



Welcome!

End Mass Incarceration Georgia Network

General Meeting

Monday, April 25, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

Agenda

Today's Agenda

- **Welcome / Introductions**
- **Overview of EMI Georgia Network**
- **Restorative Justice in Our Schools**
 Guest Presenter: Mr. Emilio Ortega, Dean of Students Making Waves Academy
- **Legislative Wrap Up**
- **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!



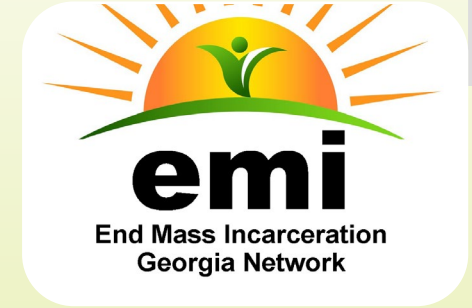
Join us on the fourth Monday at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom for our general meeting!



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



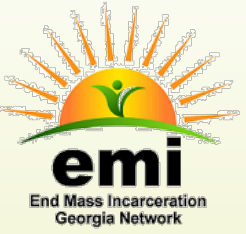
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Next EMI Georgia Network Meeting – May 23, 2022

Guest Presenter - Restorative Justice in Our Schools



Mr. Emilio Ortega
Making Waves Academy

Dean of Students (Grades 5-6)





Restorative Practices

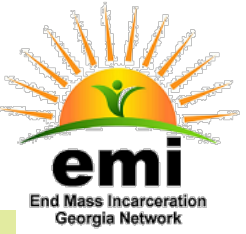
When things go wrong and someone creates harm, the following questions are explored:

1. What happened?
2. What were you thinking at the time?
3. Who was affected?
4. How were they affected?
5. What needs to happen to make things right?

For situations when someone is hurt, ask questions such as:

1. What did you think when you realized what happened?
2. What impact has this incident had on you and others?
3. What has been the hardest thing for you?
4. What do you think needs to happen to make things right?

Legislative Wrap-Up



SUPPORTED:

Senate Bill 257: Strengthens record restriction (expungement) laws (enhances SB 288, which was passed in 2020) – Passed the Senate; DID NOT PASS

House Bill 1092: Allows a pregnant person to have her prison sentence deferred until after she gives birth – Passed the House; DID NOT PASS

House Bill 272: Raise the age of juvenile court jurisdiction to include 17-year-olds – Passed the House; DID NOT PASS

House Resolution 917: House Study Committee for Too Young to Suspend – DID NOT RECEIVE A HEARING

OPPOSED:

Senate Bill 359: Imposes mandatory minimum sentences; undermines Accountability Courts; slows resolution of criminal cases; expands the reach of Georgia Bureau of Investigation – Passed the Senate; DID NOT PASS

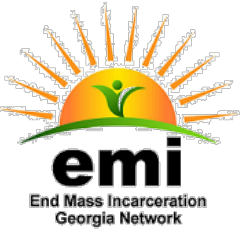
Senate Bill 171: Criminalizes lawful protests; authorizes violence against protestors; punishes cities that protect protestors' rights – NOT PASSED

Senate Bill 504: Mandates cash bail for all felony offenses – Passed the Senate; DID NOT PASS

ELECTIONS/VOTING SB 441 - PASSED

SB 441 gives the Georgia Bureau of Investigation the authority to launch an investigation re allegations of election fraud without being called in by the Secretary of State's Office. The bill also gives the bureau the authority to subpoena election records with signoff from the state's attorney general.

Announcements and Wrap-up



Next EMI GA Network general meeting: May 23, 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 May 23, 2022, 1:00 p.m.
2. GA Department of Juvenile Justice is hosting a Housing Providers Roundtable, Tuesday, April 26, 2022, 10:00 a.m. There will also be roundtables on Wednesday, April 27th (Mentoring) and Thursday, April 28th (Employment) starting at 11:30 a.m. Access link for all three sessions: <https://www.gadjj.net/agency/openweb.nsf/EventDisplay?OpenForm&evkey=ReEntryRoundTableApr2022&sessid=AllSessions&evtype=custom&atype=Audience>
3. Access Meeting info on EMI GA Network website, including “Your Right to Vote” <https://emiganetwork.org/your-right-to-vote>
4. Place your advocacy issues in the “Shared Advocacy Shared Progress” response form
5. WSB TV Channel 2 feature on “Gangstas to Growers” - <https://fb.watch/cCiC4wO3t1/>