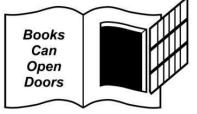
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PRISON BOOK PROGRAM

c/o Lucy Parsons Center & Bookstore 1306 Hancock St, STE 100 Quincy, MA 02169



Prison Book Program www.prisonbookprogram.org

Prison Book Program gives books to individual prisoners in the United States -- we have been doing it since 1972. We are not a library and have no books for sale. All books and other reading materials are donated to you free-of-charge. *Please feel free to share these books and the ideas in them.*

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Who was Lucy Parsons?

Lucy Parsons (1853 - 1942) was a radical American labor organizer, anarchist, and remembered as a powerful public speaker. She was born in Texas (likely as a slave) to the parents of Native American, African American, and Mexican ancestry. Because of her singular fight against social and economic oppression, Lucy led a controversial life. Lucy Parsons always kept a sharp eye on the social revolution that she was convinced was necessary to change what she saw as the glaring excesses of the oppressive capitalist system. (SOURCE: Wikipedia)

Lucy Parsons was a fearless revolutionary.

The legacy of Lucy is alive in the Boston area where, one can find the Lucy Parsons Center -- a bookstore and gathering place for a wide range of anarchists, political radicals, activists, and generally concerned citizens.

FREE BOOKS TO PRISONERS

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BOOK'M

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Sends free books to PA prisoners only. Focuses on educational and nonfiction books and magazines. Ne legal material provided.

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P.O. Box 1151, Lake Worth, FL 3346

Email: sschwartzkopf@prisonlegalnews.org

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Human rights group that publishes reports on conditions of solitary confinement and other abuses. Prison Focus magazine \$6 per year for prisoners.

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3325 Wilshire Blvd, STE 340, Los Angeles, CA 90010

Nonprofit health and human rights organization that seeks to end sexual abuse in all forms of detention. Anyone who has experienced any form of sexual harm in custody – including sexual harassment, sex in exchange for protection, sexual assault, etc. – is encouraged to contact JDI for support and a packet of information. Prisoners can write to JDI via confidential, legal mail by addressing their letter to Cynthia Totten, Attorney at Law, CA Attorney Reg. # 199266, at the address above.

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Anti-imperialist group fighting criminal injustice, helping prisoners to organize and educate themselves. Free subscriptions to newsletter, sends books, and runs political study groups.

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Source for progressive and radical information on prisons and the criminal prosecution system. Produces a directory that is free to prisoners upon request, and seeks to work in solidarity with prisoners, formerly incarcerated people, their friends and families.

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Human rights group that publishes stories, poetry from prisoners behind any U.S. walls. Quarterly: \$6 per year for prisoners.

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ARM PRISON OUTREACH – INTERNATIONAL P.O. Box 1490, Joplin, MO 64802-1627

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215 67th St, Virginia Beac, VA 23451

Books about the life and work of Edgar Cayce, meditation, and reincarnation. Prisoners are limited to one book every two months.

ASSOCIATION OF HAPPINESS FOR ALL MANKIND 4368 NC Highway 134, Asheboro, NC 27205

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Website: www.naljofrprisondharmaservice.org

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