

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:

Ulster County is rich in resources that can help people make a successful reentry when they return to our community. Agencies and community groups are listed here, emphasizing where possible the offerings that may be especially helpful to people who have been incarcerated. We offer the guide with all our best wishes for their success upon return.

The list of guides in the first chapter, Publications, represents offerings by some of the agencies and professional organizations in the State that have produced reentry books. Some are written for other areas of the state, but contain good information on special subjects such as legal matters or employment.

We are happy that the NYS Department of Correctional Services is engaged in a reorientation of some of our state correctional facilities. These are being transformed into specialized Reentry Units that will help people nearing release to build a better foundation for their transition. This enlightened move expresses the growing consciousness, here and in the nation as a whole, that the early stage of reentry is a crucial time for those returning home, and for the communities that receive them. Another strong step forward has been the establishment in the state of County Task Forces on Reentry, such as the active and effective one that is at work in our own county.

This book is offered free to those returning from prison or jail. Call or mail a request to the office of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Catskills (see contact information on front cover). 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 on the Church's website www.uucckington.org/SocialAction/RestorativeJustice, and on the Reentry Net website www.reentry.net/NY (follow further prompts). You will find a few bracketed comments [] in this book. They are the editor's clarifications.

Wanda Goldstein, Editor

I. PUBLICATIONS

Online access to present document ***Coming Back To Ulster County***:
www.uucckington.org/Social Action/Restorative Justice
www.reentry.net: access follows below.

Reentry Net: website: www.reentry.net Follow menu choices to access information and publications: 'Reentry Resource Center-NY', 'Links/Get Help', 'Directories of Reentry Resources', *Coming Back To Ulster County* (with other NY publications). Each of these choices gives access to such other material as well, such as the Library, downloads of documents and forms, employers' rules on hiring people with criminal records etc.

Founded as a joint project of The Bronx Defenders, The Prisoner Reentry Institute of John Jay College & Pro Bono Net

Memberships available for receipt of mailings, calendar updates, and materials of professional interest. For further information contact Reentry Net Coordinator, The Bronx Defenders, 718-838-7878 or online.

Hudson Valley Connections for Columbia, Dutchess, Putnam, Greene, & Ulster Counties
Published by Mid-Hudson Library System, Outreach Services Department 471-6060 ext 236
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, or downloaded from website listed above. Hard copies available in area libraries. English/Spanish

Connections: 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

212-340-0971 website: www.nypl.org/branch/services/connections

Spanish Edition ***Conexiones***: www.nypl.org/branch/services/conexiones

Free for people in reentry and for helping agencies. Most resources listed are for New York City, but offers information on job preparation/searches, life management, counseling, legal resources and rights. Available at many Ulster County libraries

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, Pine West Plaza Bldg. 2, Washington Avenue Extension Albany NY 12205 518-427-8361 Fax: 518-427-8362

website: www.cflj.org/Resource Page/On Your Own e-mail: cflj@knick.net

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

Focus on Albany area, but has general information/advice, great depth in legal matters (parole and probation, how to get a copy of your rap sheet and correct mistakes, employee rights, documents etc.)

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

Published by The New York State Department of Labor especially for those in reentry

Free at any office of NYS Department of Labor, including DOL in Kingston, 601 Development Court
Information on rights & special job programs for those formerly incarcerated, pointers on finding work, how to change the name on your Social Security card if you want to use a different name etc.

Fortune News Free newsletter published by The Fortune Society (also listed in Chapter III), a self-help organization with a national membership. 70% are incarcerated and formerly incarcerated people.

The Fortune Society, 29-76 Northern Blvd., Long Island City, NY 11101 open M-Th 8-8, F 8-5

212-691-7554 Fax 347-510-3451 or order online at website: www.fortunesociety.org

Legal Action Center: booklets available, no charges or fees. (also listed in Chapter XI, Legal Services)
How to Get and Clean Up your NYS Rap Sheet, How To Obtain Important Documents, Certificates of Relief from Disabilities and Certificates of Good Conduct, and many other publications

The Legal Action Center, 225 Varick St. - 4th Floor, New York, NY 10014 Hours: Monday-Friday 9 to 5.
212-243-1313 Fax: 212-675-0286 website: www.lac.org (information and full list of publications)

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/Resources/Assistance/NY
Internet source of information on employment laws, agencies and sources of help, state by state

Ulster County Directory published under the auspices of Ulster County Legislature

Lists all officers and legislators, chairs and members of standing committees, and all departments of Ulster County Government. Lists all town, village and City of Kingston officers and representatives, as well as US and NY State representatives from the area. Lists all courts and libraries in the County. Can be picked up at the Legislative Office Building at 244 Fair St. in Kingston, or City, town, and village halls.
website: www.co.ulster.ny.us

United Way's phone number for services:

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

United Way of Ulster County Offices: 450 Albany Ave., Kingston NY 12401 331-4199

4. FIRST STEPS

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.

Release To Parole

When released to Parole, you must report to your assigned Parole Office within 24 hours of the time of release. Read and follow carefully the list of instructions and requirements for people on parole. (For further material about Parole, see Chapter XI, LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION.)

While In Prison Or Soon After Release, 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 License or Non-Driver Photo ID for example).
- 4.** For Driver License or Non-Driver ID: ex-prisoners are eligible only for Non-Driver ID until Parole Officer's approval for Driver 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 for Copies Of Your Rap Sheet And Certificates)
Military Discharge Papers: DD214
Alien Registration Card for non-U.S. Citizens
Proof of Education (GED certificate or college transcript, for example)
Proof of Functional Disability if disabled

Getting Copies Of Your Rap Sheet And Certificates:**Check the rap sheet for mistakes.**

A rap sheet lists information about arrests, charges, convictions and sentences. To get a copy, file a "Request for Record Review" with the Division of Criminal Justice Services (address below). Get the form, together with the instructions, requirements and amount of fees. When you receive the rap sheet, make sure there are no mistakes. A "Statement of Challenge" form will be enclosed with the rap sheet. If there is any error, fill out the form and send it to the Division of Criminal Justice Services.

New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services**4 Tower Place, Albany NY 12203****518-485-7675**

Be sure you know what is in the rap sheet (after any necessary corrections). You may need to be able to discuss it accurately during interviews.

For certain jobs, you may need a Certificate of Rehabilitation. Employers are required to consider these documents when making employment decisions.

a. Certificate of Relief from Disabilities

This can be issued by the Parole Board at the time of release from incarceration or at any later time. If you have misdemeanors, or no more than one felony, you may apply for a Certificate of Relief from Disabilities through the original court of conviction or the New York State Division of Parole. (Those who were convicted outside NY State must apply to NYS Division of Parole rather than to the court of conviction.)

b. Certificate of Good Conduct

If you have more than one felony, you may apply for a Certificate of Good Conduct. This certificate requires a waiting period of 3 to 5 years from the date your sentence ended or the date of release to Parole. If on Parole, your Parole Officer can help with your application, which is temporary until you complete Parole. If not on Parole, contact the Division of Parole directly to get an application. Return the completed and notarized forms to that office.

New York State Division of Parole**Executive Clemency Bureau, 97 Central Ave., Albany NY 12206****518-473-5195****Further Steps to Take Before or After Release**

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. (Chapter VII, JOBS AND TRAINING.)
2. Get help to clear any existing bench warrants.
3. Take action regarding Child Support. Immediately contact the Family Court which originally decided your child support payment and get Family Court Form "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.
4. 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 voter registration form at local Board of Elections, office of Department of Motor Vehicles, or any state agency. Or online at www.elections.state.ny.us. Mail or deliver completed form to Board of Elections with proof of identity and address.

LEARNING CHANGES IN DAILY LIFE: Many things have no doubt changed since you left. Try to get help from a relative or neighbor to learn the new ways of doing common activities. Parole and Probation Officers or clergy may direct you to support groups or others who can help. Bus travel may be different.

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FIRST STEPS / GENERAL & EMERGENCY SERVICES

New buses and new rules may 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 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 Chapter VI, EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES and Chapter VII, 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 Chapters III, General And Emergency Services and V, Food And Clothing for temporary and long-term support. See Chapter VI, Education and Library Services (Cornell Cooperative Extension) and VIII, 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.

III. GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Fortune Society (see Chapter I for *Fortune News*, free for those incarcerated now or formerly)
29-76 Northern Blvd., Long Island City, NY 11101

212-691-7554 Fax: 347-510-3451 website: www.fortunesociety.org

A nonprofit organization, of and for those incarcerated or formerly incarcerated

Maintains residences for homeless people with criminal records

Located in NYC, but offers helpful information and advice by newsletter, website or phone (usually from someone who has been in prison) Call Monday-Thursday 8-8, Friday 8-5 English/Spanish

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also Chapters IV, V, VIII, IX, and X for further listings)

Administrative Office

39 John St., PO Box 3516, Kingston NY 12402

331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

No fees. Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail

website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Office hours Monday-Friday 8:30-5, Spanish spoken, Accessible to people with disabilities

Help available regardless of past offences. (Access through any branch of Family of Woodstock.)

Variety of services include case management, crisis intervention, emergency services, counseling, court advocate, homeless shelter, food pantries, clothing, HIV/AIDS issues, substance abuse etc.

Hotline and Walk-in Centers: Phone 24 hours/day, walk-ins as listed

Family of Woodstock Office

16 Rock City Road, Woodstock NY 12498 Accessible to people with disabilities

679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490 phone 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

website: listed on www.familyofwoodstockinc.org e-mail: fowh@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Building open 7 days/week, 365 days/year 9:30am to 9:30pm Walk-ins during these hours

Family of New Paltz office Accessible to people with disabilities

51 N. Chestnut St., New Paltz NY 12561

255-8801 Fax: 255-3498 phone 24 hours/day, 7da/wk

website: listed on www.familyofwoodstockinc.org e-mail: fnph@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Office open Monday-Friday 10-5, Walk-ins during these hours.

