From Mass Incarceration to Effective and Sustainable Decarceration
Why Universities should be in Prisons?

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The Growth Of Incarceration
U.S. imprisonment rate per 100,000 people since 1880
Incarceration Rates in OECD Countries

With an incarceration rate of 710 inmates per 100,000 residents, the United States stands in stark contrast to the typical incarceration rate of 115 among OECD nations.

![Incarceration Rate Chart](chart.png)

Sources: Glaze and Herberman 2013; Weimbsy 2013; authors' calculations.

Note: All incarceration rates are from 2013, with the exception of the rates for Canada, Greece, Israel, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United States; of these countries, all rates are from 2012, with the exception of Canada, whose rate is from 2011–12. The incarceration rate for the United Kingdom is a weighted average of England and Wales, Northern Ireland, and Scotland. For more details, see the technical appendix.
U.S. State and Federal Prison Population, 1925-2013

2013: 1,516,879

Source: Bureau of Justice Statistics Prisoners Series.
Penal Incarceration is a Social Problem

- Disproportionate racial impact
- Family members bear costs
- Expensive for taxpayers
- Bond system unfair
- Mental health
- Mistake-prone
- Violence in prisons
- Prisons are criminogenic
- Felon disenfranchisement
- Solitary confinement is torture
- Not effective
- Treats individuals badly
1 in every 106 white males age 18 or older is incarcerated. 5

1 in every 36 Hispanic males age 18 or older is incarcerated. 5

1 in every 15 black males age 18 or older is incarcerated. 5

http://mediamatters.org/blog/2013/07/16/oreilly-dismisses-overrepresentation-of-blacks/194894
UNITED STATES INCARCERATION RATES BY RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2010
(number of people incarcerated per 100,000 people in that group)

Little Children, Big Challenges: Incarceration

The incarceration of a loved one can be very overwhelming for both children and caregivers. It can bring about big changes and transitions. In simple everyday ways, you can comfort your child and guide her through these tough moments. With your love and support she can get through anything that comes her way. Here are some tools to help you with the changes your child is going through.

- Kit Components
  - Little Children...
  - In My Family Storybook
  - How Am I Feeling?
  - My Super Stars
  - My Morning Routine
  - Tips For Parents

Explore the Tools in the Kit: Watch videos, read quick facts, download resource guides and more!
MEETING BASIC NEEDS

2 in 3 families had difficulty meeting basic needs as a result of their loved one's conviction and incarceration.

Nearly 1 in 5 survey participants' families were unable to afford housing due to the loss of income resulting from their loved one's incarceration.

70% of these families were caring for children under 18.
COURT-RELATED COSTS TO FAMILIES

On average families paid $13,607 in court-related costs. These costs amount to nearly one year’s income for low-income families making less than $15,000 per year.

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Our Prisons - A Great Failing in What Should Be a Great Society

Per-Inmate Incarceration Costs Most Expensive of 50 States
$48,214

Per-College-Student Spending Ranked 47th of 50 States
$7,463

Re-Incarceration Worst of 50 States
7 in 10

If California emptied its prisons today and sent every inmate to a university of California college, it would save almost $7 billion a year.

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