

# **Restorative Justice Bibliography and Resources**

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## Restorative Justice Bibliography and Resource

### Videos and DVDs

- “A Healing River-An Invitation to Explore Restorative Justice Values & Principles”  
DVD and Workbook from The Center for Restorative Justice, Simon Fraser  
University, Canada
- “Achieving Balanced and Restorative Justice in Pennsylvania’s Juvenile Justice System”
- “Beyond Broken Windows: Vermont Department of Corrections Reparative Program”
- “Family Group Conferencing, A Pakeh Youth Justice Story” (American Humane Assoc.)
- “Putting Right the Wrong, Victims Rights in the Family Group Conference” (American  
Humane Assoc.)
- “Restorative Justice: Beyond Just Us” (from Colorado Forum on Community Justice and  
Restorative Justice)
- “Restoring Justice: Making Things Right” (overview of RJ from Mennonite Church)
- “Restoring Justice: Making Things Right” (using RJ in school setting from the School  
Mediation Center in Colorado)
- “Restorative Justice Series (from Center for Restorative Justice and Peacemaking at the  
University of Minnesota) – includes 6 videos, including introduction and others  
about restorative justice practices
- “Six Conferences, A Composite View of Conferencing in Programs for Troubled Youth  
Real Justice)
- “The Importance of Listening to Crime Victims” (Center for Restorative Justice and  
Peacemaking, School of Social Work, University of MN)

### Books

- Changing Lenses by Howard Zehr (analysis of what victims/offenders need and how RJ  
can provide it) (Herald Press, 1990)
- Critical Issues in Restorative Justice, Eds. Howard Zehr and Barb Toews, (Willan  
Pub/UK, 2004)
- Justice for Our Children by Dennis Romig (Performance Research Press)
- New Directions in Restorative Justice by E. Elliott and R. Gordon (Willan Publ/UK)
- Restorative Juvenile Justice by Gordon Bazemore and L. Walgrave (Willow Tree Press)
- Restoring Justice by Daniel Van Ness and Karen Heetderks Strong (comprehensive  
Introduction to RJ and how to incorporate it into our communities) (Anderson  
Publishing Co., 2002)
- Restorative Justice and Family Violence, Eds. Heather Strang and John Braithwaite  
(essays from various authors on question of using RJ in family violence  
situations-some supportive with caveats, some cautionary) (Cambridge University  
Press, 2002)
- Restorative Justice and Responsive Regulation by John Braithwaite (Oxford University  
Press, 2002)
- Sexual Offending and Restoration by Mark Yantzi (Herald Press)

The Handbook of Victim Offender Mediation: An Essential Guide to Practice and Research, Mark Umbreit (San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass 2000)

The Little Book of Family Group Conferences by Allan MacRae and Howard Zehr (Good Books)

The Little Book of Circle Process by Kay Pranis (Good Books)

The Little Book of Restorative Discipline for Schools (Good Books)

The Little Book of Restorative Justice by Howard Zehr (Good Books, 2002)

The Little Book of Trauma Healing by Carolyn Yoder (Good Books)

The Restorative Justice and Mediation Collection (Office of Victims of Crime and The Center for Restorative Justice and Peacemaking)

National Survey of Victim-Offender Mediation Programs in the U.S.

Family Group Conferencing: Implications for Crime Victims

Guidelines for Victim-Sensitive Victim-Offender Mediation: Restorative Justice Through Dialogue

Multicultural Implications of Restorative Justice: Potential Pitfalls and Dangers

Victim Meets Offender: The Impact of Restorative Justice and Mediation, Mark Umbreit, (Monsey, NY: Criminal Justice Press)

## **Articles**

### *Adult Corrections and RJ*

“Justifying Restorative Practices: A Theoretical Justification for the Use of Restorative Practices,” by Zvi Gabbay, 2005(2) Journal of Dispute Resolution

“Restorative Justice in Prisons” by Daniel Van Ness

“Restorative Justice Systemic Change: The Washington County Experience” by Coates, Umbreit, Vos

Seeking Justice, Crime and Punishment in America, Report Commissioned by the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation (1997)

“Tipping Point: Maryland’s Overuse of Incarceration and the Impact on Public Safety” by Eric Lotke and Jason Ziedenberg from the Justice Policy Institute (March 2005)

### *Courts and RJ*

“Adopting New Values for the Courts: What is Restorative Justice?” by T. Cavanaugh in The Court Manager

“Applying Problem-Solving Principles in Mainstream Courts: Lessons for State Courts” by Donald J. Farole, Jr., Nora Puffett, Michael Rempel, and Francine Byrne

### *Faith and RJ*

“Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration, A Catholic Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice”, Catholic Bishops of the United States (Washington, D.C.: United States Catholic Conference 2000)

“#241 – Restorative Justice.”The Methodist Church, 2000 General Conference.

