

COMING BACK TO ULSTER COUNTY

**A GUIDE AND RESOURCE LIST
FOR THOSE RETURNING
FROM PRISON OR JAIL
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INTRODUCTION

From the Minister:

Please accept with our compliments, this resource guide for people returning to the community from prison or jail.

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation has for many years focused its attention upon the need for reform and aid in all facets of the penal system. One of the greatest areas of need lies in the ability to access the resources and support required for anyone to make a successful transition from prison life back to the community. This guide is aimed at making that transition just a little easier.

We attempted to put together in one volume all the resources used by the various agencies in this field. We hope that its organization is clear and self-explanatory, and that you will find this guide helpful. It is designed for people formerly incarcerated, and for all agencies, organizations, religious and volunteer groups and individuals working with former prisoners. It presents a comprehensive review of services and resources available in Ulster County.

I wish to extend my personal thanks to the Restorative Justice Group of the Social Action Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Catskills, and especially to Wanda Goldstein, who took up this idea and brought it to fulfillment.

The Reverend Dr. Linda Anderson

From the Editor:

Publication of the present guide has been made possible by the ready response of all those asked to participate in the effort. Ulster County is rich in resources that can help people who are newly released to make a successful reentry. Our agencies and community groups willingly provided material, emphasizing where possible those offerings that might be especially helpful to a former prisoner. We offer the guide with all our best wishes for the success of those returning to our community.

Sources included several of the fine resource guides already in print, and with their permission some of the material has been reprinted here. We would like to thank The NYS Department of Labor for their booklet *The Prime Objective: A Guide to Preparing the Job Seeking Ex-Offender*, The New York Public Library, Correctional Library Services, for *Connections 2007: A Guide for formerly incarcerated people to Information Sources in New York City*, written by Stephan Likosky, and The Center for Law and Justice for *On Your Own: Information and Resources for Persons Formerly Incarcerated, The Convicted & their Families in the Capital District*.

This book is offered free to those returning from prison or jail. Inquire at the office of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Catskills, 845-331-2884. The book may be copied in whole or in part by agencies and community groups for their own use, or for distribution without charge to recipients.

The material is available online at two websites: that of the congregation www.uucckingston.org, click Social Action/click Restorative Justice, and at the Reentry Net website www.reentry.net/NY, click Find a Resource Provider. Both websites will be regularly updated. You will notice a few bracketed sections [] in the document. These represent Editor's notes for clarification.

Wanda Goldstein, Editor
Restorative Justice Group

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A. PUBLICATIONS

Online access to present document *Coming Back To Ulster County*:
www.uucckington.org, click Social Action, click Restorative Justice
or **www.reentry.net/NY**, click Find a Service Provider

Reentry.Net: website: www.reentry.net/NY

Reentry Net is a statewide collaborative online resource center for advocates in the reentry community, and for people with criminal records

The online resource center library contains extensive information and practice materials for service providers and other professionals and policy makers in New York State

The public resources section contains information for non-professionals, including online copies of resource guides: www.reentry.net/NY, click Find a Service Provider

Reentry Net is a joint project of The Bronx Defenders and Pro Bono Net in partnership with dozens of organizations throughout New York State

Contact: Reentry Net Coordinator, The Bronx Defenders, 718-838-7878

Hudson Valley Connections 2007

Columbia, Dutchess, Putnam, Greene, Ulster Counties

Published by Mid-Hudson Library System

Outreach Services Department

103 Market St.

Poughkeepsie NY 12601

website: www.midhudson.org/hvconnections/>

Guide to basic services for those returning to the five counties from incarceration. Free upon written request. May be downloaded from website listed above. Hard copies available in area libraries

Connections 2007: A guide for formerly incarcerated people to information sources in New York City

Published by The New York Public Library

Correctional Library Services

455 Fifth Ave.

New York, NY 10016

212-340-0918

website: www.nypl.org/branch/services/connections

A guide for people returning from prison

Most resources listed are for New York City, but the guide contains much valuable information and advice about job preparation and searches, life management and counseling, legal resources and rights

Available at many area libraries, or order by phone (at Mid-Hudson Libraries, shelf # is Ref. 650.14 Lik)

Free for ex-prisoners and helping agencies

On Your Own: Information and Resources for Persons Formerly Incarcerated, The Convicted & their Families in the Capital District

Published by The Center for Law and Justice, 2007

Pine West Plaza Bldg. 2

Washington Avenue Extension

Albany NY 12205

518-427-8361 Fax: 518-427-8362

e-mail: cflj@knick.net

website: www.cflj.org, click Reentry Resource page, click *On Your Own*

Free directory for persons formerly incarcerated, the convicted, and their families

Focus is on the Albany area, but contains valuable general information and advice

Great depth in legal matters, e.g. parole and probation, employee and other rights

The Prime Objective: A Guide to Preparing the Job Seeking Ex-Offender

Published by The New York State Department of Labor, designed especially for those in reentry
Free at any office of the NYS Department of Labor, including DOL, 601 Development Court, Kingston
Information on rights and special job programs for those formerly incarcerated
Pointers on finding work. Information on how to get needed documents, such as birth certificate,
Social Security card, Certificates of Relief From Disabilities or Certificate of Good Conduct etc.
How to change the name on your Social Security card if you now want to use a different name
How to get a copy of your rap sheet and correct any mistakes; how to get veterans benefits if eligible

Fortune News (Also see description under GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES)

Published by The Fortune Society, a self-help organization with a national membership of incarcerated
and formerly incarcerated people
53 W. 23rd St. 7th Floor
New York NY 10010
212-691-7554 Fax 212-255-4948
website: www.fortunesociety.org
Newsletter published for incarcerated or formerly incarcerated persons. Free.
Call Monday-Thursday 9-8, Friday 9-5
Spanish spoken

Booklets from Legal Action Center:

How to Get and Clean Up your Rap Sheet (Spanish version: *Como Obtener y Corregir sus Antecedentes Penales u Hoja de Arresto en el Estado de Nueva York*)

How To Obtain Important Documents

Certificate of Relief from Disabilities and Certificate of Good Conduct

Employment Discrimination and What to do About It; Occupational Licensing Survey

Published by The Legal Action Center

225 Varick St. – 4th Floor

New York, NY 10014

212-243-1313 Fax: 212-675-0286

website: www.lac.org

Offices open Monday-Friday 9 to 6. Those persons formerly in prison should call Tuesday or Friday
No charges or fees

H.I.R.E. Network News

Membership newsletter published by the National H.I.R.E. Network (Helping Individuals with Criminal
Records Reenter through Employment)

Same address and telephone as Legal Action Center above

Membership and newsletter free

website: www.hirenetwork.org, click Resources and Assistance, click NY

Internet source of information on employment laws, agencies and sources of help, state by state

Ulster County Government: Agencies, Programs and Services

Resource Guide to all County services

Available at libraries and at Town, Village and City Halls

United Way's 211

Dial 211 Note: If you have difficulty reaching 211, dial 1-800-899-1479

24-hour information and referral help line sponsored by United Way

Directs caller to area agencies, charities and other providers of services

English and Spanish, with language link to many other languages

website: www.uwuc.org describes local United Way providers

B. FIRST STEPS

BEFORE LEAVING PRISON

Take Advantage of Transitional Services Programs in Your Facility

These programs offer important help as you plan reentry into the outside community. They will help you gather the documents you need (see lists below) so that you can have many or most of them when you leave prison. They will in many cases have updated listings of agencies and community groups that can help you in finding a job and locating helpful public services. They can give you information about possibilities for education and training.

Gather Together the Documents That You Will Need

1. Keep your inmate photo ID. Keep a copy of prison release papers to be eligible for some benefits or programs. If lost, write for copies to the facility in which incarcerated.
2. Try to have several other ID's when you leave prison. If you don't have them upon release, get them as soon as possible. Parole and Probation Officers and community agencies can help. You will need:
3. A Social Security Card and proof of identification (a Birth Certificate or Passport, Driver's License or Non-Driver's Photo ID for example).
4. For Driver's License or Non-Driver ID: ex-prisoners are eligible only for Non-Driver ID until Parole Officer's approval for Driver's License. Must have Birth Certificate or passport, Social Security card, photo ID (e.g. Prisoner ID), and parole papers, all in the same name. Immigrants need such documents as naturalization papers, resident card, foreign passport or similar papers. Ask Parole Officer for help with these, and you can get a list of acceptable documents from the local Motor Vehicle office.
5. Others documents commonly required, or which may be quite helpful are:
Certificate of Relief from Disabilities or Certificate of Good Conduct (see below under WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT OR ADDRESS EMPLOYMENT OR LICENSING DISCRIMINATION)
Military Discharge Papers: DD214.
Alien Registration Card for non-U.S. Citizens
Proof of Education (college transcript or GED certificate, for example)
Proof of Functional Disability if disabled

Further Steps to Take

1. Find out how to fill out employment applications: know questions employers are not allowed to ask, and how best to answer some that may be asked. (See section JOBS AND TRAINING.)
2. Get a copy of your rap sheet and "clean up" any inaccuracies. (information below)
3. Get help to clear any existing bench warrants.
4. Child support: Immediately contact the Family Court which originally decided your child support payment and get Family Court Form 4-11A "Petition for Modification of Order Made by Family Court or Another Court." (This form is for NY courts only: for other states contact original court in that state.) Sign the form and a Financial Disclosure Affidavit before a notary, attach a copy of the original Child Support Order, and mail to the court as soon as possible.

Future payments can be modified to reflect your current income level and you can ask for a workable payment plan for arrears. It may not be possible to erase or reduce arrearages, but any present change can be made retroactive to the date of the filing of your Petition, so file as soon as possible.

5. Restore your voting rights when eligible: If incarcerated for misdemeanors, you may register to vote in your home county and may vote by absentee ballot even while incarcerated. For a felony conviction, you may register (or reregister) if you have not been sentenced to imprisonment, or you have finished serving the required time and your period of parole or probation. (A person sentenced to probation does not lose the right to vote.)

Get a voter registration form at your local Board of Elections, at any office of the Department of Motor Vehicles, or at any state agency. Or go online at www.elections.state.ny.us. Mail or deliver to the Board of Elections with proof of identity and address. (Although you still have to provide proof of identity, mailing may be a preferable way to register for someone who has been incarcerated since it limits personal contact with Board of Election officials, who may express their biases in processing the application.)

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT OR ADDRESS EMPLOYMENT OR LICENSING DISCRIMINATION IF YOU HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD

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Get a Copy of Your Rap Sheet

Make sure you get a copy of your criminal arrest record (rap sheet). Your rap sheet contains information about arrests, arrest charges, convictions, sentences, and more. There are two reasons it's important to get a copy for yourself.

- You need to be able to present your criminal record accurately to prospective employers. If you have forgotten about a conviction or don't know the disposition of certain charges, a prospective employer may, once they obtain a copy of your records, reject you for misleading them, even when that was not your intention.
- Arrest and conviction records often contain errors, inaccurate information. It is possible that your rap sheet may contain duplicate entries, or erroneous and incomplete sentencing information. If this is the case, these errors need to be corrected as soon as possible.

Anyone in New York State can obtain their rap sheet by filing a formal "Request for Record Review" with the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) in Albany, along with a complete set of fingerprints and a \$50 fee (the fee can be waived if you can prove financial hardship). [Note: A copy of your rap sheet is free of charge if you are currently serving a sentence of more than 45 days.]

You can get the "Request for Record Review" form by writing or calling
New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services
Records Review Unit
4 Tower Place
Albany NY 12203
518-485-7675

When you receive your rap sheet, a "Statement of Challenge" form will be included. This form can be used to ask DCJS to correct any mistakes or problems on the rap sheet.

Remove Statutory Bars with a Certificate of Rehabilitation

Under New York law, you can remove bars to employment and to eligibility for certain occupational licenses by obtaining a Certificate of Rehabilitation.

a. Certification of Relief from Disabilities

If you have only one felony and/or any number of misdemeanors, you may apply for a Certificate of Relief from Disabilities. To apply, contact the original court of conviction, or the New York State Division of Parole (see address below).

b. Certificate of Good Conduct

If you have more than one felony, you may apply for a Certificate of Good Conduct. To apply, contact the Division of Parole:

New York State Division of Parole
Executive Clemency Bureau
97 Central Ave.
Albany NY 12206
518-473-5195 [or 518-485-8953]

[NOTE: For the Certificate of Good Conduct there is a waiting period of 3-5 years depending upon the level of felony. After the waiting period, apply to the NYS Division of Parole (see above), complete the application, and have the forms notarized.

For the Certificate of Relief from Disabilities, those who were convicted outside NY State must apply to NYS Division of Parole rather than to the court of conviction. The Certificate of Relief from Disabilities can be applied for while still under parole or probation.]

LEARNING ABOUT CHANGES IN DAILY LIFE

Many things have no doubt changed since you left. Try to find someone to help you adjust to new ways of doing common activities. A relative or neighbor might spend a day with you checking things out in your neighborhood, in local stores etc. Parole and Probation Officers may direct you to support groups or others who can help. Local clergy may direct you to helpful groups or individuals in the area.

Bus travel may be different. New buses and new rules will mean new ways of paying and new fares. There may be new ways to signal when you want to get off. Routes and schedules may be unfamiliar. Phone and phone bills have changed and are still changing. Learn what it costs for some of the calls you make. Get familiar with cell phones and cordless phones, even if you don't own one. If you sometimes call long distance you may want to know how to use prepaid phone cards.

Computers are a fact of life. Your local library probably provides computer time, and can offer free instruction or direct you to someone who can. You will want to learn basic skills or upgrade the skills you have. For more advanced education in computing (some of it free), see sections EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES and JOBS AND TRAINING.

You will probably be shocked at prices for groceries, a can of soda, a new shirt, and of course rent. Look for advice on ways to cut costs, and check your eligibility for food stamps. See sections GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES and FOOD AND CLOTHING for temporary and long-term support, and EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES (Cornell Cooperative Extension) and HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS (Mental Health Association) for help with budgeting and daily life skills. Above all, keep your eyes open and ask questions.

C. GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Fortune Society (see PUBLICATIONS for newsletter, free for incarcerated or formerly incarcerated persons)

53 W. 23rd St. 7th Floor

New York NY 10010

212-691-7554 Fax: 212-255-4948

website: www.fortunesociety.org

A nonprofit ex-prisoner organization dedicated to helping those in prison or formerly incarcerated

Located in NYC, but offers helpful information and advice by newsletter, website or phone

(generally ex-prisoner to ex-prisoner)

Call Monday-Thursday 9-8, Friday 9-5

Spanish spoken

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also HOUSING AND EMERG. SHELTERS; FOOD & CLOTHING; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

PO Box 3516

Kingston NY 12402

331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490

Hotline is answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail

Fees: none

website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org

e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Office hours Monday-Friday 8-5

Spanish spoken

Accessible to people with disabilities

Provides wide variety of services including case management, crisis intervention, emergency services, HIV/AIDS issues, counseling, homeless shelter, food pantries, clothing exchange, help for victims of domestic violence, substance abuse etc. Available to all in need of help regardless of past offences

Woodstock Office

16 Rock City Road

Woodstock NY 12498

Phone is Crisis Intervention Hotline (above), answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

Building is open 7 days/week, 365 days/year 9:30am to 9:30pm

Walk-ins 9:15am to 9:45pm, or 24 hours in emergency

Accessible to people with disabilities

Family of New Paltz office

51 N. Chestnut St.

New Paltz NY 12561

255-8801 Fax: 255-3498

Telephone answered 24 hours/day

Office open Monday-Friday 10-5

Walk-in or telephone

Accessible to people with disabilities

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GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

(continued) Family of Woodstock, Inc.