Family of Ellenville office Accessible to people with disabilities

221 Canal St., Ellenville NY 12428

647-2443 or 647-5700 Fax: 647-2460 Phone 24 hours/day, 7da/wk

website: listed on www.familyofwoodstockinc.org e-mail: foeh@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Office open Mon and Wed 9-6; Tues, Thurs, Fri 9-4:30 Walk-ins during these hours.

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GENERAL AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

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, or 338-2370 after hours

Available to all 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 drug and alcohol prevention services and advocacy with detox, rehab and other treatment programs, and services for HIV/PLWAS

Youth Case Management--Non-Residential, ages 12-20

Referrals or self-referrals, regardless of income. Call Main Office at 331-7080, or 338-2370 after hours

Street Outreach Program for Youth and Domestic Violence victims

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 case management services

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

331-7080 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

The Salvation Army (see also Chapers IV, V, VIII, IX & XII)

Corps Community Center of Kingston

35 Cedar St., Kingston 12401

331-1803 website: www.salvationarmykingston.org

Captain James C. Kissler, Jr. CFRE, Corps Officer/Senior Pastor – ext 1

Doug Rockwell, Admin.of Social Services – ext 5 e-mail: douglas_Rockwell@use.salvationarmy.org

Help with paper work for Social Services and other agencies

Administers Good Neighbor Fund for help with utility bills

Food Pantry Tues-Fri 9-11:45am Emergency prescriptions for diabetics

Emergency transportation with verification of destination (job interview, medical visit, relative etc.)

Thrift store at 884 Albany Ave., 338-9695

People's Place (see also Chapter V)

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 (also see Chapter VIII)

809 Grant Ave., Lake Katrine NY 12449

338-2589 TTY 334-9210 website: www.ssa.gov

Open M-F 9-4

Apply for Social Security card or replacement of lost card.

Apply for: Social Security benefits, Social Security for the Disabled (SSD), or Supplemental Security

Income for those who are aged, blind or disabled (SSI).

Get information on Medicare Prescription Drug Plan

GENERAL & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Ulster County Department of Social Services (see also Chapter IV, V and X)

1061 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

334-5000 Fax: 334-5420 website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/dss

Open M-F 8am-5pm - Call for appointment - Accessible to people with disabilities

Roberto Rodriguez, Commissioner

Temporary Assistance (Welfare)	Food Stamps	HEAP Program for Utilities Help
1021 Development Court	1051 Development Court	334-5000
334-5045 (M-F 8-5)	334-5200	for those over 60, call 340-3456
Applications M-F 8-11am	Applications M-F, 8-5 (also	(Office for the Aging)
Emergencies addressed daily	accepted at Town Offices)	

Children and Family Services (Seniors/Children)	Ulster County Day Care Unit
1091 Development Court	1091 Development Court
334-5400	334-5489
M-F 9am-5pm	M-F 8-5

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 provides information on eligibility. Family of Woodstock, The Salvation Army, Parole and Probation Officers and other professionals can offer advice and help in filling out necessary forms.

SCORE, Inc. (Strand Community Organization to Rehabilitate the Environment)

694 Broadway, Kingston NY 12401 Robert S. Collier, ABD, Executive Director

943-6767 e-mail: score694@yahoo.com

Life Skills workshops for individuals and families: literacy, parenting, developing self esteem, financial literacy, discussion groups

Technical assistance to individuals, organizations and small businesses.

Apartment rental placement counseling

Ulster County Veterans Service Agency (see Chapter VIII for VA Clinic/Health Care/Transportation)

308 Flatbush Ave., Kingston NY 12401

Satellite Office

340-3190 Fax: 340-3194

50 Center St., Ellenville NY 12428

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

647-3332

Open Tues & Thu 9:30-4:30

Open Mon-Fri 9-5

Benefits generally not affected by criminal record, with honorable discharge. Agency assistance free.

Help with request for copy of DD214. and with applications for all veterans' benefits including

health care, education, vocational training, counseling, employment.

(For veterans' employment opportunities & training, see Chapter VII, listing for Department of Labor)

Transportation to and from Albany VA Hospital from Kingston, with connections to and from Ellenville

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

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

Health Alliance of the Hudson Valley

website: www.hahv.org

Alliance includes Kingston, Benedictine and Margaretville Hospitals

Kingston Hospital (see also Chapters VIII and IX)

396 Broadway, Kingston, NY 12401 Accessible to people with disabilities. Open 24 hours/day

331-3131: central switchboard. 334-3182: Marketing/Public Relations Office

General and emergency hospital services. Wireless network: free internet access for patients and guests

New-Parent Help line 331-4357: 24 hr hotline for new parents with questions on infant care

Sharps drop-off program for community residents only. Wed 8am-1pm. Call for proper procedures.

Diabetes classes, support groups (Pain Management, Cardiac Rehabilitation, Sleep Problems & others)

Call Public Relations Office at 334-3182 for list of active groups and times of meetings

Kingston WoRx: Occupational Health and Wellness: employee health screening & physicals. Physical therapy, radiology, return-to-work programs, workers compensation consultation etc.

GENERAL & EMERGENCY SERVICES

Benedictine Hospital (see also Chapter VIII)

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

Benedictine Health Center

327 Albany Avenue, Kingston NY 12401

845-334-9585

M-F 9am-5pm

General patient care, by appointment only.

Ellenville Regional Hospital (see also Chapter VIII)

10 Healthy Way, Rt. 209, Ellenville PO Box 668, Ellenville NY 12428

647-6400 Fax: 647-6450 website: www.ellenvilleregional.org

General and emergency hospital services. Open 24 hours/day

Orthopedic services, gastroenterology, laboratory services, radiology, physical therapy, diabetes counseling, nutritional counseling, pain management, cardiology and other general services

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ulster County

95 Grand St., Kingston NY 12401 Colleen Mountford, President

338-0431 Fax: 331-2262 website: www.bigbrothersbigsistersulster.org

One on one mentoring programs for children age 4-18 to provide a positive adult/child relationship

Children of Promise Program: Special consideration for children with an incarcerated parent.

Community Based Mentoring, Site-based Mentoring, School-Based mentoring and After-School Programs available.

YMCA

507 Broadway, Kingston NY 12401 Pres/CEO Robert H. Conklin

338-3810 website: ymcaulster.org

Programs in Kingston, New Paltz, Highland and Ellenville. Financial aid available on sliding scale.

Family program "Kids Together" is offered at YMCA by the Ulster County Dept. of Mental Health.

YWCA

209 Clinton Ave., Kingston NY 12401

338-6844 Fax: 338-0620 website: ywcaulstercounty.org e-mail: ywcaulster@hvc.rr.com

Early Childhood Learning Center: child care M-F 7am to 6pm ages 6 weeks-5 years.

Pre-School: half day for 3 & 4-year-olds

Ulster Family Court Children's Center: drop off children 6 weeks-12 years old, while on court business

Teen Parent Services for pregnant or parenting teens under the age of 21

Parenting Education: 6-week sessions on parenting, at Center, or for incarcerated women in UC Jail.

Miscellaneous Emergency Numbers

Police, Fire, Ambulance 911 TTY 711

Community and emergency services 211 Provided by **United Way 211**

24 hour telephone information system for emergency and community services (many languages)

Referral for help with food, clothing, illness, housing, financial assistance etc.

Deaf Emergency NYS Police TTY 1-800-342-4357

Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222

Suicide and Crisis Kingston 338-2370 Woodstock 679-2485

Child Abuse 1-800-342-3720

Rape 1-800-656-4673

Domestic Violence English 1-800-942-6906 Spanish 1-800-942-6908

GENERAL & EMERGENCY SERVICES / HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Federal Citizens' Information Center: 800-688-9889 or 800-FED INFO (800-333-4636)
website: www.usa.gov Call 800 number above to reach *any* federal agency, and most New York State agencies. Press "0" (zero) to reach a person to answer your questions.

A menu lists the most common: government assistance, government jobs, how to obtain a birth certificate, Social Security and Medicare/Medicaid, taxes, document authentication, job discrimination.

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."

ULSTER COUNTY AGENCIES AND SERVICES

website: www.co.ulster.ny.us

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

Contains information, phone numbers, addresses & e-mails for all Ulster County Departments.

Many UC Departments appear in the Alphabetical Listing of Providers at the end of this book.

HOUSING AND EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also Chapters III, V, VIII, IX and X)

Administrative Office

39 John St., PO Box 3516, Kingston NY 12402

331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370: answered 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk Fax: 679-8490

No fees. Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail

website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Office hours Monday-Friday 8:30-5, Spanish spoken, Accessible to people with disabilities

Darmstadt Shelter, Supervised shelter, Kingston **24-hour phone and walk-in service**

331-1395 Fax: 331-4467 e-mail: darmstadt@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Provides crisis intervention, emergency temporary housing, home-finding services, referrals, meals, laundry, children's services coordination, case management, employment counseling, life skills training, 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, Kingston **24 hour phone and walk-in service**

340-1847 Fax 339-0549 e-mail: FAMILYinn@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Parenting training, recreation. Serves primarily homeless families.

Family Shelter, Kingston **24 hour phone and walk-in service**

679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax 331-0526

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, Rosendale, for youth **24 hour phone and walk-in service**

338-5953 Fax: 338-6178 e-mail: famhouse@familyofwoodstockinc.org

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.

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HOUSING & EMERGENCY SHELTERS

MidWay I and II 24-hour phone and walk-in service

Kingston: 339-5508

Ellenville: 647-1346

Open 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

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.

Save Them Now (see also Chapters VII and IX)

254 Washington Ave., Kingston NY 12401

338-2264 Fax: same number

Reentry program for individuals being released from incarceration and long term treatment programs.

Provides clean and sober housing.

Mandatory substance abuse testing, job training and job placement. Mentoring and life skills training.

