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In Support:
Nationwide Prison Strike

New York, NY

The Women’s Prison Association (WPA) supports the Nationwide Prison Strike and is proud to elevate the declarations of our incarcerated community members. We hear and prioritize the voices of those directly impacted by incarceration and support their demands including the restoration of voting rights, the dismantling of racist sentencing laws, and access to services (preferably, within the community) including mental health support, substance use treatment, affordable education, and access to living wages. While we envision a country where public safety is achieved from within our communities and without the use of jail or prison, we also support the strikers’ demands for humane conditions within our nation’s prisons.

To learn more about the strike and how you can support, we encourage you to visit: https://incarceratedworkers.org/campaigns/prison-strike-2018

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ABOUT WPA

The Women’s Prison Association (WPA), founded in 1845, is a service and advocacy organization committed to helping women with criminal justice histories realize new possibilities for themselves and their families. Our services make it possible for women to obtain work, housing, and health care; to rebuild their families; and to participate in law-abiding lives within the community. Each year, WPA provides services to 1,500 women and 500 children.

WPA operates from three community sites in Manhattan and Brooklyn, as well as prison- and jail-based offices in Bedford and Taconic Correctional Facilities, and Rikers Island. WPA works with women at all stages of involvement with the criminal legal system. We promote alternatives to incarceration and help women avoid arrest or incarceration by making positive changes in their lives. Inside prison and jail, we are a source of support to women and a resource to them as they plan for release. After incarceration, women come to WPA for help to build the lives they want for themselves and their families in the community.

Learn more at www.wpaonline.org.