Family of Ellenville office
221 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-2443 or 647-5700 Fax: 647-2460
Telephone answered 24 hours/day
Office open Monday-Friday 9-4:30, but closed Monday 12-2
Walk-in or telephone
Accessible to people with disabilities

Services can be accessed by contacting any branch of Family of Woodstock

Emergency Assistance

Crisis intervention, emergency short-term counseling, information and referral, emergency food and access to emergency housing, after hours weekend and holiday coverage for Ulster County Mental Health Services, access to Benedictine Hospital's psychiatry emergency services, clothing exchange
24-hour Hot-line services available at Woodstock, New Paltz and Ellenville offices

Adult Case Management

Call Main Family office at 331-7080

Available to all in need of help, regardless of past offences

Provides intensive case management services for individuals and families regarding entitlement systems, medical, legal, housing, vocational, employment, criminal justice systems etc. Also provides drug and alcohol prevention services and advocacy with detox, rehab and other treatment programs, and services for HIV/PLWAS

Non-Residential Youth Case Management, ages 12-20

Referrals or self-referrals, regardless of income

Street Outreach Program for Youth

Provides outreach primarily to homeless, domestic violence victims and runaway youth in Ulster County
Also provides assistance with accessing shelter, food, medical treatment, life skills training and management services

Child Care Services: (Child Care Council of Ulster County)

331-5197 Fax: 331-0526

e-mail: cccouncil@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Provides information and referrals to day care services in Ulster County

Training and technical assistance for family day care providers

GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Salvation Army (see also HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD & CLOTHING; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

Corps Community Center of Kingston

35 Cedar St.
Kingston 12401
331-1803
Doug Rockwell, Administrator of Social Services

Help with paper work for Social Services and other agencies: Dial ext. 4
Administers Good Neighbor Fund for help with utility bills: Dial ext. 3
Food Pantry M-F 9-12
Emergency prescriptions for diabetics
Emergency transportation upon verification of destination, such as job interview, medical appointment, relative or automobile repair shop
Thrift store at 884 Albany Ave., 338-9695

People's Place (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

773 Broadway (entrance on St. James)
Kingston NY 12401
338-4030 Fax: 338-6055
website: www.peoplesplace.org
hours: M-F 10am-1pm
Walk-in or referral
No fees
Accessible to people with disabilities

Emergency Assistance Program for low income persons in financial crisis
Small grants for medical transportation, prescriptions and other emergencies according to need and availability of funds
Food Pantry: three days' food for people in financial hardship
Thanksgiving food, Christmas toys
Thrift Store: clothing (free for those in need)

U.S. Social Security Administration

289 Stockade Drive
Kingston NY 12401
338-2589
Or call 800-772-1213 for nearest office of **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**
website: www.ssa.gov
Open M-F 9-4

Apply for Social Security card or obtain replacement of lost card
Apply for Social Security benefits
Apply for Social Security for the Disabled (SSD)
Apply for Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (SSI)
Get information on Medicare Prescription Drug Plan

GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Ulster County Department of Social Services (see also HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTER; FOOD AND CLOTHING (Food Stamps); DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

1061 Development Court

Kingston NY 12401

334-5000 Fax: 334-5420

Open M-F 8am-5pm

Call for appointment - Accessible to people with disabilities

Temporary Assistance (Welfare)	Food Stamps	HEAP Program for Utilities Help
1021 Development Court	1051 Development Court	334-5000
334-5000	334-5200	
Emergencies addressed daily	Applications also available	
Applications M-F 8-11 am	at Town Offices in County	

Children and Family Services (Seniors/Children)	Ulster County Day Care Unit
1091 Development Court	1091 Development Court
334-5400	334-5281
M-F 9am-5pm	

Those who have been in prison may be eligible for a wide range of social services upon release, such as housing assistance, Medicaid, Food Stamps, financial assistance for day care etc.

Department can provide information on eligibility

Groups such as Family of Woodstock, The Salvation Army, Parole and Probation Officers and other professionals can offer advice and help in filling out necessary forms

Ulster County Veterans Service Agency (see HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS for VA Clinic and Health Care Transportation)

308 Flatbush Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

340-3190 Fax: 340-3194

e-mail: tbre@co.ulster.ny.us

Office open M-F 9-5

Satellite Office

50 Center St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-3332

Open Tu & Thu 9:30-4:30

Benefits generally not affected by criminal record, with honorable discharge

Help with request for copy of DD214

Help with Applications for all veterans' benefits including education, vocational training, counseling, health care, employment (For veterans' employment and training, see Department of Labor entry in JOBS AND TRAINING)

Health Care Transportation (for information on VA Primary Care Clinic, and transportation to Clinic and VA hospitals, see HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS)

Agency assistance free.

Possible co-pay for VA clinic and other VA health care.

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

1-800-827-1000 TDD 1-800-829-4833

GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

Kingston Hospital (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

396 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401
331-3131: central switchboard
943-6012: Public Relations Office
Accessible to people with disabilities

General and emergency hospital services
New-Parent Help line 331-4357: 24 hr hotline for new parents with questions on infant care
Diabetes classes
Health-related support groups: Pain Management, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Sleep Problems & others
Call Public Relations Office (943-6012) for list of active groups and times of meetings

Benedictine Hospital (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS)

105 Mary's Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
338-2500 Fax: 334-4916
Baby-Care Hotline 334-4807
Emergency 334-4902
Psychiatric Emergency 334-3093 TDD Emergency 334-4945
website: www.benedictine.org
Accessible to people with disabilities

General and emergency hospital services
Emergency Mental Health services 24 hours/day
Sponsors many cancer support groups

Ellenville Regional Hospital (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS)

Route 209
PO Box 668
Ellenville NY 12428
647-6400 Fax: 647-6450

General and emergency hospital services
Nutritional counseling, diabetes counseling, laboratory services, radiology, physical therapy,
pain management, cardiology and other general services

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ulster County

95 Grand St.
Kingston NY 12401
338-0431 Fax: 331-2262
Colleen Mountford, Program Director

Provides recreational, cultural, and educational mentoring programs
One-to-one mentoring provides youth with a positive relationship with an adult volunteer, who offers support, guidance and individual attention, and acts as a positive role model
Community Based Programs serve children 6-18
Amachi "Children of Promise" Program offers mentoring for children ages 4-16 with an incarcerated parent
School-based Mentoring Program operates in elementary schools, Grades 2-8; mentor meets with child one hour per week, supported by Big Brothers Big Sisters staff members on-site at school

GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

SCORE: (Strand Community Organization to Rehabilitate the Environment)

(also see HOUSING & EMERG. SHELTERS; EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES;
JOBS AND TRAINING)

694 Broadway
Kingston NY 12401
339-3934
e-mail: SCORE694@cstdsl.net
Office open M-F 9-5

Pending Skilled Trades Training Program: carpentry, masonry, plumbing, electrical
Life Skills Workshops: Five week financial literacy workshop series for individuals and families
Developing self-esteem, discussion groups, COPE (Creating Lasting Family Connections)
Housing program: renovation and preservation of housing
Apartment rental placement counseling
Assists first-time homebuyers by collaborating with homebuyer programs
Education: Hosts and supervises after school "Read & Write Program" at Kingston Library
Children 4-14 including "At-Risk-Kids": M-F 3:30-6pm; summer 9am-2pm
Manages Summer Reading Program
Technical Assistance: workshops and seminars to individuals, organizations and small businesses
(all programs subject to available funding)

YMCA

Jack Young, Director
507 Broadway
Kingston NY 12401
338-3810

Financial aid available for three-month membership, on sliding scale up to 100%
Family program "Kids Together" in collaboration with Ulster Department of Mental Health:
Family members participate together in improving family and social relationships and life skills

Fathers' Rights Support and Counseling

331-2662

Miscellaneous Emergency Numbers

Police, Fire, Ambulance 911
Community services 211 (Sponsored by United Way 211)
24 hour telephone information system for emergency and community services
English and Spanish, plus language link for many other languages
Referral for help with food, clothing, illness, housing, financial assistance etc.

Deaf Emergency NYS Police TTY 1-800-342-4357
or Kingston State Police 338-4502
Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222
Youth Crisis and Runaway Hotline 1-800-448-4663

Federal, State and County Agencies – next page

GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Federal Citizens' Information Center
800-688-9889
or 800-FED INFO (800-333-4636)
website: www.firstgov.gov

Call 800 number above to find out how to reach *any* federal agency, and most New York State governmental agencies.

A menu lists the most common: government assistance, government jobs, how to obtain a birth certificate, Social Security and Medicare/Medicaid questions, taxes, document authentication, job discrimination problems and other work-related issues, immigration problems.

Press "0" (zero) to reach a person to answer your questions.

Some often-used agencies:

U.S. Department of Labor 866-487-2365

EEOC Equal Employment Opportunity Commission 800-669-4000

Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration, Vital Records Section 787-767-9120

NEW YORK STATE AGENCIES

website: www.state.ny.us

Lists offices and agencies of the state government. Click on "Government Agencies."

For telephone numbers it may be convenient to call the 800 number for the federal government (listed above) and ask for the desired New York State agency.

ULSTER COUNTY AGENCIES AND SERVICES

website: www.co.ulster.ny.us

Click on agencies or services shown, or click on Departments and Services

Contains online information, telephone numbers and addresses

D. HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; FOOD & CLOTHING;
HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE;
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

PO Box 3516
Kingston NY 12402
331-7080 Fax: 331-0526
Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490
Hotline is answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week
Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail
Fees: none
website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org
e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org
Office hours Monday-Friday 8-5
Spanish spoken
Accessible to people with disabilities

Darmstadt Shelter
331-1395 Fax: 331-4467
Supervised shelter
Provides crisis intervention, emergency housing, referrals, three meals daily to residents, laundry, children services coordination, case management, employment counseling, life skills training, housing information, free clothing exchange.
Residents must be clean and sober; serves primarily single individuals
Not available at present for those with sex-offender record, although other housing help is offered.

Family Inn (Supervised Shelter)
340-1847 Fax 339-0549
Parenting training, recreation
Serves primarily homeless families

Domestic Violence Shelter
Seventeen-bed shelter for women and children in need of safe emergency housing. This program also provides support counseling, case management services, parenting services, extensive referrals, a clothing boutique, a food pantry for ex-residents and a children's program with support counseling, educational activities and referrals.

Family House
338-5953 Fax: 338-6178
Intake by referral, by community agency, school, community, family member or self
Co-ed crisis shelter for adolescents provides safe and caring environment, individual family and group counseling, referrals as needed for mental health and substance abuse, and medical needs.
All services confidential and voluntary.
Stay can be up to 30 days, although an approved extension for 30 days is possible.

MidWay I and II
Kingston: 339-5508
Ellenville: 647-1346
Office hours 24 hours/day, 7 days/week
Shelters provide supervised living programs for youth 16 to 21 and their infants, with a stay of up to 18 months
Resident develops service plan with a case manager, designed to learn necessary skills, complete education and work at least part-time. Parenting skills for those with infants.

HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Salvation Army (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; FOOD & CLOTHING;
HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE;
THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

Corps Community Center of Kingston

35 Cedar St. Kingston 12401

845-331-1803

Administrator: Major James Kissler

Administrator of Social Services: Doug Rockwell

Good Neighbor Fund for help with utility bills: Dial ext. 3

Emergency purchases of propane and payment of utility bills for heating, cooking and lighting

Help with filing for Section 8 housing: Dial ext. 4

Ulster County Department of Social Services, Emergency Housing/HEAP

(see also GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES;
FOOD AND CLOTHING (Food Stamps); DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

1061 Development Court

Kingston NY 12401

Open M-F 8am-5pm

334-5000

Accessible to people with disabilities

Provides access to emergency housing, including referral to appropriate providers

HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program)

334-5000

Provides financial grants to income-eligible people to help pay for heating and utilities

(For those 60 and older, see Office for the Aging below)

Provides Emergency HEAP assistance for income eligible people whose utilities have been shut off for non-payment or who have shut-off pending

Ulster County Office for the Aging

(see also FOOD & CLOTHING; LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION)

1003 Development Court P.O. Box 1800

Kingston NY 12401 Kingston NY 12402

340-3456 Fax: 340-3583

M-F 9-5

For HEAP Program listed above, seniors over 60 years of age must apply through Office for the Aging, unless they are receiving food stamps. If receiving food stamps, apply through the Ulster County Department of Social Services listed above.

Administers Housing Authorities serving seniors and disabled persons throughout Ulster County Public housing, applications for Section 8 etc. (Check eligibility: Section 8 for those formerly incarcerated depends upon the offence for which you were convicted.)

HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Rural Ulster Preservation Company (RUPCO)

289 Fair St.
Kingston NY 12401
331-2140

Helps provide affordable, rental or ownership, as available
Emergency assistance may be available to pay first month's rent, or back rent
Handles applications for Section 8 subsidized housing (Check eligibility: Section 8 for those formerly incarcerated depends upon the offence for which you were convicted)

SCORE: (Strand Community Organization to Rehabilitate the Environment)

(see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES;
JOBS & TRAINING)

694 Broadway
Kingston NY 12401
339-3934
e-mail: SCORE694@csdsl.net
Office open M-F 9-5

Housing program: renovation and preservation of housing
Apartment rental placement counseling
Assistance for first-time home buyers by collaborating with homebuyer programs
(all programs subject to available funding)

Miscellaneous Utilities Assistance

Red Cross
338-7020
can arrange for 75 gallons of fuel

E. FOOD AND CLOTHING

Ulster County Department of Social Services (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING **Food Stamps Program** & EMERG. SHELTERS; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERV.)

1051 Development Court
Kingston NY 12401
334-5200

New applications and interviews M-F 8-11am, also M & W 1-4pm
Applications also accepted at all Town offices throughout the County
Family of Woodstock, The Salvation Army, Parole and Probation Officers etc. can help with application

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

Woodstock Office
16 Rock City Road
Woodstock NY 12498

679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490

This phone is a Crisis Intervention Hotline, answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week
Building open 7 days/week, 365 days/year 9:30am to 9:30pm, walk-in accepted
Accessible to people with disabilities

Serves Woodstock and Ulster County West of Woodstock
Limited to once per month with three days of food supplied

Domestic Violence Shelter
Food pantry and clothing boutique for ex-residents

Family of New Paltz office

51 N. Chestnut St.

New Paltz NY 12561

255-8801 Fax: 255-3498

Telephone answered 24 hours/day

Accessible to people with disabilities

Emergency Food Pantry serving New Paltz and surrounding area

Limited to once a month service with three days' food supplied

Open 10-4 five days/week and last Saturday of each month 11-1, walk-in accepted

(At other times call 24-hour phone number listed above)

Family of Ellenville Office

221 Canal St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-2443 or 647-5700 Fax: 647-2460

Telephone answered 24 hours/day

Office open Monday-Friday 9-4:30 but closed Monday 12-2

Accessible to people with disabilities

Food Pantry and clothing boutique, walk-in accepted

Pantry limited to once a month service with three days' food supplied

Open during office hours listed above (At other times call 24-hour phone number above)

FOOD AND CLOTHING

Ulster County Community Action (NYS and Federal Support)

70 Lindsley Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
338-8750 ext.105

Extra Helpings Program: Food Pantry open Mon, Wed, Fri 9-11:30am

Angel Food East for HIV/AIDS (also listed in HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS)

Hosted by **St. John's Episcopal Church** (see THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

207 Albany Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
331-6538

Prepares and delivers meals to people with HIV/AIDS Monday-Friday

The Salvation Army (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING & EMERG. SHELTERS; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

35 Cedar St.
Kingston NY 12401
331-1803

Food Pantry M-F 9-12: three days' food for each family member (one pick-up in a 90-day period)

Thrift Store: 884 Albany Ave., Kingston, 338-9695

People's Place (see also GENERAL AND & EMERGENCY SERVICES)

773 Broadway (entrance on St. James)

Kingston NY 12401

338-4030 Fax: 338-6055

hours: M-F 10am-1pm

Walk-in or referral; no fees - accessible to people with disabilities

Food Pantry: three days' food for those experiencing hardship (one pick-up in a 30-day period)

Thrift Store: clothing, free for those in need.

