The WIP Public Service Committee has chosen the PA Innocence Project as our focus organization during our Fall Retreat. The mission of the PA Innocence Project is “to exonerate those convicted of crimes they did not commit, to prevent innocent people from being prosecuted and convicted, and to help those wrongfully convicted transition to freedom.” We’re excited to have the organization’s Executive Director Nilam Sanghvi with us for the entire retreat as both our Friday night keynote speaker and the leader of our service project on Saturday afternoon.

WIP members will have the opportunity to bring items to the retreat to create Thankfulness Baskets, which will be distributed to recently exonerated individuals in need, as well as other clients.

Sign-up in Advance: Please use the sign-up link in advance to indicate what item(s) you will bring to the retreat so that planners know how much food to expect on site.

Sign-up for donations here.

Monetary Donations: If you can’t make it to the retreat but want to participate, you can donate money through Venmo, which will be used to shop for remaining items needed to fill the baskets. You will need to have your own Venmo account in order to donate.

Monetary donations can be made through this Venmo account: jnferellis

Please be sure to sign-up or donate by Friday, Oct. 28, so that planners have time to shop for those items still needed in advance of the retreat.

WIP members are invited to join Nilam and her staff in distributing the baskets in the weeks after the retreat. More information will be provided on how to sign-up for that activity.

Thankfulness Baskets

Food and other needed items include:

- Boxed stuffing mix (i.e. Stovetop)
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Turkey gravy (dried mix or jar)
- Dry macaroni/pasta
- Canned goods: yams, green beans, cranberry sauce, pumpkin filling
- Cornbread mix
- Gift card for turkey/protein
- Basket
- Stationery/cards for notes to be included in the baskets