Corrections recently began a new pre-release program, the Community Orientation Reintegration program. The first phase begins five weeks before an inmate is released to parole. The inmate is taken out of all other programs and given a "booster shot" of programs, which includes such elements as drug and alcohol programs and anger management. In Phase II, inmates are released to a community

corrections center/halfway house, where they receive social services and job assistance and continue drug and alcohol treatment and relapse prevention. If an inmate has not received drug and alcohol treatment during incarceration, he or she is placed in a residential treatment program under contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections for 30 to 90 days. Inmates who have received treatment during incarceration attend day treatment at the community corrections center. Once inmates find a job they are allowed to leave the center and enter regular parole. A description of the program can be found at: <http://www.cor.state.pa.us/COR%20Presentation%20Final.pdf>

Contact:

Pennsylvania Department of Corrections
2520 Lisburn Road
P.O. Box 598
Camp Hill, PA 17001-0598
717-730-2704
Web Site: www.cor.state.pa.us/

V. Office of Probation and Parole Services

Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole

The Office of Probation and Parole Services does not offer any specific program for employment assistance. Services are offered on an individual level by agents, either by bringing together unemployed parolees and probationers under their supervision to provide them with relevant information or by telling them about openings and other necessary information on an individual level.

Contact:

Office of Probation and Parole Services
Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole
1101 South Front St., Suite 5100
Harrisburg, PA 17104-2517
717-787-5699
E-Mail: pubinfo@pbpp.state.pa.us

Contact:

VI. Legal Assistance

Free or low-cost legal resources, both in civil and criminal law, are helpful to individuals with criminal histories in learning about relevant state laws governing the expungement or sealing of criminal histories or addressing other legal issues resulting from having a criminal history.

A. State Public Defender

Contact:

Public Defender Association of Pennsylvania
115 State St.
Harrisburg, PA 17101
717-234-7403
717-234-7462 Fax

B. Legal Services

Contact:

Pennsylvania Legal Services
118 Locust St.
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1414
717-236-9486
717-233-4088 Fax
Web Site: www.palegalservices.org

Community Legal Services, Inc. has experience with a wide variety of criminal records and employment issues, including filing EEOC charges and community education on pardons, expungements, and employment rights.

Contact:

Community Legal Services, Inc.
1424 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia, PA 19102
215-981-3700

C. State Bar Association

Contact:

Pennsylvania Bar Association
100 South St.
P.O. Box 186
Harrisburg, PA 17108
717-238-6715
717-238-1204 Fax
E-Mail: info@pabar.org
Web Site: www.pabar.org

VII. Local Service Providers

Community agencies are available to assist individuals with criminal records find employment. This information will inform individuals with criminal records about government agencies and community-based organizations that assist with employment, education or vocational training. Researchers and policy makers may find this information useful in identifying agencies and service providers in order to evaluate the effectiveness of these programs.

Philadelphia Youth Network

The Philadelphia Youth Network runs Youth Opportunity (YO) centers for out-of-school youth under the age of 21 living in the Empowerment Zone. The centers offer services to youths with criminal records and work with the juvenile justice system. However, there are no specialized services directed towards this population, and there are no focused efforts to gather specific information on clients with records. The centers provide a number of services including re-engagement, job readiness, education services, and referrals to other needed services. Clients receive follow-up services two years following job placement.

Contact:

