

**St. Mary's Convent, Malawi** ([www.stmaryseast.org](http://www.stmaryseast.org)): The Sisters of St. Mary, Greenwich, NY, bring to the US for training young Malawian women, committed to the contemplative life, who return to their own convent and work with the community. This group is the first Anglican monastic presence in Malawi and is totally funded by private donations. The first Christ Church grant was used for medicines; a second grant helped to support a small building on the grounds of the convent in Luwinga, Malawi.

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**Shungu Dzevana:** For 4 years, Christ Church has supported this project run by Sister Mercy in Harare, Zimbabwe. She feeds, clothes, and pays school fees and health costs for as many orphans as she can afford to do so, while keeping them with family members. We also have appealed for support in "goods" for her, since there is little to buy in-country. At the present time she is trying to support more than 400 orphans. <http://www.shungudzevana.co.zw/> Contact: Kitty Hempstone (301) 907-3961 [hempston@cpcug.org](mailto:hempston@cpcug.org)

### **Housing and the Homeless**

#### **Georgetown Ministry Center**

([www.georgetownministrycenter.org](http://www.georgetownministrycenter.org)): GMC serves the homeless in the Georgetown community. After an initial needs assessment, GMC helps clients to access entitlements, permanent housing, mental health and substance abuse treatment, and employment programs. Since 1993, the GMC's congregational based floating shelter has provided meals and a warm place to sleep for residents from November through April. Christ Church was among the founders of GMC in 1987 and is permanently represented on GMC's board of directors.

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**Jubilee Jobs** (<http://www.jubileejobs.org/>): Jubilee Jobs provides compassionate, skilled job preparation and placement services to people who need it most, including ex-offenders, welfare recipients, immigrants, the homeless and the formerly addicted. We support Jubilee Jobs through financial grants, occasional meal serving at their "Job Friends Dinners," and through the involvement of Christ Church parishioners on their board. Tooley Cameron is our representative to Jubilee Jobs. Contact: Tooley Cameron (202) 338-8772 [juanerc@aol.com](mailto:juanerc@aol.com)

**Samaritan Ministry** ([www.samaritanministry.org](http://www.samaritanministry.org)): Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington is a community partnership bringing together homeless people and others in need in Greater Washington with support and volunteers from Episcopal churches and other churches in a joint effort to improve the lives of all. It is governed by a Board of Directors drawn from over 30 Episcopal churches in the D.C. metropolitan area called Partner Parishes. The *Next Step* program promotes self-sufficiency and help participants to set and work toward life improvement goals. Services include help with applying for benefits and obtaining housing, employment counseling, and coaching.

**Transitional Housing Corporation:** Transitional Housing Corporation and Parish Partner Arms provide apartments for 27 families making the transition from living on the streets to life in the mainstream. Our involvement with THC includes maintaining an apartment, which we furnish every other year for a THC-selected tenant family. At the end of the tenant family's stay, the family is allowed to take the furniture with them to their new home, providing them with a true hand up. Jane Newport is our representative to THC. Contact: Jane Newport (202) 338-8222

### **Prison Ministries**

**Hope House** ([www.hopehousedc.org](http://www.hopehousedc.org)): Hope House ministers to the families, particularly the children, of prisoners from the District who have been incarcerated in other states, by providing creative programs to strengthen ties between inmates and their families. Contact: Heather Tinsley 202-986-3570 [h.tinsley@gmail.com](mailto:h.tinsley@gmail.com)

**Lorton Arts Project:** This project serves more than 150 inmates in the DC Detention Facility through art classes and activities. These classes help break through the isolation felt by prisoners by providing a vehicle for creativity that gives them access to their emotions and brings them into contact with wider society, reminding them of their own, often-forgotten, humanity. Contact: Margie Haley (202) 966-7837

**Our Place DC** ([www.ourplacedc.org](http://www.ourplacedc.org)): This organization supports women who are or have been in the criminal justice system by providing the resources they need to maintain connections with the community, resettle after incarceration, and reconcile with their families. Our Place helps women remain drug- and alcohol-free, obtain decent housing and jobs, gain access to education, secure resources for their children, and maintain physical and emotional health. Contact: Heather Tinsley 202-986-3570 [h.tinsley@gmail.com](mailto:h.tinsley@gmail.com)

**Touchstones Discussion Group** ([www.touchstones.org](http://www.touchstones.org)): This project goes into prisons to minister directly to inmates through prison education programs that foster weekly discussions. The discussions help provide a meaningful experience within the prison walls, and the skills gained through the program help reduce the rate of infractions by offering inmates better, nonviolent methods of handling anger and frustration. Volunteers continue to work with prisoners through the Touchstone program, and we hope to expand our prison ministries through a relationship with Grace Church, Georgetown. Contact: Stephen Kurtz (202) 625-7347 [stephenkurtz@aol.com](mailto:stephenkurtz@aol.com)

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