

# THE JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL OF GREATER BOSTON SUPPORTS:

Policies that **REDUCE THE RATES OF INCARCERATION AND RECIDIVISM.**

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Policies that address and confront the **RACIAL DISPARITIES** in our criminal justice system;

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Polices that **REFORM** reform the use of **MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCING** to reduce injustice in its effects and application;

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Policies that challenge our state's **UNCONSCIONABLY HIGH RECIDIVISM RATE**, including but not limited to increasing access to pre-incarceration diversionary paths, re-entry programs, mental health and substance abuse services, and job-training and stabilization supports for individuals upon release;

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Policies that address the **COMMUNAL IMPACTS** of high incarceration rates, particularly on **FAMILY MEMBERS** of those incarcerated;

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Policies that **REFORM OUR JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** to reduce the school to prison pipeline;

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Policies that address the impact of **FINES AND FEES** associated with all aspects of the criminal justice system, from **PRE-TRIAL BAIL REFORM** to fees associated with **PROBATION AND PAROLE.**

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# THE NEED FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM IN MASSACHUSETTS



MassINC, "Make Massachusetts a Leader in Common Sense Criminal Justice Reform" 2017.

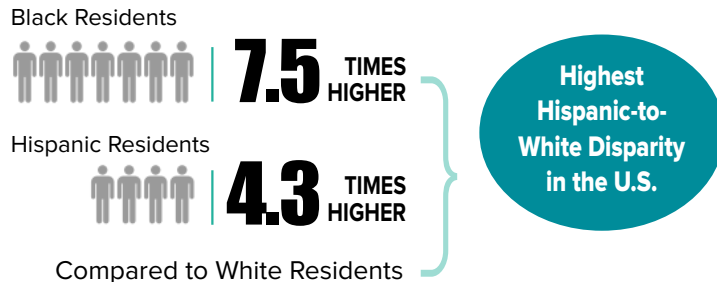
MassINC "Reducing Recidivism in Massachusetts with a Comprehensive Reentry Strategy" 2016.

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**27M CHILDREN**   
HAVE AT LEAST 1 PARENT IN PRISON

National Resource Center on Children & Families of the Incarcerated, "Children and Families of the Incarcerated Fact Sheet" 2014.

## RACIAL/ETHNIC DISPARITY IN MASSACHUSETTS INCARCERATIONS

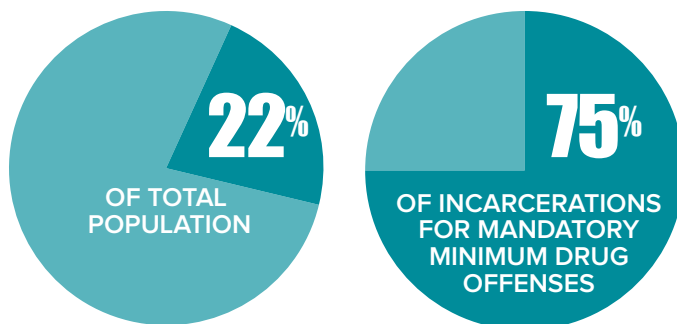
### 2014 INCARCERATION RATES PER 100K MA RESIDENTS



The Sentencing Project, "State-by-State Data: Massachusetts" 2017.

### INCARCERATIONS VS. TOTAL POPULATION

Black and Hispanic Residents



Massachusetts Sentencing Commission, "Selected Race Statistics" 2016.