Philadelphia Youth Network
John F. Kennedy Center, Room 681

734 Schuylkill Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19146
215-875-3823
215-875-5740 Fax

Metropolitan Career Center/STRIVE Philadelphia

Metropolitan Career Center (MCC) is a private, non-profit accredited school that serves under-skilled and economically disadvantaged Philadelphia youth and adults, enabling them to find and keep jobs. The Center offers five roads to employment, ranging from STRIVE, a four-week quick "attachment to the workforce" program, to a 60-week training course in computer hardware and software support that confers an Associate Degree in Specialized Technology Training and is provided free of charge to qualified students. MCC/STRIVE is an intensive four-week program. The program stresses the development of interpersonal skills, team building, and employment readiness. Through structured classes and group interaction, students develop job application skills, including resume writing, interviewing, and telephone usage. Students also receive individual counseling to help them address personal and family issues or other barriers. Referrals to outside agencies for assistance with housing, childcare, and other needs are made as necessary. Formal collaborations have been developed with Children's Aid Society of Pennsylvania and the Tenant Action Group to facilitate students' easy access to these supplemental services. Additionally, STRIVE staff maintain an active job bank and refer students to appropriate interviews. After students graduate from STRIVE, they can take advantage of these services and participate in Job Club activities until they are employed. In addition, MCC instituted a pilot program in 2002, an enhancement to STRIVE called Employment Plus in which STRIVE graduates receive more intensive follow-up and support services for 12 months after graduation to encourage and support long-term job retention and skill upgrading. These services focus on helping participants to overcome problems in the workplace and in their personal lives that could lead to their termination or resignation. Lastly, GED and computer classes offered on Saturdays are geared toward helping graduates gain advancement in the workplace.

Contact:

162 West Cheltenham Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19144
215-843-6615
215-843-7661 Fax

Web Site: www.strivecentral.com/sites/national/mcc.htm

Goodwill Industries of Pittsburgh

Goodwill Industries of Pittsburgh runs one of the Team Pennsylvania Career Link sites, which provide computer skills and job search services to the public. Any further services require that the individual be recommended to the organization and that the recommending party provide payment. However, these services are provided to all types of people, including those with criminal records and other significant barriers to employment including developmental and other disabilities. These further services begin with a one to four-day assessment, depending on needs, in which the individual is evaluated for skill level, job interests, and other necessary information. Participants are then given job training, educational assistance, computer-based training, driver training,

on-the-job paid work training and placement in the community. Goodwill also offers different workshops focused on employment and provides referrals for any other requirements. Goodwill offers 18 months of follow-up services, including intervention at job sites and other support services.

Contact:

Goodwill Industries of Pittsburgh
2600 East Carson St.
Pittsburgh, PA 15203
412-390-2327
Web Site: www.goodwillpitt.org

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

The Carnegie Library provides generalized employment preparation and job-finding services, but does not provide any specialized services for individuals with criminal records. Among the services provided is assistance with resume preparation, GED and other educational assistance, guidance in selecting a college, providing test booklets for test preparation, descriptions of the various types of jobs available, assistance with setting up e-mail accounts, and classes on internet and computer program use.

Contact:

Job & Career Education Center
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh
4400 Forbes Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
412-622-3133
412-622-3136 Fax
E-Mail: jcec@carnegielibrary.org
Web Site: www.carnegielibrary.org/locations/jcec

Methodist Union of Social Agencies

Methodist Union of Social Agencies (MUSA) runs a program for single parents that provides job readiness, life skills, job search, job placement, and job retention assistance and other follow-up services to clients from Homestead, the Steel Valley, and Pittsburgh (95 percent of whom are people with criminal records) through a Welfare-to-Work grant from the county and the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry. Clients begin by undergoing a full one-on-one assessment to determine their needs. There is also a six-month follow-up period following successful job placement, in which full services, including any vocational training, continue to be available.

Contact:

Methodist Union of Social Agencies
131 East 9th Ave.
Homestead, PA 15120
412-461-1800
Web Site: www.musa.org

Southwestern Pennsylvania Reentry Project

A coalition of non-profit organizations (including MUSA and the Mon Valley Initiative) formed in 2001-2002, aims to provide a whole range of services, including job readiness preparation, as well as trying to organize a smooth transition from incarceration back into the community, by making people coming out aware of the resources available to them. The coalition has begun forming relationships with local correctional institutions (FEI Pittsburgh, a nearby state institution has a representative on the coalition's committee and a demonstration program has been set up with 50 inmates at the Allegheny County Jail to assess inmate needs and begin job readiness services). Coalition members plan to offer a matrix of services to anyone in the local area with a criminal record, including housing opportunities, drug and alcohol treatment, mental health services, transportation, child care, family support, etc. People coming out of prison or jail can come to any member organization and will then be referred to other agencies that can provide needed services not provided by that organization.