Thanksgiving food & Christmas toys for children 12 and younger

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (see also EDUCATION & LIBRARY SERVICES; LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

122 Clinton Ave.

Kingston, NY 12401

331-7118

Lunch program Monday through Friday at noon: walk-in

Ulster County Office for the Aging (see also HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS (for HEAP) LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION)

1003 Development Court

Kingston NY 12401

340-3456 Fax: 340-3583

M-F 9-5

P.O. Box 1800

Kingston NY 12402

Low cost lunch programs weekdays for people 60 and older: call for nearest location

Home Delivered Meals weekdays for homebound Ulster County seniors in need of this help

Ellenville Nutrition Center call 647-1605

FOOD AND CLOTHING

Holy Cross Episcopal Anglican Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

30 Pine Grove St.
Kingston NY 12401
331-6796

St. Simon's Sit-down: meals served Saturday and Sunday 11:30am

Thrift Shop: open Saturday mornings 9am-12

Soap Closet: hygiene supplies 3 days/month: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the last full week of the month which contains these three days Tuesday and Thursday 10am-12, Wednesday 1-3pm

First Baptist Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

77 Albany Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
331-5044

Wednesdays 5:30pm, September through August: evening meal served at the church

Pointe of Praise Family Life Center (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

243 Hurley Ave. P.O. Box 1279
Kingston, NY 12401 Kingston NY 12402
339-4615

Food pantry open M-F 9:30am-3pm; also have clothes closet. Call for information & directions

Rondout Valley Food Pantry at Episcopal Church of Christ the King (see THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

3021 State Rt. 213 East
Stone Ridge NY 12484
687-4013 pantry office

Food pantry pick-up Tues and Thurs mornings and by appointment

Atonement Lutheran Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

100 Market St.
Saugerties NY 12477
246-8322

Lunch program Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 1pm: walk-in

Food pantry available most days except Mondays

Call the office most mornings 8am-12 Tuesday-Friday for information

St. John the Evangelist Church (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

915 Route 212
Saugerties NY 12477
246-9581

Food pantry available to people living in this area of Saugerties: Wed and Fri 10am-12

FOOD AND CLOTHING

Catholic Charities

59 Pearl St.
Kingston NY 12401
340-9170 (call for general information)
Office open M-F 9-5

Food pantry for special dietary needs: Tuesdays 1-4pm. Doctor's note required at first visit, then food is available twice per month

Hurley Mission, Hurley NY
338-7121

Food pantry open Monday, Tuesday Wednesday 11am-2pm
Monday only: free store for clothing 1-2pm
Wednesday 1pm: clothing available at Everett Hodge Community Center, 21 Franklin St., Kingston

Churches and Community of Woodstock

26 Mill Hill Rd: **Christ's Lutheran Church** (see THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
Woodstock NY 12498
679-2336

Daily Bread: meals served MWF 4:30-6pm

The Council of Churches, Woodstock

Tinker Street: **Woodstock Reformed Church** (see THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
Woodstock NY 12498
679-6610

Good Neighbors Food Pantry: open Thursdays 9-11am (one or two bags of food)

Ellenville Reformed Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

188 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-4130

Thrift Store (clothing): Wednesday 10am-3pm, Thursday 10am-2pm, Saturday 10am-noon
For emergency needs at other hours, call church office

Ellenville United Methodist Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

83 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-7094

Food Pantry open Wednesdays 9-10:30am

St. Paul A.M.E. Zion Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

156 Center St. Mailing Address: PO Box 306
Ellenville NY 12428
647-8172
Reverend Edward Holmes

Food pantry available: call church office for information

FOOD AND CLOTHING

Rural Opportunities, Inc. (see also JOBS AND TRAINING; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS)
2010-2 Milton Industrial Park

Milton NY 12547

795-2092 Fax: 795-2099

Open M-F 8:30am – 5pm

Walk-in, telephone or referral

No fees

Accessible to people with disabilities

Food pantry on site for migrant and other farm workers, M-F 8:30am-5pm

Ulster County Department of Health (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS)

WIC Program (Women, Infants and Children)

883-5259

Supplemental food program for qualifying women, infants and children

Nutrition information, health and social services referrals

For low-to-moderate income pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children under five years old, nutritionally at risk

Saugerties Area Council of Churches

44 Livingston St. – (bring proof of local area address)

Mon & Th 10am-noon; Tues 7-8pm

Rochester Food Pantry

626-7501

Helping Hands Ministry

St. Charles Borromeo Church Hall

Rt. 44/55 Gardiner

Thurs noon-2pm

Meals on Wheels - Woodstock

679-4656

call M-F 8:30-11am

Cost: \$3.50 per meal delivered

F. EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Kingston Public Library

55 Franklin

Kingston, NY 12401

331-0507

website: kingstonlibrary.org

e-mail: kingstonlibrary@hvc.rr.com

Open Mon & Thurs 10-6, Tue & Wed 10-8, Fri 10-5, Sat 10-4, closed Sunday

Library services, references, guides and directories, computer usage

Access to the Internet, including websites listed in this Resource List, such as:

Website of Fortune Society, Legal Action Society and other help groups for those in reentry

Websites of government agencies

Websites for job searches and self-employment (One-Stop of Ulster County, NYS Dept. of Labor)

Business Resource Center

Education information and opportunities

e-mail available (user can set up e-mail account)

Books for GED

Books on job searches, how to write a resume etc. (ask librarian)

Resource Materials on hand: ask at desk

Connections: Resource list and helpful information for those formerly incarcerated

Community and Family Guide – Ulster County Edition: Business establishments for goods and services;

Community Directory for emergency services, support groups, hot lines, schools, health providers

Guide to *Ulster County Government Agencies, Programs and Services*

Directory of Continuing Education Resources in the Mid-Hudson Region (under grant from Mid-Hudson Library System) listing available programs and agencies for education and training.

McKinney's *Consolidated Laws of New York*: compendium of NYS laws

Encyclopedia of Careers: discussion of careers, description of work, education needed, usual pay level

All major area newspapers in periodical room: news, help wanted pages, available rentals etc.

Note: similar resources also available at many other Ulster County libraries, listed below

Ellenville Public Library

40 Center St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-5530 Fax: 647-3554

website: rcls.org/epl

e-mail: /epl@rcls.org

Open M-Th 10am-8pm, Fri 10-5, Sat 10-3

Accessible to people with disabilities

Library Services including reference materials and directories

Free computer service and e-mail; access to Internet (See Kingston entry for websites for those formerly incarcerated)

Periodicals and newspapers, want ads, rentals etc.

Adult Literacy Program

Classes and individual one-on-one tutoring for adults 18 and up

ESL (English As a Second Language); literacy for English-speaking people by appointment only

Students meet with volunteer tutors in the library one hour per week

Note: there is a waiting list for assignment of a tutor

Fill out application at library

Free instruction; may need to purchase some books

Town of Esopus Port Ewen Library

128 Canal St. – PO Box 1167
Port Ewen, NY 12466
338-5580 Fax: 388-5583
website: www.esopuslibrary.org
e-mail: esopus@hvc.rr.com
Open Mon, Tues, Th 10-5:30; W 10-8, F 10-7, Sat 10-4
Accessible to people with disabilities

Library services, references, guides and directories, computer access and e-mail service
Free instruction in Internet Basics: half-hour sessions. Telephone for times and information.

Use of computerized catalogue
Searching websites
Use of e-mail services, etc.

West Hurley Public Library

42 Clover St.
West Hurley, NY 12491
679-6405 Fax: 679-2144
website: www.westhurleylibrary.org
e-mail: mailbox@westhurleylibrary.org
Open Mon & Wed 2-8pm, Tues & Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10-4

Library services, references, guides and directories
Free Computer tutoring: call for appointment

Other area libraries:

Gardiner Library 255-1255, website: rcls.org/gar
Hurley Library Assn. 338-2092, website: hurley.lib.ny.us
Highland Public Library 691-2275, website: highlandlibrary.org
Clintondale Branch 883-5015
Stone Ridge Library 687-7023, website: stoneridgelibrary.org
Marlboro Free Library 236-7272, website: marlborolibrary.org
Milton-Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library 795-2200, website: hallock.milton.lib.ny.us
New Paltz: Elting Memorial Library 255-5030, website: elting.newpaltz.lib.ny.us
Olive Free Library 657-2482, website: olive.westshokan.lib.ny.us
Plattekill Library 883-7286, website: plattekill.lib.ny.us
Rosendale Library 658-9013, website: rosendalelibrary.org
Saugerties Public Library 246-4317, website: saugertiespubliclibrary.org
Phoenicia Library 688-7811, website: phoenicia.lib.ny.us
Morton Memorial Library 254-4222, website: morton.pinehill.lib.ny.us
Wallkill Public Library 895-3707, website: rcls.org/wak
Town of Ulster Public Library 338-7881, website: ulster.lib.ny.us
Wawarsing: Cragsmoor Free Library 647-4611, website: rcls.org/crg
Woodstock Library 679-2113, website: woodstock.org

EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Ulster County BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) (see also JOBS AND PO Box 601 (TRAINING)

Port Ewen NY 12466

331-0902 Fax: 331-4655

website: www.ulsterboces.org

Office open Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm, Fri 9-4

Accessible to people with disabilities

GED (General Equivalency Diploma) and ESL (English As a Second Language)

Free for anyone 21 years or older

GRASP (GED Home Study Program) and Crossroads Café (ESL Home Study Program)

Another Page Home Study Program

Math Basics Home Study Program

Services provided at sites below and many other locations. Ask for one nearest you.

Satellite Education and Adult Services:

BOCES Career and Technical Center/Adult Education – Port Ewen

Rt. 9W

Port Ewen NY 12466

BOCES Career & Technical Satellite – Lake Katrine

701 Grant Ave.

Lake Katrine NY 12449

BOCES Adult Education - Ellenville

Center St.

Ellenville NY 12428

Ulster Literacy Association, Inc.

635 Broadway

Kingston, NY 12401

331-6837 Fax 331-8455

website: www.ulster.net/~literacy

Dina L. Wilcox, Executive Director

Volunteer tutors with 18 hours special training teach clients to read, write and improve literacy skills

Programs are for adults: clients must be 16 and not in school

Service is free and confidential

Teaching is usually one-on-one but can be in a group, or a family group

SCORE: (Strand Community Organization to Rehabilitate the Environment)

(see also GEN'L & EMERGENCY SERVICES; HOUSING & EMERG. SHELTERS;

694 Broadway

JOBS & TRAINING)

Kingston NY 12401

339-3934

e-mail: SCORE694@cstdsl.net

Office open M-F 9-5

Life Skills Workshops: Five week financial literacy workshop series for individuals and families

Developing self-esteem, discussion groups, COPE (Creating Lasting Family Connections)

Hosts and supervises after school "Read & Write Program" at Kingston Library

Children 4-14 including "At-Risk-Kids": M-F 3:30-6pm; summer 9am-2pm

Manages Summer Reading Program and Summer Youth Employment Program

Technical Assistance: workshops and seminars for individuals, organizations and small businesses

(all programs subject to available funding)

EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Cornell Cooperative Services

10 Westbrook Lane

Kingston, NY 12401

340-3990 Fax: 340-3993

website: www.cce.cornell.edu/ulster

Mon-Fri 8:30-5

Accessible to people with disabilities, and can come to homes if necessary

Family Budget Counseling, money management skills

Parent Education and Child Development

Food and Nutrition: Expanded Food and Nutrition Program for clients in the Women, Infants and Children Program of Ulster County Health Department

Eat Smart New York for food stamp recipients only

Programs teach nutrition, economical food planning and purchasing

Service delivered one-on-one, or advisor can come and speak to small groups

Call for appointment

Free and confidential

Ulster County Community College (see also JOBS AND TRAINING)

Cottkill Road P.O. Box 557

Stone Ridge NY 12484

687-5000 Fax:687-5083

www.sunyulster.edu

Extension Centers:

1 Development Court Highland Middle School Extension (evening classes only)

Kingston NY 12401 320 Pancake Hollow Rd.

339-2025 Highland NY 12528

691-4401 (evenings)

College courses leading to a degree, or for skills training, career preparation or life-long learning

Offers OASIS program for associate's degree entirely online

The Learning Center provides remedial help for courses being taken at the College campus

Development Court extension has classrooms, computer laboratories and other facilities

Sponsors ACES Program (below) for students with psychiatric disabilities

Mental Health Association in Ulster County (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, & HIV/AIDS)

A.C.E.S. Program (Academic Coaching for Education Success)

Sponsored by Ulster County Community College

Stone Ridge, NY 12484

687-5073

Office hours: M-F 9-4:30

Accessible to people with disabilities

Supported program at Ulster County Community College for students with psychiatric disabilities

Help in managing the college environment according to individual needs

Appointment preferred but not required

EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES

YWCA: Even Start Family Literacy

209 Clinton Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
338-6844 Fax: 338-0620

Cooperative program with BOCES (One parent must be enrolled in GED or ESL program)
Family must include children 8 years of age or younger
Home visitors work with families to improve literacy and parenting skills
Telephone or referral
Free

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING; LEGAL SERVICES

122 Clinton Ave. AND MEDIATION; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
Kingston, NY 12401
331-7188
Reverend Darlene L. Kelley, Pastor

GED program Tuesday and Thursday 12:30-3:30pm
Rainbow Kids (After School Enrichment Program) Wednesday 3:30-5pm (September-June) ages 6-12

G. JOBS AND TRAINING

NOTE: See Chapter B “First Steps” for actions you should take before, and immediately after, release from prison or jail. There you will see what documents you will need, and a section on “What You Can Do to Prevent or Address Employment or Licensing Discrimination If You Have a Conviction Record.” This deals with cleaning up your rap sheet, Certificates of Rehabilitation etc.

YOUR RIGHTS AS AN EX-OFFENDER

Excerpted with permission from *The Prime Objective: A Guide to Preparing the Job Seeking Ex-Offender*
Free at any office of New York State Department of Labor
(see also PUBLICATIONS)

As an ex-offender in New York State, there are certain things you need to know regarding your employment rights.

- Employers can ask about convictions, but not about arrests.
- Employers who cannot get your Rap Sheet are allowed to request job applicants to submit disposition slips as part of the application process.
- Whether you are an ex-offender or not, a new federal law bans employers from using polygraph tests as a basis for employment. Polygraph (lie detector) tests can be given once on the job if a specific incident has arisen. Even then, employees must receive written notice of the incident and of the date, time and location of the polygraph test 48 hours prior to being tested.
- Employers are not allowed to discriminate against ex-offenders, unless, as noted before, the employment relates to your felony conviction. However, proving such discrimination is difficult. If you feel that you have been discriminated against solely on the basis of being an ex-offender, you may contact either the Legal Action Center in New York City or the New York State Division of Human Rights.
- Ex-offenders are entitled to written reasons as to why they were denied a position even if unrelated to their history of conviction. This information could be helpful in future job interviews. [Note that job-seeking ex-prisoners who are not hired are the only applicants in New York State that are entitled to a written reason, to be delivered within 30 days.]

As covered in Chapter II [of *The Prime Objective*], obtaining Certificates of Relief and Good Conduct are your best bet for restoring your legal rights.

PROGRAMS WHICH APPLY TO EX-OFFENDERS

There are many incentive programs for an employer to hire you. These incentives can apply to ex-offenders among other special customer groups. Being an ex-offender, you would qualify under a special applicant group category. Examples are:

Federal Bonding Program – This program is for individuals who cannot be bonded by an employer’s private bonding company.

Bonds are either \$5000 or \$10,000. Bonds are automatically issued for \$5000, unless the State Bonding Coordinator, or his designee, approves the local office request for \$10,000. The State of New York has only a limited amount of funds for fidelity bonds.

An individual or employer can contact the NYS Department of Labor for information on how to start the process. A bond can be written to cover the individual as of the first day of work. The only factor which would disqualify you from the Federal Bonding Program is the previous default on a bond issued by this program. (Defaults on other bonds are *not* counted.)

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W.O.T.C. (Work Opportunity Tax Credit) – For these qualified ex-felons who meet the income guideline, the hiring employer is eligible to receive up to 40% of the first \$6000 (for a maximum of \$2400) in wages paid to that employee. Contact either NYSDOL or your Parole Officer for assistance. [Note that businesses receive an additional \$3000 for such an employee if they are located in an Empire Zone, such as Kingston.]

O.J.T. (On-the-Job-Training) – The NYSDOL can inform you where OJT opportunities might exist in your area. You still need to be certified and will need the documents mentioned in Chapter I [of *The Prime Objective*]. OJT jobs have the advantage of offering marketable experience in a job you may have done while incarcerated but are having difficulty securing on the street.

Dislocated Worker – Check with you local NYSDOL to see if you are entitled to training opportunities for dislocated workers. They might be able to offer you training in a new field.

V.E.S.I.D. (Vocational Educational Services for Individuals With Disabilities) – If you have a physical or mental disability that prevents you from doing your previous line of work, you may be eligible for VESID services. VESID has resources to pay for training programs and schooling. VESID is listed under the NYS Department of Education in the telephone book or you may also check with the NYSDOL for that information.

RESUMES, APPLICATIONS AND REFERENCES

Get help in writing a resume or fact sheet about your experience. Before release Transitional Services can offer guidance, and after release you can get help at the Ulster County One-Stop Job Center, the New York State Department of Labor, or your local library. There are sample resumes in booklets listed in PUBLICATIONS, for example in *Connections* and *The Prime Objective*. Your resume should be typed, and many public libraries in our area have word processing machines where you can prepare it.

Your resume can be a chronological resume, a skills resume or a combination of both. The first shows your education, military service, training programs and jobs under these categories, each in reverse chronological order (the most recent first). The skills resume lists your skills and abilities. This type is useful for those who have had many different jobs, significant periods of unemployment, long incarceration, or a great many skills acquired in everyday life or during incarceration. Here you should list any ability you have that may be useful, and include anything that shows that you have been able to practice something and learn it, that you have taken the lead in some project or supervised some activity, that you can use a computer, speak a second language etc. These forms can be combined, with a chronology first, followed by a list of your various skills and abilities.

Choose several references that you can offer to employers. They can be teachers, former employers, business people, counselors, clergy, etc. Let them know ahead of time that you plan to list them as references, and be sure you know their addresses and telephone numbers. You can list your references at the end of your resume, or you can type “References Available upon Request” and perhaps take the names and addresses with you to the interview in case the interviewer asks for them.

Most employers will ask you to fill out a job application. Have with you a written list of facts you will need. (You must write them on the application even if they are also in your resume.) Besides your address, a phone where you can be reached, date of birth and Social Security number, you will need to list education and past jobs. Get as much information as you can on names of schools, dates, diplomas, certificates or degrees you earned. For the section on past jobs, applications generally ask for dates, names of employers, the kind of work you did and why you left. Try to give answers that are truthful but which sound as positive as possible. Learn how to present information on convictions and rehabilitation in the most favorable light. (You can seek advice from One-Stop Centers listed below, pp. G-6 & G-7.)

