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WE MUST GET RID OF THE NOTION THAT HUMAN PROGRESS ROLLS IN ON THE WHEELS OF INEVITABILITY, WE MUST COME TO SEE THAT HUMAN PROGRESS IS NEVER INEVITABLE, IT COMES THROUGH THE TIRELESS EFFORTS AND CONSISTENT WORK OF DEDICATED INDIVIDUALS...THE TIME TO DO RIGHT IS NOW AND THE TIME IS ALWAYS RIGHT TO DO RIGHT.

– REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

A TIME TO LEAD

YOUNG MEN OF COLOR: A SNAPSHOT OF A GENERATION IN CRISIS

pennsylvania
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

INCARCERATION RATES:

1 IN EVERY 249 PA RESIDENTS
(401 per 100,000 PA residents)

1 IN EVERY 505 WHITE PA RESIDENTS
(198 per 100,000 white PA residents)

1 IN EVERY 58 BLACK PA RESIDENTS
(1,735 per 100,000 black PA residents)

BLACK MALES: 1 in every 28 black male PA residents.

YOUNG BLACK MALES: 1 in every 14 black male PA residents between the ages of 20 and 34.

1 IN EVERY 129 HISPANIC PA RESIDENTS
(774 per 100,000 Hispanic PA residents)

HISPANIC MALES: 1 in every 75 Hispanic male PA residents.

YOUNG HISPANIC MALES: 1 in every 42 Hispanic male PA residents between the ages of 20 and 34.

THERE WERE 419 BLACK HOMICIDE VICTIMS IN PA IN 2011

PA IS RANKED FOURTH HIGHEST

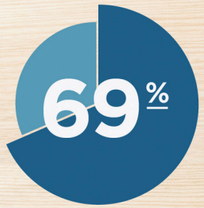
IN THE NATION FOR BLACK HOMICIDE VICTIMIZATION RATE.

IN 2010, 7,016 BLACK MALES

WERE RELEASED FROM PA STATE PRISON, BUT

ONLY 5,289

GRADUATED WITH A POST-SECONDARY DEGREE FROM A PA INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION

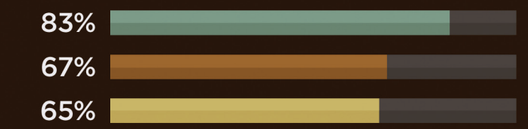


LIFETIME PROBABILITY OF INCARCERATION

IN STATE OR FEDERAL PRISON FOR A BLACK MALE WHO DOES NOT GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL

Western and Wildeman, 2009

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE:



UNEMPLOYMENT RATE:

POVERTY RATE:

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSEHOLD RATE:

OVERALL PA RATE
BLACK PA RATE
HISPANIC PA RATE