Contact:

Mon Valley Initiative
303 East 8th Ave.
Homestead, PA 15120
412-464-4000

Ramsey Education and Development Institute

Ramsey Education and Development Institute (REDI) provides a number of educational and job-preparation services to any Pennsylvania resident over the age of 18. (Approximately 25 percent of clients served have criminal records.) The services provided include GED classes at a variety of levels, basic and advanced computer skills classes, assistance in preparing job applications and a Welfare-to-Work program for unemployed and underemployed mothers. REDI also has a network of referrals to address clients' other needs.

Contact:

Ramsey Education and Development Institute
17 West Airy
Norristown, PA 19401
610-279-0301

Reading-Berks Emergency Shelter

Reading-Berks Emergency Shelter (RBES) provides a number of services, including: around-the-clock childcare services; job-readiness and placement through RBES Job Quest; primary health care services through the Reading Health Dispensary; shelter services that include case management, goal-planning, life skills instruction and aftercare services as well as a safe place to sleep, eat and shower for families and individuals; and transitional and permanent housing programs for families and individuals. RBES Job Quest is a three-week intensive training course focused on attitudinal and behavioral change to help chronically unemployed members of the community find and maintain full-time employment. RBES Job Quest is a replication of the STRIVE program in New York City. The program is targeted toward men and women age 18 and up to overcome employment barriers such as childhood abuse, lack of formal education, inconsistent work histories, substance abuse and criminal histories. Also, the new Soft Skills program

teaches basic skills needed to find and maintain entry-level employment. The program includes a free three-week workshop, interviews skills training, resume and cover letter writing classes, basic computer skills, and two years of active support and follow-up for both the graduate and his or her new employer to encourage long-term success.

Contact:

RBES Job Quest
430 N. 2nd St.
Reading, PA 19601
610-374-4696
610-374-3165 Fax
Web Site: www.rbes.org/default.asp

Program for Female Offenders

The Program for Female Offenders is a free program that provides a variety of services to adult women who either have a drug or alcohol abuse problem or who have had some contact with the criminal justice system. The services provided by the organization include drug education and prevention programs, screening, case management (i.e. life skills programs), financial assistance, employment assistance (i.e. job placement and computer training), GED courses, counseling, nutritional and other services.

Contact:

Program for Female Offenders
1515 Derry Street
Harrisburg, PA 17104
717-238-9950
717-236-3585 Fax
E-Mail: program@epix.net
Web Site: www.stophiv.com/details.asp?id=2074

Jewish Employment and Vocational Service

The Jewish Employment and Vocational Service (JEVS) is a not-for-profit social service agency that focuses on enhancing the employability and self-sufficiency of clients through a broad range of education, training, health and rehabilitation programs. JEVS' Prison Program provides vocational training and vocational assessment services to the inmates of the Philadelphia prison system by offering hands-on skills training to increase employability once individuals return to society. Inmates may participate in a wide range of vocational classes, including: welding; building maintenance; horticulture; word processing; desktop publishing; and environmental maintenance. In addition, the "World of Work" program emphasizes the steps involved in seeking and retaining employment, including completing job applications, writing resumes, preparing for job interviews, coping with pressure of the workplace and achieving a positive work ethic. JEVS works in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Prison Society to provide re-entry and other services to the prison population, as well as the growing Adopt-a-Program where public/private sector partnerships are established to help prisoners secure employment or appropriate programs upon their re-entry to the community.

Contact:

JEVS Prison Program

Philadelphia Industrial Correctional Center
8301 State Road
Philadelphia, PA 19136
215-685-7114
Web Site: www.jevs.org

Baker Industries, Inc.