“Prison Violence and Non-Violent Alternatives.” (1998) and 12 Assembly Committee on National Issues” Presbyterian Church (U.S.A), 200<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. Available PDR: link at [www.pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org)

#### *Juveniles and RJ*

“Balanced and Restorative Justice for Juveniles: A Framework for Juvenile Justice for Juveniles: A Framework for Juvenile Justice in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.” Gordon Bazemore, Kay Pranis, and Mark Umbreit, Center for Restorative Justice and Peacemaking. St. Paul, MN: University of Minnesota

“Guide fro Implementing the Balanced and Restorative Justice Model”, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency

“The Juvenile Court Response to Crime Victims” Training Manual, National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges

#### *Outcomes and RJ*

“The Effectiveness of Restorative Justice Practices: A Meta-Analysis,” by Jeff Latimer, Craig Dowden, 7 Danielle Muise, The Prison Journal, Vo. 85, No. 2, June 2005

“The Impact of Restorative Justice Conferencing: A Review of 63 Empirical Studies in 5 Countries,” by Marc Umbreit, Robert Coates, and Betty Vos, Center for Restorative Justice & Peacemaking, May 2002.

#### *Victims and RJ*

“Child Victims and Restorative Justice: From Helpless Victims to Active Survivors” by Tali Gal (Australian National University)

“Is Restorative Justice Possible without A Parallel System for Victims”, Susan Herman, National Center for Victims of Crime

“Repairing the Harm: Victims and Restorative Justice,” by Heather Strang and Lawrence Sherman, 2003(15) Utah Law Review

“Restorative Community Justice: A Call to Action” by Marlene Young, NOVA

“Restorative Justice without Offender Participation: A Pilot Program for Victims” by Lorena Walker

“Questions for Restorative Justice Practitioners to Consider When Creating and Implementing a Victim-Centered and Victim-Balanced Program” by Susan Russell of Vermont Victim Services (2000)

“Taking Victims and Their Advocates Seriously: A Listening Project by Harry Mika, Mary Achilles, Ellen Halbert, Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz, Howard Zehr

“Victims’ Experiences With, Expectations, and Perceptions of Restorative Justice: A Critical Review of the Literature,” Jo-Anne Wemmers and Patricia Conuto, International Center for Comparative Criminology, University of Montreal, March 2002

## Restorative Justice Resources

### *Associations*

**National Association for Community Mediation (NAFCM)** is a membership organization that provides information and training/technical assistance for organizations doing community mediation. A research project on efficacy of community mediation is in progress. Small grants are available to providers. Job listings are available on website. [www.nafcm.org](http://www.nafcm.org)

**PeaceWeb** seeks to connect individuals and groups working for justpeace, nonviolent conflict transformation, racial and economic justice, and environmental sustainability, whether at the local, national, or international level. Among other activities, they work with groups to help them develop projects, trainings, conferences and resources based on Restorative Justice Principles. [www.peacemaker.net](http://www.peacemaker.net)

**Victim Offender Mediation Association (VOMA)** is an international membership association that supports and assists people and communities working at models of restorative justice. VOMA provides resources, training, and technical assistance in victim-offender mediation, conferencing, circles, and related restorative justice practices. Job listings and listserv are available to members, with information about funding opportunities shared on occasion. [www.voma.org](http://www.voma.org)

### *State-wide Organizations Promoting Restorative Justice*

**Minnesota Restorative Services Coalition** is a membership organization that serves as a statewide coalition to promote restorative philosophy and quality restorative services for individuals, communities, and organizations. It provides information, training, and support for program development and evaluation, development of best practices and policy initiatives that support Restorative Justice. [www.mnmrsc.org](http://www.mnmrsc.org)

**Missouri Restorative Justice Coalition** is implementing the Missouri Restorative Justice Initiative, a three-year project that promotes awareness of, buy in for, and increased programming related to Restorative Justice. [www.cwitstl.org/services/restorativejustice](http://www.cwitstl.org/services/restorativejustice)

