## Mark the Date! Thursday September 13<sup>th</sup>



## **BLOW THE WHISTLE ON 'STOP & FRISK'!**

To those who are tired of seeing police step to our youth with harassment, brutality and even worse; to those outraged because the NYPD stopped and frisked 684,000 people last year alone; to Black and Latino youth tired of knowing that every time you leave your house you might be descended on by cops; to parents who fear that no matter what you tell your kids about surviving an encounter with cops it won't be enough to keep them safe; to people who know this will never happen to them but also know it's wrong — join us on September 13th to "Blow the Whistle on Stop & Frisk!"

Stop & Frisk is racist, and it's no damned

**good.** People have begun to stand up and fight it. In the face of the massive public outcry, the NYPD is doubling down. They are on pace to stop and frisk even more people this year. Now is the time to unleash resistance that can sweep Stop & Frisk away. The racial profiling Stop & Frisk concentrates is a pipeline to mass incarceration

This Call Is Issued By:

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## **Endorsers:**

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Elaine Brower, World Can't Wait, Military Families Speak Out
Gbenga Akinnagbe, actor
Herb Boyd, author, activist; Harlem, NY
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**Luke "Aidge" Patterson**, artist and activist **Nicholas Heyward Sr**, father of Nicholas Jr., killed by NYPD

**Nellie Bailey,** Harlem Coalition Against the War Here & Abroad **Randy Credico,** political satirist, activist

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and the warehousing of our youth in prison. We don't have to suffer all this anymore, and we won't. There is no good reason for Stop & Frisk to remain in effect. It's illegal and illegitimate. It must be stopped! We are going to stop it, and you must join us in doing that!

Join us in Blowing the Whistle on Stop and Frisk! On September 13th, thousands of people all across NYC will politically confront the cops who are violating people's rights. We will be blowing whistles to call out these injustices and using cameras to document the criminal actions of the cops. At 6 PM, we will all blow our whistles at once to signal to all those who have been targeted by Stop & Frisk, to all those who have stood up against it and to the cops and officials who enforce it that there are people all over who will no longer be silent. And in cities across the country, people have to act in solidarity: Blowing the Whistle on the way cops target Black and Latino youth, whether they call it Stop & Frisk or not.

On September 13th we will say in a strong, united voice: WE WILL NO LONGER STAND BY SILENTLY WHILE PEOPLE ARE DENIED THEIR RIGHTS. Our actions on that day will drive a nail into the coffin of Stop & Frisk.

Be a part of making this day happen. Get your whistles and get them out to others in your neighborhood, at your school, in your workplace or in your place of worship. Spread the word and organize people you know to be a part of this day. Take to the streets on September 13th and with us declare that the days when the cops can violate people's rights however they want, when people aren't inspired and organized to politically resist this kind of injustice are no more.

What You Can Do: Come to the meeting on August 13 at The Riverside Church. www.stopmassincarceration.org

**Students!** Organize now to get ready when school opens in September! **Lawyers!** Organize legal observers on the day. **In the Hood!** Form organizing committees in your community and church. **Donate!** Funds needed for whistles & more.



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