Baker Industries employs hard to place individuals including individuals serving parole sentences. Baker Industries performs outsourcing services. The agency serves as a transition step toward unsubsidized employment by emphasizing soft skills like being on time for work, good attendance, and productive interaction with co-workers and supervisors. Walk-in applicants are accepted.

Contact:

Thomas E. Byron, Director of Employee Relations
184 Pennsylvania Ave.
Malvern, PA 19355
610-296-9795
610-251-9802 Fax
Web Site: : www.bakerindustries.org

Philadelphia Workforce Development Corporation

With more than 20 years' experience, PWDC is the region's premier workforce development agency, serving more than 10,000 job seekers every year. Whether you're looking for your first job, or a new career, PWDC, in partnership with the Pennsylvania CareerLink system and Department of Public Welfare has the ability to deliver a comprehensive set of services to make you the right person for the job. PWDC offers the Fresh New Start program, which is designed for Pennsylvania CareerLink members with criminal backgrounds who face challenges in obtaining employment. Information and referrals are provided to social and job search resources.

Contact:

Philadelphia Workforce Development Corporation
1617 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, 13th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1813
215-557-2625
Web Site: http://www.pwdc.org/jobseekers/jobseekers_workshops.html

CRAM (Christian Recovery Aftercare Ministry)

CRAM provides pre-release and re-entry services to prisoners and people with criminal histories. CRAM'S goals are to assist clients to achieve self-sufficiency, gain economic stability, develop a healthy lifestyle and live productively in the community. Services are provided in the areas of employment, computer literary, budgeting, obtaining temporary housing, substance abuse counseling and mentoring services.

Contact:

Juanita Edrington-Grant
Chief Executive Officer
509 Division Street

Harrisburg, PA 17110
717-234-3664
E-Mail: juanitagrant@verizon.net
Web Site: www.craminc.org

Allegheny Power Pennsylvania Energy Assistance Programs

Pennsylvania Energy Assistance Programs

If you need assistance, or know someone who does, please call our Universal Services Group at 1-800-207-1250. The sooner you call, the more options there are to help you. We can discuss a special payment plans or other payment assistance options. Here are a few:

Consumer Credit Counseling Services (CCCS) serves as liaison between the customer and the customer's creditors and provides budget counseling, a supervised Debt Management Program, and suspension of penalty and interest charges on debt for customers overburdened with debt.

Customer Assistance and Referral Evaluation Service (CARES) is a special service for selected, payment-trouble customers who cannot pay the full amount of their electric bills due to a temporary hardship such as a serious illness, loss of income, or death of a primary wage earner. CARES is not designed to work with chronically delinquent customers or those with no intention of paying electric bills. CARES Representatives work with customers on a personal basis to help them identify available community resources.

\$1 Energy Fund (DEF) administers the program to provide utility bill assistance to low-income customers. Contributions from shareholders, utility employees, and customers are primary sources of funding for these programs. Funds make payments directly to companies on behalf of customers who still have a critical need for assistance after other resources have been exhausted. Allegheny power matches DEF grants 100%.

Low-Income Payment and Usage Reduction Program (LIPURP) provides:

- Affordable monthly payments
- Supplemental grant to help customers keep their monthly bill current. Customers must pay LIPURP payments on time.
- 2% pre-program arrearage forgiveness when monthly payments are made
- Referrals for additional assistance

Low-Income Usage Reduction Program (LIURP) provides:

- Free home weatherization to help reduce energy costs
- Energy education
- Referrals for additional weatherization assistance

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is administered by the Department of Public Welfare to help eligible customers on low or fixed incomes pay their fuel bills through energy assistance grants. Customers do not have to have an unpaid bill or be on public assistance for customers to receive grants.

Social Service Agency List – to find the agency in your area, please call our Universal Services group at 1-800-207-1250.

Bill Extender Plan - If you receive Social Security or federal government pension benefits, our Bill Extender Plan may be right for you. We may be able to adjust the due date of your bill to coincide with the arrival of your monthly check. Call us at 1-800-Allegheny for more information or to sign-up.