Salvation Army (see also Chapter III, V, VIII, IX and XII)

Corps Community Center of Kingston

35 Cedar St. Kingston 12401

845-331-1803 website: www.salvationarmykingston.org

Administrator of Social Services: Doug Rockwell – ext 5

Good Neighbor Fund for help with utility bills after other assistance exhausted

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

Help with filing for Section 8 housing

Ulster County Department of Social Services, Emergency Housing/HEAP

1061 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401 (see also Chapter III, V (food stamps) and X)

Open M-F 8am-5pm Accessible to people with disabilities

334-5000

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, utilities and simple weatherization. (Those 60 and older should call the 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 Chapters V and XI)

1003 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

340-3456 Fax: 340-3583 www.co.ulster.ny.us/aging

M-F 9-5

For HEAP Program (listed above), low-income seniors over 60 apply through the Office for The Aging.

If receiving food stamps, apply through your Food Stamp officer.

Rural Ulster Preservation Company (RUPCO)

289 Fair St., Kingston NY 12401

331-2140

Helps provide affordable housing, rental or ownership, as available Miscellaneous Utilities assistance.

Emergency assistance may be available to pay first month's rent, or back rent

Applications for Section 8 subsidized housing: suspended for foreseeable future at date of: publication.

(Note Section 8 for those formerly incarcerated depends upon the offence for which you were convicted)

Red Cross

21 O'Neil St., Kingston NY 12401 338-7020 Can arrange for 75 gallons of fuel in emergency

After hours emergency: 338-7021

V. FOOD AND CLOTHING

Ulster County Department of Social Services (see also Chapters III, IV, V and X)

Food Stamps Program

1051 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

334-5200

New applications M-F 8-5, 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 Chapters III, IV, VIII, IX, X)

Family of Woodstock Office, 16 Rock City Road, Woodstock NY 12498

Accessible to those with disabilities

679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490 Phone is answered 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

Open 7 da/wk, 365 days/year 9:30am to 9:30pm Walk-in during these hours

Food and clothing. For residents of Woodstock and Ulster County west of Woodstock

Food limited to once per month with three days of food supplied.

Family of New Paltz

51 N. Chestnut St., New Paltz NY 12561 Accessible to people with disabilities

255-8801 Fax: 255-3498 Telephone answered 24 hours/day

Open M-F 10-4 Walk-in during these hours

Food Pantry and clothing, for residents of New Paltz and surrounding area

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

Family of Ellenville

221 Canal St., Ellenville NY 12428 Accessible to people with disabilities

647-2443 or 647-5700 Fax: 647-2460 Telephone answered 24 hours/day

Open Mon & Wed 9-6, Tues, Thurs and Fri 9-4:30. Walk-in during these hours.

Food Pantry and clothing boutique. Pantry limited to once a month service with three days food supplied.

For residents of Ellenville and southern Ulster County

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 Chapter VIII)

Hosted by **St. John's Episcopal Church** (see Chapter XII)

207 Albany Ave.

Kingston NY 12401

331-6538

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

The Salvation Army (see also Chapters III, IV, VIII, IX, XII)

35 Cedar St., Kingston NY 12401

331-1803 website: www.salvationarmykingston.org

Food Pantry Tues-Fri 9-11:45: three days' food for each family member (one pick-up in a 90-day period)

Eligibility based upon family circumstances

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

People's Place (also Chapter III)

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 Chapters VI, XI, XII)

122 Clinton Ave., Kingston, NY 12401

331-7188

Caring Hands Lunch Program Monday through Friday at noon: walk-in

The Queen's Galley

254 Washington Ave., Kingston NY 12401

338-3468 Fax: 334-8159 website: www.thequeensgalley.org e-mail: (through website)

Soup Kitchen open every day of the year, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner to anyone seeking a meal.

Cooking is done from 7am-7pm. Open for food donations 24 hours/day, 7da/wk.

Frontline Classes: education for children, families and seniors in preparing nutritious low-cost meals.

Ulster County Office for the Aging (see also Chapters IV and XI)

1003 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

340-3456 Fax: 340-3583 www.co.ulster.ny.us/aging

M-F 9-5

Low cost lunch programs weekdays for people 60 and older in Ellenville, Kingston, Phoenicia, Rosendale and Saugerties: call for location

Arranges for home delivered meals weekdays for eligible homebound seniors

Holy Cross Episcopal Anglican Church (see also Chapter XII)

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/mo: Tues, Wed & Thurs of the last full week of the month which contains these three days. Tues and Thurs 10-12, Wed 1-3pm

First Baptist Church (see also Chapter XII)

77 Albany Ave., Kingston NY 12401

331-5044 Fax 331-5044 Office hours: T noon-2pm, Th 9am-2pm, W and F noon-3pm

Evening meal served at the church Wednesdays 5:30pm

Pointe of Praise Family Life Center (see also Chapter XII)

243 Hurley Ave. P.O. Box 1279

Kingston, NY 12401 Kingston NY 12402

339-4615

Food pantry and clothes closet open Saturday 1-5pm. Call for information and directions.

Rondout Valley Food Pantry at Episcopal Church of Christ the King (see Chapters IX and XII)

3021 State Rt. 213 East, Stone Ridge NY 12484

687-4013 pantry office

Food pantry Tues and Thurs morning 8am - 10am (call first). Pick up also by appointment.

Free community lunch on the 4th Tues of the month 11:30am-1pm. (phone: Church Office 687-9714)

Atonement Lutheran Church (see also Chapter XII)

100 Market St., Saugerties NY 12477

246-8322

"God Given Bread" 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 Chapters IX and XII)

915 Route 212, Saugerties NY 12477

246-9581

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

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: Tues 1-4pm. Doctor's note first visit, then food available twice/mo.

Hurley Mission, Hurley NY 338-7121

Food pantry Mon, Tues, Wed 11am-2pm. Mon only: clothing 1-2pm. Wed 1pm clothing

Wed 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** (for church see Chapter XII)

Woodstock NY 12498

679-2336

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

The Council of Churches, Woodstock

Tinker Street: **Woodstock Reformed Church** (for church see Chapter XII)

Woodstock NY 12498

679-6610

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

Meals on Wheels - Woodstock

16 Tinker St., Woodstock NY 12498 679-4656: call M-F 8:30-11am. Cost: \$3.50 per meal delivered.

Ellenville Reformed Church (see also Chapter XII)

188 Canal St., Ellenville NY 12428

647-4130

Thrift Store (clothing): Wed 10am-3pm, Thurs 10am-2pm, Sat 10am-noon

Wed and Sat: also perishable foods & fresh produce. Phone for emergency needs at other hours.

Ellenville United Methodist Church (see also Chapter XII)

83 Canal St., Ellenville NY 12428

647-7094

Food Pantry open Wednesdays 9-10:30am

Ulster County Department of Health (see also Chapter VIII)

WIC Program (Women, Infants and Children)

883-5259, or Cornell Cooperative Services, 340-3990 (see Chapter VI)

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) Pantry Mon & Thurs 10am-noon; Tues 7-8pm

Rosendale Food Pantry James St., Rosendale NY 12472 658-9385

Rochester Food Pantry Located at Firehouse, Accord, call 626-7501 for pick-up time

Helping Hands Ministry, St. Charles Borromeo Church Hall, Rt. 44/55, Gardiner, Pantry Thurs 12-2pm

Phoenicia United Methodist Church 25 Church St., Phoenicia NY, Food pantry Thurs 9am-noon

His Love Unveiled Food Pantry at Mid Hudson Christian Church (see Chapter XII)

2393 Rt. 300, Wallkill NY 12589 895-3006 website: www.midhudsonChristianChurch.com

Food Pantry: food and clothing: open 2d & 4th Tues noon to 1:30pm, 2d & 4th Fri 6:30-7:30pm

VI. EDUCATION AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Kingston Public Library

55 Franklin St., Kingston, NY 12401

331-0507 Fax 331-7981

website: www.kingstonlibrary.org e-mail: reference@kingstonlibrary.org

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, newspapers, periodicals
Access to the Internet, including websites for providers listed in this resource book for education, GED
information, employment, resume writing, health, emergency services, community directories.

Personal e-mail available (user can set up a library e-mail account and get basic instruction)

Resource Materials (ask at desk) including some listed in this book in Chapter 1, PUBLICATIONS

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: www.eplm.org e-mail: epl@rcls.org

September-June: open M-Th 10-8, Fri 10-5, Sat 10-3, closed Sun

July & Aug: open: M-Th 9-8, Fri 9-5, Sat 9-3, closed Sun

Accessible to people with disabilities

Library Services including reference materials and directories, (ask at desk)

Free computer service and e-mail; access to Internet.

Free computer classes at library or at Ellenville Central School, beginners welcome

Periodicals and newspapers, want ads

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 for Public Computer Use

Open Mon, Tues, Th 10-5:30; W 10-8, F 10-7, Sat 10-4, Sun 1-4

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. Phone library for times and information.

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 1-7pm, Tues & Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10-4, closed Thurs and Sun

Library services, references, guides and directories. On-line job information.

