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**MOLDING** Young Minds  
**STRENGTHENING** Families  
**BUILDING** Communities



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### Why The JET Touch Foundation Exists

There are more young black young men in Jail than in College!

Based on L A County (California Dept of Education (2003-04) found that:

- 33 out of a 100 High School Graduates are eligible to get into California

State (CSU) or University of California (UC) schools:

- Latinas only 14.5 out of 100
- Latinos only 12 out of 100
- Black females only 4.5 out of 100
- Black males 2 out of 100

According to the Office of Minority Health [5], HIV infection is the fifth leading cause of death for people who are 25-44 years old in the United States, and it is estimated that 850,000 to 950,000 U.S. residents are living with HIV infection, one-quarter of whom are unaware of their infection. HIV/AIDS impacts African Americans particularly hard.

- It is the leading cause of death for African American men ages 35-44. [
- Additionally, Black women are 18 times more likely to be diagnosed with HIV in 2003 than white women.

According to [www.netwellness.org](http://www.netwellness.org) In 2002 in the United States more than 2 1/2 times as many African American newborn babies died (14.1 per 1,000 live deaths) as white newborns

- 251 per 100,000 African American males suffer from Prostate Cancer as compared to 167 per 100,000 white men.
- 108 per 100,000 African American men suffer from lung/bronchus cancer as compared to 72 white men.
- 68 per 100,000 African American men suffer from colon/rectal cancer as compared to 58 per 100,000 white men.

The Henry Kaiser Family Foundation's 2004 research found that out of 31.1 million men age 15-29:

- Whites are 61% of the population,
- Hispanics are 19%
- African-Americans 14%
- Asians 4%

Percent Unemployed:

- African-American 19.5 (today estimates 30%+, urban centers the number is even higher)
- Hispanic 8.0
- White 7.9
- Asian 7.8

Percent in Prison Age 18-29:

- African-American 10.1
- Hispanic 3.6
- White 1.5

Death Rate for Men age 15-29 per 100,000 populations in each group (2003):

- African-American 124
- Hispanic 99
- White 84
- Asian 50

Death Rates for Homicide and HIV Age 15-24 per 100,000 in each group (2003)

- Black 84.6
- Hispanic 30.0
- White 5.0

## The JET Foundation

The JET Foundation, Inc. (501 c 3) is a non-profit organization dedicated to *Molding Young Minds, Strengthening Families and Building Communities*. Led by *J. Eldridge Taylor, Jr.* and *Natali Taylor*, our programs are rooted in a foundation that is about personal empowerment and achievement.



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