

HOW TO FIND SPEAKERS ON THE DEATH PENALTY

There are several good national resources for speakers who can deliver powerful messages on the death penalty. For further speaker ideas, you can consult your SDPAC or state coalition, or Amnesty International.

Murder Victims Families for Human Rights.

MVFHR provides a state-by-state list on its website of available speakers. The website is: <http://www.murdervictimsfamilies.org>, and the list of speakers is under the "Victims' Stories" heading.

Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation.

MVFR - <http://www.mvfr.org/home> - is another national organization that supports families of murder victims who oppose the death penalty, and they may also be able to provide you with a speaker for your event.

Witness to Innocence.

This is an organization that supports those who have been exonerated from death row, and their website provides information on potential speakers and how to contact them: <http://www.witnesstoinnocence.org/speakers.htm>

The Journey of Hope ... from Violence to Healing.

This is an organization led by murder victim family members joined by death row family members, family members of the executed, the exonerated, and others with stories to tell, that conducts public education speaking tours and addresses alternatives to the death penalty. They will be traveling through Texas this year October 12-28, but some of their speakers may be available for NWFA events elsewhere. Their website – <http://www.journeyofhope.org> – contains a list of possible speakers as well as a useful guide on Hosting a Speaking Event.