



# Resources for Families in Michigan

Recommended by Building Bonds Through Books

In addition to the book provided by BBTB, here are some resources families may find helpful in navigating education as well as community resources. We have also provided a supplemental reading list that your local librarian may help you find!

## 1. Pure Heart Foundation (all ages)

<https://www.pureheartfoundation.org/ourmission>

Phone: (586) 690-1431

Email: [info@pureheartfoundation.org](mailto:info@pureheartfoundation.org)

This is a Michigan based non profit with a mission to provide all COIP an opportunity to reimagine their life confidently knowing that they're seen, supported, and have equal access to resources and opportunities that will help navigate them to thrive in life and end the cycle of generational incarceration.

## 2. Unlock Their Future (Teens and older)

[https://www.unlocktheirfuture.org/uploads/1/3/6/1/136112521/motherly\\_intercession.pdf](https://www.unlocktheirfuture.org/uploads/1/3/6/1/136112521/motherly_intercession.pdf)

Email: [Motherly@UnlockTheirFuture.org](mailto:Motherly@UnlockTheirFuture.org)

Phone: (810) 424 9909

This flier has information for a program called N-Touch Ready To Work Jobs and Life Skills Training which teaches workforce development skills for youth ages 14 and older. It also contains information for programs for adults and children. You can inquire about the programs using the email and phone number above.

## 3. Galesburg Charleston Memorial District Library (all ages)

<https://www.galesburgcharlestonlibrary.org/kids-teens/kids-homework-help>

188 East Michigan Avenue, Galesburg, MI 49053  
269-665-7839

A public Library near Charleston that provides virtual homework help and games for students PreK-8 as well as resources for teens who need help for college prep and career advice.

*Please refer to our National Resources page for further assistance!*

## 4. Motherly Intercession

(Reentering/Incarcerated Parent)

<https://www.unlocktheirfuture.org/programs.html>

Email: [Motherly@UnlockTheirFuture.org](mailto:Motherly@UnlockTheirFuture.org)

Phone: (810) 424 9909

Motherly Intercession provides multiple services to parents that are incarcerated. Under this link you will find a description of the services they offer. Any questions can be sent to the phone number and email above.

## Reading List:

### Ages 3-8:

- Missing Daddy by Mariame Kaba & Bria Royal
- Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me by Daniel Beaty
- Our Moms (Living with Incarcerated Parents) by Q. Futrell
- Kennedy's Big Visit by Daphne Brooks
- My Daddy's in Jail by Anthony Curcio

### Ages 8-12:

- Amber Was Brave, Essie Was Smart by Vera B Williams
- Jakeman by Deborah Ellis
- An Inmate's Daughter by Jan Walker

### Ages 12+:

- All I Ever Wanted...Stories of Children of the Incarcerated by Erika Duncan, Tanasha Y. Gordon

### Parents/Guardians:

- Children with Incarcerated Mothers Separation, Loss, and Reunification by Julie Poehlmann-Tynan, Danielle Dallaire