Our criminal justice system ends up being a pipeline from underfunded, inadequate schools to overcrowded jails.

of preschool children with more than one suspension are black

DISPARITY CONTINUES...

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48%

DISPARITY STARTS YOUNG



For grades 7-12, 35% of black children were suspended or expelled at some point compared to

Source NAACP CRIMINAL JUSTICE FACT SHEET

## During the 2009-2010 academic year, African Americans...

35%

**BLACK** 

were 3.5x more likely to be suspended or expelled than white students

3.5x

made up 46% of students suspended more than once

46%

Source DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

of enrolled U.S. students, but accounted for 39% of all expulsions



The American justice system

remains particularly skewed

SUSPENSIONS MATTER

high-school students with 3 suspensions drop out ENT HOME AND PUT OFF TRACK"

Each high-school DROPOUT costs society about \$200,000 over a lifetime

by wealth.

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BARACK OBAMA, 2015

by race and

Even though African American juveniles comprise 16 percent of the youth population, they represent









Source OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

1,000 people arrested ages

for every





ARREST



**BLACK ARREST RATE** 

Of the 55,000 youth incarcerated in 2013,

87 percent were in for non-violent offenses

African American youth have higher rates of juvenile incarceration and are more likely to be sentenced to adult prison...

58% of those youths are sent to adult prisons

Source THE SENTENCING PROJECT

## A SEPTEMBER 2015 STUDY UNCOVERED A STARTLING GENDER AND RACIAL DISPARITY IN JUVENILE JUSTICE

DISPARITY IS NOT ONLY ON RACIAL LINES

over the last 20 years while overall juvenile arrests and detentions declined...

female arrests increased 45%



constituted of court caseloads disparity was found in the way

girls



detentions

jumped

females were treated as opposed to males...



of detained girls were locked up for status offenses or technical violations, versus 25%

35%

Youth offenders serving

life without parole are

of boys



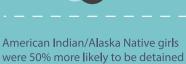
weaponless, simple assault and public-order

21%

offenses, versus 12% of boys WHAT'S IT LIKE TO BE LOCKED UP?



black girls were 20% more likely to be detained than white girls





youth commit suicide at a rate two to

imprisoned in conditions that violate fundamental international human rights law and standards.



three times higher than the general population. - OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

Incarcerated

depression, the depression occurred after the start of their incarceration. — JUSTICE POLICY INSTITUTE THE COST OF INCARCERATING JUVENILES

A study

revealed that for

one-third of incarcerated

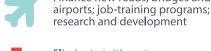
youth diagnosed with

## IS \$8 TO \$21 BILLION A YEAR INCLUDING RUNNING DETENTION FACILITIES, LOST FUTURE EARNINGS, LOST TAX REVENUE AND OTHER NEGATIVE EFFECTS.

THE COST FOR LOCKING UP JUVENILES AND ADULTS IS \$80,000,000,000

Source PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, 2015





Finance new roads, bridges and

money could... Provide universal preschool

that

for every 3-year-old and 4-year-



Eliminate tuition at every U.S. public college and university

youth in their natural settings—home, school and neighborhood—to promote positive social behavior and decrease delinquency. MST is often used as an alternative to placing a youth outside the home. The primary goals of MST are to reduce youth criminal activity and other

MST°is an intensive family- and community-based therapy that targets adolescents engaging in risky and antisocial behavior. MST works with

types of undesirable behavior (e.g., drug abuse) and to achieve these outcomes at a cost savings by decreasing rates of incarceration and out-of-home placements.

MST has proven treatment models that work with the following

populations and their families. Juvenile offenders

- Abused and neglected youth
- Substance-abusing youth • Incarcerated juvenile offenders
- Juvenile sex offenders

Young people with psychiatric needs



More adaptations are being studied.

Helping children and families lead more productive lives.