POINTERS ON THE JOB SEARCH

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(see entry in PUBLICATIONS for description and ordering information—free to ex-prisoners & helping agencies)

Surviving Until the Right Job Comes Through - Assess your resources and plan realistically.

The search for work may take as long as six to nine months, especially in periods of high unemployment. Thus, it is important to plan a long-term strategy. Here are some of the questions to ask yourself: Can my spouse help support me while I seek work? Am I eligible for unemployment insurance, or any other type of government assistance, such as food stamps or welfare? If I have savings, how long will they last? Do I have friends or relatives from whom I might borrow? How long will I be able to continue on a survival-type budget, given the resources available to me? Keep in mind that looking for work often turns out to be a full-time job in itself. To do it well requires a lot of concerted effort and persistence. The more time you can allocate to the task, the better your chances of landing a suitable job.

Be Willing to Take a Less Desirable Job, or Part-Time Work, to Begin.

Most people need to work, at least part-time, to support themselves while job hunting. Indeed, it is rare for anyone to find the job they desire most when they first (re)enter the job market.

But this is no reason to be discouraged. Whatever the job you choose, it will help pay the bills, provide you with work experience, teach you work habits if you are inexperienced, and possibly furnish you with contacts which can lead you to a better position.

It is important to be aware, also, that entry-level positions are not all necessarily dead-end. Indeed, at many companies it is required, regardless of your background, that you begin at the bottom and work your way upward. So in considering an entry-level position, also ask what opportunities exist for training and for advancement within the company.

The advantage of part-time employment, or day labor, in which case you get paid at the end of each day worked, is that it can help support you in paying for the bare necessities of life, while still allowing you free time to pursue job contacts and interviews.

INTERVIEWING FOR A JOB
Preparing for the Job Interview

Know Your Qualifications

Be sure that you can explain briefly and clearly what your qualifications are for the job, and how your past experience or training is applicable to your fulfilling the requirements of the position. Be able to talk, if asked, about what you see as your major strengths and weaknesses. Avoid personal factors that have no relevance to performing the job in question. When discussing a weakness, show not only that you are aware of the problem, but the measures you have taken to help solve it....

Be prepared for any tests you might have to take, such as a typing test, for which you may wish to practice.

Learn About the Company

It is very helpful for you to learn something about the company and the job for which you are applying—before the interview. This way you will be better able to explain why you want to work for the particular company, and what it is about the particular job that attracted you. It also shows the employer how interested you are in the position and that you have taken the initiative to do some research....

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Bring the Materials You'll Need

When you go for an interview, be sure to bring a pen and pencil, extra copies of your resume or fact sheet, and whatever special documents you may need.

Your resume or fact sheet should include the names and addresses of your past employers, and the dates of your employment. It should include the names of the schools and/or training programs you've attended, also with addresses and dates. Be sure to include a list of three references as well. References are people (preferably not related to you) who are familiar with your work or character. It is also important to bring with you to the interview any special documents you think you may need. Depending on the nature of the job, these may include a birth certificate, Social Security card, prison release papers, work permit, military records, etc. And, of course, don't forget to bring with you the name of the person who will be interviewing you, and his or her title. If you are not sure of the pronunciation of the interviewer's or company's name, learn it in advance.

Go alone to the interview. Arrive early. Be courteous and patient.

Never bring friends or relatives with you to an interview. Employers are interested in you alone and what you have to offer. Arrive at the interview five or ten minutes early. To avoid being late, plan out your route the night before....

When you arrive, tell the receptionist who you are, and whom you are waiting to see. Be polite at all times. Sit quietly and try not to get involved in any lengthy exchanges with either the receptionist or others who may be waiting.

Don't get angry or annoyed if you are not called in for the interview at the exact time agreed upon. The interviewer might have been delayed at a meeting, or an unexpected piece of business may have come up. Use the time to review and compose your thoughts. This will be your first test of patience and good manners.

Note: It is impossible to tell how long an interview will take, so be sure not to arrange for two on the same day in such a way that you may be late for the second.

Dress Right

When you go for an interview, it is always best to dress appropriately. This is very important in helping you make a good impression. No gaudy make-up or flashy jewelry. No skintight jeans or slacks, or party dresses. Make sure your hair is clean and combed, your fingernails clean, your shoes shined, and your clothes well pressed.

One helpful piece of advice is to think about what the typical way to dress would be if you were to receive the job for which you are applying. Then, appear at the interview dressed one step "higher," or more conservatively, than that. For example, a nice pair of slacks, shirt and sweater would be appropriate dress for a male interviewing for a service station position – where jeans and a shirt would be the typical daily attire. For men, a tie and jacket, or for women, a skirt and blouse, are appropriate attire for most office position interviews.

Be respectful

When you meet the interviewer, smile and be pleasant. For a handshake, it makes no difference who extends his or her hand first. Show the interviewer proper respect. Call him or her by Mr., Mrs., or Ms., and don't try to be chummy. Don't chew gum or smoke cigarettes, even if they are offered. Don't stare at the clock or your watch. Let the employer control the interview and do most of the talking. Never start an argument with the interviewer, even if he or she seems excessively aggressive in his or her approach. Always remain polite and friendly, but businesslike. Don't be afraid to smile.

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Be Positive in Your Approach

It is important that you stress your qualifications during the interview. Don't exaggerate, however, or try to bluff. Let the interviewer know why you think you would be good for the position, and how your past training and work experience will help you to get ahead on the job....

Avoid the negative.

Keep all personal problems to yourself. Don't talk about your home or financial problems. The interviewer is only interested in finding a dependable and qualified person to fill the position. He or she is not concerned about your need for money. Emphasize what you can do, not what you can't. Don't dwell on your limitations. Don't apologize for lack of education or experience. There are many skills and talents you have developed which you can discuss in an appropriate way—if you learn how....

Ending the Interview and Follow-Up

Ask any questions you may have about the job toward the end of the interview. Usually it is not a good idea to ask about such details as pay, lunch hours, or benefits unless the interviewer brings them up, or it is established that you are a strong contender for the job. If you are asked to discuss salary expectations, be prepared, and be realistic.

In most instances, the decision whether or not to hire you will not happen at the interview. If no indication is given when you can expect to hear from the firm, ask when you can call to learn the decision.

If it seems clear that you won't be getting the job, seek the employer's advice about other jobs with the firm which may come up.

At the end of the interview, always indicated by the interviewer, thank the employer for his or her time, give a firm handshake, and leave.

INFORMATION ON EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION

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Employment Discrimination Law in General

There is no federal statute designed to specifically protect people with criminal convictions from employment discrimination. But policies that specifically deny people jobs on the basis of arrests not followed by conviction, or policies that automatically bar those with a criminal record from employment, have been ruled illegal under federal civil rights laws. Since ethnic minorities are arrested and convicted at a greater rate than whites, courts have found that such policies have a racially discriminatory effect. Therefore, in some cases a refusal to hire on the basis of a criminal record may be illegal race discrimination under federal law.

New York State has two laws that protect persons with criminal records from discrimination by employers and occupational licensing agencies: Article 23-A of the Correction Law (§§750-755) and the Human Rights Law (Exec. L. §296(15), (16)).

Discrimination Based on Arrest

The New York State Human Rights Law prohibits public and private employers and occupational licensing agencies from denying any individual a job or license (or otherwise discriminating against that person) because of any arrest that did not result in conviction (Exec. L. §296(16)). This law also makes it illegal for most employers and licensing agencies to ask applicants to disclose or discuss any arrest that did not lead to conviction. The law does not apply to police or "peace officer" jobs.

Additionally, the Human Rights Law makes it illegal for employers to inquire about an applicant's disabilities, including his or her treatment for alcoholism or drug addiction.

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Discrimination Based on Conviction

Although it is legal for employers and licensing agencies to ask individuals about past convictions for criminal offenses, Article 23-A of the Correction Law (§§750-755) protects people from being unfairly denied jobs or occupational licenses solely because of criminal convictions. This law, which applies to all New York State occupational licensing authorities, public employers (except for positions involving members of law enforcement agencies), and private employers of more than 10 employees, makes it illegal to deny any person a job or license because of his or her past conviction(s) unless that person's conviction(s) are "directly related" to the job in question, or hiring or licensing that person would create an "unreasonable risk" to the safety of people or property.

The factors which must be considered in determining job-relatedness and risk to the public and to property include:

1. New York's public policy to encourage the licensing and employment of persons previously convicted of one or more criminal offenses;
2. The specific duties and responsibilities necessarily related to the license or employment being applied for, and the bearing, if any, that a person's criminal history will have on his or her fitness to perform these duties and responsibilities;
3. The time which has elapsed since the person's criminal conduct, and the person's age at the time of its occurrence;
4. The seriousness of the individual's offense or offenses;
5. The legitimate interest of the employer or licensing agency in protecting property, specific persons, or the general public; and
6. Any evidence of rehabilitation that a person with a criminal history presents, including a Certificate of Relief from Disabilities or Certificate of Good Conduct.

Whether a particular conviction is "job-related" must be determined on a case-by-case basis. The meaning of "job-relatedness" and standards for implementing the law are still being developed. However, New York law does offer persons with a criminal conviction(s) protection against arbitrary discrimination.

JOB-HUNTING RESOURCES IN ULSTER COUNTY

Ulster County One-Stop Job Center (Federally funded)

601 Development Court

Kingston, NY 12401

338-4696 or 340-3170 Fax: 340-3165 or 339-0607

Hours: M-F 8:30am – 5pm

Accessible to people with disabilities

Language capabilities: Spanish, and a translating service for other languages

Excellent place to find work, career counseling, help with interviewing skills, resumes

Special opportunities for those returning from prison, such as training programs and other benefits

Access to federally funded programs which reward businesses who hire those in reentry, with extra bonus if located in an Empire Zone, such as Kingston

Federal Bonding Program for those formerly incarcerated and others with special needs (\$5000-\$10,000)

Help in securing licenses

Use of computers with Internet access; Faxes, telephones, printers, copiers and career reference library

Veterans services and help with benefits

Information and referrals to support services such as childcare, housing, healthcare, transportation, etc.

Participates in Parolee Vocational Rehabilitation Services (PVRS) upon referral by Parole Officer

Advice and assistance on small-business start-ups

Referrals to Ulster County Office of Employment and Training (below p.G-7) and VESID (Vocational & Educational Services for Individuals With Disabilities, p. G-8)

Ulster County Office of Employment and Training (Federally funded)

651 Development Court
Kingston NY 12401
340-3170 Fax: 340-3165

Specializes in retraining and on-the-job training for youth and adults
Personalized service with appointment of a case manager to check aptitudes and help create a plan
Excellent for all who have been out of the job market or are entering the job market
Coordinates with Ulster County One-Stop Job Center and NYS Department of Labor

NYS Department Of Labor – Division of Employment Services (see also PUBLICATIONS)

601 Development Court
Kingston NY 12401
338-4696 Fax: 339-0607
website: www.labor.state.ny.us or www.wdsny.org/Ulster
M-F 8:30am – 5pm
Walk-in or telephone
no fees
Accessible to people with disabilities

Ask for a copy (free) of the NYS Department of Labor booklet *The Prime Objective: A Guide to Preparing the Job Seeking Ex-Offender* (see also PUBLICATIONS)
Labor Exchange program provides services for job seekers: job matching, career planning and counseling, resume guidance and referrals to support services, and training opportunities
Services can be accessed at the Ulster County One Stop Job Center (see entry above)
Veterans Services: program providing services to veterans and other eligibles regarding employment, education, vocational rehabilitation and benefits

Ulster County BOCES: Ulster Adult Career Education Center (see also EDUC. & LIBR. SERV.)

PO Box 601 – 319 Broadway
Port Ewen NY 12466
331-5988 Fax: 331-4655
website: www.ulsterboces.org
Office open Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm, Fri 9-4
Accessible to people with disabilities

Career Counseling

Computer training, including Graphic Software and Design, Software Applications, internet skills
Training in Information Technology, including Network Technician, Programming,
Industry Testing Certification, CISCO Networking Certification

Health Care career training, including Licensed Practical Nurse, O/R Technician, Dental Assistant,
Surgical Technology, EKG Technician

Trades: Electronics, Manufacturing Technology, HVAC/Plumbing, Electrical Trades,
Auto Technology, Welding, Driving programs

Works with NYS Department of Labor and VESID to provide education and training in their programs

Satellite Centers:

BOCES Career and Technical Center – Port Ewen

Rt. 9W
Port Ewen NY 12466

BOCES Career & Technical Satellite – Lake Katrine

701 Grant Ave.
Lake Katrine NY 12449

Training available at other sites in the County: ask for nearest location

VESID (Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities)

65 Albany Ave., Suite E (Main Office: 301 Manchester Mill Rd., Poughkeepsie NY 12603)
Kingston NY 12401

339-4270 Hearing Impaired (TTY): 339-4254 Fax: 339-4620

Office open M-F 8:30-5

Part of New York State Education Department, serving Ulster, Orange, Sullivan, Dutchess, Putnam
Accessible to people with disabilities

Note: All clients are required to attend a Community Information Meeting to determine readiness for
VESID services: for information on upcoming meetings call 339-8169

Offers best opportunity for employment for people with disabilities, regardless of background

Provides education, training, retraining, counseling, job placement and supported employment

Offers training to obtain licenses

Employers hiring VESID candidates may be able to obtain wage reimbursements, tax credits
and incentives.

SCORE: (Strand Community Organization to Rehabilitate the Environment) (see also GEN'L &
EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING & EMERG. SHELTERS.; EDUC. & LIBRARY SERV.)

694 Broadway

Kingston NY 12401

339-3934

e-mail: SCORE694@csdsl.net

Office open M-F 9-5

Pending Skilled Trades Training Program: carpentry, masonry, plumbing, electrical

Certification program leading to jobs in construction and housing maintenance

Participants develop essential work habits, self-discipline, reliability, character development, societal
skills and financial literacy

Life Skills Workshops: Five week financial literacy workshop series for individuals and families

Developing self-esteem, discussion groups

(all programs subject to available funding)

Ulster County Community College (see also EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES)

Cottkill Road P.O. Box 557

Stone Ridge NY 12484

687-5000 Fax: 687-5083

www.sunyulster.edu

Extension Centers:

1 Development Court Highland Middle School Extension (evening courses only)

Kingston NY 12401 320 Pancake Hollow Rd.

339-1322 Highland NY 12528

691-4401 (evenings)

College courses leading to a degree, or for skills training, career preparation or life-long learning

Offers OASIS program for associate's degree entirely online

Development Court Extension has classrooms, computer laboratories and other facilities

Ulster SCORE: Counselors to America's Small Business

SUNY Ulster Business Resource Center

#1 Development Court - Room 101

Kingston NY 12401

339-0468

website: www.scoreulster.org

Sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Association

Locally supported by Ulster County Chamber of Commerce and SUNY Ulster

Clients should have high school diploma or GED

Free confidential counseling to prospective, new or established small business persons

One-on-one counseling available

Information on many kinds of businesses: building trades, health care, tourism, computers etc.

Workshops, seminars and training programs (low-cost, a few free of charge):

Rural Opportunities, Inc. – Employment & Training Program (see also FOOD & CLOTHING;
2010-2 Milton Industrial Park HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS)

Milton NY 12547

795-2092 Fax: 795-2099

M-F 8:30am – 5pm

Walk-in, telephone or referral

No fees

Home visits available

Accessible to people with disabilities

Prime source of information and services for farm workers

Training and job placement for migrant and seasonal farm workers in Ulster County

ESL Classes (English as a Second Language) and other forms of education and training

Food Pantry on site

HIV education and assistance

Referral to other community groups and service agencies as needed

Everett Hodge Community Center

21 Franklin St.

Kingston NY 12401

331-9683

Employment program for low-income persons 16-21 years of age, sponsored by Family of Woodstock

Instruction in Basic Communication Skills, sponsored by SUNY Ulster (UC Community College)

Referral to helping agencies and community organizations

Gateway Community Industries, Inc.

One Amy Kay Parkway 137 N. Chestnut St.