### *Research Institutes*

**Florida Atlantic University's Community Justice Institute.** Research, evaluation, training/technical assistance, policy development and educational projects support innovative reform efforts that have focused on: detention alternatives, correctional leadership and management reforms, community policing, community and restorative justice implementation, disproportionate

minority confinement, judicial reform, improving victim services, and citizen participation in alternative sanctioning processes. The Balanced and Restorative Justice Project is housed in the Community Justice Institute. [www.cji.fau.edu](http://www.cji.fau.edu)

**International Institute for Restorative Practices** is dedicated to the advanced education of professionals at the graduate level and to the conduct of research that can develop the growing field of restorative practices, with the goal of positively influencing human behavior and strengthening civil society throughout the world. The Institute offers a Master's Degree in Restorative Justice, conferences, trainings, consulting and information about restorative justice practices throughout the world. [www.restorativepractices.org](http://www.restorativepractices.org) or [www.realjustice.org](http://www.realjustice.org)

University of Pennsylvania's **Jerry Lee Program on Randomized Controlled Experiments in Restorative Justice** conducts research with the goal of developing evidence-based theory and policy on restorative justice. [www.sas.upenn.edu/jerrylee/research](http://www.sas.upenn.edu/jerrylee/research)

### *Educational Institutions*

**Center for Restorative Justice and Peacemaking** provides resources, training, papers, links and bibliography relating to restorative justice and victim offender mediation. Its Executive Director is Dr. Mark Umbreit, a researcher and pioneer in victim offender mediation. It is part to the School of Social Work and the College of Human Ecology at the University of Minnesota. <http://rjp.umn.edu/index.html>

Eastern Mennonite University houses the **Center for Justice and Peacebuilding**, which has a graduate program in Conflict Transformation that includes a focus on Restorative Justice. Additional trainings on are offered through their Summer Institute. Consulting services are offered through their Practice Institute. [www.emu.edu](http://www.emu.edu)

Fresno Pacific University houses the **Center for Peacemaking and Conflict Studies' Restorative Justice Project**, which is dedicated to promoting awareness and use of restorative justice practices in the criminal justice system and restorative justice principles on a community-wide basis. Among other activities, it provides assistance to Victim/Offender Reconciliation Projects in California through technical assistance and training. [www.fresno.edu/rjp](http://www.fresno.edu/rjp)

Marquette Law School's **Restorative Justice Initiative** serves as a resource for victims, communities, and restorative justice organizations, as a restorative justice clinical experience for law students, and as a program promoting scholarship, research, and dialogue on restorative justice. The Initiative is committed to supporting victims and communities in the healing process by providing information and training resources, and by facilitating communication. [www.law.marquette.edu](http://www.law.marquette.edu)

## *Criminal Justice*

**National Criminal Justice Reference Service, Justice Information.**  
[www.ncjrs.gov](http://www.ncjrs.gov)

## *Juvenile Justice*

**National Youth Court Center** at the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA) serves as a central point of contact for youth court programs across the nation. They serve as an information clearinghouse, provide training and technical assistance, and develop resource materials on how to develop and enhance youth court programs in the United States. [www.youthcourt.net](http://www.youthcourt.net)

**Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Office of Justice Programs of the U.S. Department of Justice** has information about restorative justice in juvenile justice and funding for restorative justice practices in juvenile justice and publishes on-line newsletter called JuvJust about juvenile justice programs/conferences/research/funding opportunities, which can be subscribed to through their website [www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ojjdp](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ojjdp) and OJJDP News @ a Glance, a bi-monthly e-newsletter that provides news about OJJDP activities, publications, funding opportunities and events, which can be subscribed to by visiting [http://puborder.ncjrs.gov/listservs/Subscribe\\_OJJDPNewsAtAGlance.asp](http://puborder.ncjrs.gov/listservs/Subscribe_OJJDPNewsAtAGlance.asp)

## *Schools*

Life Trax's **School Mediation and Restorative Justice Program** provides training for school personnel. [www.schoolmediation.org](http://www.schoolmediation.org)

**SaferSanerSchools Program** associated with the International Institute on Reparative Practices and works with schools of all types to assist them with incorporating restorative justice principles and practices into curriculums and the school environment. Also has videos and other resources.  
[www.safersanerschools.org](http://www.safersanerschools.org)

