



## Criminal Justice

- Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants
  - Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE) is a grassroots organization that was founded in Texas in 1972. The organization believes that prisons should be used only for those who absolutely must be incarcerated and that those who are incarcerated should have all of the resources they need to turn their lives around. They also believe that human rights documents provide a sound basis for ensuring that criminal justice systems meet these goals.
  - Website: [www.curenational.org](http://www.curenational.org)
  - Contact: [cure@curenational.org](mailto:cure@curenational.org) / (202) 786-2126
- Coalition for Juvenile Justice
  - The Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ) envisions a nation where fewer children are at risk of delinquency; and if they are at risk or involved with the justice system, they and their families receive every possible opportunity to live safe, healthy and fulfilling lives. CJJ is a nationwide coalition of State Advisory Groups (SAGs) and allies dedicated to preventing children and youth from becoming involved in the courts and upholding the highest standards of care when youth are charged with wrongdoing and enter the justice system.
  - Website: [www.juvjustice.org](http://www.juvjustice.org)
  - Contact: [info@juvjustice.org](mailto:info@juvjustice.org) / (202) 467-0864
- Court Service and Offender Supervision Agency
  - CSOSA's mission is to increase public safety, prevent crime, reduce recidivism, and support the fair administration of justice in close collaboration with the community. In the District of Columbia, eighty percent of pretrial defendants are released to the community and approximately 70 percent of convicted offenders serve some portion of their sentence in the community. As such, CSOSA's effective supervision of pretrial defendants and convicted offenders provides a crucial service to the courts and paroling authority and is critical to public safety.
  - Website: [www.csosa.gov](http://www.csosa.gov)
  - Contact: (202) 220-5300
- Crossroads Youth Opportunity Center (CYOC)
  - CYOC's Identity program provides programs for Latino youth in Montgomery County, Maryland to help them achieve a sense of confidence, connection, and control over their lives. Our goal is to reduce social and cultural barriers that hamper Latino youths' ability to participate fully in society's benefits and responsibilities.
  - Website: [www.identity-youth.org](http://www.identity-youth.org)
  - Contact: [info@identity-youth.org](mailto:info@identity-youth.org)
- DC Books to Prisons
  - Since 1999, DC Books to Prisons Project has provided free books to prisoners around the country. We also develop and support local prison libraries. Our work is done solely by concerned volunteers on donated time and resources. Unlike some programs, we do not limit requests for books to a particular geographic area or demographic group; therefore, we receive a tremendous number of requests. Yearly, we send out close to 4,000 packages

containing over 10,000 books. These packages go to prisoners in 150 different prisons in all 50 states. Pack books Wednesday evenings between 5:30pm and 9:00pm.

- Website: [www.dcbookstoprisoners.org](http://www.dcbookstoprisoners.org)
- Contact: [btopdc@gmail.com](mailto:btopdc@gmail.com)
- Families Against Mandatory Minimums (FAMM)
  - FAMM (Families Against Mandatory Minimums) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization fighting for fair and proportionate sentencing laws that allow judicial discretion while maintaining public safety. FAMM advocates for state and federal sentencing reform, and mobilizes thousands of individuals and families whose lives are adversely affected by unjust sentences to work constructively for change.
  - Website: [www.famm.org](http://www.famm.org)
  - Contact: [famm@famm.org](mailto:famm@famm.org)
- SAFE
  - SAFE works to protect the safety and self-determination of domestic violence survivors through emergency services, court advocacy, and system reform. Volunteers can serve as part of the Court Watch Project (ensuring justice for domestic violence survivors) or on the 24-hour response hotline.
  - Website: [www.dcsafe.org](http://www.dcsafe.org)
  - Contact: [safevolunteers@dcsafe.org](mailto:safevolunteers@dcsafe.org)
- Sasha Bruce Youthwork
  - Sasha Bruce Youthwork (SBY) delivers comprehensive services to meet the urgent needs of at-risk youth and their families and is a key provider of youth and family services in Washington, D.C. and the surrounding community. As a private, non-profit agency, SBY offers unique programs designed to provide a wide-range of services to young people and their families.
  - Website: [www.sashabruce.org](http://www.sashabruce.org)
  - Volunteer page: <http://www.sashabruce.org/about-us/volunteer/>
- Young Ladies of Tomorrow
  - This organization works directly with young women and girls that have experienced the juvenile justice system. The goal is to offer counseling, therapeutic recreation, job training, mentorship and provide other resources these ladies may need in order to reach their potential. The organization strives to help every lady discover the root of her “issue” in order for her to be able to address it and ideally meet her potential.
  - Website: [ylotdc.org](http://ylotdc.org)
  - Contact: [info@youngladiesoftomorrow.org](mailto:info@youngladiesoftomorrow.org)
- Friends of Guest House
  - Friends of Guest House is a nonprofit organization that helps Northern Virginia women successfully reenter the community following incarceration who are in need of basic support services to successfully transition back into society. Housing, jobs, healthcare, and family/community connection are the “four pillars of livability” that Friends of Guest House focuses on.
  - Volunteer page: [http://www.friendsofguesthouse.org/waystohelp\\_volunteer.html#volunteer](http://www.friendsofguesthouse.org/waystohelp_volunteer.html#volunteer)
  - Contact: [volunteer@friendsofguesthouse.org](mailto:volunteer@friendsofguesthouse.org)

- Website: <http://www.friendsofguesthouse.org/index.php>
- National Religious Campaign Against Torture
  - NRCAT is a membership organization committed to ending U.S.-sponsored torture, and cruel, inhumane and degrading treatment. Since its formation in 2006, more than 300 religious organizations have joined NRCAT, including representatives from the Catholic, evangelical Christian, mainline Protestant, Unitarian Universalist, Quaker, Orthodox Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Baha'i, Buddhist, and Sikh communities.
  - Take Action Page: <http://www.nrcat.org/about-us/take-action-current-legislation>
  - Website: <http://www.nrcat.org/index.php>
  - Contact: <http://www.nrcat.org/about-us/contact-us>
- CAIR (Capital Area Immigrant Rights) Coalition:
  - CAIR Coalition strives to ensure equal justice for all immigrant men, women, and children at risk of detention and deportation in the DC area and beyond through direct legal representation, know your rights presentations, impact and advocacy work, and the training of attorneys defending immigrants in the immigration and criminal justice arenas. Volunteers are needed for jail visits, serving on the detainee hotline, and translating/interpreting.
  - Volunteer page: <https://www.caircoalition.org/how-to-help/volunteering>
  - Website: <https://www.caircoalition.org/>
  - Contact: <https://www.caircoalition.org/contact>
- The Sentencing Project
  - The Sentencing Project works for a fair and effective U.S. criminal justice system by promoting reforms in sentencing policy, addressing unjust racial disparities and practices, and advocating for alternatives to incarceration. The Sentencing Project was founded in 1986 to provide defense lawyers with sentencing advocacy training and to reduce the reliance on incarceration. Since that time, The Sentencing Project has become a leader in the effort to bring national attention to disturbing trends and inequities in the criminal justice system with a successful formula that includes the publication of groundbreaking research, aggressive media campaigns and strategic advocacy for policy reform.
  - Contact: [staff@sentencingproject.org](mailto:staff@sentencingproject.org)
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