



END MASS INCARCERATION GEORGIA NETWORK MEETING

AUGUST 24, 2020

1:00 PM

ONLINE VIA ZOOM

End Mass Incarceration Georgia Network



- ❖ **Belief Statement:** 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 Statement:** 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.

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What does EMI Georgia Network do?

- ❖ **PROVIDE FOR COMMUNITY INFORMATION AND EDUCATION SESSIONS** on the issues of the juvenile and criminal justice systems, and agencies and organizations that provide supports and services at the local, state and federal levels;
- ❖ **COMMUNICATE THE IMPORTANCE OF THE COMMUNITY'S ROLE** in understanding and participating in juvenile and criminal justice reform;
- ❖ **FACILITATE OPPORTUNITIES** for the community to adopt a conversation of accountability and transformation, rather than retribution and punishment;
- ❖ **ADVOCATE FOR VIABLE, SOLUTION-BASED RESPONSES** for the end of mass incarceration; and
- ❖ **ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT** in and of the End Mass Incarceration Georgia Network.

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- ❖ 1:00 p.m. Welcome / Introductions
- ❖ Moderated Panel Discussion
 - ❖ Deborah Johnson, Parent
 - ❖ Kinyada Robinson, Parent
 - ❖ Leslie Anderson, Families First, Adoption Resource Provider, Parent
 - ❖ Shakila Henderson-Baker, School Board Representative
- ❖ Presenter
 - ❖ Leslie Lipson, JD, of [Lipson Advocacy](#) -- The need for safe and trauma-informed school climates
- ❖ A look at how Georgia's education budget is set (<https://gbpi.org/how-does-georgia-fund-schools/> / <https://gbpi.org/georgia-k-12-equalization-grants-explained/>)
- ❖ Discussion & Action Session (Breakout)
- ❖ Updates & Announcements

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1. School boards contract with an internet provider (like Comcast) to provide internet access for school families Challenges: Where does the money come from to pay for the contract? How does this meet the needs of transient families/students (homeless/evictions/apartment move-in specials surfing, motels/extended stays, incarceration (caregiver)) and families/students in rural areas with limited or no broadband capabilities?
2. Technology fulfillment network for families of students who are in need but do not receive assistance from local school system Some primary actions: Finding out if there are nonprofits addressing this issue. If so, what is the process to connect families and/or school systems to this resource? Communicating this information in an effective manner to and through faith communities, grassroots organizations and other community-based agencies.
3. Safe School Climates and the School to Prison Pipeline: Unraveling the connection between safety in the form of harsh disciplinary measures, law enforcement, racial disproportionality and safe and healthy schools. What are viable advocacy actions that the community can take? Do we need a “changing hearts and minds” campaign to combat the dehumanization and adultification of children of color?
4. Education Equalization Grants for GA Public Schools System – Budget and Equity issue: Who’s leading the charge on this issue? Is this an issue that the community needs to understand and respond to in a concerted effort? How can the community respond?



Census 2020 Update

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the United States and five U.S. territories. The U.S. Constitution: Article 1, Section 2, mandates that the country conduct a count of its population once every 10 years. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time that the country has counted its population since 1790.

The count is conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, a nonpartisan government agency. The 2020 Census counts the population in the United States and five U.S. territories (Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands).

Go online to <https://2020census.gov/> to respond today!



Census 2020 Update

If you are filling out the census for your home, you should count everyone who is living there as of April 1, 2020. This includes anyone—related or unrelated to you—who lives and sleeps at your home most of the time.

Please be sure to count roommates, young children, newborns, and anyone who is renting a space in your home. If someone is staying in your home on April 1 and has no usual home elsewhere, you should count them in your response to the 2020 Census.

If someone such as a college student is just living with you temporarily due to the COVID-19 situation, they should be counted where they ordinarily would be living on April 1, 2020.

Please count everyone living in your home. Where there are more people, there are more needs. An accurate count helps inform funding for hospitals, fire departments, schools, and roads for the next 10 years.



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FUNDING:

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data.

POLITICAL REPRESENTATION:

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

2020 State Elections and Voter Registration Calendar

Elections	Voter Registration Deadline	Election Date
Presidential Preference Primary, General Primary Election, Nonpartisan General Election, and Special Election	May 11, 2020	June 9, 2020
General Primary Runoff, Nonpartisan General Runoff, and Special Runoff Election for Local and State Offices	May 11, 2020	August 11, 2020
General Primary Runoff Election for Federal Offices	July 13, 2020	August 11, 2020
General Election and Special Election	October 5, 2020	November 3, 2020
General Election and Special Election Runoffs for Local and State Offices	October 5, 2020	December 1, 2020
General Election Runoff for Federal Offices	December 7, 2020	January 5, 2021



Announcements

- ❖ Next Meeting Date: September 28, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- ❖ Town Hall: Race Relations, Law Enforcement, and Community Engagement, 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.



A Virtual Town Hall Discussion

Race Relations, Law Enforcement, and Community Engagement

August 25th - Virtual Forum 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Hosted by The United States Attorney's Office, Northern District of Georgia

Join our Panelists at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/USAttorneyTownHall> Webinar ID: 868 8095 4286 - Password is: 1B#DEQ





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