## *Faith*

**Mennonite Central Committee** provides training and resources related to Restorative Justice principles and some practices. [www.mcc.org](http://www.mcc.org)

**Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Faith-Based & Community Initiatives Page** has information about programs funded by OJJDP, resources, and conferences related faith-based & community initiatives.  
[www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/fbci/index.html](http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/fbci/index.html)

**Prison Fellowship International** (PFI) is the global association of national Prison Fellowship (PF) organizations. The mission of Prison Fellowship is to mobilize and assist the Christian community in its ministry to prisoners, ex-prisoners, victims, and their families; and in the advancement of restorative justice. [www.pfi.org](http://www.pfi.org)

#### *Victim Oriented Resources*

**Office of Victims of Crime, U.S. Dept. of Justice's Victims** has information about Restorative Justice and victims, including their Judges and Juvenile Court Reform through Restorative Justice Project. [www.ojp.usdoj.ovc](http://www.ojp.usdoj.ovc)

**National Center for Victims of Crime** which sponsored a Promising Practices and Strategies for Victim Services in Corrections Project that contains guidelines for development of victim-sensitive restorative justice practices in a corrections. [www.ncvc.org](http://www.ncvc.org)

#### *Offender Oriented Resources*

**The Sentencing Project** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which promotes reduced reliance on incarceration and increased use of more effective and humane alternatives to deal with crime. It is a nationally recognized source of criminal justice policy analysis, data, and program information. Its reports, publications, and staff are relied upon by the public, policymakers and the media. [www.sentencingproject.org](http://www.sentencingproject.org)

#### *Conferences/Trainings*

**Developing and Implementing Youth Courts**, National Youth Court Center, Sept. 13-15, Albany, N.Y.

**International Conference on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma**, Institute on Violence, Abuse, and Trauma, Sept. 14-19. [www.ivatcenters.org/conference](http://www.ivatcenters.org/conference)

**National Center for Victims of Crime**, 2006 Training Institute, Seattle, WA, Sept. 27-29. [www.ncvc.org](http://www.ncvc.org)

**Integrated Mediation/Restorative Justice**, Minnesota, October 2-6. [www.effective.org](http://www.effective.org)

**Circles of Support and Accountability**, sponsored by the Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, PA, October 2-4. [www.mcc.org/peacebuilding/services](http://www.mcc.org/peacebuilding/services)

**Restorative Dialogue and Severe Political and Criminal Violence: A journey to healing and strength**, Center for Restorative Justice & Peacemaking, Marc Umbreit, trainer, Oct. 9-14, St. Paul, MN. [www.rjp.umn.edu](http://www.rjp.umn.edu)

**Helping Troubled Youth: Juvenile Justice, Medicaid and Behavioral Health Preconference Session**, Sunday, October 15, 8 a.m. – 4:40 p.m. This preconference will focus on successful models for delivering behavioral health services, using Medicaid to finance services, and reconnecting juvenile offenders to health care when they leave the juvenile justice system. This preconference is for policymakers, officials, researchers and advocates from juvenile justice, mental health, substance abuse, and Medicaid. Scholarships may be available. [www.nashp.org/confreg.cfm](http://www.nashp.org/confreg.cfm)

**Communities Unbound: Claiming the Power of a Just Society**, National Network of Grantmakers, Loyola University, Chicago, Oct. 14-17. Focus on successful alternatives to incarceration, including Restorative Justice, that were and can be developed through partnerships with philanthropy to promote social change. [www.nng.org](http://www.nng.org)

**Restorative Justice: Focus on Victims**, Fresno Pacific University, Oct. 20-21, Pre-Conference Oct. 19, [pacs@fresno.edu](mailto:pacs@fresno.edu)

**Justice for Everyone: Reframe, Repair, Restore**, Oct. 27-29, Independence. Conference on Restorative Justice featuring Howard Zehr for justice professionals, faith communities, educators, nonprofits. [www.cofchrist.org/peacecolloquy](http://www.cofchrist.org/peacecolloquy)

**Maryland Restorative Justice Conference**, Howard Community Columbia, MD, Nov. 16-17

**National Conference on Restorative Justice**, at Schreiner University, Kerrville, TX, June 24-27, 2007 featuring Howard Zehr, Kay Pranis, Marc Umbreit and others for academics, practitioners, policy makers. For more information, contact Jack Jackson at [solcenter@upcsa.org](mailto:solcenter@upcsa.org)