



HUDSON VALLEY, CONNECTIONS

A Resource Guide for Ex-Offenders returning to Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Putnam or Ulster Counties in New York State

Free and Confidential



A HELPLINE FOR THE HUDSON VALLEY REAL PEOPLE GIVING REAL ANSWERS

Dial 2-1-1 or visit https://www.211hudsonvalley.org/

Knowledgeable call specialists available to listen, to care, and most of all to give you the information you need on: Food, Housing & Shelters, Abuse prevention, Government services, Senior services, Health and mental health, Child care, Youth programs, Job assistance, Substance abuse and more.

County Re-Entry Task Force Program

The Task Force in your community may be able to help you:

- Obtain identification such as a non-driver's license or Social Security card.
- Find a job and/or a place to live.
- Reconnect with family and community.
- Find services to promote your growth and good behavior.

Available in...

Columbia County

C/O First Reformed Church 52 Green St. Hudson, NY 12534

Phone: 518-828-1604

Dutchess County

C/O Exodus Transitional Community 97-99 Cannon St. Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Phone: 845-452-7620

Ulster County

C/O Family of Woodstock, Inc. 39 John St. Kingston, NY 12402 Phone: 845-331-7080 After Hours: 845-338-2370

Adult Education & Literacy

Columbia-Greene Counties Literacy Connections of the Hudson Valley

Hudson Area Library

51 N. 5th St., Hudson NY 12534 Phone: 518-828-1792 ext. 104

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Adult Education and Workforce Development

Phone: 518-479-6838

Dutchess County

Literacy Connections of the Hudson Valley

504 Haight Ave

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 Phone: 845-452-8670

Dutchess BOCES Adult Learning Institute

One Civic Center Plaza, Suite 300

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Phone: 845-483-3640

Putnam County

Putnam / Northern Westchester BOCES

Adult Education Office Phone: 914-248-2431

Ulster County

Ulster Literacy Association

480 Aaron Court Kingston, NY 12401 Phone: 845-331-6837

Ulster BOCES Adult Literacy Coordinator

Phone: 845-331-5050 ext. 2821

Orange / Ulster BOCES Adult Education

Phone: 845-781-6715

Resources

The Fortune Society

29-76 Northern Boulevard Long Island City, NY 11101 Phone: 212-691-7554 https://fortunesociety.org/ Mission is to support successful reentry from incarceration and promote alternatives to incarceration, thus strengthening the fabric of our communities.

Legal Action Center

225 Varick Street, 4th Floor New York, NY 10014 Phone: 212-243-1313 https://www.lac.org The Legal Action Center (LAC) uses legal and policy strategies to fight discrimination, build health equity, and restore opportunity for people with arrest and conviction records, substance use disorders, and HIV or AIDS.

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley provides free civil legal assistance to low-income individuals and does not charge our clients for legal services.

Serving: Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess, Rockland, Orange, Ulster and Sullivan counties Phone: 1-877-574-8529 (1-877-LSHV-LAW)

Career Centers

Columbia County Career Center

4400 Route 23 Hudson, NY 12534

Phone: 518-828-4181 ext. 5510

Dutchess Career Center

191 Main Street

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 Phone: 845-473-9000

Westchester - Putnam Career Center

110 Old Rte. 6, Building #3

Carmel, NY 10512

Phone: 845-808-1651 ext. 46600

Ulster County Career Center

521 Boices Lane Kingston, NY 12401 Phone: 845-443-8066



CAREER COUNSELING

Our counselors will help you assess your needs, skills and interests. They will guide you through a step-by-step process to help you in your job search.

RESUME DEVELOPMENT

Expert staff will help you write and design a resume that gets results. We will show you how to tailor your resume and how to market your skills on the Internet.

WORKSHOPS AND JOB CLUBS

You can explore topics in a group setting, including:

- · Job search strategies
- Networking
- · Salary negotiations
- · Transferring skills
- · Resume preparation
- · Managing stress
- · Finances and budgeting
- · Practice interviewing

RESOURCE ROOMS: COMPUTER / INTERNET. PHONE, FAX AND COPIER ACCESS

Job seekers can use our personal computers, equipped with high-speed Internet connections. We have telephones that allow you to speak privately to prospective employers. There are printers, copiers and faxes available for your use at no charge.