Free Computer tutoring: call for appointment

EDUCATION & LIBRARY SERVICES

Other area libraries:

Gardiner Library 255-1255, website: www.rcls.org/gar
Hurley Library Assn. 338-2092, website: www.hurley.lib.ny.us
Highland Public Library 691-2275, website: www.highlandlibrary.org, Clintondale Branch 883-5015
Stone Ridge Public Library 687-7023, website: www.stoneridgelibrary.org
Marlboro Free Library 236-7272, website: www.marlborolibrary.org
Milton: Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library 795-2200, website: www.hallock.milton.lib.ny.us
New Paltz: Elting Memorial Library 255-5030, website: www.elting.newpaltz.lib.ny.us
Olive Free Library 657-2482, website: www.wwww.olive.westshokan.lib.ny.us
Plattekill Library 883-7286, website: www.plattekill.lib.ny.us
Rosendale Library 658-9013, website: www.rosendalelibrary.org
Saugerties Public Library 246-4317, website: www.saugertiespubliclibrary.org
Phoenicia Library 688-7811, website: www.phoenicia.lib.ny.us
Pine Hill: Morton Memorial Library 254-4222, website: www.morton.pinehill.lib.ny.us
Wallkill Public Library 895-3707, website: www.rcls.org/wak
Town of Ulster Public Library 338-7881, website: www.ulster.lib.ny.us
Wawarsing: Cragmoor Free Library 647-4611, website: www.rcls.org/crg
Woodstock Library 679-2213, website: www.woodstock.org

Ulster County BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services) (see also Chapter VII)

PO Box 601, Port Ewen NY 12466

331-5050 Fax: 339-8797 website: www.ulsterboces.org

Office open Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm, Fri 9-4 Accessible to people with disabilities

Many offerings involve tuition, but you may be able to have subsidized tuition assistance or financial aid.

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 Ed--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.ulsterliteracy.org e-mail: info@ulsterliteracy.org

Casandra Beam, Executive Director

Volunteer tutors with 18 hrs training teach clients to read & write. For adults: 16 & up, not in school

Service free and confidential. Teaching usually one-on-one but can be in a group, or a family group

Cornell Cooperative Services

10 Westbrook Lane, Kingston, NY 12401 Accessible to people with disabilities. Can come to homes.

340-3990 Fax: 340-3993

website: www.cce.cornell.edu/ulster e-mail: ulster@cornell.edu

Mon-Fri 8:30-5

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. (see Chapter V for WIC Program)

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.

EDUCATION & LIBRARY SERVICES / JOBS & TRAINING

Ulster County Community College (see also Chapter VII)

Cottkill Road P.O. Box 557
Stone Ridge NY 12484 Stone Ridge NY 12484-0557
687-5000 Fax:687-5083 website: www.sunyulster.edu

Extension Centers

Business Resource Center 1 Development Court Kingston NY 12401 339-2025	Highland Middle School Extension 320 Pancake Hollow Rd. Highland NY 12528 691-4401 (evenings only)	Everette Hodge Community Ctr. 15-21 Franklin St. Kingston NY 12401 845-331-9681 or 331-9682
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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

Sponsors ACES Program (below) for students with psychiatric disabilities

Highland Middle School program offers classes during evenings only

Business Resource Center (above) has day, evening and weekend classes, computer laboratories etc.

Everette Hodge Community Center offers computer classes in basic communication skills

Mental Health Association in Ulster County (see also Chapter VIII)

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

Sponsored by Ulster County Community College, Stone Ridge, NY 12484
687-5073

Supported program at UC Community College for students with psychiatric disabilities. Help in handling college environment. Attention to individual needs. (Appointment preferred but not required)

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (see also Chapters V, XI and XII)

122 Clinton Ave, Kingston, NY 12401

331-7188

GED program Tuesday and Thursday 12:30-3:30pm

VII. JOBS AND TRAINING

NOTE: See Chapter II "First Steps" for actions you should take before, and immediately after, release from prison or jail. There you will find a list of documents you will need, and a section on cleaning up your rap sheet, getting Certificates of Rehabilitation etc.

Before release, Transitional Services can offer guidance in looking for work, and after release you can get help at the New York State Department of Labor, the Ulster County One-Stop Job Center and The Office of Employment and Training. These agencies are listed in this chapter.

There is also good information in publications listed in Chapter 1, PUBLICATIONS, such as *Connections*, *The Prime Objective* and *On Your Own*, all free to people in reentry. They list the employment rights you have as a person who has been incarcerated, what questions employers are allowed, or not allowed, to ask you about your past record, and what information they can legally consider in their hiring decisions.

Local libraries have copies of newspapers (want ads), computer instruction, and word processing machines for resume writing. Libraries are listed in Chapter VI, Education and Library Services

NYS Department Of Labor – Division of Employment Services (see Chapter I for booklet)

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

Ask for a copy (free) of the NYS Department of Labor booklet *The Prime Objective*. Offers important information on rights, laws and special programs for those returning from prison or jail.

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 below)

Veterans Services program provides services to veterans and other eligibles regarding employment, education, vocational rehabilitation and benefits.

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

One-Stop Job Center is a collaborative effort operated by the NYS Department of Labor, UC Office of Employment and Training, SUNY Ulster, Ulster BOCES and UC Dept. of Social Services.

Job preparation, job search and career planning. Access to federally funded programs for training and upgrading of skills. Use of computers, fax machines and telephones for the job search.

Special opportunities for those returning from prison:

Guidance with federally funded programs that reward businesses with tax incentives to hire people who have been incarcerated.

Federal Bonding Program for those formerly incarcerated and others with special needs

Assistance with licensing programs and training.

Referrals to VESID (Vocational & Educational Services for Individuals With Disabilities, below).

Ulster County Office of Employment and Training (Federally funded)

651 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

340-3170 Fax: 340-3165

website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/oet e-mail: oet@co.ulster.ny.us

Office open Mon-Fri 8:30am to 5 pm, walk-in or phone

Nancy Schaefer, Director

Excellent for all who have been out of the job market or are entering the job market

Specializes in retraining & on-the-job training for eligible and suitable adults, dislocated workers and youth.

Can help convert job experience gained from prison jobs into marketable experience.

Counseling for skills assessment and assistance with creation of job and job training employment plan.

Help with interviewing techniques, basic computer skills training, on-line application assistance.

Positioned closely with the ULSTER WORKS One-Stop Job Center and co-located with the NYS Dept. of Labor, Ulster BOCES, SUNY Ulster, Experience Works and VESID. (Note these agencies are listed in the present Chapter.)

Ulster County BOCES: Ulster Adult Career Education Center (see also Chapter V)

PO Box 601 – 319 Broadway, Port Ewen NY 12466

331-5050 Fax: 339-8797

website: www.ulsterboces.org

Office open Mon-Thurs 9am-8pm, Fri 9-4, Accessible to people with disabilities

Many offerings involve tuition, but you may be able to have subsidized tuition assistance or financial aid.

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, Pharmacy Technician, Dental Assistant etc.

Trades: Electronics, Manufacturing Technology, HVAC/Plumbing, Electrical Trades,

Auto Technology, Welding, Driving programs, Renewable Energy Technology etc.

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 website: www.vesid.nysed.gov
Office open M-F 8:30-5 Accessible to people with disabilities
Part of New York State Education Department, serving Ulster, Orange, Sullivan, Dutchess, Putnam

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.

SUNY 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

Save Them Now (see also Chapters IV and IX)

254 Washington Ave., Kingston NY 12401
338-2264 Fax: same number
Reentry program for individuals being released from incarceration and long term treatment programs.
Provides clean and sober housing.
Mandatory substance abuse testing, job training and job placement. Mentoring and life skills training.

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

(also Chapter I, {Publications})

In the offices of The Legal Action Center, 225 Varick St., 4th Flr, New York, NY 10014
212-243-1313 Ask for H.I.R.E. Network Fax 212-675-0286
website: [www.hirenetwork.org/Resources and Assistance/NY](http://www.hirenetwork.org/Resources%20and%20Assistance/NY) Free membership and newsletter.
Internet source of information on employment laws, agencies and sources of help, state by state
Lists advantages to employers in hiring those formerly incarcerated.

Ulster SCORE: Counselors to America's Small Business

SUNY Ulster Business Resource Center, 1 Development Court, Kingston: Hours: T, W, Th 10am-1pm
339-0468 Fax: 339-0780 website: www.scoreulster.org e-mail: score@sunyulster.edu
New Paltz Chamber of Commerce, 259 Main Street, New Paltz, NY 12561: Tues 9am-noon
255-0243

Local sponsorship by SCORE, SUNY Ulster and Ulster Chamber of Commerce
Free confidential counseling to prospective, new or established small business persons, by individual inquiry or by referral from governmental agencies.
Information and counseling on many kinds of businesses: accounting, engineering, production, tourism, building trades, health care, computer applications, education, retailing etc.
Workshops, seminars and training programs offered at low-cost (a few may be free)

JOBS & TRAINING / HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS

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

VIII. HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS

Health Alliance of the Hudson Valley

website: www.hahv.org
Alliance includes Kingston, Benedictine and Margaretville Hospitals

Kingston Hospital (see also Chapters III, IX)

396 Broadway, Kingston, NY 12401 Accessible to people with disabilities. Open 24 hours/day
331-3131 (central switchboard 334-3182 (Marketing/Public Relations Office)
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 (334-3182) for list of active groups and times of meetings

Benedictine Hospital (see also Chapter III)

105 Mary's Ave., Kingston NY 12401 Accessible to people with disabilities
338-2500 Fax: 334-4916 website: benedictine.org
Baby-Care Hotline 334-4807
Emergency 334-4902 24 hours/day
Psychiatric Emergency 334-3093 TDD Emergency 334-4945
General and emergency hospital services. Sponsors many cancer support groups

Benedictine Hospital Psychiatric Care

Emergency psychiatric services 24 hours/day

Benedictine Partial Hospitalization Program

105 Mary's Ave., Kingston NY 12401
334-3120 Fax 334-4835
Office hours M-F 8:30am-4:30pm Accessible to people with disabilities
Program hours 9:30am-3pm
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

HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS

Ellenville Regional Hospital (see also Chapter III)

10 Healthy Way, Ellenville PO Box 668, Ellenville NY 12428 open 24 hours/day
647-6400 Fax: 647-6450 website: www.ellenvilleregional.org

General and emergency hospital services

Orthopedic services, gastroenterology, laboratory services, radiology, physical therapy, diabetes counseling, nutritional counseling, pain management, cardiology and other general services

Foxhall Ambulatory Surgical Center

64 Jansen Ave., Kingston NY 12401

331-3253 Admission by medical referral only.

Ambulatory surgery including gynecological, ophthalmological, reproductive, urological, general etc.

