



It's time to take action to make the justice system fair for Latino children.

¿Dónde Está La Justicia? reports that Latino youth are over-represented in the justice system and face harsher treatment than White youth, including a higher likelihood to be incarcerated for similar types of offenses.

On **Día de la Juventud, Tuesday, June 3, 2003**, organizations around the country will take action to raise awareness of the disparities Latino children face in the justice system. We invite you and your organization to join the effort.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

1. **Find out what is happening to Latino youth in your jurisdiction and community**
 - Sponsor a community visit to a local juvenile correctional facility
 - Ask your state's juvenile justice specialist to provide you with data on the numbers of Latino youth in the justice system
2. **Host a community meeting**
 - Invite parents of incarcerated youth and formerly incarcerated youth to talk about their experiences in the system
3. **Contact your public officials to share your concerns**
 - Request a detailed response about how the officials plan to address the issue

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