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Page 1: Tenth Session of the OEWG on Ageing 15-18 April 2019, UN Headquarters, New York

**Q1** Name of the organization:

Humane Prison Hospice Project

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**Q2** The purpose of the organization:

To secure the rights and care of prisoners aging and dying in prisons

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**Q3** Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the human rights of older persons:

Advocating for the rights of the aging in prisons to have dignity and humane end of life care. Humane Prison Hospice project is an emerging organization with a pilot currently established at San Quentin State Prison with the goal of establishing prison hospice and geriatric care throughout the United States and Internationally.

Using data from the United States Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS), Human Rights Watch calculates that the number of sentenced federal and state prisoners who are age 65 or older grew an astonishing 94 times faster than the total sentenced prisoner population between 2007 and 2010. The older prison population increased by 63 percent, while the total prison population grew by 0.7 percent during the same period. (The Nation)

<https://www.hrw.org/report/2012/01/27/old-behind-bars/aging-prison-population-united-states>

Expanding public awareness through national public screenings of "Prison Terminal" with panel discussions around aging and dying in prisons.

In 2017 established and is delivering a pilot program in San Quentin training prisoners in compassionate end of life care and the special needs of geriatric populations. Support from Mission Hospice and Home care in the form of some staff support and use of Volunteer Training Manual.

In April of 2018 graduated and certified 8 San Quentin elite prisoners (from the Brothers Keepers program) in Compassionate Care Training.

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### Q4 Confirmation of the activities of the organization at the national, regional or international level:

In 2017 established a pilot program training prisoners in compassionate end of life care and the special needs of geriatric populations.

April of 2018, Graduation ceremony held in San Quentin for 8 prisoner graduates of the Compassionate Care program brought in by Humane Prison Hospice Project.

In 2018 Wendy MacNaughton artist/journalist observed our trainings in San Quentin and illustrated and wrote a piece for California Magazine.

<https://story.californiasunday.com/meanwhile-san-quentin>

The piece and one of our prisoner/students was quoted by Justice Goodwin Liu in his speech to the graduating class of Yale Law School, May 2018: "Then there are the eight lifers who volunteered for eight months of hospice training so they could help aging inmates with what they fear most: not dying, but dying alone. One of them, named Lenny, said: "Before my cellmate of five years passed, he begged me to take care of him. So I did. I fed him. I cleaned him up. When he had to go to the hospital he fought them. He wanted to come back. His dying made me start to change. The person who took care of him, that was a good part of me."

July 2018 --Sandra Fish (co founder of HPHP) and Marvin Mutch (Assistant Director) traveled to New York City to attend the Ninth Convening of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs' Open-Ended Working Group on Aging to talk about our nation's aging prison population. There had been a snafu in our application last year regarding a faulty email address wherein we did not receive proper credentials to be admitted-fortunately, through the kind efforts of Susan B. Sommers, J.D.. we are admitted for opening briefing and one side event. Attending this working group was inspiring and helpful to our mission on many levels. Not the least was its help in getting us into The Osborne Association, a long revered prison reform organization in the Bronx to show 'Prison Terminal' our board member's Academy Award nominated documentary.

In late October 2018, Ladybird Morgan our E.D. traveled to Manhattan to be on a panel for the ReImagine End of Life NYC event. <https://letsreimagine.org/586/redemption-an-exploration-of-possibilities-at-the-end-of-life>. She shared the stage with Ira Byock and Wendy MacNaughton on the panel: Redemption: An Exploration of Possibilities at the end of life.

Coming up this Spring. Co Founders Ladybird Morgan (E.D. Humane Prison Hospice Project), Marvin Mutch (Assistant Director) and Susan Barber of Mission Hospice and Home Care will be participating in the 11th Annual Summit of Coalition for Compassionate Care of California on a panel for-- "San Quentin Project – Prisoners as Compassionate End of Life Volunteers.

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### Q5 A list of members of the governing body of the organization and their countries of nationality:

Mike Satris Currently at Law Offices of Michael Satris —Private law firm emphasizing post-conviction remedies, prison law, and capital litigation. U.S.

Diane Mailey has more than twenty years of business development, fundraising and marketing experience on behalf of mission-driven organizations. U.S.

Venerable Professor Geshe Phelgye:

Geshe Phelgye A former member of Tibetan Parliament in Exile. Tibet

Ladybird Rolling Morgan Executive Director and Facilitator of Brothers Keeper San Quentin, Compassionate Care Training in End of Life. Presenter at the first U.N. International Year of Older Persons - 1999. Initially, as both a hospice nurse and sexual assault nurse examiner, she provided direct care to people dying and those surviving sexual assault. This transitioned first into training, managing and supervising teams of people caring for the dying and then for the last three years training, managing, and supervising teams of people providing support to survivors of sexual violence with Doctors Without Borders (MSF). U.S.

Sandra Fish Co-Founder

An actor, writer, caregiver, with decades of passion for prison reform and EOL issues. (Taught in Rikers Prison, worked with ex inmates in NYC, assistant to teachings in San Quentin end of life work. Co-chair of San Francisco End of Life network.) U.S.

Marvin Mutch Co-Founder spokesperson, liaison with prison officials, and general hero of all trades. Marvin's bio is an extraordinary one. He was released from prison February 17, 2016 after serving 41 years on a wrongful conviction suffered in 1975. U.S.

Bob Stilger

New Stories our fiduciary umbrella, is a dynamic world community, and 501(c)3 non-profit collective.  
U.S.

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### Q6 List of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions:

We have been predominantly volunteer operated with help from personal donations derived from small fund raisers for specific funding for travel to NYC e.g.

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### Q7 Copies of the annual or other reports of the organization with financial statements (File size limit is 16MB):

**Humane Financial Statement.pdf (62.5KB)**

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Q8 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Respondent skipped this question

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Q9 Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q10** A description of the membership of the organization, indicating the total number of members, the names of organizations that are members and their geographical distribution:

Shanti Project (shanti.org) United States distribution

Mission Hospice and Home Care (missionhospice.org) Regional U.S.

New Stories (newstories.org) International

Brothers Keepers at San Quentin State Prison: More than 100 trained and state licensed prisoner caregivers Regional U.S.

Insight Prison Project (insightprisonproject.org) Regional U.S.

San Francisco End of Life Network (sfeol.org) Regional U.S.

International Association for Hospice and Palliative Care (IAHPC) International (hospicecare.com) International

Universal Compassion Foundation and Buddhist Studies and Meditation Center Spokane Washington, U.S.

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**Q11** A copy of the constitution and/or by-laws of the organization (File size limit is 16MB):

**Humane Constitution.docx (30.6KB)**

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**Q12** Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q13** Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

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**Q15** Website

humanepisonhospiceproject.org

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