Kingston NY 12401 New Paltz NY 12561

331-1261 255-6700

Accessible to people with disabilities

Supported employment and training for people with disabilities

Work centers and vocational transition centers

Residential services

Psychiatric Rehabilitation and Continuing Day Treatment

Local Boards of Education

Provide working papers for those 14-17 years of age

H. HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS

Kingston Hospital (also see GENERAL & EMERG. SERVICES; SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

396 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401
331-3131: central switchboard
943-6012: Public Relations Office
Accessible to people with disabilities

General and emergency hospital services
New-Parent Help line 331-4357: 24 hr hotline for new parents with questions on infant care
Diabetes classes
Health-related support groups: Pain Management, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Sleep Problems & others
Call Public Relations Office (943-6012) for list of active groups and times of meetings

Benedictine Hospital (see also GENERAL & EMERG. SERVICES)

105 Mary's Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
338-2500 Fax: 334-4916
Baby-Care Hotline 334-4807
Emergency 334-4902
Psychiatric Emergency 334-3093 TDD Emergency 334-4945
website: benedictine.org
Accessible to people with disabilities

General and emergency hospital services
Sponsors many cancer support groups

Benedictine Hospital Psychiatric Care

Emergency psychiatric services 24 hours/day

Benedictine Partial Hospitalization Program

25 Field Court
Kingston NY 12401
338-1844 Fax: 338-0611
Office hours M-F 8:30am-4:30pm
Program hours 9:30am-3pm
Accessible to people with disabilities

For adults with acute psychiatric crisis, through referral by physician or mental health professional
Short-term outpatient program for psychiatric illness in lieu of hospitalization
Therapy and management, building coping skills and stress management

Ellenville Regional Hospital (see also GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES)

Route 209
Ellenville NY 12428
647-6400 Fax: 647-6450

General and emergency hospital services
Nutritional counseling, diabetes counseling, laboratory services, radiology, physical therapy,
pain management, cardiology and other general services

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Medicaid: Medical Assistance Program

1001 Development Court

Kingston NY 12401

334-5035

Open M-F 8-5

Accessible to people with disabilities

Interview by appointment only, in person or by a representative

Interview may also be conducted by some hospitals, attorneys and others deputized for interviewing

People formerly incarcerated are generally eligible for Medicaid. Waiting period: apply immediately.

For individuals and families 19 and up who are within the guidelines for income and resources

Children under 19 who meet income guidelines can receive Child Health Plus A

Children above those levels are referred to Child Health Plus B (not operated under Medicaid)

Adults 19-64 with higher income guidelines can get managed care through Family Health Plus

Special programs include Prenatal Care Assistance, the Family Planning Benefit Program,

Medicaid Buy-in for Working Persons with Disabilities, Chronic Care Medicaid, Care at Home for children, and the TASA Program for pregnant and parenting teens

Ulster County Veterans Service Agency (see also GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES)

308 Flatbush Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

340-3190 Fax: 340-3194

e-mail: tbre@co.ulster.ny.us

Office open M-F 9-5

Director: Terry Breitenstein

Satellite Office:

50 Center St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-3332

Open Tuesday & Thursday 9:30-4:30

Help with applications and paper work for all veterans' services including health care

Transportation to and from Albany VA Hospital daily from Kingston

Transportation to and from Kingston to meet Albany service, from Ellenville MWF

Ambulette available for wheelchair veterans to and from VA Hospitals in Albany and Castle Point,

and to and from Outpatient Clinic in Kingston (see below)

Reservations required for all transportation services

VA Primary Care Outpatient Clinic

63 Hurley Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

331-8322

Primary medical care for eligible veterans, prescriptions for medication through VA,

subject to possible co-pay

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Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD & CLOTHING; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

PO Box 3516

Kingston NY 12402

331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490

Hotline answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail

Fees: none

website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org

e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Spanish spoken

Family of New Paltz office

255-8801

Telephone answered 24 hours/day

Family of Ellenville office

647-2443 or 647-5700

Telephone answered 24 hours/day

After-hours weekend and holiday coverage for Ulster County Mental Health Services

Access to Benedictine Hospital's psychiatric emergency services

HIV/AIDS

AIDS Reachout Project provides street outreach services, distribution of condoms, counseling, assistance with decision to be treated, testing information etc.

Support groups available: HIV/PLWA Group (meets weekly), Bereavement Group, Caregivers Group (meet bi-weekly).

All support group meetings are in Kingston, transportation is available when possible.

Case management available for access to social services, medical care, housing etc.

Salvation Army, Corps Community Center of Kingston (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD PANTRIES, MEALS & CLOTHING; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

35 Cedar St.

Kingston 12401

845-331-1803

Contact: Administrator of Social Services, Doug Rockwell

Emergency prescriptions for people with diabetes

Referrals to health or mental health agencies or institutions, and help with applications as necessary

Angel Food East for HIV/AIDS (also listed in FOOD AND CLOTHING)

Hosted by St. John's Episcopal Church (see THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

207 Albany Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

331-6538

Prepares and delivers meals to people with HIV/AIDS Monday-Friday

Resource Center for Accessible Living

592 Ulster Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
331-0541 Fax: 331-2076 TDD: 331-8680
website: www.rcal.org
Mon-Fri 9am-4:30pm
Intake: call for schedule of workshops
No fees
Accessible to People with Disabilities

Regular workshops offered in independent living skills for people with disabilities
Training and instruction in everyday life skills, and topics such as self-advocacy, budgeting, shopping, using transportation, problem solving and working with landlords
Information on securing adaptive equipment and applying for social security benefits or the PASS plan
Equipment Loan Closet: items for loan such as canes, walkers, crutches, wheelchairs, portable toilets, closed caption equipment, TDD and assisted listening devices
Offers information about options and assistance that may be needed in making choices about independent living and working
Maintains a Center Loan Library for books, tapes and catalogues
Provides special support groups for individuals and families, such as the Independent Living Support Group, the Mood Disorder Support Group for people with bipolar disorder, the MS Support Group for people with Multiple Sclerosis, and the Chronic Fatigue Support Group for those with Epstein Barr or Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

Ulster County Mental Health Department (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

239 Golden Hill Lane
Kingston NY 12401
340-4000 Fax: 340-4094
website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/mentalhealth
Open M-Th 8am-9pm, Friday 8am-6pm
Fees: based upon ability to pay, or funding sources such as Medicare, Medicaid and insurance
Spanish language available
Accessible to people with disabilities

New Paltz/Highland Clinic

560 Rt. 299 East
Highland NY 12528
883-9747 Fax: 883-9751
Open M, Th & F 8-5, Tu 8-8, W 8-6

Ellenville Clinic

50 Center St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-3266 Fax: 647-1103
Open M, W & F 9-5; Tu & Th 9-9

Mental health and substance abuse services for adults and children
Case management as needed
Discharge planning and transitional case management for inmates of County Jail
Participates in Ulster County Drug Treatment Court
Clinical psychiatric services
Individual counseling, support groups, workshops and other mental health services
Help for those having mental health or substance abuse issues with applications for social services, Medicaid, rehabilitation programs and housing
Referral to government agencies and community organizations

HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS

Mental Health Association in Ulster County (See also EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES for ACES Program; see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

300 Aaron Ct.
Kingston NY 12401
or PO Box 2304 (preferred mailing address) Kingston NY 12402
339-9090

Information and Referral Counselor: Ext. 113
Advocacy Service: Ext. 109
Transition Program for youth (described below): Ext. 114

website: www.mhainulster.com

Not-for-Profit Organization
Accessible to people with disabilities

Information and help for mental health needs and mental health advocacy
Educational and service programs

Case management

Help with employment for people with disabilities

Men's Anger Management: program for men struggling with anger control

Women and Anger: program for women struggling with anger control

Coping Skills Program: Help with daily living skills, meets evenings and weekends

Self-help and support groups, and help in starting a new self-help group

Referral to clinical services of Ulster County Dept. of Mental Health or area hospitals

Referral to sub-groups of Mental Health Association, such as:

Adult Residential Program for mental health patients

Community residences, Apartment Program, Supported Housing Program,

Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Residences

Transition Program

Case management for youth 14-24 who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless and have
mental health or substance abuse problems

Help with housing, employment, social opportunities

Family and Youth support services of Mental Health Assoc.

336-4747

Youth self-help and family-based treatment programs for at-risk youth

Planned and Emergency Parent Respite Services

Therapeutic foster care for children with severe emotional disturbances

Harbor Lights Program for foster families and adoption services

H.O.P.E. program: parenting skill workshops: extension 131

Program for families having a member with developmental disability

Call to arrange for counseling

HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS

PEOPLE, Inc.

360 Aaron Court
Willow Park Complex
Kingston NY 12401
331-4965 Fax 331-4973

Peer-run Not-for-Profit agency

Provides peer-support and advocacy services to consumers of the mental health system

Advocates for rights of people with psychiatric symptoms, encouraging personal responsibility for taking control of treatment and recovery

Foster skills that promote a sense of empowerment and self respect

Depression Support Group

Panic/Anxiety Support Group

Collaborate and negotiate with local service providers

Hospital Diversion Program for those seeking an alternative to hospitalization

In-Home Support Program

Rural Opportunities, Inc. (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING; JOBS AND TRAINING)

2010-2 Milton Industrial Park

Milton NY 12547

795-2092 Fax: 795-2099

M-F 8:30am – 5pm

Walk-in, telephone or referral

No fees

Accessible to people with disabilities

HIV education and assistance for migrant and other farm workers in Ulster County

Home visits available

Ulster County Department of Health (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

Nursing Division

302 Flatbush Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

340-3070 Fax: 340-3035

Open M-F 9-5 (Phone number also open nights, weekends & holidays)

New Paltz Office

570 Rt. 299

Highland NY 12528

883-6155

Ellenville Office

50 Center St.

647-2343

Saugerties Office

123 Partition St.

246-2621

Public Health Division

334-5527

Free screening for TB (Tuberculosis), HIV/AIDS and STD (Sexually-Transmitted Diseases)

Free well-child medical examinations

Immunization program (small fee or contribution) for school children and for adult flu and pneumonia

Miscellaneous Health Care Sources

American Cancer Society

331-8308

Free mammograms and other cancer screenings for uninsured or underinsured people 18 and older

Together Rx Access

800-444-4106

website: www.TogetherRxAccess.com

Operated by an association of prescription drug companies

Free card for discounts on prescription medications

For eligible applicants under the age of 65, without insurance coverage for medications

Ulster County Liberty RX Program

800-780-8738

website: www.ulsterrx.com

Ulster County program to provide discount cards to UC residents for prescription drugs

Small Fee for card; discounts 10% to 50%

U.S. Social Security Administration

289 Stockade Drive

Kingston NY 12401

338-2589

Open M-F 9-4

Or call 800-772-1213 for nearest office of **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

website: www.ssa.gov

For information on Medicare Prescription Drug Plan for seniors or disabled persons

EPIC Program for Prescription Drugs

For eligible seniors

See any local pharmacist for information and help in filing forms

New York State Miscellaneous Numbers

AIDS Discrimination 1-800-523-2437

AIDS Free Anonymous Testing and Counseling 1-800-828-0064

Advocate Office for Persons with Disabilities 1-800-522-4369

I. SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Ulster County Mental Health Department (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS)

239 Golden Hill Lane

Kingston NY 12401

340-4000 Fax: 340-4094 - website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/mentalhealth

Open M-Th 8am-9pm, Friday 8am-6pm

Fees: based upon ability to pay, or funding sources such as Medicare, Medicaid and insurance

Spanish language available

Accessible to people with disabilities

New Paltz/Highland Clinic

560 Rt. 299 East

Highland NY 12528

883-9747 Fax: 883-9751

Open M, Th & F 8-5, Tu 8-8, W 8-6

Ellenville Clinic

50 Center St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-3266 Fax: 647-1103

Open M, W & F 9-5; Tu & Th 9-9

Alcohol and substance abuse programs, referrals and support groups

Kingston Hospital (also see GENERAL & EMERG. SERVICES; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS)

396 Broadway

Kingston, NY 12401

331-3131 (central switchboard); 943-6012 (Public Relations Office)

Substance Abuse phone numbers below

First Step Detoxification Program/Rehabilitation

396 Broadway location

334-2866

Inpatient detoxification and rehabilitation

Hours: 24 hours a day, walk-in or telephone

Serves all nearby areas: Ulster, Dutchess, Sullivan, Greene, Columbia etc.

Accepts those who are pregnant, HIV positive, AIDS, dually-diagnosed

Accessible to people with disabilities and other special needs (physical & emotional)

Detox age 13 and older – Rehab age 18 and older

Bridge Back

10 Barbarosa Lane

Kingston, NY 12401

943-6091

Monday through Thursday, 8:30am to 7pm, Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

No walk-in services: call for appointment

Accessible to people with disabilities

Outpatient alcoholism/substance abuse services, including individual therapy, group counseling, adolescents and couples

Counseling and alcohol day-treatment program. Evening meetings available; individual counseling for significant others and family

Groups include early recovery, alcohol awareness, 12-step spiritual recovery, art therapy, stress management, women's groups, men's groups and relapse prevention

Medication Treatment Program (specializing in Methadone Maintenance)

2 Barbarosa Lane, Kingston NY 12401

943-6022

Mon-Fri 6:30am to 1:30pm, Saturday 7:30am to 11:30am

Family counseling by appointment, individual counseling, education and gender groups

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Mental Health Association in Ulster County (see also HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS;
300 Aaron Ct. EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES for ACES Program)
Kingston NY 12401
or PO Box 2304 (preferred mailing address) Kingston NY 12402
339-9090 Information and Referral Counselor: Ext. 113
website: www.mhainulster.com
Not-for-Profit Organization
Accessible to people with disabilities

Alcohol and substance abuse programs
Referral to rehabilitation facilities and residences
Support groups and self-help groups
Family-based treatment programs for youth

The Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center (see also GEN'L & EMERG SERVICES;
HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD AND CLOTHING;
THE FAITH COMMUNITY for services provided in Ulster County)

570 Main St.
Poughkeepsie NY 12601
845-471-1730

Rehabilitation center for drug and alcohol dependency. Stay is from 6 months to 1 year
Call for appointment for Intake Interview
The Center does not accept persons convicted of child molestation, child pornography, or arson.

Catskill Mountain Counseling

2905-2 Route 9W 2d Floor
Saugerties NY 12477
247-8001 Fax: 247-8003
Serves Saugerties and Boiceville: Saugerties office accessible to people with disabilities

Outpatient alcohol and substance abuse clinic, outpatient day rehab, outpatient satellite clinic
Self-referrals accepted
Day and evening hours M-F and Sat. morning
Fees: sliding scale, Medicaid and most insurance accepted

Step One

106 Vineyard Ave.
Highland NY 12528
691-9191 Fax: 691-9339
Office open Monday-Thursday 9am-9pm, Friday 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-noon
Accessible to people with disabilities

Outpatient alcohol and chemical dependency treatment for men, women, adolescents and children
Telephone or referrals
Fees: Medicaid and most insurance, or sliding scale

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES; HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD & CLOTHING; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

PO Box 3516
Kingston NY 12402
331-7080 Fax: 331-0526
Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490
Hotline is answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week
Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail
Fees: none
website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org
e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org
Office hours Monday-Friday 8-5
Spanish spoken

Adult Case Management: Call Main Family office at 331-7080
Available to all in need of help, regardless of past offences
Intensive case management services for individuals and families include drug and alcohol prevention services and advocacy with detox, rehab and other treatment programs
Non-Residential Youth Case Management, ages 12-20
Referrals or self-referrals, regardless of income

Ulster County Regional Drug Treatment Court (see also LEGAL SERVICES & MEDIATION)
1 Garraghan Drive
Kingston NY 12401
338-0322

Part of statewide system of drug courts
Case management, supervision, rehabilitation and support
Referrals from police, probation or Mental Health, with approval of Drug Court Judge and District Attorney
Self-referrals may be accepted but must have criminal charges pending or Parole/Probation violation, and approval by District Attorney (involves guilty plea to any felony or misdemeanor charges pending)

Family Treatment Court of Drug Treatment Court
Operates program for parents with substance abuse problems, arising from neglect petitions

St. James United Methodist Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
Fair and Pearl Streets
Kingston NY 12401
331-3030
Hosts many self help groups such as AA, NA, Al Anon and others
Call church office for information on available groups and meetings times

First Presbyterian Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
80 Elmendorf
Kingston NY 12401
331-0633
Office hours: Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 9-3
Hosts AA, Al-anon, and NA meetings: call office at above hours to check times

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (also listed in FOOD & CLOTHING; EDUC. & LIBRARY
122 Clinton Ave. SERV.; LEGAL SERV. & MEDIATION; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
Kingston, NY 12401
331-7188
Using church facilities: Al-Anon, with complete anonymity for participants

New Progressive Baptist Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
8 Hone St.
Kingston NY 12401
339-0773
SAVE THEM NOW reentry program for men, including residence for men with substance abuse
issues

St. John the Evangelist Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
915 Route 212
Saugerties NY 12477
246-9581 Fax: 246-9582
Three Alcoholics Anonymous groups meet at church Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights

Episcopal Church of Christ the King (see also **THE FAITH COMMUNITY**; for **Rondout Valley
Food Pantry** see FOOD & CLOTHING)
3021 State Rt. 213 East
Stone Ridge NY 12484
845-687-9714
Saturday OA 9am, AA 10:30am

St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Church (see also FOOD & CLOTHING; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
137 S. Main St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-6080
Hosts AA meeting Thursday 7pm

Reservoir United Methodist Church (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
3056 Route 28
Shokan NY 12481
657-2326
Office open Mon-Tues 4:30-6:30pm, Sat 9am to noon
Hosts AA meetings Sun 3pm Shokan; M-W-Sat 7pm Glenford; Th 8pm Glenford: call for information

Transformation Life Center (TLC) (see also THE FAITH COMMUNITY)
395 Floyd Ackert Rd. P.O. Box 249
West Park NY 12493
384-6511 Fax: 384-6793
Church with a strong mission in drug rehabilitation and community outreach
Campus provides dorms, dining hall, library, game room and movie lounge for rehab residents

Other help and self-help groups for alcoholism, substance abuse and other addictions:
Alcoholics Anonymous 331-6360 (Kingston) 679-3242 (Woodstock)
Gamblers Anonymous 221-0830 Overeaters Anonymous Hotline 657-6603

J. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also GEN'L & EMERG. SERVICES, HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD & CLOTHING; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

PO Box 3516

Kingston NY 12402

331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490

Hotline is answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

Fees: none

Family Domestic Violence Services

338-2370 Fax: 331-0526

24 hours, intake by telephone screening

Administers Domestic Violence shelter, with support counseling, case management, referrals, clothing boutique, food pantry for ex-residents, children's educational activities and referrals.