Third Party Designation - With this plan, you can designate a friend, neighbor, relative, or social service agency to receive a disconnection notice should you miss your bill payments because you're away or ill. The party you choose has no obligation to pay the bill but can help you make payment arrangements and avoid disconnection. Call us at 1-800-Allegheny for more information or to sign-up.

Protection from Abuse Order (PFA) – A PFA is a civil order from the court that protects you and your minor children from your abuser. A PFA can be requested on your own behalf against a family or household member who is causing the abuse. Under the law, abuse is considered:

- Bodily injury or rape; criminal charges are not required to be filed
- Reasonable fear of imminent serious bodily injury
- Child abuse
- Stalking
- Being held against your will

What you need to know. If you have a valid Protection From Abuse Order (PFA), regardless of your income, you will receive the following protections from Allegheny power.

- Allegheny power cannot disconnect your electric service during the winter period without permission from the Public Utility Commission.
- Electric service may not be disconnected on a Friday.
- You will receive additional notice prior to termination.
- If you are required to pay a security deposit, you may be able to pay it in three payments.

Domestic Violence Programs The domestic violence hotline is available 24 hours a day, and all services are free and confidential. For more information, look in the blue pages of your local phone book, or call 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) for contact information. **Please note:** In order to receive the above listed protections concerning your electric service, you will be required to provide Allegheny power with a copy of your PFA Order. Allegheny power will not share this information with any third party.

PENNSYLVANIA County Assistance Offices

County	Assistance Office Address	Telephone/Fax Numbers
Adams	Adams County Assistance Office 225 South Franklin Street P.O. Box 4446 Gettysburg, PA 17325-4446	Toll Free: 1-800-638-6816 Phone: 717-334-6241 Fax: 717-334-4104
Allegheny	Allegheny County Assistance Office Headquarters Piatt Place 301 5th Avenue Suite 470 Pittsburgh, PA 15222	Phone: 412-565-2146 LIHEAP (Cash) 412-562-0330 LIHEAP (Crisis) 800-851-3838 Fax: 412-565-3660

Alle-Kiski District 909 Toll Free: 1-800-622-
Industrial Blvd New 3527 Phone: 724-339-
Kensington, PA 15068- 6800 Fax: 724-339-6850
0132

**Institution-Related
Eligibility District
(IRED)** 301 5th Phone: 412-565-5604
Avenue Suite Fax: 412-565-5074
420 Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Liberty District 914 Penn Phone: 412-565-2652
Avenue Pittsburgh, PA Fax: 412-565-5088
15222-3793

Three Rivers District 400 Phone: 412-565-7755
Stanwix Street Room Fax: 412-565-5198 or
900 Pittsburgh, PA 5075
15222-1316

Southeast District 220 Phone: 412-664-6800 or
Sixth Street McKeesport, 6801 Fax: 412-664-5218
PA 15132-2720

Southern District 300 Phone: 412-565-2232
Liberty Avenue 9th Fax: 412-565-5179
Floor Pittsburgh, PA
15222-1217

**Greater Pittsburgh East
District** 5947 Penn Phone: 412-645-7400 or
Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 7401 Fax: 412-645-7008
15206-3844

Armstrong

**Armstrong County
Assistance Office** 1280 Toll Free: 1-800-424-
North Water 5235 Phone: 724-543-
Street Kittanning, PA 1651 LIHEAP 724-543-
16201-0898 6076 or 800-543-5105
Fax: 724-548-0274

Beaver

**Beaver County Assistance
Office** 171 Virginia Toll Free: 1-800-653-
Avenue P. O. Box 3129 Phone: 724-773-
349 Rochester, PA 7300 LIHEAP 724-773-
15074-0349 7495 Fax: 724-773-7859

