

Youth Activism and the Criminalization of Youth



An incomplete listing of groups and web resources on youth activism and the criminalization of youth, in no particular order. Only a handful of the listings are annotated, but many are youth organizations worth checking out and in need of your support.

Youth activists at the 1998 conference, Critical Resistance: Beyond the Prison Industrial Complex.

Youth Empowerment Center

School of Unity and Liberation, C-Beyond, YouthForce, Underground Railroad
<http://www.youthec.org/>

The No War on Youth Online Resources page

<http://www.colorlines.com/waronyouth>

PARC's high school curriculum on the Criminalization of Youth

<http://prisonactivist.org/curriculum>

Books Not Bars

Works to expose and end the over-incarceration of youth and build a "bottom-up" movement to transform the entire criminal justice system

<http://booksnotbars.org>

Schools Not Jails

News, forums, events and more

<http://schoolsnotjails.com>

Active Element Foundation

Builds relationships between grassroots youth organizers, donors, professionals and artists through grant making, technical assistance and hip hop culture.

<http://www.activeelement.org>

Teen Violence: The Myths and the Realities By Randolph T. Holhut

<http://www.mdle.com/WrittenWord/rholhut/holhut25.htm>

The Beat Within: A Weekly Newsletter of Writing and Art from the Inside

<http://www.pacificnews.org/yo/beat/>

Youth Outlook: The World Through Young People's Eyes

<http://www.pacificnews.org/yo>

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Progressive Directory youth page: SF Bay Area groups working on youth issues

<http://www.emf.net/~cheetham/kyouth-1.html>

***Rethinking Schools* on the criminalization of youth**

http://www.rethinkingschools.org/Archives/12_02/kids.htm

National Child Rights Alliance

<http://home.att.net/~alexist/ncra/frames.htm>

(or <http://www.ai.mit.edu/people/ellens/NCRA/ncra2.html>)

Juvenile Justice Center of the American Bar Association

<http://www.abanet.org/crimjust/juvjus/home.html>

Article: Children Behind Bars - juvenile crime link to Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

<http://www.come-over.to/fasstar/juvcrime1.htm>

Peer Justice and Youth Empowerment - from the Justice Information Center

<http://www.ncjrs.org/peerhome.htm>

Speak Out!'s speakers on youth

<http://www.speakersandartists.org/Topics/YouthStudentActivism.html>

The International Student Activism Alliance

www.studentactivism.org

Fighting against Pete Wilson's Draconian proposition 21

www.noprop21.org

Just Act

A national, nonprofit organization promoting youth leadership and action for global justice.

<http://www.justact.org/>

Homies Unidos

A nonpolitical, nonreligious, autonomous organization of youth from different gangs who are no longer active in violence. Offers youth and communities opportunities to diminish and prevent violence.

<http://www.homiesunidos.org/>

Center for Third World Organizing - Oakland

A racial justice organization dedicated to building a social justice movement led by people of color.

Training and resources that promote and sustain direct action organizing in communities of color.

<http://www.ctwo.org/>

AYPAL

The Asian Youth Promoting Advocacy and Leadership (AYPAL) is a collaboration project of seven agencies in the Asian and Pacific Islander Youth Network in the East Bay.

<http://www.oases.org/programs/AYPAL.html>

Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice

<http://www.cjcj.org/>