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# URBAN CALL LETTER FOR FORUM ON MASS INCARCERATION AND DEPORTATION ON SATURDAY APRIL 19

Dear Friends.

URBAN is a group of progressive faculty, scholars and activists who have been meeting for the past two years in Los Angeles. We are committed to social justice research and activism, and to strengthen collaboration between faculty, students, and the broader community to promote social change.

We would like to convene an interactive forum of leaders and activists who have been engaged in work on immigrant rights, mass incarceration, or both. The increase in mass deportation and mass incarceration reflects a systematic criminalization of communities of color, especially youth of color. The benefit of promoting a dialogue between scholars and community leaders would be to explore potential alliances, joint research, and to advance organizing and policy change.

We will be meeting at the UCLA Downtown Labor Center, 675 S. Park View St. on Saturday, April 19th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The forum will proceed as follows:



Introduction: Plenary 10:15-11:15

- Jose Calderon, Urban Chair-Introduction to URBAN
- Kelly Lyttle Hernandez, Pablo Alvarado, Neidi Dominguez and Kim Carter-Panel: A Framing of the Connection between Mass Deportation and Incarceration

Breakout Session: 11:15-12:30

- Community-Based Research and Activism
- Building Campaigns on Deportations and Incarceration
- Youth Mobilization: Dream Summer and Freedom Summer
  - Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Lunch: 12:30-1:00

Afternoon Session: 1:00-2:00

Report Back and Next Steps



Join us! Space is limited, so please RSVP.

In unity,

**URBAN Los Angeles**