



Solano College Proposed Harambee

Let's Pull Together

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Educated, Alive and Free

- Differs From Umoja
- Focus is African American Males
- Open to all students throughout the semester
- Not limited to 25 – 50 Students
- Student Needs Go Beyond Umoja Capacity

Black male achievement is losing ground with the rest of the world

The world moves toward:

- Science
- Technology
- Engineering
- Math and
- Medicine (STEMM)

While fewer than fifty percent of Black males graduate from high school.

Effect & Impact on Future Generations...

Of **100** African
American Males in
Kindergarten, how
many are projected
to graduate from
College?

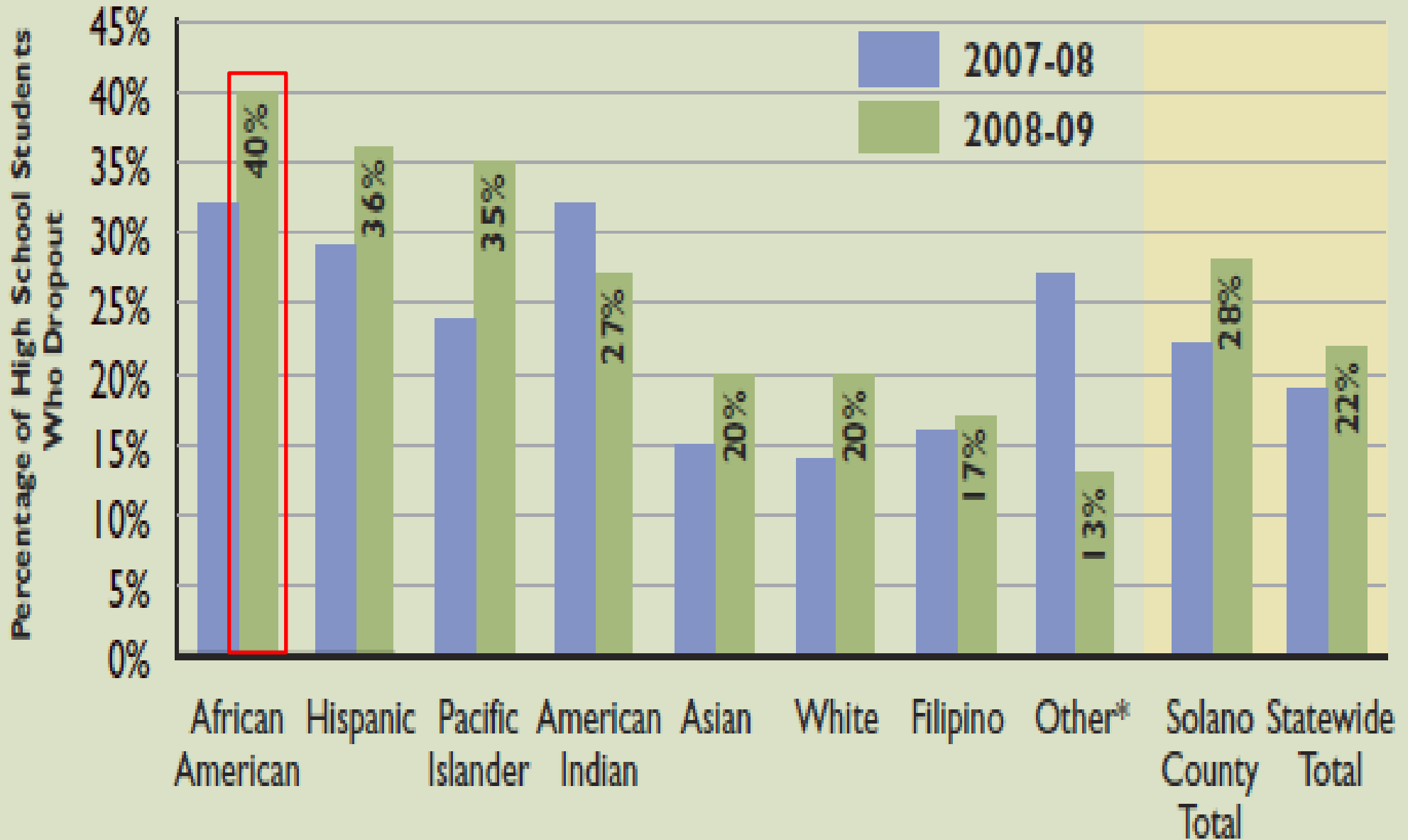


Effect & Impact on Future Generations...

- **40** are projected to graduate from High School.
- **9** will enter a 4-year college or university.
- **3** are projected to graduate from College.