Medicaid: Medical Assistance Program

1001 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401 Accessible to people with disabilities.

334-5035 334-5042: Dedicated phone line for applications or appointments

Open M-F 8-5

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 Chapter III)

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.

VA Primary Care Outpatient Clinic

63 Hurley Ave., Kingston NY 12401

331-8322 Fax 331-0365 website: www.albany.va.gov/locations/Kingston

Mon-Fri 8am - noon, & 1 - 4:30pm Accessible to people with disabilities.

Primary medical care for eligible veterans. (Subject to possible co-pay.)

Prescription medications, by mail. Laboratory for drawing blood.

Behavioral Health Care: Individual and group psychotherapy for those with personal and emotional problems, including drugs and alcohol. Smoking Cessation groups (behavioral and medication)

Referral to VA Hospital in Albany for special services. (Transportation: call UC Veterans Service above)

Crisis hotlines maintained by Albany VA (toll-free, 24 hours/day):

Suicide Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK(8255) Medical advice for enrolled veterans: 1-888-838-7899

HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS

Family of Woodstock, Inc. (see also Chapters III, IV, V, IX and X)

Administrative Office

39 John St., Kingston NY 12401 PO Box 3516, Kingston NY 12402
331-7080 Fax: 331-0526 (Spanish available)

24 hour emergency hotlines:

Family of Woodstock Office

16 Rock City Road, Woodstock
679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490

Family of New Paltz office

51 N. Chestnut St., New Paltz
255-8801 Fax 255-3498

Family of Ellenville office

221 Canal St., Ellenville
647-2443 or 647-5700 Fax 647-2460

Self-referrals welcome: walk-in, telephone or e-mail. No fees.

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

Access to Benedictine Hospital's psychiatric emergency services

HIV/AIDS, including AIDS Reachout Project:

Street outreach services, distribution of condoms, free condom pick-up at any Family of Woodstock Office. Counseling, assistance with decision to be treated, testing information etc.

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

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

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

Salvation Army, Corps Community Center of Kingston (see also Chapters III, IV, V, IX and XII)

35 Cedar St., Kingston 12401

845-331-1803 website: www.salvationarmykingston.org

Referrals to health or mental health agencies or institutions. Help with applications and transportation.

Emergency prescriptions for people with diabetes

Angel Food East for HIV/AIDS (see also Chapter V)

Hosted by **St. John's Episcopal Church** (see Chapter XII)

207 Albany Ave., Kingston NY 12401

331-6538

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

Resource Center for Accessible Living

727 Ulster Ave., Kingston NY 12401 Accessible to People with Disabilities

331-0541 Fax: 331-2076 TTY: 331-4527 website: www.rcal.org

Mon-Fri 9am-4:30pm *Intake:* call for schedule of workshops. No fees.

A non-profit community based service and advocacy, run by and for people with any type of disability.

Information about options & assistance making choices about independent living and working.

Information and advisement about resources and services. Help applying for Social Security benefits, the PASS plan or other benefits. Equipment Loan Closet: canes, walkers, crutches, wheelchairs etc.

Center Loan Library for books, tapes and catalogues

Provides special support groups for individuals and families, such as Independent Living, Mood

Disorder, Traumatic Brain Injury, Amputee or Arthritis (New groups formed often. Call for listing.)

Service Coordination for people with developmental disabilities (adults and children)

Ulster County Mental Health Department (see also Chapter IX)

239 Golden Hill Lane, Kingston NY 12401

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

Open M-Th 8am-9pm, Fri 8am-6pm Fees based on ability to pay, or Medicare, Medicaid or 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

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HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS

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

Mental Health Association in Ulster County (See also Chapter VI (for ACES Program) & Chapter IX)

300 Aaron Ct., Kingston NY 12401 PO Box 2304 (preferred mailing address), Kingston NY 12402
339-9090 website: www.mhainulster.com

Not-for-Profit mental health organization. Accessible to people with disabilities
Case management, information and help for mental health needs and mental health advocacy.
Educational and life skills programs, help with employment preparation for people with disabilities
Self-help and support groups, referral to clinical services of UC Dept. of Mental Health or area hospitals
Men's Anger Management, and Women and Anger program
Coping Skills: Help with daily living skills: evenings and weekends. Recommendation by therapist.
Referral to sub-groups of Mental Health Association, and to public and private health professionals
Adult Residential Program for mental health patients: Community residences, Apartment Program,
Supported Housing Program (Supported Housing clients live in their own homes, with case management.) Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Residences
Families & youth: Transition Program: case management for youth who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and have mental health or substance abuse problems. Help with housing & employment.
Family based treatment programs, parenting skill workshops, support groups for individuals & families.

PEOPLE, Inc.

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

website: projectstoempower.org

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
In-Home Support Program

Ulster County Department of Health (see also Chapter V)

Nursing Division

300 Flatbush Ave., Kingston NY 12401 Administration: 340-3150
340-3060 or 340-3070 Fax: 340-3035 for 340-3045 website: www.ulstercountyny.gov/health
After hours, weekends & holidays: 334-2145

Open M-F 9-5

New Paltz Office	Ellenville Office	Saugerties Office
570 Rt. 299	50 Center St.	123 Partition St.
Highland NY 12528	Ellenville NY	246-2621
883-6155	647-2343	Mail: PO Box 304
Mail: PO Box 305		Saugerties NY 12477
New Paltz, NY 12561		

Free screening for TB (Tuberculosis), HIV/AIDS and STD (Sexually-Transmitted Diseases)
Well-child medical examinations (free)
Immunization program (small fee or contribution) for school children and for adult flu and pneumonia

HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH & HIV/AIDS / SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Miscellaneous Health Care Services

Ulster County Liberty RX Program

877-321-2652 website: www.ulsterrx.com

Established by Ulster County Legislature to provide discount cards to UC residents for prescription drugs
Three ways to get information and enroll: Phone, pick up card at County Offices, or enroll online
Phone or website for pharmacy location and information, drug price checks, & online refills for enrollees.

U.S. Social Security Administration (also see Chapter III)

809 Grant Ave., Lake Katrine NY 12449

338-2589 website: www.ssa.gov

Open M-F 9-4

Or call 800-772-1213 for nearest office of **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**
for information on Medicare Prescription Drug Plan for seniors and disabled persons

EPIC Program for Prescription Drugs

For eligible seniors. See any local pharmacist for information and help in filing forms

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 legal residents

Eligibility according to income, for those under the age of 65, without insurance coverage for medications.

New York State Miscellaneous Numbers

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

NYS Dept. of Health: 1-800-541-AIDS Confidential AIDS hotline (English)

1-800-233-7432 “ “ “ (Spanish)

AIDS Discrimination 1-800-523-2437

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

AIDS Drug Assistance Program 1-800-542-2437

IX. SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Ulster County Mental Health Department (see also Chapter VIII)

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 & substance abuse programs, referrals & support groups. Works with UC Drug Treatment Court.

Health Alliance of the Hudson Valley

website: www.hahv.org

Alliance includes Kingston, Benedictine and Margaretville Hospitals

Kingston Hospital (also see Chapter III & VIII)

396 Broadway, Kingston, NY 12401

331-3131

Substance Abuse services and phone numbers below:

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE

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

Mon-Tues 8:30am-9pm, Wed 8:30am-8pm, Thurs 8:30am to 9pm, Fri 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

Mental Health Association in Ulster County (see also Chapters VIII, & VI (for ACES Program)

300 Aaron Ct., Kingston NY 12401 PO Box 2304 (preferred mailing address) Kingston NY 12402
339-9090 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 Chapters VIII, X, XII for UC services)

570 Main St., Poughkeepsie NY 12601
471-1730 Jose Caquias ext 308 Fax 471-9114

Rehabilitation center for drug and alcohol dependency. Stay is from 6 months to 1 year
Call to find requirements for admission and discuss arrangements for possible appointment
Center does not accept persons convicted of serious crimes such as child molestation, arson etc.

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 referral. Fees: Medicaid and most insurance, or sliding scale.

Family of Woodstock, Inc., Administrative Office (see also Chapters III, IV, V, VIII, X)

39 John St., PO Box 3516, Kingston NY 12402
331-7080 Fax: 331-0526

24 hour Hotlines: 679-2485, 338-2370, 255-8801 & 647-2443 Fax: 679-8490

Self-referrals welcome: telephone, Fax, e-mail or walk-in at any Branch of Family of Woodstock
website: www.familyofwoodstockinc.org e-mail: info@familyofwoodstockinc.org
Administrative Office hours Monday-Friday 8:30 -5 No fees. Spanish spoken.
Adult Case Management: Call Administrative Office (above) 331-7080

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Available to all who need help, regardless of past incarceration. Intensive case management services, drug and alcohol prevention, help 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 Chapter XI)

1 Garraghan Drive, Kingston NY 12401

338-0322 Hon. James Gilpatric, Case Manager Barbara Downey, Resource Coordinator Vanessa Manzi
Part of a statewide system of drug treatment courts

Case management, supervision, rehabilitation and support. Referrals from Police, Probation or Mental Health, with approval of Drug Treatment 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 pending felony or misdemeanor charges).

Family Court Drug Treatment Court

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

Save Them Now (see also Chapters IV and VII)

254 Washington Ave., Kingston NY 12401

338-2264 Fax: same number

Reentry program for individuals being released from incarceration and long term treatment programs. Provides clean and sober housing.

Mandatory substance abuse testing, job training and job placement. Mentoring and life skills training.

St. James United Methodist Church (see also Chapter XII)

Fair and Pearl Streets, Kingston Mailing Address and church office: 29 Pearl St., Kingston NY 12401

331-3030 www.gbgm_umc.org/stjames_kingston

Rev. David Jolly

Hosts many selfhelp groups: AA, NA, Al Anon and others. Call office for groups and meetings times.

