RESOURCES WE PROVIDE

Manuals, Handbooks, Directories, and Guides
- Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook
- Prisoners’ Rights Handbook
- Criminal Justice Advocacy Directory
- Compassionate Release Guide (PA DOC)

Information About Civil and Constitutional Rights
- Medical and Mental Health Care
- Personal Safety
- Religious Accomodations
- Conditions of Confinement
- LGBTQ+ Rights
- Americans with Disabilities Act

Information Sheets
- PREA
- Sexual Violence
- Transgender Healthcare
- COVID-19
- Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) /MAT
- PA DOC Legal Mail
- PA DOC Medical Co-Pay

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We are a legal aid organization that provides free civil legal assistance to people who are incarcerated or detained in Pennsylvania who have civil or constitutional rights issues related to their conditions of confinement.

WHAT ARE CONDITIONS OF CONFINEMENT?

While you are incarcerated, the U.S. Constitution and federal laws continue to protect certain rights such as your right to:

- Medical care
- Mental health care
- Freedom from retaliation
- Freedom from assault and sexual abuse
- Personal safety
- Access to the courts
- Religious accommodations
- Disability accommodations
- Clean, safe, and humane living conditions

62 County Prisons and Jails
24 Pennsylvania State Prisons
6 Federal Incarceration Facilities
4 Immigration Detention Centers

Fighting for the Rights of ALL Incarcerated People in PA

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