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION / ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

We can refer you to no-cost courses to help you earn a high school equivalency diploma or to improve your English-language skills.

JOB SEARCH RESOURCES AND JOB PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE

Businesses throughout New York State list job openings with the Labor Department. You can review job boards and online job openings. Placement Specialists can also help you make a targeted job search.

EVENTS AND RECRUITMENTS

Many businesses use our centers to conduct job recruitments and on-site interviews. Visit www.labor.ny.gov or ask our Career Center staff for a list of upcoming recruitments and events.

VOCATIONAL CLASSROOM AND ON-THE-JOB TRAINING (FOR THOSE WHO QUALIFY)

We can provide short-term training for long-term careers. (Subject to funding availability and program regulations)

ONLINE JOB / TALENT BANKS

Jobs Express – jobs.ny.gov – sorts the thousands of jobs listed on New York State's Job Bank by region to help you evaluate current job openings in New York's ten regional economies. You can also visit www.jobzone.ny.gov to post your resume, and search local or national job openings.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND ADAPTIVE **TECHNOLOGY**

If you have a disability and need an accommodation or assistance in order to fully benefit from services offered at the Career Center, please let our staff know. Our Career Centers have adaptive technology to help you access resources, including: screen readers, magnifiers, textto-speech software, TTY text telephone, trackball, and large-print keyboards.

FIND YOUR CAREER CENTER

Visit: www.labor.ny.gov/career-center-locator.





Looking for a new job? Looking for ways to connect as a family? Looking for ways to save money?

- We've got what you need! —

Find your local library at midhudson.org/libraries

Columbia County

Chatham Public Library & Canaan Branch Library

Claverack Library

Germantown Library

Hudson Area Library

Kinderhook Memorial Library

Livingston Free Library

New Lebanon Library

North Chatham Free Library

Philmont Public Library

Roeliff Jansen Community Library / Hillsdale, Copake & Ancram

Valatie Free Library

Dutchess County

Adriance Memorial Library & Boardman Rd. Branch Library / Poughkeepsie

Amenia Free Library

Beekman Library

Blodgett Memorial Library / Fishkill

Clinton Community Library

Dover Plains Library

East Fishkill Community Library

Grinnell Public Library District /

Wappingers Falls

Howland Public Library / Beacon

Hyde Park Library District

LaGrange Association Library

Millbrook Library

Morton Memorial Library and Community House / Rhinecliff

Northeast-Millerton Library

Pawling Free Library

Pine Plains Free Library

Pleasant Valley Library

Red Hook Public Library

Staatsburg Library

Stanford Free Library

Starr Library / Rhinebeck

Tivoli Free Library

Cairo Public Library

Greene County

Catskill Public Library & Palenville Branch Library

D.R. Evarts Library / Athens

Greenville Public Library

Mountain Top Library /

Tannersville

Heermance Memorial Library /

Coxsackie

Hunter Public Library

Windham Public Library

Putnam County

Brewster Public Library

Julia L. Butterfield Memorial Library / Cold Spring

Desmond-Fish Public Library /

Garrison

Kent Public Library

Mahopac Public Library

Patterson Library

Putnam Valley Free Library

Ulster County

Elting Memorial Library / New Paltz

Town of Esopus Library

Highland Public Library

Hurley Library

Kingston Library

Marlboro Free Library

Morton Memorial Library / Pine Hill

Olive Free Library Association

Phoenicia Library

Plattekill Public Library

Rosendale Library

Sarah Hull Hallock Free Library /

Milton

Saugerties Public Library

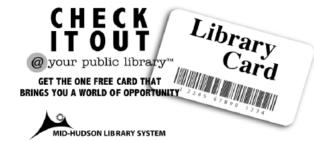
Stone Ridge Library

Town of Esopus Library

Town of Ulster Public Library

West Hurley Public Library

Woodstock Public Library District



As a resident of the Hudson Valley, the public library in your town is for *YOU*, with information on jobs, health, education, and for leisure activities...all at no charge, already paid by taxes. All have free public computers & Internet. A free library card is available for residents—to get one present valid photo identification and proof of address (for example a recently postmarked envelope with your current address, such as a utility bill).