First Presbyterian Church (see also Chapter XII)

80 Elmendorf, Kingston NY 12401

331-0633

Office hours: Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 9-4

Hosts AA, Al-anon, Alateen and NA meetings: call office at above hours to check times

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (also listed in Chapters V, VI, XI, XII)

122 Clinton Ave., Kingston, NY 12401

331-7188

Using church facilities: Al-Anon, with complete anonymity for participants. Call for times.

St. John the Evangelist Church (see also Chapters V & XII)

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 Chapter XII, & For **Rondout Valley Food Pantry**

3021 State Rt. 213 East, Stone Ridge NY 12484

see Chapter V)

845-687-9714

AA Tues 7:30pm, Fri 8pm, Sat 10:30am, and OA Sat 9am and Al Anon Sun 5:30pm

St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Church (see also Chapters V & XII)

137 S. Main St., Ellenville NY 12428

647-6080

Hosts AA meeting Thursday 7pm

SUBSTANCE ABUSE / DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Reservoir United Methodist Church (see also Chapter XII)

3056 Route 28, Shokan NY 12481

657-2326 website: www.reservoirmc.org e-mail: revlucy@reservoirmc.org

Office open Mon 3:30-6pm, Sat 9-11am

Church hosts AA meetings M, Wed, Th, Sat 7pm

Transformation Life Center (TLC) (see also Chapter XII)

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 AA meeting times and places, or press "0" for helpline

Narcotics Anonymous 431-6709 Helpline & Meetings for NA Mid-Hudson

Alcoholics and Narcotics Helpline - 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk toll-free: 888-206-7272

Gamblers Anonymous 221-0830 For volunteer press 1. Overeaters Anonymous Meetings 657-6603

X. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES

Family of Woodstock, Inc. Administrative Office (see also Chapters III, IV, V, VIII, IX)

39 John St., PO Box 3516, Kingston NY 12402

331-7080 Fax: 331-0526 e-mail: kingstondvcourt@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Crisis Intervention Hotline: 679-2485 or 338-2370 Fax: 679-8490 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

Program for Domestic Violence Court 9-5 M-F No fees

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 Administrative Office (above), at 331-7080 to make appointment (required). Individual and support group counseling available.

Evolve

M-F 10-6 Intake by appointment, 331-7080 Fax: 331-0526 Self-referrals welcome

e-mail: evolve@familyofwoodstockinc.org

Program for men who batter. Weekly meetings at various locations, 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. Self-referral or mandated by courts.

Domestic Violence Court Advocacy at Family Court

16 Lucas Ave., Kingston NY 12401 340-3617

For Domestic Violence Court call 331-7080 ext. 173

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

Crime Victims Assistance Program (see also Chapter XI)

1 Pearl St. Mailing address 5 Pearl St., Kingston NY 12401

340-3443 Fax: 340-3223 TTY 334-8126 nights, weekends and holidays: 340-3442, and TTY line

Office open M-F 9am-5pm website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/cvap

Provides help to all victims of crime including domestic violence, rape and sexual assault. Crisis intervention, emotional support, support groups (whether or not you choose to report the crime to police). Accompaniment to court, police station and hospitals.

Advocacy with officials, agencies and courts.

Help in filing applications, and filing for reimbursement through NYS Crime Victims Board

Work with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners Unit of UC District Attorney where appropriate.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES / LEGAL SERVICES & MEDIATION

Ulster County District Attorney (see also Chapter XI)

275 Wall St., Kingston NY 12401

340-3280 Fax: 340-3185 Office open Monday-Friday 9-5

District Attorney J. Holly Carnright

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 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

Domestic Violence Investigative Unit

1091 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

(same address)

334-5400

334-5155

M-F 9am-5pm

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, investigates reports of child abuse, domestic violence, assaults on elderly

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

Rape 1-800-656-4673

XI. LEGAL SERVICES AND MEDIATION

NOTE: (Some basic information is also found in Chapter II, **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.**)

Legal Action Center (see also Chapter I, 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 (see Chapter VII, Jobs and Training)

Offices open M-F 9 to 5. No fees - Spanish spoken.

National and New York State nonprofit organization providing free criminal justice services, services for recovering alcoholics and substance users, and persons with HIV/AIDS

People with criminal records: Call during business hours and ask for a paralegal. You will probably be given another date to call back, since these calls are numerous and are handled only on certain days.

Service providers and agencies: call between 1 and 5pm and ask for attorney on call.

Call for booklets on legal procedures. Some of the booklets are listed in Chapter 1, Publications.

Located in NYC, but advice, guidance and book orders available by phone.

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

Pine West Plaza Bldg. 2, Washington Avenue Extension, Albany NY 12205

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

website: www.cjlj.org (choose Resource Page and/or *On Your Own*) e-mail: cflj@knick.net

General legal guidance, information and referrals

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

Located in Albany, but may answer general legal questions or refer callers to relevant NYS agencies.

Reentry Net: Website: www.reentry.net (see also Chapter I)

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

Follow menu choices to access information and publications:

‘Reentry Resource Center-NY’, ‘Links/Get Help’ and ‘Directories of Reentry Resources.’ Each of these pages gives access to such material as the Library, downloads of documents and forms, employers’ rules on hiring people with criminal records, reentry resource guides etc.

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LEGAL SERVICES & MEDIATION

Founded as a joint project of The Bronx Defenders, The Prisoner Reentry Institute of John Jay College & Pro Bono Net

Memberships available, for receipt of mailings, calendar updates, and materials of professional interest.

For further information contact Reentry Net Coordinator, The Bronx Defenders, 718-838-7878 or online.

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

Pioneer group in the effort to secure civil rights for all, 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 Chapters V, VI & XII)

122 Clinton Ave. Kingston, NY 12401

331-7188

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 Must call for intake appointment M- F 9am-4pm for all 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

Intake appointment: must call 1-877-574-8529 at Newburgh Office M-F 9-4 first for intake process.

Kingston Office: 101 Hurley Ave. 2d floor Suite 3, Kingston NY 12401

331-9373 website: legalservicesofthehudsonvalley.org

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

Valid emergency only: (denial of emergency services, utility shut-off etc.)

No fee for those with qualifying income (determined at intake process)

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

Housing and employment problems: tenant/landlord dispute, eviction, foreclosure, subsidized housing, utility shut-off, unemployment insurance etc.

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

Director Milan Bhatt 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

334-3970 Fax 334-3972 website: www.ci.kingston.ny.us

Director Tawana Washington

Deals with discrimination issues such as race, creed, sex, disability, arrest record or conviction

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

website: www.ulstercountyny.gov/humanrelations e-mail: afoy@ulster.ny.us

Office hours Monday-Friday 9-5, phone for intake appointment

Free consultation, accessible to people with disabilities

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 (below)

New York State Division of Human Rights

Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower, 28th Flr PO Box 2049, Albany NY 12220

518-474-2705 or 474-2707 Fax 518-473-3422

Administers the NYS human rights law which prohibits discrimination on the basis of arrest and conviction records in employment, housing, public accommodations, and credit, or discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, sex, disability, marital status or age.

Accepts, helps prepare, and processes discrimination complaints.

Ulster County Family Court

Hon. Marianne Mizel and Hon. Anthony McGinty

16 Lucas Ave, Kingston NY 12401

340-3600 Fax: 340-3626

Modification of child support, restoration of visitation rights and other family issues.

Petition forms available at the Court or on-line at www.NYCOURTHELP.gov.

(For petitions involving out of state orders, contact the state where the Order was issued.)

Child support handled by a Support Magistrate. Involves at least one court appearance, and there the court will require you to submit a financial disclosure affidavit (sent to you by the Court).

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.

Visitation Issues will be heard by a Family Court Judge or Judicial Hearing Officer. You may file a petition for visitation where the custodial parent or caregiver resides. You may apply for assigned counsel in a visitation proceeding if you meet the financial requirements. (Assigned counsel is not available in support proceedings.) The assigned counsel form is available at the front desk.

Ulster County Office for the Aging (see also Chapters IV & V)

1003 Development Court, Kingston NY 12401

340-3456 Fax: 340-3583 www.co.ulster.ny.us/aging

M-F 9-5

Legal services for people 60 and above, civil matters only (advice given, no court appearances)

Help with legal documents, income tax, medical insurance & Medicare counseling (by appointment)

Photo ID cards for seniors, Mon through Fri

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 (listing above at beginning of chapter).

Ulster County Public Defender

18 Lucas Ave., Kingston, NY 12401

340-3232 Fax: 340-3744 e-mail: akos@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. 30)

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

Parole and Probation are crucial elements of reentry. They offer important help in many areas such as housing, jobs and job training, securing documents, registering for social services etc. Their expert knowledge is valuable and should be taken full advantage of. At the same time, rules and procedures are strict, and require care and concentration. For this reason people in reentry need to learn the rules and follow them diligently. Ask questions if anything is not clear to you.

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 NYS website: www.parole.state.ny.us

Serves population released from state prisons on parole in Ulster, Sullivan and Dutchess Counties

Call office for information on Ulster County reporting site.

Planning begins with a Facility Parole Officer before release

Parole Office cooperates with Ulster County Department of Social Services and other agencies.

Help with problems such as housing, social services, health and mental health care etc.

Cooperates with county Department of Probation as appropriate

A Certificate of Relief From Disabilities will be issued upon completion of Parole, or a temporary

Certificate will become permanent at that time.

Parole can help with application for Certificate of Good Conduct, which can be granted only after a prescribed waiting period.

Provides job preparation and placement through referral to the special programs of the NYS Department of Labor for people formerly incarcerated, such as bonding, licenses, education, training, on-the-job training, counseling etc.

(See Chapter VII for Department of Labor information and pamphlets on these services)

Help in regaining voting rights, which can be restored when you are discharged from Parole, or the time of your maximum sentence is completed.

Parole Charges and Waivers: The State of New York requires every releasee over 18 years of age to pay a monthly fee for parole supervision. Payments should be made promptly by check or money order. If you do not have the means to pay the fee, talk with your Parole Officer. If eligible for a waiver, the Parole Officer will help you.

