



Welcome!

End Mass Incarceration Georgia Network

General Meeting

Monday, August 22, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

Agenda

Today's Agenda

- **Welcome / Introductions**
- **Overview of EMI Georgia Network**
- **Guest Presenter: Nina Stephen, Georgia Poor People's Campaign – "Vote for Your Life"**
- **Guest Presenter: Jeff Willard, Tzedek Georgia – "Advocacy is Essential"**
- **Overview of "Breaking the PSTPP" campaign planning**
- **Announcements**
- **Closing**



MISSION | BELIEF | ACTION STATEMENTS

MISSION

The End Mass Incarceration Georgia Network is an intentional association of faith communities, organizations and individuals formed to effect positive change in the areas of juvenile and criminal justice.

BELIEF

All children and families are of infinite value and potential--giving and deserving care, justice and support. This belief ensures an understanding that all strengthen the mosaic of life.

ACTION

In order to break the cycle of generational criminal and juvenile justice involvement, there must be an intentional, collective investment in schools, communities and appropriate supportive services for children and adults to ensure that all children and families can succeed.



What does EMI Georgia Network do?

EDUCATE

COMMUNICATE

FACILITATE

ADVOCATE

PARTICIPATE

Connect with us!



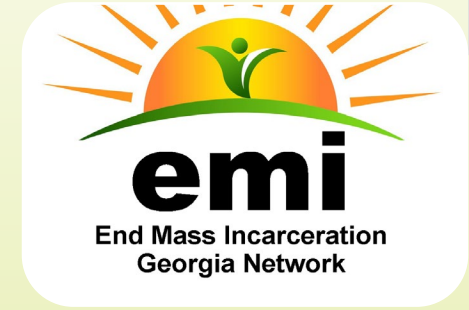
Join us on the fourth Monday at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom for our general meeting!



Drop us an email at emiganetwork@gmail.com and become part of our Google Group!



Like us on Facebook!
facebook.com/emiganetwork



Visit our website for more information at emiganetwork.org

Next EMI Georgia Network Meeting – September 26, 2022

Overview: “Breaking the PSTPP” campaign planning

Target population determined by the EMI GA Network:

- Parents of preschool-level children of color
- Parents of students of color who are in the preschool to prison pipeline



NEXT STEP: Breaking the PSTPP through community partnership with Head Start targeting Head Start’s family engagement program components

Overview: “Breaking the PSTPP” campaign planning

Rationale for engagement with Head Start:

- Engagement in education settings is essential to breaking the preschool to prison pipeline
- Prevention and intervention are essential to breaking the preschool to prison pipeline.
- According to the Sentencing Project’s report released Feb. 2021, half of imprisoned people in the United States are parents of minor children who are under age 18: 47% in state prisons and 57% in federal prisons. In 2018,
 - 20% of Native children
 - 13% of Black children
 - 6% of Latinx children
 - 6% of white children

had experienced parental incarceration at some point in their lives.



Overview: “Breaking the PSTPP” campaign planning

Rationale for engagement with Head Start:

- According to the Annie E. Casey Foundation, 8% of Georgia’s child population or 189,000 children have had a parent in jail or prison at some point in their childhood.
- Adverse effects of parental incarceration on young children.
- **XX% of children** who participate in the Head Start program in Georgia have parents who are under supervision (i.e., incarcerated, on probation or parole) within the criminal justice system.
- Head Start has a track record for implementing prison-based programs with mothers who are incarcerated and their children.
 - Coffee Creek Correctional Facility in Wilsonville, Oregon
 - Connections, a program of the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency in Pontiac, Michigan



Overview: “Breaking the PSTPP” campaign planning

Project Actions:

1. Engage Head Start in conversation
2. Make presentation to GHSA directors
3. Begin to identify a cohort of local Head Start programs with the Head Start centers with whom we have connections (focused on the family engagement component, but not limited to occurrence of incarceration)
4. Determine finalized components for engagement with the GHSA at the state and local levels
5. Invite GHSA to present at EMI Georgia Network general meeting
6. Roll out the family engagement plan and opportunities at EMI Georgia Network’s general meeting
7. Explore potential for EMI Georgia Network to present at the GHSA fall or spring conference
8. Accountability: Develop tools for tracking engagements and impact assessment



Announcements and Wrap -up



Next EMI GA Network general meeting: September 26, 1:00 p.m.

Interested in helping us plan for 2022-2023? Drop us a note: emiganetwork@gmail.com

1. Next EMI Georgia Network general meeting September 26, 2022, 1:00 p.m.
2. Place your advocacy issues in the “Shared Advocacy Shared Progress” response form - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdNC_rZ0-eDNKWiU5ldRweRM9VyBRxGBNonUqptgnTSvOgOAQ/viewform
3. Pandemic Relief Funds for Youth 18-22 (experienced foster care in Georgia as a teen) – <https://www.garyse-ilp.org/georgia-ryse-pandemic-relief-information>
4. Check out our Facebook postings for articles on the results of a national poll on the guaranteed right to vote; cash bail reform (doing away with cash bail); new head of the Bureau of Prisons; juvenile detention crisis - <https://www.facebook.com/emiganetwork>
5. **Remember, today, August 22, is the first day you can apply for your absentee ballot for the November election!** <https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/s/>