

Delve Deeper into *Pervert Park*

A film by Lasse Barkfors and Frida Barkfors

This list of fiction and nonfiction books, compiled by Hanna Lee of Batesville Public Library and Susan Conlon of Princeton Public Library, provides a range of perspectives on the issues raised by the POV documentary *Pervert Park*.

*How can we solve a societal problem that, for most people, is too horrifying to discuss or even contemplate? That is the central question raised by **Pervert Park** (60 min.), a film about the people nobody wants as their neighbors—those who have been convicted of sex offenses—that offers possible insight into preventing sexual crime in the United States.*

ADULT NONFICTION

Banyard, V. L. (2015). *Toward The Next Generation of Bystander Prevention of Sexual and Relationship Violence: Action Coils to Engage Communities.* Chambersburg, PA: Springer. Designed for researchers, practitioners, and students concerned about violence prevention and who are interesting in bystander intervention as a promising prevention strategy.

Bass, Ellen, Louise Thornton, and Jude Brister. *I Never Told Anyone: Writings by Women Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse.* New York, NY: HarperPerennial, 1991. In this book, 34 women tell how they were molested by fathers, uncles, neighbors, and strangers and how they survived. A

reissue of the now-classic anthology of deeply moving testimonies by survivors of child sexual abuse — with a new afterword by Ellen Bass.

Carnes, Patrick. *Out of the Shadows: Understanding Sexual Addiction.* Center City, MN: Hazelden Information & Edu, 2001.

This third edition identifies the danger signs, explains the dynamics, and describes the consequences of sexual addiction and dependency.

Carnes, Patrick. *Don't Call It Love: Recovery from Sexual Addiction.* New York: Bantam, 1991.

Positive, hopeful, and practical, *Don't Call It Love* is a landmark book that helps us better understand all addictions, their causes, and the difficult path to recovery.

Cleary, Shawna. *Sex Offenders and Self-control: Explaining Sexual Violence.* New York, NY: LFB Scholarly Pub. LLC, 2004. Cleary studies non-sex offenders, in-treatment sex offenders, and never-treated sex offenders to determine whether their behavior reflected the General Theory of Crime. She explores the link between abusive parenting and criminal history and analogous behaviors and opportunity and routine activities in victim selection.

Enhancing the Management of Adult and Juvenile Sex Offenders: A Handbook for Policymakers and Practitioners. (2007). United States Department of Justice, Center for Sex Offender Management. A

This handbook is designed to assist policymakers and practitioners in the process of assessing, and strengthening, their sex offender management approaches.

Fodor, Margie Druss. *Megan's Law: Protection or Privacy.* Berkeley Heights, NJ: Enslow Publishers, 2001.

Following the murder of seven-year-old Megan Kanka by a neighbor who was a convicted sex offender, her outraged community took action. Author Margie Druss Fodor explores the laws that resulted. She shows both sides of the issue concerning the rights of people to know if a sex offender is living in their neighborhood versus the right of a person to privacy after serving time for committing a crime. The author also includes a history of sexual offender laws.

Freeman-Longo, Robert E., and Laren Bays. *Why Did I Do It Again? & How Can I Stop?* Holyoke, MA: NEARI Press, 2000. This volume expands on the standard relapse prevention workbook, teaching clients about cycles of abuse, the sexual abuse cycle, thoughts, feelings and behaviors that make up cycles, values clarification, relapse prevention, and basic interventions for cognitive distortions, mismanaged emotions, behavioral problems and more.

Horowitz, Emily. *Protecting Our Kids?: How Sex Offender Laws Are Failing Us.* Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger, 2015. This thought-



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provoking work raises important questions about sex offender laws, drawing from personal stories, research, and data to prove the policies promote fear, destroy lives, and fail to protect children.

Katz, J. (2006). *The Macho Paradox: Why Some Men Hurt Women and How All Men Can Help*. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks.

Written for both women and men, *The Macho Paradox* provides women with original and creative ways of thinking about how to reverse this ongoing national tragedy. It also makes a powerful case to men that the only way to end the abuse and mistreatment of women is for many more self-identified "good guys" to make these issues their own.

Kalichman, Seth C. and John Q La Fond. *Protecting Society from Sexually Dangerous Offenders: Law, Justice, and Therapy*.

Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association, 2003.

Legal and mental health experts explore the ramifications of the controversial sexual predator commitment laws, registration and community notification laws, and chemical castration laws that have come into existence since 1990. The increasing number of sex crimes, especially those committed by released sex offenders against young victims, has struck a public nerve.

Levenson, Jill S., and John W. Morin. *Treating Nonoffending Parents in Child Sexual Abuse*

***Cases: Connections for Family Safety*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage, 2001.**

This book helps professionals to make informed, research-based assessments of risk, offering strategies for supporting and educating families within which sexual abuse has occurred.

Morin, John W. *Road to Freedom: A*

***Comprehensive Competency-Based Workbook for Sexual Offenders in Treatment*.**

S.I.: Wood N Barnes, 2008. Featuring the four-path relapse prevention model, this book encourages offenders to recognize and avoid high-risk factors which trigger thoughts and behaviors related to offending.

Q., La Fond John. *Preventing Sexual Violence: How Society Should Cope with Sex Offenders*. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association, 2005.

Preventing Sexual Violence: How Society Should Cope With Sex

Offenders systematically critiques the current treatment of sex offenders in an effort to determine how best to prevent reoffending without infringing on the rights of citizens. The book offers the latest data about sex offenders and the novel and powerful legal measures enacted to prevent sexual violence.

Saleh, Fabian M. et al. *Sex Offenders: Identification, Risk Assessment, Treatment and Legal Issues*. New

York: Oxford University Press, 2009. Nationally recognized experts provide an interdisciplinary overview about sex offenders. It covers the problem of identification, risk assessment, treatment and legal solutions.

Stinson, Jill D. and Judith V. Becker. *Treating Sex Offenders: An evidence-based manual*. New York: Guilford Press, 2013. This text is a manual for a group treatment approach that targets deficits in self-regulation—a central problem for sex offenders.

***Twenty Strategies for Advancing Sex Offender Management in Your Jurisdiction*. (2008). United States Department of Justice, Center for Sex Offender Management.**

This document was developed for policymakers interested in advancing adult and juvenile sex offender management in their jurisdictions.

Yates, Pamela M., David Prescott, and Tony Ward. *Applying the Good Lives and Self-regulation Models to Sex Offender Treatment: A Practical Guide for Clinicians*. Brandon, VT: Safer Society, 2010. This comprehensive and readable handbook reviews the central constructs that serve as the foundations for treating individuals who have committed sexual offenses.

