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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





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.**

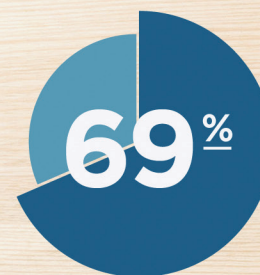


**IN 2010, 7,016
BLACK MALES**

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:

83%

67%

65%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE:

8.9%

19%

16.3%

POVERTY RATE:

13.7%

29.5%

33.4%

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSEHOLD RATE:

10%

43.6%

39.9%

OVERALL PA RATE BLACK PA RATE
 HISPANIC PA RATE