For Non-Residential Services of Family Domestic Violence Services, call Main Family of Woodstock office, 331-7080 to make appointment (required)

Provides individual and support group counseling

Evolve

M-F 10-5

Intake by appointment, 331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

Self-referrals welcome

Program for men who batter. Weekly meetings, information and referral, individual crisis counseling, assessment for other therapeutic needs, and program coordination with Ulster County Mental Health Service, Family and Criminal Courts, Probation and the District Attorney.

Program involves three orientation sessions and 36 weekly sessions.

Participants may be mandated by courts or by self-referral.

Domestic Violence Court Advocacy (at Family Court)

16 Lucas Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

340-3617 Fax: 340-3626

M-F 9-5

Intake by telephone or walk-in

Accessible to people with disabilities

Located at the Ulster County Family Court to assist survivors in obtaining orders of protection and emergency temporary custody of their children

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Crime Victims Assistance Program (see also LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION)

1 Pearl St. Mailing address 5 Pearl St.
Kingston NY 12401
340-3443 Fax: 340-3223
hotline nights and weekends: 340-3442

Provides help to victims of crime, including domestic violence, rape and sexual assault
Crisis intervention, emotional support, support groups, accompaniment to court, police station and hospitals, advocacy with officials and agencies, help in filing applications
Help in applying for reimbursement through NYS Crime Victims Board
Works with Sexual Assaults Nurse Examiners (below) when appropriate

Ulster County District Attorney (see also LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION)

275 Wall St.
Kingston NY 12401
340-3280 Fax: 340-3185
Office open Monday-Friday 9-5

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners Unit (S.A.N.E.)
340-3363

Designed to insure that victims of sexual assaults are treated in a compassionate and humane manner
Staffed by specially trained and sensitive nurse professionals
Works with Crime Victims Assistance Program

Ulster County Department of Social Services and Ulster County District Attorney

Children and Family Services: Family Violence Investigative Unit
1091 Development Court
Kingston NY 12401
334-5400
M-F 9am-5pm

Joint program of Ulster County Department of Social Services and District Attorney
Employs resources of Social Services, District Attorney, NYS Police, UC Sheriff's Department and Kingston Police Department to investigate reports of child abuse, domestic violence and assaults on the elderly
Unit coordinates activities of all agencies involved in investigating reports of family violence

New York State Domestic Violence Hotlines

English: 1-800-942-6906
Spanish: 1-800-942-6908
Child Abuse and Maltreatment: 1-800-342-3720

K. LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION

NOTE: (Some basic information is also found in Chapter B, **FIRST STEPS**, including **Required and Helpful Documents, How to Obtain and Correct your Rap Sheet, How to Get a Certificate of Relief from Disabilities or Certificate of Good Conduct, and other preparations for reentry. Entries below also offer help on these questions.**)

Legal Action Center (see also PUBLICATIONS)

225 Varick St. – 4th Floor

New York, NY 10014

212-243-1313

Fax: 212-675-0286

website: LAC.org

Also operates National H.I.R.E. Network (below)

Offices open M-F 9 to 5. Those formerly incarcerated, and the general public call Tuesday or Friday

No fees - Spanish spoken.

Help with legal problems, criminal (not pending criminal cases) or civil

Specializing in help for people formerly incarcerated

National and New York State nonprofit organization providing free legal services to people returning from prison, recovering alcoholics, substance users and persons with HIV/AIDS

Call the above number for advice or referral on legal problems (“cleaning up” rap sheet, employment or housing discrimination, how to get bonded for a particular job etc.)

Call for booklets to help “walk through” various legal procedures: *How to Get and Clean Up your Rap Sheet*, (Spanish: *Como Obtener y Corregir sus Antecedentes Penales u Hoja de Arresto en el Estado de Nueva York*), *How To Obtain Important Documents, Certificate of Relief from Disabilities and Certificate of Good Conduct, Employment Discrimination and What to do About It, Occupational Licensing Survey* Centered in NYC, but advice and guidance available by phone: Former prisoners call Tuesday or Friday Will refer problems to Lower Hudson Valley legal offices or agencies as necessary

National H.I.R.E. Network (Helping Individuals with Criminal Records Reenter through Employment) (see also PUBLICATIONS)

Same address and telephone as Legal Action Center above

website: www.hirenetwork.org - click Resources and Assistance, click NY

Internet source of information on employment laws, agencies and sources of help, state by state

Publishes membership newsletter—membership and newsletter free for people formerly incarcerated

The Center for Law and Justice, Inc. (see also PUBLICATIONS)

Pine West Plaza Bldg. 2

Washington Avenue Extension

Albany NY 12205

518-427-8361 Fax: 518-427-8362

e-mail: cflj@knick.net

website: www.cflj.org

General legal guidance, information and referrals

Publishes *On Your Own* for those returning from prison, with useful legal information and pointers

Lists relevant NYS agencies, and includes general resources for Albany and the Capital District

Reentry Net: Website: www.reentry.net/NY

Reentry Net is a statewide collaborative and online resource center for advocates in the reentry community, and for people with criminal records

The **online resource center** (www.reentry.net/newyork) library contains extensive information and practice materials for service providers and policy makers in New York State

The **Public Resources** section of reentry.net website contains fact sheets and useful links for individuals who have been through the criminal justice system

Reentry Net is a joint project of The Bronx Defenders and Pro Bono Net in partnership with dozens of organizations throughout New York State

Contact: Reentry Net Coordinator, The Bronx Defenders, 718-838-7878

NAACP: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

PO Box 229

Ellenville NY 12428

Fax: 647-3371

President of NAACP Ellenville Branch: Maude Bruce

The pioneer group in the effort to secure civil rights for all, and is open to all

Local NAACP branch is affiliated with branches through the state and the nation

Provides legal information and referrals in areas such as employment, discrimination, housing, schools, police actions and other matters in the criminal justice system, and general violations of rights

Those who feel their rights have been violated may contact Ellenville NAACP and have their complaint reviewed by the Legal Redress Committee. If the Committee feels further action is warranted, they will provide a list of civil rights attorneys who can take the case to court.

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING; EDUCATION & LIBRARY SERVICES; THE FAITH COMMUNITY)

122 Clinton Ave.

Kingston, NY 12401

331-7188

Reverend Darlene L. Kelley, Pastor

Free Legal Clinic: Friday 12:30pm

LEGAL SERVICES, CIVIL ONLY:

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (Intake and Information, including Ulster County)

Newburgh NY 12550

1-877-574-8529 Call M-Th 9am-2pm, F 1-3pm for intake appointment for Legal Services Offices in Lower Hudson Valley, including Ulster County

Spanish spoken

In emergency may call Ulster County office directly M-F 9-5 at 331-9373 (see below)

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley, Ulster County

101 Hurley Ave. 2d floor Suite 3

Kingston, NY 12401

331-9373

M-F 9-5 - Accessible to people with disabilities

Intake appointment: call 1-877-574-8529 at Newburgh Office M-Th 9-2, F 1-3 (see above)

Emergency (denial of emergency services, utility shut-off etc.) 331-9373 M-F 9-5

Help with denial of benefits or other problems with social services, Medicare, Medicaid, Social Security, SSI, HIV/AIDS benefits, Unemployment Insurance etc.

Housing problems: tenant/landlord dispute, eviction, foreclosure, subsidized housing, utility shut-off

Employment problems involving unemployment insurance issues

No fee for those with qualifying income

Workers' Rights Law Center of New York, Inc.
Centro De Derechos Laborales

101 Hurley Ave., Suite 5
Kingston NY 12401
331-6615 Fax: 331-6617
website: www.workersrightsny.org
Spanish Spoken; translators can be sought for other languages

Not-for-profit law firm helping low-wage workers
Source of information on existing rights and how to claim them
Free legal assistance with employment problems such as minimum wage violations, overtime,
discrimination, Workers Compensation etc.
Help with immigration rights and racial or ethnic profiling or harassment
Referrals to appropriate agencies as necessary

City of Kingston Commission on Human Rights

420 Broadway
Kingston NY 12401
334-3971

Deals with discrimination issues such as race, creed, sex, disability, arrest record or conviction
Discrimination may involve such areas as housing, employment, education, credit, public services
Seeks to promote good relations between law enforcement and the community
Helps those who have complaints of discrimination or maltreatment by police or corrections officers
Helps file complaints with NYS Division of Human Rights if cases cannot be mediated at the local level

Ulster County Human Relations Commission

298 Flatbush Avenue
Kingston NY 12401
340-3147 Fax: 340-3149
e-mail: afoy@ulster.ny.us
Office hours Monday-Friday 9-5
Phone for intake appointment
Free consultation
Accessible to people with disabilities

Provides telephone consultation for those who believe they may have been illegally discriminated against
in employment, housing, public accommodation, credit or education.
Assists in mediation where appropriate. Assists in filing complaints with NYS Division of Human Rights

New York State Division of Human Rights

Agency Building 2
Empire State Plaza
PO Box 2049
Albany NY 12220
518-474-2705

Administers the NYS human rights law which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color,
national origin, sex, disability, marital status, age, arrest record and conviction in employment,
housing, places of public accommodations, and credit. Accepts and helps prepare and process
complaints from individuals who believe they have been discriminated against.

Ulster County Family Court

16 Lucas Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
340-3600 Fax: 340-3626

[Note: new lease after 12/31/07: confirm location]

Can provide information about modification of child support, restoration of visitation rights etc. For child support modification, you should immediately contact the Family Court which originally decided your child support payment and get Family Court Form 4-11A "Petition for Modification of Order Made by Family Court or Another Court." (This form is for NY courts only: for other states contact original court in that state.) Sign the form and a Financial Disclosure Affidavit before a notary, attach a copy of the original Child Support Order, and mail to the court as soon as possible.

Future payments can be modified to reflect your current income level and you can ask for a workable payment plan for arrears. It is probably not possible to erase or reduce arrearages, but any present change can be made retroactive to the date of the filing of your Petition, so file as soon as possible.

Ulster County Office for the Aging (see also HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS;
FOOD & CLOTHING)

1003 Development Court P.O. Box 1800
Kingston NY 12401 Kingston NY 12402
340-3456 Fax: 340-3583
M-F 9-5

Legal services for people 60 and above: civil matters only (advice given, no court appearances)
Help with drawing up legal documents

LEGAL SERVICES: CRIMINAL AND DRUG-RELATED:

NOTE: There is no Legal Aid Society for criminal matters in Ulster County. In criminal cases courts will assign counsel from the Public Defender's Office or from an Assigned Counsel List. For parole or probation hearings, you may ask the hearing officer to assign counsel. To seek your own legal advice, call the Legal Action Center 212-243-1313 for advice or referral.

Ulster County Public Defender

18 Lucas Ave. [Note: new lease after 12/31/07: confirm location]
Kingston, NY 12401
340-3232
Fax: 340-3744
e-mail: mwol@co.ulster.ny.us
Public Defender: Andrew Kossover
Open M-F 9-5

Office provides representation to defendants with qualifying income, upon assignment from criminal courts or Family Court, continues representation at Appellate level
Participates in Ulster County Regional Drug Treatment Court (see p. K-11)

Also provides the following: Defender Based Advocate
18 Lucas Ave.
Kingston NY 12401
340-3234 or 340-3929
Flo Keahey

Works with clients on alternative sentencing

PAROLE AND PROBATION

Ulster County Probation Department

733 Broadway

Kingston, NY 12401

340-3200 Fax: 340-3220

Director: Robert A. Sudlow

Appointments held seven days per week. Switchboards open Monday-Friday 9-5

Spanish spoken

Accessible to people with disabilities

Ellenville Office

50 Center St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-1740 Fax: 647-4782

New Paltz Office

124 Main St.

New Paltz NY 12561

255-6037 Fax: 255-6045

Saugerties Office

Town Hall – 4 High St.

Saugerties NY 12477

246-2800 ext. 350

Works with individuals in various situations in criminal justice, including pretrial release, alternatives to incarceration programs such as Drug Court, those who have spent more than 90 days in the UC Jail, those on conditional release etc. Intake generally by court order

The Probation Director meets with the Division of Parole to discuss the plan for a parolee

Helps with problems of housing, job training and placement, substance abuse, applications for temporary assistance

Works with agencies and community groups such as the Department of Social Services, UC Mental Health, Family of Woodstock and local hospitals

Helps in securing ID and other documents

Makes appropriate referrals for special needs such as teen parenting, disabilities or mental impairment

Helps those with NYS felony convictions to get appropriate help with voter registration and employment license applications

Certificate of Relief From Disabilities provided upon completion of probation period

Help with application for Certificate of Good Conduct

Works with County Office of Employment and Training (federally funded) and the NYS Department of Labor for job training and placement, bonding, licenses etc.

Pretrial Release Services

340-3209 Fax: 340-3220

Evaluations of all cases of incarceration in Ulster County Jail due to inability to post bail

Assessment made, with recommendation for pretrial release when appropriate

Family Court Intake

340-3621 or 340-3622 or 340-3618

Monday-Friday 9-5

Contact Family Court for appointment at 340-3600

Walk-in for Emergency

Accessible for people with disabilities

Services provided include filing of petition for support, custody, visitation, family offenses, Juvenile Diversion, probation supervision and investigations, referrals to community agencies, and Youth Court

New York State Division of Parole

20 Manchester Rd.
Poughkeepsie NY 12603
452-0620
Frederick Flood, Bureau Chief

State Office: NYS Division of Parole
97 Central Ave.
Albany NY 12206
518-473-9400

Serves population released from state prisons on parole in Ulster, Sullivan and Dutchess Counties
For Ulster County information call Poughkeepsie office: The Division of Parole may be providing a
satellite reporting station in the Kingston area
Planning begins with a Facility Parole Officer before release
Cooperates with Department of Social Services for housing and other services
Help with problems such as housing, social services, health and mental health care etc.
Cooperates with county Department of Probation as appropriate
Provides job preparation and placement through referral to the NYS Department of Labor program for
Parolee Vocational Rehabilitation Services. (Ask about this service.)
Parole Officers can refer parolees to special Department of Labor programs for people formerly
incarcerated, such as bonding, licenses, education, training, on-the-job training, counseling etc.
(See JOBS AND TRAINING for Department of Labor information and pamphlets on these services,
pp. G-6 & G-7)

Parole

Parole and Probation are crucial elements of reentry. Departments offer important help in many areas such as housing, jobs and job training, securing documents, social services etc. Their knowledge should be taken advantage of. At the same time, rules and procedures are strict, and require care and concentration. For this reason we have reprinted here extensive relevant sections from the publication *On Your Own*.

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A. Parole

The Information contained in this part is provided by the *New York State Parole Handbook: Questions and Answers Concerning Parole Release and Supervision* (January, 1998)

Upon release from prison on parole, unless otherwise instructed, you should report in person with your certificate of release within twenty-four hours to the area office listed on your release papers. If time or distance makes it impossible to report within twenty-four hours, you must telephone the area office to inform them of your special circumstances.

1. General Conditions of Parole

- Proceed directly to the area to which you have been released and, within twenty-four hours of release, make a arrival report to the Division of Parole, unless otherwise instructed.
- Make office and/or written reports as directed.
- Do not leave the state to which you are released without permission of your parole officer.
- Permit your parole officer to visit your residence and/or place of employment and permit the search and inspection of your person, residence, and property. Discuss any proposed changes in residence, employment, or program status with your Parole Officer. Notify your Parole Officer of any changes in your residence, employment, or program status when circumstances beyond your control make prior discussion impossible.
- Reply promptly, fully, and truthfully to any inquiry of, or communication by, your Parole Officer or other representative of the Division of Parole.

