

Purpose

- Raise awareness in Northeast Ohio of the facts of the New Jim Crow
- Foment and spread a social movement to stop mass incarceration, raciallybiased policies and practices of criminal justice system
- Plan actions and events, linking with other efforts of resistance to the New Jim Crow for October and beyond

## MEETING AGENDA August 7, 2014

- 7:00-7:15 Welcome; Review Purpose, brief history of group
- 7:15-7:30 Brief Intros. Please give name, working group or what brought you here
- 7:30-7:35 Read the call- group effort!
- 7:35-7:50 Working group reports 1-2 min each; Treasurer's report
- 7:50-8:00 Outline of planning to date for Aug 28 meeting
- 8:00-8:05 Outline of planning to date for Oct 22 event
- 8:05-8:20 Discussion/Contribution of ideas for Aug 28 meeting
- 8:20-8:35 Meet in working groups
- 8:35-8:45 Report out of groups 1 min each
- 8:45-8:50 Determine next Meeting Date for this group
- 8:50pm Adjourn Forward to October!

Despite the fact that "US crime rates have dipped below the international norm," Michael Tonry, *Thinking About Crime,* 2004, the "US has the highest rate of incarceration in the world - 2.2 million." PEW Center on the States, 2008

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