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## A HANDBOOK FOR EDUCATORS AND ACTIVISTS ON THE CRISIS IN PRISONS

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abolition) in the US will not come from the benevolent initiative of government (and indeed, its eventual changes will be forced upon the system by prisoners organizing and by an angry, educated populace. This handbook, then, is one building block in the overall work of raising consciousness, of sparking fires."



EXAMPLES: Solidarity with Political Prisoners