Bedford	Bedford County Assistance Office □ 150 North Street Bedford, PA 15522-1040	Toll Free: 1-800-542-8584 Phone: 814-623-6127 LIHEAP 814-624-4072 Fax: 814-623-7310
Berks	Berks County Assistance Office □ Reading State Office Building 625 Cherry Street Reading, PA 19602-1188	Phone: 610-736-4211 LIHEAP 610-736-4228 or 866-215-3911 Fax: 610-736-4004
Blair	Blair County Assistance Office 1100 Green Avenue Altoona, PA 16601-3440	Phone: 1-866-812-3341 LIHEAP 814-946-7365 Fax: 814-941-6813
Bradford	Bradford County Assistance Office 1 Progress Plaza P.O. Box 398 Towanda, PA 18848-0398	Toll Free: 1-800-542-3938 Phone: 570-265-9186 Fax: 570-265-3061
Bucks	Bucks County Assistance Office 1214 New Rodgers Road Bristol, PA 19007-2593	Phone: 215-781-3300 Toll Free: 1-800-362-1291 LIHEAP 215-781-3393 or 1-800-616-6481 Fax: 215-781-3438
Butler	Butler County Assistance Office □ 108 Woody Dr. Butler, PA 16001-5692	Toll Free: 1-866-256-0093 Phone: 724-284-8844 Fax: 724-284-8833
Cambria	Cambria County Assistance Office □ 625 Main Street Johnstown, PA 15901-1678	Toll Free: 1-877-315-0389 Phone: 814-533-2491 LIHEAP 814-533-2253 Fax: 814-533-2214
Cameron	Cameron County Assistance Office 411 Chestnut Street P.O. Box 71 Emporium, PA 15834-0071	Phone: 814-486-3757 LIHEAP 814-486-1206 Fax: 814-486-1379

Cumberland	Cumberland County Assistance Office 33 Westminster Drive P.O. Box 599 Carlisle, PA 17013-0599	Toll Free: 1-800-269-0173 Phone: 717-240-2700 Fax: 717-249-8141
Dauphin	Dauphin County Assistance Office 2432 N. 7th Street P.O. Box 5959 Harrisburg, PA 17110-0959	Toll Free: 1-800-788-5616 Phone: 717-787-2324 LIHEAP 717-265-8919 Fax: 717-787-3040
Delaware	Delaware County Assistance Office Headquarters 701 Crosby Street Suite A Chester, PA 19013-6099	Phone: 610-447-5500 LIHEAP 610-447-3099 Fax: 610-447-5399
	Crosby District 701 Crosby Street Suite A Chester, PA 19013-6099	Phone: 610-447-5300 LIHEAP: 610-447-3099 Fax: 610-447-5399
	Darby District 845 Main Street Darby, PA 19023	Phone: 610-461-3800 Fax: 610-461-3900
Elk	Elk County Assistance Office 145 Race Street P.O. Box F Ridgway, PA 15853-0327	Toll Free: 1-800-847-0257 Phone: 814-776-1101 LIHEAP 814-772-5215 or 814-776-1101 Fax: 814-772-7007
Erie	Erie County Assistance Office 1316 Holland Street P.O. Box 958 Erie, PA 16512-0958	Toll Free: 1-800-635-1014 Phone: 814-461-2000 LIHEAP 814-461-2002 Fax: 814-461-2294
Fayette	Fayette County Assistance Office 41 West Church Street Uniontown, PA 15401-3418	Toll Free: 1-877-832-7545 Phone: 724-439-7015 LIHEAP 724-439-7125 Fax: 724-439-7002
Forest	Forest County Assistance Office 171 Elm Street Tionesta, PA 16353	Toll Free: 1-800-876-0645 Phone: 814-755-3552 Fax: 814-755-3420

