Reduce the Number of People in Prison
No New Prison Construction

building prisons vs. investing in schools
Why is California choosing incarceration over education?

What California’s spending priorities mean:

• $7.53 billion in cuts to education

• $7.5 billion in new prison construction plans to build 50,000-plus new prison and jail cells, AB900, (before interest on high yield bonds)

• 250,000 students to be denied access to community college

• California K-12 per student spending dropped $1000 below the national average, while we’ve built 23 new prisons.

• The rise in higher education costs and the huge dip in California’s K-12 Public School Per-Pupil Spending, 1980 - present, corresponds directly to the dramatic rise in the prison population in the same time period.

67% of Californians oppose cutting education, and 59% favor cutting prison spending. So why are we moving in the opposition direction?

Californians United for a Responsible Budget (CURB)* is working to stop prison construction, reduce the number of people in prison, and reinvest our money in communities – for the education, health care, jobs, and we need.

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