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, and the Community Corrections Residential Program.

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: 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.

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.

Crime Victim Assistance Program (see also Chapter X)

1 Pearl St. Mail: 5 Pearl St., Kingston NY 12401

340-3443 Fax: 340-3223 TTY 334-8126 nights, weekends and holidays: 340-3442, and TTY line

Office open M-F 9am-5pm website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/cvap

Provides help to all victims of crime: crisis intervention, emotional support, support groups (whether or not you choose to report the crime to police). Accompaniment to court, police station and hospitals.

Advocacy with officials, agencies and courts. Help filing for reimbursement through NYS Crime Victims Board. Work with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners, UC District Attorney, in cases of rape/sexual assault.

Ulster County District Attorney (see also Chapter X)

275 Wall St., Kingston NY 12401

340-3280 Fax: 340-3185 Office open Monday-Friday 9-5

District Attorney J. Holly Carnright

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

Works with other agencies. Operates Consumer Affairs Bureau at 20 Lucas Ave., Kingston, 340-3260

Ulster County Regional Drug Treatment Court (see also Chapter IX)

1 Garraghan Drive, Kingston NY 12401

338-0322 Hon. James Gilpatric, Case Manager Barbara Downey, Resource Coordinator Vanessa Manzi

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

Case management, supervision, rehabilitation. Referrals from police, probation or Mental Health.

All admissions require approval of Drug Court Judge & District Attorney. Involves guilty plea to charges.

Self-referrals accepted: criminal charges pending or Parole/Probation violation, and approvals.

Treatment regimen by representatives from Drug Court, District Attorney, Public Defender, Law Enforcement and counselors.

LEGAL SERVICES & MEDIATION / THE FAITH COMMUNITY

Family Court Drug Treatment Court

Cathy Wiley, Coordinator

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

MEDIATION SERVICES

Ulster Sullivan Mediation

PO Box 581, New Paltz NY 12528

594-6382

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. Alternatives to Violence Program & Conflict Resolution Training.

Mediation help for disputes between victim/offender, tenant/landlord, employer/employee, parent/teen,

divorce, custody, visitation, child support, neighbors, buyer/seller

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

730 Broadway, Kingston, NY 12401

331-6136 Fax: 331-6021 website: drcservices.org e-mail: colleenm@drcservices.org

Office hours M-F 9-5 Colleen Mulready, Ulster County Agency Director: ext. 101

Meeting sites available that are convenient to the parties and accessible to people with disabilities

Spanish-speaking mediators available

Wide range of mediation services for issues such as tenant/landlord, neighbors, custody, visitation,

child support, workplace, victim/offender, parent/school, small claims court, environmental, etc.

Mediation can come before, during, after or instead of court actions.

No Fees for above services. Referrals to other agencies when appropriate.

For lemon law arbitration, business mediation, divorce mediation, meeting facilitators, and

training for peer mediation in schools, fees vary according to category.

XII. THE FAITH COMMUNITY

Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church (also see Chapters V, VI, IX & XI)

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

Caring Hands Lunch Program Monday through Friday at noon: walk-in

GED program Tuesday and Thursday 12:30-3:30pm

Free Legal Clinic: Friday 12:30pm

Using church facilities: Al-anon (operated with complete anonymity for participants)

New Progressive Baptist Church

8 Hone St., Kingston NY 12401 Accessible to people with disabilities

339-0773 www.newpro-youknow.org e-mail: newprogressive@aol.com

Pastor: Rev. Dr. G. Modele Clarke

Service: Sunday 10:30am, Sunday Breakfast 8:15am-9:15am, Sunday School 9:15am-10:15am

Bible Study: Tuesday 6pm and Wednesday 7pm (open to all), Saturday 11am (men) Friday 7pm (youth)

Outreach: Jail, prison and street ministries

Annual Revival Services: July at church

Provide meal at First Baptist Church of Kingston, second Wednesday of each month

The Shepherd's Voice, a monthly newsletter, is available on the web page

Pointe of Praise Family Life Center (see also Chapter V)

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

www.pointeofpraise.org

Pastor James B. Childs Senior Pastor James Childs

Services: Sunday morning: Sunday Morning Café 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

Holy Cross Episcopal Anglican Church (see also Chapter V)

30 Pine Grove St., Kingston NY 12401

331-6796

Father Charles Arlin, Interim Pastor

Father Arnulfo Arambulo: Spanish services and events

Holy Eucharist services: Sunday 7:45am 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 Evangélica Amigos

150 Murray St., Kingston NY 12401

339-6610 website: www.institutoalma.org e-mail: amigoscosecha@verizon.net

Pastor: Rev. José Urrutia

Spanish language services:

Sunday School 4:15pm, Sunday Worship Service 5:30pm

Wednesday Worship service 7:30pm, Saturday Family Groups in homes 7:30pm

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,
or through the internet: "La Cosecha" on website www.soundoflife.org

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

22 Livingston St., Kingston NY 12401

331-3090 website: www.lutheranonline.com/immanuelkingston e-mail: imm1ckng@verizon.net

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. Minister available for counseling

Services: Sunday 10:30am, Saturday 5pm, Sunday School: September-May 9:15am

Men's Breakfast Group Wed 8am, all men welcome, confidentiality protected. Call for other church activities.

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St. John's Episcopal Church (for Angel Food East listing, see Chapter V or VIII)

207 Albany Ave., mailing address: PO Box 1221, Kingston NY 12402

331-2252

website: www.stjohnskingston.org

Rector: Reverend Duncan A. Burns

Holy Eucharist services Fall through Spring: Sunday 8 and 10am

Thursday 6:00pm 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 Chapter IX)

Fair and Pearl Streets Kingston Mailing address and church office: 29 Pearl St., Kingston NY 12401

331-3030 Fax 331-3829

Rev. David Jolly

Church office at 29 Pearl St., open M-Th 8:30 am-1 pm, Friday 8:30am - noon

website: www.gbkm-umc.org/saintjames-kingston e-mail StJamesUMC2@verizon.net

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

Help groups AA, NA, Al Anon, Debtor's Anonymous and others meet at the church (call office for times)

St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church

242 Wall St., Kingston NY 12401

338-1554 website: www.stjosephkingston.org e-mail: sjcr242@earthlink.net

Church office open Mon-Fri 9am - 4pm. Call to make an appointment with a Priest.

Fr. Frank Damis, Pastor; Fr. Rick DeLaPena, Parochial Vicar

Mass: Sat 5 and 7:30pm, Sun 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30am, 5pm; at Hurley Mission 10am

Weekdays 7 and 9am; First Friday 5:30pm, Holyday Vigil 5:30 and 7:30pm

Confessions: Sat 4-5pm & after 7:30pm Mass; Mon after Novena. Prayer Group Mon 7:30 pm.

Old Dutch Reformed Church

272 Wall St., Kingston NY 12401

338-6759

Reverend Kenneth Lee Walsh

Church office hours M-F 9am-3pm

Sunday service: 10:30am - Sunday School during worship

Bible Study September-June Thurs 1pm

Note: Summer services are shared services, at 9am.

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 Elevator accessible

338-7722

Reverend Louis J. LaFazia

Church office hours M-F 9am-2pm

Sunday service 10am, Sunday School also 10am

Note: Summer services are shared services, at 9am: July at Fair Street Church

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

First Presbyterian Church (also listed in Chapter IX)

80 Elmendorf St., Kingston NY 12401

331-0633

Office hours: Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 9-4

Sunday service 11am (from 1st Sun after Labor Day to 1st Sun in June); summer 9:30am

Hosts AA, Al-Anon. Alateen and NA meetings – call church office at above hours to check times

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Catskills

320 Sawkill Rd., Kingston NY 12401 Accessible to persons with disabilities

331-2884 website: www.uucckingston.org

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

Services: Sunday at 9 and 11am; Child care and Religious Education available at both services.

Adult and family activities, adult education, support and enrichment groups, many active committees.

Congregation prepared *Coming Back To Ulster County*, available by download on website above.

First Baptist Church (see also Chapter V)

77 Albany Ave., Kingston NY 12401

331-5044 Fax 331-5044 website: www.fbckingston.org e-mail: pastorfrank@webjogger.net

Pastor Frank Vernol – minister available for counseling

Office hours: T noon-2pm, Th 9am-2pm, W and F noon-3pm

Ramp available for wheelchairs and accessible bathroom

Services: Sunday School and Nursery 9:00am; Worship Service 10am

Communion first Sunday of the month

Evening meal served at the church Wednesdays 5:30pm

Temple Emanuel Reformed Synagogue

243 Albany Ave., Kingston NY 12401

338-4271 Fax 338-0506 www.templeemanuelkingston.org

Rabbi Yael Romer Cantor Bob Cohen

Kabbalat Shabbat Service Fri 7:30pm (except for the first Friday of the month):

First Friday of the month: Monthly Potluck meal at 5:30pm, followed by early Kabbalat Service at 7pm

Saturday Morning Minyan 10am Saturdays, September through June

Lunch with the Rabbi first Tuesday of the month: noon to 1:30pm. Hot meal, dialogue and adult learning

Congregation Ahavath Israel Conservative Synagogue

100 Lucas Ave., Kingston NY 12401

338-4409

Office hours Tues-Fri 10am-3pm

Services: Friday 6:30pm, Saturday 9:30am, Sunday minyan 9am

Masjid-al-Umar

7 Downs St., Kingston NY 12401

338-4705 www.masjidumar.com e-mail: syedkhalidkhan@hotmail.com (or e-mail by website.)

Imam Syed Khalid Khan

For Muslims who believe in Quran and Sunnah. See Mosque website for prayer times for Kingston, including prayer times for the month. Islamic education and discussion sessions.