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LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION

(continued) Parole

- Do not be in the company of, or fraternize with any person you know to have a criminal record or whom you know to have been adjudicated a Youthful Offender, except for accidental encounters in public places, work, school, or in any other instance, without permission of your Parole Officer.
- Do not behave in such a manner as to violate the provisions of any law to which you are subject which provides for a penalty of imprisonment, nor behave in a way that threatens the safety or well-being of yourself or others.
- Do not own, possess, or purchase any shotgun, rifle, or firearm of any type without the written permission of your Parole Officer. In addition, do not own, possess, or purchase any dangerous instrument or deadly weapon as defined in the Penal Law or any dangerous knife, razor, stiletto, or imitation pistol. Additionally, do not own, possess, or purchase any instrument readily capable of causing injury without a satisfactory explanation for ownership, possession, or purchase.
- In the event that you leave the jurisdiction of the state to which you were released, you waive the right to resist extradition back to the state of release. This waiver shall be in full force and effect until you are discharged from Parole or Conditional Release. You are to fully understand that you have the right under the Constitution of the United States and under state law to contest an effort to extradite you from another state and return you to the state of release, and you freely and knowingly waive this right as a condition of your Parole or Conditional Release.
- Do not use or possess any drug paraphernalia or use or possess any controlled substance without proper medical authorization.
- Comply fully with the instructions of your Parole Officer and obey such special additional written conditions as he/she, as member of the Board of Parole, or an authorized representative of the Division of Parole, may impose.

2. Parole Charges and Waivers

As of March 1992, the State of New York enacted a law (Section 259-a, subdivision 9 of the Executive Law) requiring every releasee over 18 years of age to pay a monthly fee for parole supervision. The monthly fee is \$30.00. Payments should be made by check or money order according to procedures explained to you by your Parole Officer.

If you are on active supervision or conditional release you have to pay the monthly fee unless you are formally excused by a written waiver from the Division of Parole. Prompt payment is required by law. If you are without the financial means to pay the fee, you must discuss the matter with your Parole Officer. If eligible for a waiver, your Parole Officer will help you complete the necessary paperwork.

B. Parole Revocation

The Supreme Court has ruled that certain due process requirements must be observed at revocation proceedings. In most cases, a parolee is entitled to a preliminary and final revocation hearing. Although these hearings do not constitute a criminal prosecution, certain minimal due process safeguards are mandated.

Below is a brief description of the process you will go through if you are threatened with a parole revocation.

1. Investigation

If a Parole Officer receives information suggesting that a person has violated one or more of the conditions of release, he or she will investigate and discuss the situation with a supervisor. If the evidence from the investigation leads the officer to believe conditions of parole were violated, a parole violation warrant may be issued by a member of the Board of Parole or by a designated officer.

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2. Execution of Parole Warrant

When the parole warrant is executed, you will be detained in a local facility or detention center without bail.

a. After a Parole Violation Warrant is Issued

Within three days (five days if you are out of state), you would then be served with:

i. Notice of Violation

This notice will describe the hearing process and list your rights with respect to those hearings as well as the date, place and time of your Preliminary and Final Hearings.

ii. Violation of Release Report

This report will describe the manner in which you allegedly violated one or more of the conditions of your parole.

3. Preliminary Hearing

Within fifteen days, a Preliminary Hearing must be scheduled unless you waive such a hearing.

a. Purpose of Preliminary Hearing

The purpose of the Preliminary Hearing is to determine if there is probable cause to believe that you violated a condition of parole.

i. Findings of the Preliminary Hearing

If there is not enough evidence to suggest you violated your conditions of release, you will be restored to parole supervision.

If probable cause is found at the Preliminary Hearing, or you waive the Preliminary Hearing, a member of the Board of Parole will review your case and decide whether to declare you delinquent and order a Final Hearing or restore your status to parole supervision.

Delinquent Status

You may be declared delinquent in four situations:

1. When there is a reasonable cause to believe that you have absconded from supervision;
2. When probable cause has been found that you violated one or more of the conditions of release;
3. When you are an alleged parole violator and waive your Preliminary Hearing;
4. When you have been convicted of a new crime while under parole supervision.

The Preliminary Hearing Officer cannot recommend a disposition in your case. He or she has the limited duty and power of determining whether probable cause exists.

b. Right to Counsel

There is no absolute right to counsel at the Preliminary Hearing. However, you may appear with an attorney at this hearing. If you cannot afford an attorney, you can request that an attorney be appointed at the beginning of the hearing. The hearing officer will then decide whether or not it is necessary to appoint an attorney.

If a Final Hearing is ordered, an attorney will be assigned to represent you if you cannot afford one.

4. Final Hearing

In order to revoke your parole, the Division of Parole must prove at a Final Hearing, by a preponderance of the evidence, that you have violated at least one of the conditions of release. At this hearing, you have all the rights you had in the Preliminary Hearing, plus you have the right to counsel.

The Final Hearing is held before a Parole Board Member or Final Hearing Officer. The member or officer makes a decision or, in some cases, a recommendation to the Board of Parole whose members will make the ultimate decision about the revocation.

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5. Convicted of a Crime while under Parole Supervision

If you are convicted of committing of a crime while under parole supervision, you forfeit your right to a Preliminary Hearing and possibly the Final Hearing as well.

a. Conviction of a Misdemeanor

If you are convicted of a misdemeanor, you are not entitled to a Preliminary Hearing but will receive a Final Hearing.

b. Conviction of a Felony

If you are convicted of a felony, and sentenced to a determinate or indeterminate term of imprisonment, your parole is revoked by law without the need for either a Preliminary or Final Hearing.

[For information on revocation guidelines, see *On Your Own*. You may order a free copy, or access material online. (see entry in PUBLICATIONS.)]

Probation/Conditional Discharge

A. Probation Revocation

1. Declaration of Delinquency

Any time during a period of probation or conditional discharge, the court may issue a declaration of delinquency if it has reason to believe that the defendant has violated a condition of the sentence.

a. Notice to Appear

The court may order a defendant under a sentence of probation or conditional discharge to appear before it. A notice will either be mailed to the defendant or delivered personally. Failure of the defendant to appear in court after receiving a notice is considered a violation of the sentence.

b. Warrant

When the court believes that a defendant has violated a condition of the sentence, it may issue a warrant directing that the defendant be taken into custody and appear before the court without delay.

i. Appearance Before the Court

When a defendant has been brought before the court for a violation of a condition of probation or conditional discharge, the court will:

- Commit the defendant to the custody of the sheriff (jail); or
- Set bail; or
- Release the defendant on their promise to return for the next court date.

2. Hearing on Violation

The court cannot revoke a sentence of probation or conditional discharge unless the court finds that the defendant violated a condition of the sentence and the defendant has had an opportunity to be heard in court.

a. Statement of Violation

The court must provide the defendant with a statement that explains the conditions of the sentence violated and a description of the time, place and manner of the violation.

b. The Hearing

The defendant has the right to a hearing. The judge will conduct the hearing – there is no right to a jury. The defendant has the right to present evidence and cross examine witnesses.

i. Right to Counsel

The defendant has the right to an attorney at all stages of the violation process.

ii. Standard

A finding that the defendant violated a condition of the sentence must be based on a preponderance of the evidence.

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3. Finding of the Court

At the conclusion of the hearing, the court may revoke, continue or modify the defendant's sentence.

a. Revocation

If the court revokes the sentence, the person may be sentenced to a period of imprisonment according to the original crime of conviction.

b. Continuation or Modification of Sentence

If the defendant is not found in violation of the sentence, he will be ordered released. If the court finds the defendant in violation but decides to continue or modify the sentence, the defendant's term of probation or conditional discharge will be extended up to the time spent on the violation proceedings.

Ulster County District Attorney (see also DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

275 Wall St.

Kingston NY 12401

340-3280 Fax: 340-3185

Office open Monday-Friday 9-5

Approves candidates for Ulster County Regional Drug Treatment Court and provides a member of the team planning the treatment regimen

Chief County Law Enforcement Officer; coordinates Criminal Justice Agencies

Acts as crime victims' advocate; administers grant programs that provide for victims services

Consumer Affairs Bureau

20 Lucas Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

340-3260

Consumer information, counseling, investigation, education and complaint handling

Ulster County Regional Drug Treatment Court (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

1 Garraghan Drive

Kingston NY 12401

338-0322

Part of statewide system of drug courts

Represents a voluntary alternative to incarceration for eligible defendants with substance abuse problems

Includes case management, supervision, rehabilitation and support

Referrals from police, probation or Mental Health; approval of Drug Court Judge & District Attorney

Involves guilty plea to the felony or misdemeanor charges pending

Self-referrals may be accepted: must have criminal charges pending, or Parole/Probation violation, and approval by District Attorney

Treatment regimen is planned and supervised by team including representatives from Drug Court, District Attorney, Public Defender, Law Enforcement and counselors.

Family Treatment Court of Drug Treatment Court

Cathy Wiley, Coordinator

Operates program for parents with substance abuse problems, arising from neglect petitions

Crime Victim Assistance Program (see also DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES)

1 Pearl St. Mail: 5 Pearl St.
Kingston NY 12401
340-3443 Fax: 340-3223
nights and weekends: 340-3442

Provides help to all victims of crime: crisis intervention, emotional support, support groups, accompany to court, police station and hospitals; advocacy with officials and agencies
Help in filing for reimbursement through NYS Crime Victims Board
Work with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners Unit of UC District Attorney in cases of rape/sexual assault

MEDIATION SERVICES

Ulster Sullivan Mediation

PO Box 3187
Kingston NY 12402
340-0200
Joy Ann Savino, Director
Spanish language available
For People with Disabilities, meetings will be held in an accessible place

Mediators available trained to deal with special needs of people formerly in prison, and the families of those incarcerated
Mediation help for disputes between victim/offender, tenant/landlord, employer/employee, parent/teen, custody, visitation, child support, neighbors, buyer/seller
Alternatives to Violence Program
Conflict Resolution Training
In-school Peer Mediation Training
Divorce mediation

The Dispute Resolution Center (Ulster, Sullivan, Orange and Putnam Counties)

25 Lucas Ave. 2d floor Mail to: P.O. Box 3074
Kingston, NY Kingston NY 12402
331-6136 Fax: 331-6021
Eileen Rowley, Agency Director, Ulster County office
website: drcservices.org e-mail: ulsterinfo@drcservices.org
Office hours M-F 9-5

Meeting sites available that are convenient to the parties, accessible to people with disabilities when needed
Spanish-speaking mediators available

Wide range of mediation services for people who need a third party to help create solutions
Mediation issues may include tenant/landlord, neighbors, custody, visitation, child support, workplace, victim/offender, small claims court, environmental, special education between parents and school district rep, elder issues such as health choices, inheritance, property decisions etc.
Mediation can come before, during, after or instead of court actions
Referrals to other agencies as appropriate
No Fees for above services
Also provide lemon law arbitration, business mediation, divorce mediation, meeting facilitators, and training programs including peer mediation in schools: These fees vary according to category.

Also see listing for Ulster County Human Relations Commission, p. K-3 above

L. THE FAITH COMMUNITY

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (also listed in FOOD & CLOTHING; EDUCATION & LIBRARY SERV.; SUBSTANCE ABUSE; LEGAL SERV. & MEDIATION)
122 Clinton Ave. Kingston, NY 12401
331-7188

Reverend Darlene L. Kelley, Pastor
Sanctuary accessible to people with disabilities (chair lift)

Sunday morning worship 11am
Church School at same time as worship service: 11am
Counseling available – call church office
Lunch program Monday through Friday at noon: walk-in
Rainbow Kids (After School Enrichment Program) Wednesday 3:30-5pm (September-June) ages 6-12
GED program Tuesday and Thursday 12:30-3:30pm
Free Legal Clinic: Friday 12:30pm
Using church facilities: (operated with complete anonymity for participants)
Al-anon

New Progressive Baptist Church (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

8 Hone St.
Kingston NY 12401
339-0773
e-mail: newprogressive@aol.com
Pastor: Rev. Dr. G. Modele Clarke
Accessible to people with disabilities

Service: Sunday 10:30am
Sunday Breakfast 8:15am-9:15am
Sunday School 9:15am-10:15am
Bible Study: Wednesday 7pm & Thursday 11am (open to all)
Saturday 11am (men) Thursday 7pm (youth)
Spanish interpretation available (limited)
Outreach:
Jail, prison and street ministries
SAVE THEM NOW reentry program for men, including residence for men with substance abuse issues
Annual Tent Meeting Revival Services: July at Franklin St. and Broadway
Provide meal at First Baptist Church of Kingston, second Wednesday of each month
The Shepherd's Voice, a weekly televised church service, 2pm on Cable Ch. 23

Pointe of Praise Family Life Center (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

243 Hurley Ave. P. O. Box 1279
Kingston, NY 12401 Kingston NY 12402
339-4615
www.pointeofpraise.org
Pastor: Rev. James Childs

Services: Sunday morning: Church School 9am, Worship 10 am
Tuesday evening 7pm
Home Group Ministries during the week (call church office for information)
Counseling available: call office 10am-3pm Tuesday through Friday
Food pantry and clothes closet available: call office
Services offered at County Jail twice a month, with follow-up help available to those leaving

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Holy Cross Episcopal Anglican Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

30 Pine Grove St.
Kingston NY 12401
331-6796
Father Frank Wallner
Father Arnulfo Arambulo: Spanish services and events

Holy Eucharist services:
Saturday 5:45pm
Sunday 7:45 and 10am
Domingo Misa Espanol: Sunday 6pm
Mass, Breakfast, and Bible Study: Tuesday 8:30am

Priests available for counseling, call the office
Active Spanish-speaking congregation, with Misa Espanol and celebrations of feast days
Community services:
St. Simon's Sit-down: meals served Saturday and Sunday 11:30am-12:30pm
Thrift Shop: open Saturday mornings 9am-12
Soap Closet: hygiene supplies 3 days/month: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the last full week of the month which contains these three days: Tuesday and Thursday 10am-12, Wednesday 1-3pm

Iglesia Evangelica Amigos

150 Murray St.
Kingston NY 12401
339-6610
Pastor: Rev. Jose Urrutia

Spanish language services:
 Sunday School 4:30pm
 Sunday Service 5:30pm
 Wednesday service 7:30pm
Home Meetings Saturdays
Television program Sat 5-6pm on Ch 23
Radio program: Sound of Life Sat 5-6pm and Sun 2-4pm on WFGB 89.7 FM

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

22 Livingston St.
Kingston NY 12401
331-3090
Pastor: Reverend Richard H. Mueller

Worship services: Sunday 8am and 10:30am; Church School 9:15am
Summer worship services (July-Labor Day): 9am - all ages welcome
Prayer Service Thursday 7pm
Minister available for counseling
Call church office for information about other activities

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

72 Spring St.
Kingston, NY 12401
338-2954 Fax 338-8641
Minister: Reverend Robert Harris

Services: Sunday 10:30am, Saturday 5pm
Sunday School: September-May 9:15am
Minister available for counseling: call church office
Men's Breakfast Group: Wed 8am, all men welcome, confidentiality is protected
Call office for further information on church activities

St. John's Episcopal Church (for Angel Food East listing, see FOOD & CLOTHING or
207 Albany Ave. HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS)
mailing address: PO Box 1221
Kingston NY 12402
331-2252
Rector: Reverend Duncan A. Burns

Holy Eucharist services Fall through Spring: Sunday 8 and 10am
Wednesday 6:45pm service: Holy Eucharist and Healing
Holy Eucharist service Summer through Labor Day: Sunday 9am
Third Sunday of every month is a Healing Service
Men's Breakfast Wednesday morning 7:00am at Deisings (call church office for information)
Episcopal Church Women (ECW) Wednesday: quilting 9am, Bible Study (open to all) 11am
Provides space and support for Angel Food East program which prepares and delivers meals to people
with HIV/AIDS: Monday-Friday

St. James United Methodist Church (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

Fair and Pearl Streets
Kingston NY 12401
331-3030
Minister: Reverend Jeffrey Glassey

Sunday Services:
September-June 8:30 and 11am
July-August 8:30 and 10am
Sunday School including adults:
September-June 9:45am
Meeting of United Methodist Women every second Wednesday September-June at 7pm
Minister available for counseling – call church office
Many help groups such as AA, NA, Al Anon, Debtor's Anonymous and others meet at the
church: call office for times and information

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

242 Wall St.
Kingston NY 12401
338-1554
website: www.stjosephkingston.net

Mass:

Saturday night 5 and 7:30pm
Sunday 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30am, and 5pm
Weekdays 7 and 9am
Holyday Vigil 5:30 and 7:30pm
Confessions: Saturday 4-5pm and after 7:30pm mass; Monday after Novena

Old Dutch Reformed Church

272 Wall St.
Kingston NY 12401
338-6759
Reverend Kenneth Lee Walsh

Sunday service: 10:30am - Sunday School: 9:30am
Bible Study September-June: Sun 9am and Thurs 1pm

Note: Summer services are shared services:

July at **Fair Street Reformed Church**, 209 Fair St.

August at Old Dutch Church

Minister available for counseling, including grief and HIV/AIDS counseling
Church offers Uptown Organ Series and other concerts, Thursdays at 12:15

Fair Street Reformed Church

209 Fair St.
Kingston NY 12401
338-7722
Reverend Louis J. LaFazia
Church office hours M-F 8:30am-2:30pm
Elevator accessible

Sunday service 10am, Sunday School also 10am

Note: Summer services are shared services:

July at Fair Street Church

August at **Old Dutch Reformed Church**, 272 Wall St.