Franklin	Franklin County Assistance Office □ 620 Norland Avenue Chambersburg, PA 17201-4205	Toll Free: 1-800-921-8839 Phone: 717-264-6121 LIHEAP 717-262-6579 Fax: 717-264-4801
Fulton	Fulton County Assistance Office □ 539 Fulton Drive P.O. Box 637 McConnellsburg, PA 17233-0637	Toll Free: 1-800-222-8563 Phone: 717-485-3151 Fax: 717-485-3713
Greene	Greene County Assistance Office 100 Greene Plaza Waynesburg, PA 15370	Toll Free: 1-888-410-5658 Phone: 724-627-8171 LIHEAP 724-627-7668 Fax: 724-627-8096
Huntingdon	Huntingdon County Assistance Office □ 7591 Lake Raystown Shopping Center Huntingdon, PA 16652-0398	Toll Free: 1-800-237-7674 Phone: 814-643-1170 LIHEAP 814-643-4098 Fax: 814-643-5441
Indiana	Indiana County Assistance Office 2750 West Pike Road Indiana, PA 15701	Toll Free: 1-800-742-0679 Phone: 724-357-2900 LIHEAP 724-357-2918 Fax: 724-357-2951
Jefferson	Jefferson County Assistance Office 100 Prushnok Drive P.O. Box 720 Punxsutawney, PA 15767-0720	Toll Free: 1-800-242-8214 Phone: 814-938-2990 LIHEAP 814-938-1329 Fax: 814-938-3842
Juniata	Juniata County Assistance Office □ 100 Meadow Lane P.O. Box 65 Mifflintown, PA 17059-9983	Toll Free: 1-800-586-4282 Phone: 717-436-2158 Fax: 717-436-5402

Lackawanna	Lackawanna County Assistance Office □200 Scranton State Office Building 100 Lackawanna Avenue Scranton, PA 18503-1972	Toll Free: 1-877-431-1887 Phone: 570-963-4525 LIHEAP (cash) 570-963-4842 LIHEAP (crisis) 570-963-6836 Fax: 570-963-4843
Lancaster	Lancaster County Assistance Office □832 Manor Street P.O. Box 4967 Lancaster, PA 17604-4967	Phone: 717-299-7411 LIHEAP (cash) 717-299-7543 LIHEAP (crisis) 1-800-732-0018 (toll free) or 717-299-7301 Fax: 717-299-7565
Lawrence	Lawrence County Assistance Office 108 Cascade Galleria New Castle, PA 16101-3900	Toll Free: 1-800-847-4522 Phone: 724-656-3000 LIHEAP 724-656-3021 Fax: 724-656-3076
Lebanon	Lebanon County Assistance Office □625 South Eighth Street P.O. Box 870 Lebanon, PA 17042-0870	Toll Free: 1-800-229-3926 Phone: 717-270-3600/3623 LIHEAP 717-273-1641 Fax: 717-228-2589
Lehigh	Lehigh County Assistance Office □101 South 7th Street Allentown, PA 18101-2295	Phone: 610-821-6509 Fax: 610-821-6705
Luzerne	Luzerne County Assistance Office □Wilkes-Barre District 205 South Washington Street Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711-3298	Phone: 570-826-2100 LIHEAP: 570-826-2041 LIHEAP (crisis) 570-826-0510 Fax: 570-826-2178
	Hazleton District □Center Plaza Building 10 West Chestnut Street Hazleton, PA 18201-6409	Phone: 570-459-3800 LIHEAP: 570-459-3834 Fax: 570-459-3931

