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of Black people is only 56 percent of the economic standing of Whites.

- The poverty index changed only minimally with three times as many Blacks than Whites living 125 percent of the poverty line.

- The gap in totally uninsured people increased this year, with the index falling from 56 percent in 2007 to 53 percent in 2008.

- The social justice sub-index is the largest increase and the greatest improvement. Jail sentencing for Blacks decreased 15 percentage points from 93 percent in 2007 to 77 percent in 2008. Also, the average sentence for Blacks decreased from 44 months to 40 months and the average sentence for Whites increased from 34 to 37 months.

- In education, the dropout rate for Black high school students decreased from 15 percent last year to 13 percent this year. However, the index showed a 15 percent decline in college enrollment for recent African-American high school graduates from 2007. Black students were less likely to enroll, compared to recent White high school graduates.

- In the subprime lending crisis, according to Height, "It was Black women who were most likely to have been targeted and ultimately victimized by unscrupulous mortgage lenders. And it was upper-income Black women who, in the end, fared the worst, being nearly five times more likely to have received a high-cost loan than upper-income White men—thereby putting their economic futures, as well as that of their families, in serious peril."

The report contrasts from last year's in which Morial outlined statistics showing the underachievement of Black males as being among America's greatest crisis.

This year's report was not meant to give a statistical breakdown of the social issues that affect Black women as much as it was to "Look at the problem of the overall community through the voices of Black women," Morial said in an interview on Monday.

The report is not without answers to the persistent problems facing African-Americans. Morial outlines detailed policy recommendations. They include:

- Mandatory early childhood education, beginning at age 3 as well as guaranteed access to college for everyone.

- Closed gaps in

healthcare insurance system to ensure universal healthcare for children.

- Creation of an urban infrastructure bank to fund re-investment in urban communities.

- Increasing economic self-sufficiency for individuals and working families by indexing minimum wage to rate of inflation and expanding the Earned Income Tax Credit.

- Expand "second chance" programs for high school dropouts, ex-offenders and at-risk youth to secure GEDs, job training and employment.

- Reform public housing to assure continuing national commitment to low-income families.

- Ensure greater minority participation in government contracting by stringently enforcing federal minority business opportunity goals.

Among 10 other women responding with essays in the report are:

- Julianne Malveaux, president, Bennett College of Women

- Maudine Cooper, president and CEO, Washington NUL

- Renée R. Hanson, NUL Policy Institute emerging scholar

- Johnnetta B. Cole, chair, Global Diversity & Inclusion Institute named for her at Bennett College

- Andrea Harris, president, N.C. Institute for Mi-

nority Economic Development

- Lisa Mensah, executive director of Initiative on Financial Security

- Alexis Herman, former labor secretary and chairman and CEO, New Ventures, Inc.

- Lucy Reuben, visiting professor at Duke University

- Melanie Campbell,

president and CEO, National Coalition of Black Civic Participation

- Kimberly Alton, public policy counsel, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law.

In an essay, "Putting Homeownership Back Within Our Reach," among the greatest recent crisis in the Black community,

Mensah wrote, "We must not let it cause us to lose sight of the social good inherent in homeownership. This is a time not only to make much-needed reforms in the mortgage industry, but to also reassess our financial values as a nation and to make sure that long-term economic security and prosperity are attainable goals for all Americans."

Morial concludes, "When Black women hurt, the American family suffers. When we ignore Black women's issues, we ignore an entire community. But by uplifting Black women, especially those struggling hardest to keep their families together and their dreams on track, we lift up every American community."

LEGAL NOTICES



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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)
LEGAL CONSULTING SERVICE
RFP #8058-0020

The Housing Authority of the County of Clark (HACC) is requesting proposals from qualified and experienced firms and/or individuals for the provision of legal services. Respondents to this solicitation must be qualified, licensed, insured and bonded entities to provide a wide range of legal services. These services are a necessary supplement to the daily operation of the HACC. The successful respondent shall be the legal advisor to the HACC Board of Commissioners and the Executive Director (ED) and services. Respondents must have documented experience in serving as general counsel to an organization, with experience serving the needs of public housing authorities and/or governmental agencies preferred.

A pre-proposal conference will be held in HACC's Board Room on **Wednesday, March 18, 2008 at 10:00 AM**. All Respondents are encouraged to attend.

Responses to this solicitation will be received by HACC until **10:00 AM** local time on **April 4, 2008**. No late proposals will be accepted. Disadvantaged, minority, and women-owned businesses are encouraged to respond.

All RFP documents are also available on the HACC website at www.haccnv.org in Portable Document Format (PDF). For questions, please contact the Contracts Administration Department at 702-451-8041 x1424 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

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OWNER	PROJECT	BID DATE	BID TIME
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