First Presbyterian Church (also listed in SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

80 Elmendorf St.
Kingston NY 12401
331-0633
Reverend Ralph Merante
Office hours: Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 9-3

Sunday service 11am; summer 9:30am
Hosts AA, Al-Anon and NA meetings – call church office at above hours to check times

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Catskills

320 Sawkill Rd.

Kingston NY 12401

331-2884

website: www.uucckingston.org

Rev. Linda Anderson – Minister available for counseling: call office

Accessible to persons with disabilities

Services: Sunday at 9 and 11am; Child care and Sunday School available at both services
Restorative Justice Group has worked on issues of prison reform and transition from prison
Adult education classes, adult and family activities: call office or see website

First Baptist Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

77 Albany Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

331-5044

website: fbckingston.org

Pastor Frank Vernol – minister available for counseling

Office open T and Th 9am-2pm; W and F noon-3pm

Ramp available for wheelchairs and accessible bathroom

Services: Sunday School 9:00am, Worship 10:00am; communion first Sunday of the month
Evening meal served at the church Wednesdays 5:30pm, September through August

Temple Emanuel Reformed Synagogue

243 Albany Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

338-4271 Fax 338-0506

www.templemanuelkingston.org

Rabbi Yael Romer

Saturday morning Minyan 10 am

First Friday of the month: dairy potluck Shabatts meal 5:30 pm

Congregation Ahavath Israel Conservative Synagogue

100 Lucas Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

338-4409

Rabbi Tamar Crystal

Services: Friday 7:30pm, Saturday 9:30am

Sunday minyan 9am

Masjid-al-Umar

7 Downs St.

Kingston NY 12401

www.masjidumar.com

Imam Syed Khalid Khan

See mosque website for prayer times and other information

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Salvation Army (see also GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES; HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS; FOOD AND CLOTHING; HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS; SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

Corps Community Center of Kingston

35 Cedar St.
Kingston, NY 12401
845-331-1803
Administrator: Major James Kissler

Sunday Services:

Sunday School (all ages) 9:45am
Worship 11am
Adult Bible Study Thursdays at 6:15pm
Tots Time: Bible study and social gathering for mothers or caregivers and their children
Tuesdays 10am
Call to arrange for counseling
Helps with paper work for public benefits, operates Good Neighbor Fund for help with utility bills
Food Pantry M-F 9-12
Thrift store at 884 Albany Ave., 338-9695
Emergency transportation and other assistance

St. John the Evangelist Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING; SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

915 Route 212
Saugerties NY 12477
246-9581 Fax: 246-9582
Rev. Msgr. William E. Williams
Denomination: Catholic
Accessible to people with disabilities

Mass: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am
Confessions: Saturday 4:00 to 4:30pm, or by appointment
Ministry is provided to homebound and elderly
Counseling and spiritual guidance
Food pantry available to people living in this area of Saugerties: Wed and Fri 10am-noon
Three Alcoholics Anonymous groups meet at church Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights

Atonement Lutheran Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

100 Market St.
Saugerties NY 12477
246-8322
Pastor Edward Schreiber
Call office most mornings 8am-12 Tuesday-Friday

Service: Sunday 9am - Sunday School Sept-June 10:30am
Pastoral visitations and counseling available
Luncheon program Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 1pm
Food pantry available most days except Mondays
Help also available for families of prisoners
Congregation has helped with Angel Tree, provided gifts for children of people in prison, helped families of prisoners with food and temporary housing; worked with community service program of a local jail

THE FAITH COMMUNITY

Woodstock Jewish Congregation

1682 Glasco Tpke.
Woodstock NY 12498
679-2218 (Administrator Regina Waterhouse: ext. 2)
Rabbi Jonathan Kligler ext. 1 and Rabbi Miriam Margles ext. 6

Services: Friday 7:30pm, Saturday 10am (child care available)
Rabbi available for counseling, call for appointment

Woodstock Reformed Church (also in FOOD & CLOTHING under Council of Churches Woodstock)

Tinker St.
Woodstock NY 12498
679-6610
Office open Tues and Thurs 8:30-11:30am, or by appointment

Services: Sunday 10am
Hosts Food Pantry Thursdays 9-11am (one or two bags of food), sponsored by the Council of Churches
Woodstock

Christ's Lutheran Church (also in FOOD & CLOTHING under Churches & Community of Woodstock)

26 Mill Hill Rd.
Woodstock NY 12498
679-2336
Rev. Sonja Marie Tillberg Maclary

Service Sunday 10:15am
Sunday School Sunday 10am
Hosts Daily Bread: meal served MWF 4:30-6pm, sponsored by the Churches and Community of
Woodstock

St. Gregory's Episcopal Church

2578 Rt. 212 Mail to P.O. Box 66
Woodstock NY 12498
679-8800
Father Charles Dupree, Priest-in-Charge

Holy Eucharist Service: Sunday 10am; Light breakfast and Bible Study 8:30am
Wednesday service: 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper and choir practice

Episcopal Church of Christ the King (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE; also in FOOD & CLOTHING under Rondout Valley Food Pantry)

3021 State Rt. 213 East
Stone Ridge NY 12484
845-687-9714

Holy Eucharist Sunday: Sept-June 8 and 10am, July-Aug 9am
Wed 7am Morning Prayer, 5:30pm Holy Eucharist
Mon 11am Bible Study
Saturday OA 9am, AA 10:30am

Reservoir United Methodist Church (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

3056 Rt. 28

Shokan NY 12481

657-2326

website: www.gbmg-umc.org/reservoirumc

Pastor Lucy Jones

Office open Mon-Tues 4:30-6:30pm, Sat 9am to noon

Services: Sunday School 9:30am, worship service 11am

For Bible Study call office to check schedules

Congregation conducts prison ministry

Assists migrant workers and families

Hosts AA meetings: Sun 3pm Shokan; M-Wed-Sat 7pm Glenford; Th 8pm Glenford; call for information

New Paltz Religious Society of Friends/Quakers

8 N. Manheim Blvd.

New Paltz NY 12561

255-5791

Clerk of the Meeting: Patti Salone

Silent Meeting for Worship: Sunday 10:30-11:30am, First Day School or child care at same time

Weekly Preparative Meeting at Eastern Correctional Facility, under the care of the Nine Partners

Quarterly Meeting

Church Communities International (formerly Bruderhof)

Maple Ridge:

10 Hellbrook Lane

Ulster Park, NY 12487

339-6680 Fax 339-6685

Contact Bill Cleva, for Maple Ridge and other nearby Church Communities International communities

Church Communities International is a Christian communal movement

Spiritual guidance and religious support offered to all

Counseling available in Spanish and some other languages

St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Church (also listed in FOOD & CLOTHING; SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

137 S. Main St.

Ellenville NY 12428

647-6080

Denomination: Catholic

Pastor Father John Lynch, Parochial Vicar Father Leo Perera

Mass in English (Parish Hall): Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8am, 10:15am, 11:45am

Mass in Spanish: Sunday 1:00pm

Prayer Meetings in Spanish: Friday 7pm

Food Pantry: call to arrange pick-up Thursday 4pm at rectory

Hosts AA meeting Thursday 8pm (open at 7pm)

Our Lady of Lourdes Mission

Rt. 209

Kerhonkson NY 12446

Mass Sunday 10am

Ellenville Reformed Church (see also FOOD AND CLOTHING)

188 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-4130
Reverend Jay Vogelaar

Sunday worship:

Sept.-June worship 10:55am; Sunday School 9:30-10:30 am

June-Sept worship 9:55am – child care provided

Communion: first Sunday of the month

Church activities: call church office for information

Thrift Store (clothing): Wednesday 10am-3pm, Thursday 10am-2pm, Saturday 10am-noon

For emergency needs at other hours, call church office

Ellenville United Methodist Church (also in FOOD AND CLOTHING)

83 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-7094
Reverend Louise Thomas

Sunday service and Sunday School: 10:30am

Food pantry open Wednesdays 9-10:30am

St. Paul A.M.E. Zion Church (also listed in FOOD AND CLOTHING)

156 Center St. Mailing address: PO Box 306
Ellenville NY 12428
647-8172
Reverend Edward Holmes

Sunday service 11:15am, Sunday School 9:45am (all ages)

Bible Study Tuesday 5:30pm

Food pantry available: call church office for information

Praise Dominion Family Worship

21 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
mailing address: 60 Staples St.
Kingston NY 12401
Pastor Reyes Torres, Jr.

Prayer service: Tuesday 7:30pm

Bible Study: Thursday 7:30pm

Church School: Sunday 10am

Worship Service: Sunday 11am

Offers 2-day services twice each year in Beacon Correctional Facility

Congregation welcomes and assimilates people coming out of prison

Strong outreach, can offer counseling and various forms of help – write to mailing address above

Has contact with congregations in NYC which can welcome people returning to that area from prison

Ellenville Assembly of God

67 Canal St.
Ellenville NY 12428
647-3120
Reverend Bill Cates

Sunday Services: Sunday School 9:30am (all ages) Worship 10:45am, with special church for children,
Sunday evening service 6pm
Bible Study Wednesday 7pm

Living Word Chapel

1555 route 28A
West Hurley NY 12491
338-9305
Pastor Donald Moore

Christian non-denominational congregation
Worship services: Sunday 9am and noon
Sunday School, Worship and Puppet Ministry for Children: same time as adult service
Bible Study Tuesday 7:30pm
Bible Study and Lunch Friday at noon

Transformation Life Center (TLC) (see also SUBSTANCE ABUSE)

395 Floyd Ackert Rd. P.O. Box 249
West Park NY 12493
384-6511 Fax: 384-6793
website: www.TLC911.org

Church with a strong mission in drug rehabilitation and community outreach
Services held in TLC Upper Room Church
Campus provides dorms, dining hall, library, game room and movie lounge for rehab residents
In winter the neighborhood ministry offers food, warm clothing and bags of hygiene products
Summer programs include barbeques and Gospel Rap

M. LIST OF PROVIDERS WITH CHAPTER LOCATIONS (alphabetical listing)

Alcoholics Anonymous Substance Abuse	The Council of Churches, Woodstock Food and Clothing
American Cancer Society Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	Crime Victims Assistance Program Domestic Violence Services Legal Services and Mediation
Angel Food East for HIV/AIDS Food and Clothing Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	The Dispute Resolution Center Legal Services and Mediation
Atonement Lutheran Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community	Ellenville Assembly of God The Faith Community
Benedictine Hospital General and Emergency Services Health, Mental Health & HIV/AIDS	Ellenville Public Library Education and Library Services
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ulster County General and Emergency Services	Ellenville Regional Hospital General and Emergency Services Health, Mental Health & HIV/AIDS
Catholic Charities Food and Clothing	Ellenville Reformed Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community
Catskill Mountain Counseling Substance Abuse	Ellenville United Methodist Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community
The Center for Law and Justice Publications First Steps Jobs and Training Legal Services and Mediation	EPIC Program for Prescription Drugs Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS
Christ's Lutheran Church (For Churches & Community of Woodstock: Food and Clothing) The Faith Community	Episcopal Church of Christ the King Substance Abuse The Faith Community (for Rondout Valley Food Pantry: Food and Clothing)
Church Communities International (Bruderhof) The Faith Community	Town of Esopus Port Ewen Library Education and Library Services
Churches and Community of Woodstock Food and Clothing	Everett Hodge Community Center Jobs and Training
City of Kingston Commission on Human Rights Legal Services and Mediation	Fair Street Reformed Church The Faith Community
Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church Food and Clothing Education and Library Services Substance Abuse Legal Services and Mediation The Faith Community	Family of Woodstock/New Paltz/Ellenville/ Woodstock General and Emergency Services Housing and Emergency Shelters Food and Clothing Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS Substance Abuse Domestic Violence Services
Congregation Ahavath Israel Conservative Synagogue The Faith Community	Fathers' Rights Support and Counseling General and Emergency Services
Cornell Cooperative Services Education and Library Services	

First Baptist Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community	Medicaid: Medical Assistance Program Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS
First Presbyterian Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community	Mental Health Association in Ulster County Education and Library Services: (ACES Program) Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS Substance Abuse
The Fortune Society Publications General and Emergency Services	Mid-Hudson Library System Publications
Gamblers Anonymous Substance Abuse	NAACP Legal Services and Mediation
Gateway Community Industries, Inc. Jobs and Training	Nar-A-Non Substance Abuse
HEAP:Home Energy Assistance Program Housing and Emergency Shelters (utilities)	National H.I.R.E. Network Publications Legal Services and Mediation
Helping Hands Ministry Food and Clothing	New Paltz Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) The Faith Community
Holy Cross Episcopal Anglican Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community	New Progressive Baptist Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community
Iglesia Evangelica Amigos The Faith Community	The New York Public Library Publications Jobs and Training
Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church The Faith Community	New York State Department of Labor Publications Jobs and Training
Kingston Hospital (incl. Bridge Back) General and Emergency Services Health, Mental Health & HIV/AIDS Substance Abuse	New York State Division of Human Rights Legal Services and Mediation
Kingston Public Library Education and Library Services	New York State Division of Parole Legal Services and Mediation
Legal Action Center Publications Legal Services and Mediation	New York State Domestic Violence Hotlines Domestic Violence Services
Legal Services of the Hudson Valley Legal Services and Mediation	Old Dutch Reformed Church The Faith Community
Libraries of Ulster County Education and Library Services	Overeaters Anonymous Substance Abuse
Living Word Chapel The Faith Community	PEOPLE, Inc. Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS
Masjid-al-Umar The Faith Community	People's Place General and Emergency Services Food and Clothing
Meals on Wheels - Woodstock Food and Clothing	Pointe of Praise Family Life Center Food and Clothing The Faith Community

Praise Dominion Family Worship The Faith Community	The Salvation Army General and Emergency Services Housing and Emergency Shelters Food and Clothing Health, Mental Health & HIV/AIDS Substance Abuse The Faith Community
Red Cross Housing and Emergency Shelters (utilities)	Saugerties Area Council of Churches Food and Clothing
Reentry Net: Website: www.reentry.net/NY Publications Legal Services and Mediation	SCORE (Strand Community Organization To Rehabilitate the Environment) General and Emergency Services Housing and Emergency Shelters Education and Library Services Jobs and Training
Reservoir United Methodist Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community	Step-One Substance Abuse
Resource Center for Accessible Living Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	Temple Emanuel Reformed Synagogue The Faith Community
Rochester Food Pantry Food and Clothing	Together Rx Access Health, Mental and HIV/AIDS
Rondout Valley Food Pantry Food and Clothing	Transformation Life Center (TLC) Substance Abuse The Faith Community
Rural Opportunities, Inc. Food and Clothing Jobs and Training Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church The Faith Community
Rural Ulster Preservation Company (RUPCO) Housing and Emergency Shelters	Ulster County BOCES Education and Library Services Jobs and Training
St. Gregory's Episcopal Church The Faith Community	Ulster County Community Action Food and Clothing
St. James United Methodist Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community	Ulster County Community College Education and Library Services Jobs and Training
St. John the Evangelist Church Food and Clothing Substance Abuse The Faith Community	Ulster County Department of Health Food and Clothing (WIC Program) Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS
St. John's Episcopal Church The Faith Community (for Angel Food East: Food and Clothing & Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS)	Ulster County Department of Social Services General and Emergency Services Housing and Emergency Shelters Food and Clothing (Food Stamps) Domestic Violence Services
St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church The Faith Community	Ulster County District Attorney Domestic Violence Services Legal Services and Mediation
St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community	
St. Paul A.M.E. Zion Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community	

Ulster County Family Court Legal Services and Mediation	United Way 211 General and Emergency Services
Ulster County Government (Information) Publications	VESID Jobs and Training
Ulster County Human Relations Commission Legal Services and Mediation	West Hurley Public Library Education and Library Services
Ulster County Liberty Rx Program Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	Woodstock Jewish Congregation The Faith Community
Ulster County Mental Health Department Kingston, New Paltz/Highland, Ellenville Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS Substance Abuse	Woodstock Reformed Church (for Council of Churches: Food and Clothing) The Faith Community
Ulster County Office for the Aging Housing & Emergency Shelters Food and Clothing Legal Services and Mediation	Workers Rights Law Center of New York, Inc. Legal Services and Mediation
Ulster County Office of Employment and Training Jobs and Training	YMCA General and Emergency Services
Ulster County One-Stop Job Center Jobs and Training	YWCA: Even Start Family Literacy Education and Library Service
Ulster County Probation Department Legal Services and Mediation	
Ulster County Public Defender Legal Services and Mediation	
Ulster County Regional Drug Treatment Court Substance Abuse Legal Services and Mediation	
Ulster County Veterans Service Agency General and Emergency Services Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	
Ulster Literacy Association, Inc. Education and Library Services	
Ulster SCORE (Counselors to America's Small Business) Jobs and Training	
Ulster Sullivan Mediation Legal Services and Mediation	
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Catskills The Faith Community	
United States Social Security Administration General and Emergency Services	
United States Veterans Administration (VA) Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	