Lycoming	Lycoming County Assistance Office □ 400 Little League Boulevard P.O. Box 127 Williamsport, PA 17703-0127	Toll Free: 1-877-867-4014 Phone: 570-327-3300 LIHEAP 570-327-3497 Fax: 570-321-6501
McKean	McKean County Assistance Office 68 Chestnut Street Suite B Bradford, PA 16701-0016	Toll Free: 1-800-822-1108 Phone: 814-362-4959 Fax: 814-362-4959
Mercer	Mercer County Assistance Office □ 2236 Highland Road Hermitage, PA 16148-2896	Toll Free: 1-800-747-8405 Phone: 724-983-5000 LIHEAP 724-983-5022 Fax: 724-983-5706
Mifflin	Mifflin County Assistance Office □ 1125 Riverside Drive Lewistown, PA 17044-1942	Toll Free: 1-800-382-5253 Phone: 717-248-6746 LIHEAP 717-242-6095 Fax: 717-242-6099
Monroe	Monroe County Assistance Office □ Business Route 209 South at Tanite Road P.O. Box 232 Stroudsburg, PA 18360-0232	Toll Free: 1-877-905-1495 Phone: 570-424-3030 LIHEAP 570-424-3517 Fax: 570-424-3915
Montgomery	Montgomery County Assistance Office □ Norristown District □ 1931 New Hope Street Norristown, PA 19401-3191	Toll Free: 1-877-398-5571 Phone: 610-270-3500 LIHEAP: 610-272-1752 Fax: 610-270-1678
	pottstown District □ 24 Robinson Street pottstown, PA 19464-5584	Toll Free: 1-800-641-3940 Phone: 610-327-4280 LIHEAP 610-272-1752 Fax: 610-327-4350
Montour	Montour County Assistance Office □ 327 Church Street P.O. Box 278 Danville, PA 17821-0278	Toll Free: 1-866-596-5944 Phone: 570-275-7430 LIHEAP 570-849-2001 Fax: 570-275-7433

Northampton **Northampton County** Phone: 610-250-
Assistance Office □ 201 1700 LIHEAP 610-250-
Larry Holmes Drive P.O. 1785/6 Fax: 610-250-
Box 10 Easton, PA 1839
18044-0010

Northumberland **Northumberland County** Toll Free: 1-800-368-
Assistance Office □ 320 8390 Phone: 570-988-
Chestnut Street Sunbury, 5900 LIHEAP 570-988-
PA 17801 5996 or 800-332-
8583 Fax: 570-988-5918

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BONDING

PROGRAM

An Incentive Program for Hiring Individuals with Criminal Records

Some employers may require their employees to be bonded as protection against money or property loss due to employee dishonesty. However, many private bonding agencies will not bond job applicants with criminal histories or other questionable past behaviors because they are often categorized as "at-risk" or "not bondable." Being ineligible for private bonding insurance can be an additional employment barrier for many qualified job applicants with past criminal records. The Federal Bonding Program exists to help alleviate employers' concerns about hiring qualified, but "at-risk," job applicants.

What Is the Federal Bonding Program?

The Federal Bonding Program serves as a job placement tool by guaranteeing to an employer the job honesty of "at-risk," hard-to-place job applicants.

- The Federal Bonding Program issues fidelity bonds, which are business insurance policies that protect employers in case of theft, forgery, larceny, or embezzlement of money or property by an employee who is covered by the bond. The bond coverage is usually \$5000 with no deductible amount of liability for the employer. Higher amounts of coverage, up to \$25,000, may be allowed if justified. The bond does not cover liability due to poor workmanship, job injuries, or work accidents.
- Bond packages are issued by the Department of Labor to a purchasing organization such as a job placement agency or employer. The purchasing organization can be public or private, nonprofit or for profit. Then, the job placement organization or employer is able to bond individuals who other bonding agencies usually will not, such as individuals with criminal records.
- The bond is put into effect instantly on the first day of employment. The employer simply makes the applicant a job offer and sets a date for the individual to start working. There are no forms or other papers for the employer to sign, and no processing to delay matters.

Who Is Eligible for the Federal Bonding Program?

- Bond coverage is provided for any at-risk job applicant whose background usually leads employers to question their honesty and deny them a job. This includes people with criminal records, people in treatment or recovery for alcohol and/or other drug addictions, and people with little or no work history, including people transitioning from welfare to work.
- All jobs are bondable in private and public sectors, full and part-time positions, as well as jobs secured through temporary agencies. The bond insurance is **free** to the employer. It goes into effect the first day of the job applicant's employment and will terminate after six months. After the six months, continued coverage can be purchased under the program's bond.
- The employer must make the applicant a job offer and set a date for the individual to start work.
- Bonds also can be issued to cover an already employed worker who needs bonding in order to (a) prevent being laid off, or (b) secure a promotion to a new job at the company.

Efficiency and Effectiveness of the Program