Salvation Army (see also Chapters III, IV, V, VIII, IX)

Corps Community Center of Kingston

35 Cedar St., Kingston, NY 12401

331-1803 website: www.salvationarmykingston.org

Captain James C. Kisser, Jr. CFRE, Corps Officer/Senior Pastor – ext 1

Sunday Services: Sunday School (all ages) 9:45am

Holiness Meeting 11am. Nursery for 3 and under. Program for 14 and under (2d half of worship service)

Adult Bible Study Thursdays at 6:15pm

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THE FAITH COMMUNITY

Tots Time: Bible study & social gathering for mothers or caregivers and their children: Tues 10am

Call to arrange for counseling and pastoral care.

Help 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

Health and medical referrals, emergency transportation and other assistance

St. John the Evangelist Church (see also Chapters V and IX)

915 Route 212, Saugerties NY 12477

246-9581 Fax: 246-9582 website: www.sjchurch.org

Rev. Msgr. William E. Williams

Denomination: Catholic. Accessible to people with disabilities.

Mass: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am

For Sunday services, children 3 and up are in age-appropriate Religious Education (SEEDS Program), then join adults for participation in the Mass

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 Chapter V)

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

“God Given Bread” Luncheon program Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 1pm: walk-in

Food pantry available most days except Mondays

Help also available for families of prisoners

Congregation has 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

Woodstock Jewish Congregation

1682 Glasco Tpke., Woodstock NY 12498

679-2218 website: www.wjcshule.org e-mail: info@wjcshul.org

Rabbi Jonathan Kligler

Executive Director Karen Tashman

Services: Friday 7:30pm, Saturday 10am (child care available)

Rabbi available for counseling, call for appointment

Woodstock Reformed Church (also in Chapter V under **Council of Churches Woodstock**)

Tinker St. Woodstock NY 12498

679-6610

Office open Tues and Thurs 8:30-11:30am, or by appointment

Rev. Josh Bode

Services: Sunday 10am – child care provided

Hosts Food Pantry Thurs 9-11am (one or two bags of food) Sponsored: Council of Churches, Woodstock)

Christ’s Lutheran Church (also in Chapter V 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 at the same time

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

office hours M – Th 9am-noon

Office Administrator: Duane Allan

Holy Eucharist Service: Sunday 10am; Light breakfast and Bible Study 8:30am

Wednesday service: 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper

Episcopal Church of Christ the King (also in Chapter IX, & Chapter V as Rondout Valley Food Pantry)

3021 State Rt. 213 East, Stone Ridge NY 12484

845-687-9714

Holy Eucharist Sunday: Sept-June 8am and 10am, July-Aug 9am

Wed 7am Morning Prayer, 5:30pm Holy Eucharist, Mon 11am Bible Study

Hosts free community lunch on the 4th Tues of the month from 11:30am-1pm

Food Pantry Tues & Thurs 8am-10am (call first at Pantry Office: 687-4013)

Hosts AA Tues 7:30pm, Fri 8pm & Sat 10:30am. Also OA Saturday 9 am and Al Anon Sun 5:30pm.

Reservoir United Methodist Church (see also Chapter IX)

3056 Rt. 28, Shokan NY 12481

657-2326 website: www.reservoirumc.org e-mail: revlucy@reservoirumc.org

Pastor Lucy Jones

Office open Mon 3:30-6pm, Sat 9 to 11am

Sunday Services: Worship Service 11am, Sunday School 9:30am. Nursery during Worship Service

Bible Study Wed morning 8-9am at home of parishioner in Glenford, for men and women in the Church and community. Men's Bible Study with coffee & dessert Friday at noon in Shokan, Oct through March. Call for location.

Congregation conducts prison ministry and assists migrant workers and families.

Church hosts AA meetings M, Wed, Th, Sat 7pm

New Paltz Religious Society of Friends/Quakers

8 N. Manheim Blvd., New Paltz NY 12561

255-5791

Silent Meeting for Worship: Sunday 10:30am, 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. Active outreach and community services.

Advice and dialogue in Spanish and some other languages

St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Church (also listed in Chapters V & IX)

137 S. Main St., Ellenville NY 12428

647-6080 e-mail: antiochulster@yahoo.com

Denomination: Catholic

Pastor Father John Lynch, Parochial Vicar Father Paul Aduri

Mass in English: Saturday 5pm

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

Mass in Spanish: Sunday 1:00pm

Food Pantry Thursday 4pm at rectory. Call the day before to arrange pick-up.

Our Lady of Lourdes Mission

Rt. 209, Kerhonkson NY 12446

Mass Sunday 10am

Ellenville Reformed Church (see also Chapter V)

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

Communion: first Sunday of the month (must be a member of a church to participate)

Church activities: call church office for information

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

Wed and Sat: also perishable foods & fresh produce. Phone for emergency needs at other hours.

Ellenville United Methodist Church (also in Chapter V)

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

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 11am with special church for children and

Sunday evening 6pm. Family Night Bible Study Wednesday 7pm

Mid Hudson Christian Church (see also His Love Unveiled Food Pantry, Chapter V)

2393 Rt. 300, Wallkill NY 12589

895-3006

website: www.midhudsonChristianChurch.com

Pastor Pat Burden

Worship Service Sunday 10:30am. Children join the worship service, then are released to Sunday School

Thursday evening Prayer Service 6:30pm

Engaged in Kairos prison ministry

His Love Unveiled Food Pantry offers food and clothing (Chapter V)

Living Word Chapel

1555 route 28A, West Hurley NY 12491

338-9305

Pastor Donald Moore

Christian non-denominational congregation

Worship: Sunday 9am and 12:30. Sunday School, Worship and Puppet Ministry for Children, same time.

Bible Study Thurs 7pm, Bible Study and Lunch Friday at noon

Transformation Life Center (TLC) (see also Chapter IX)

395 Floyd Ackert Rd. P.O. Box 249, West Park NY 12493

384-6511 Fax: 384-6793

website: www.TLC911.org e-mail: info@tlc911.org

Pastor Paul Barnes, TLC Chaplain Pastor Ray Spangler, Upper Room Chaplain

Church with a mission in drug rehabilitation and community outreach.

Resident Rehab program, with dorms, dining hall, library, game room and movie lounge.

Call for information on cost of rehab residency. Donations for program support are appreciated.

Upper Room Ministry offered for spiritual growth.

In winter the neighborhood ministry offers food, warm clothing and bags of hygiene products.

Summer programs include neighborhood barbeques, Gospel Rap, and donations of clothing and toys.

Family Ministry promotes good family relationships. Families of Faith Retreats Jan, Mar, May & Sept.

All are welcome. Child care is provided.

Engaged in Jail and prison ministry in various facilities, Writing Ministry to people in prisons around the World, and Preaching Ministry.

XIII. ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF PROVIDERS, WITH CHAPTER LOCATIONS

Alcoholics Anonymous Substance Abuse	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
The Center for Law and Justice Publications First Steps Jobs and Training Legal Services and Mediation	Ellenville United Methodist Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community
Christ's Lutheran Church (For Churches & Community of Woodstock: Food and Clothing) The Faith Community	EPIC Program for Prescription Drugs Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS
Church Communities International (Bruderhof) The Faith Community	Episcopal Church of Christ the King Substance Abuse The Faith Community (for Rondout Valley Food Pantry: Food and Clothing)
Churches and Community of Woodstock Food and Clothing (at Christ's Lutheran Church)	Town of Esopus Port Ewen Library Education and Library Services
City of Kingston Commission on Human Rights Legal Services and Mediation	Everett Hodge Community Center Jobs and Training
Clinton Avenue United Methodist Church Food and Clothing Education and Library Services Substance Abuse Legal Services and Mediation The Faith Community	Fair Street Reformed Church The Faith Community
Congregation Ahavath Israel Conservative Synagogue 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
Cornell Cooperative Services Education and Library Services Food and Clothing (WIC Program, with Ulster County Health Department)	First Baptist Church Food and Clothing The Faith Community
The Council of Churches, Woodstock Food and Clothing (at Woodstock Reformed Church)	First Presbyterian Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community

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

Praise Dominion Family Worship The Faith Community	Save Them Now Housing Jobs and Training Substance Abuse
Red Cross Housing and Emergency Shelters (utilities)	SCORE, Inc. General and Emergency Services
Reentry Net: Website: www.reentry.net/NY Publications Legal Services and Mediation	Step-One Substance Abuse
Reservoir United Methodist Church Substance Abuse The Faith Community	Temple Emanuel Reformed Synagogue The Faith Community
Resource Center for Accessible Living Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS	Together Rx Access Health, Mental and HIV/AIDS
Rochester Food Pantry Food and Clothing	Transformation Life Center (TLC) Substance Abuse The Faith Community
Rondout Valley Food Pantry Food and Clothing (at Episcopal Church of Christ the King)	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	Ulster County Family Court Legal Services and Mediation
The Salvation Army General and Emergency Services Housing and Emergency Shelters Food and Clothing Health, Mental Health & HIV/AIDS Substance Abuse The Faith Community	Ulster County Government (Information) Publications
Saugerties Area Council of Churches Food and Clothing	Ulster County Human Relations Commission Legal Services and Mediation
	Ulster County Liberty Rx Program Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS

Ulster County Mental Health Department
Kingston, New Paltz/Highland, Ellenville
Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS
Substance Abuse

Ulster County Office for the Aging
Housing & Emergency Shelters
Food and Clothing
Legal Services and Mediation

Ulster County Office of Employment and Training
Jobs and Training

Ulster County One-Stop Job Center
Jobs and Training

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
Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS

United States Veterans Administration (VA)
Health, Mental Health and HIV/AIDS

United Way 211
General and Emergency Services

VESID
Jobs and Training

West Hurley Public Library
Education and Library Services

Woodstock Jewish Congregation
The Faith Community

Woodstock Reformed Church
(for Council of Churches: Food and Clothing)
The Faith Community

Workers Rights Law Center of New York, Inc.
Legal Services and Mediation

YMCA
General and Emergency Services

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