Percentage of California Students who Drop Out of High School

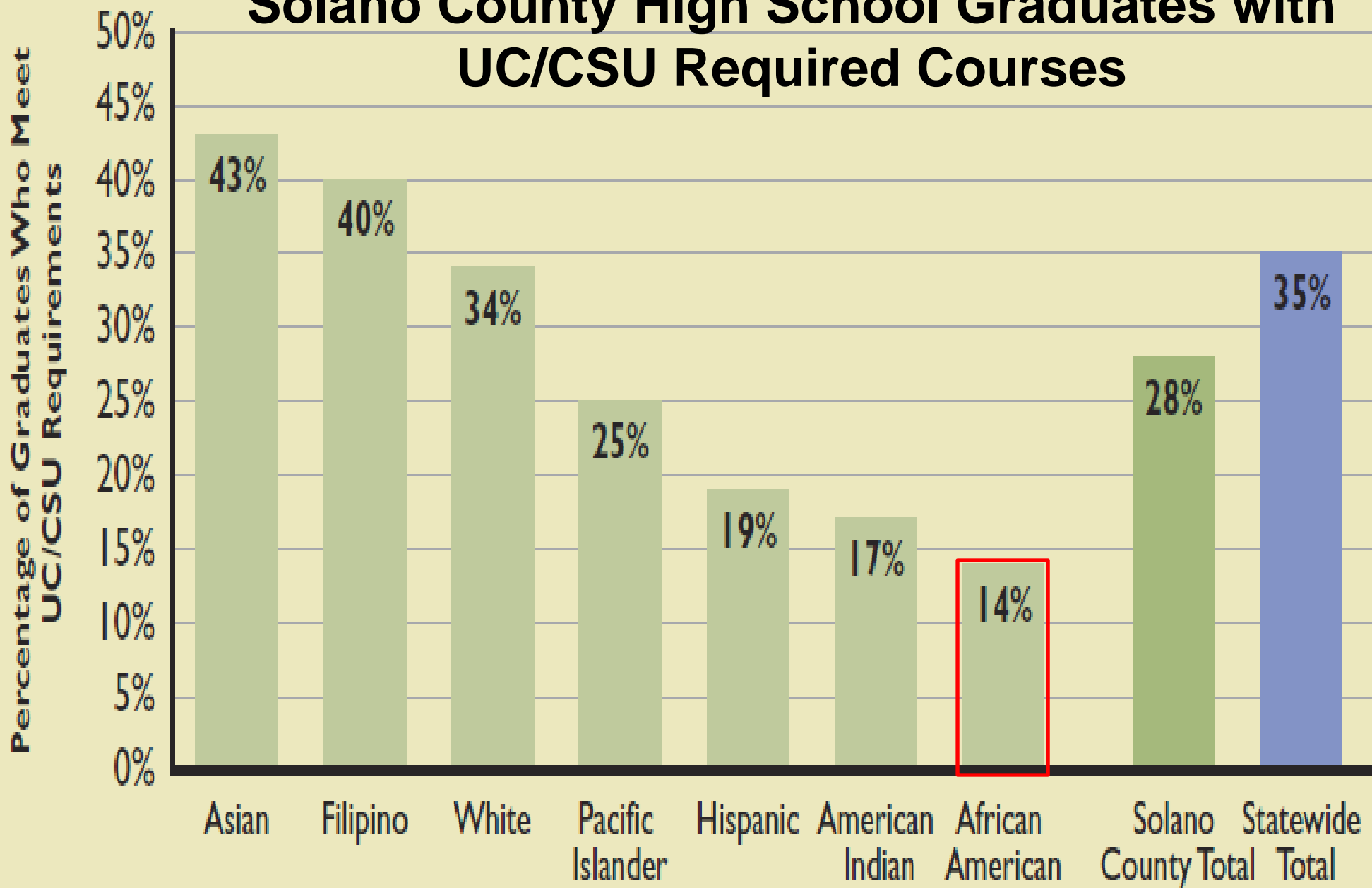


Data Source: California Department of Education

Analysis: Collaborative Economics

* Other includes students with multiple responses or no response.

Solano County High School Graduates with UC/CSU Required Courses



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**100 Black Boys start
out in life.**

If current trends continue,

32 Will eventually end up in jail or prison

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bjs/pub/pdf/piusp01.pdf>

44 Will graduate from high school

http://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2006/06/22/41s_gradreports.h25.html

College or Prison?

- Black males age 18 and over in 2008 represented only five percent of the total college student population, but 36 percent of the total prison population.
- Thirty-two percent of Black young adults 18-24 are enrolled in institutions of higher education, compared to 44 percent of White young adults.

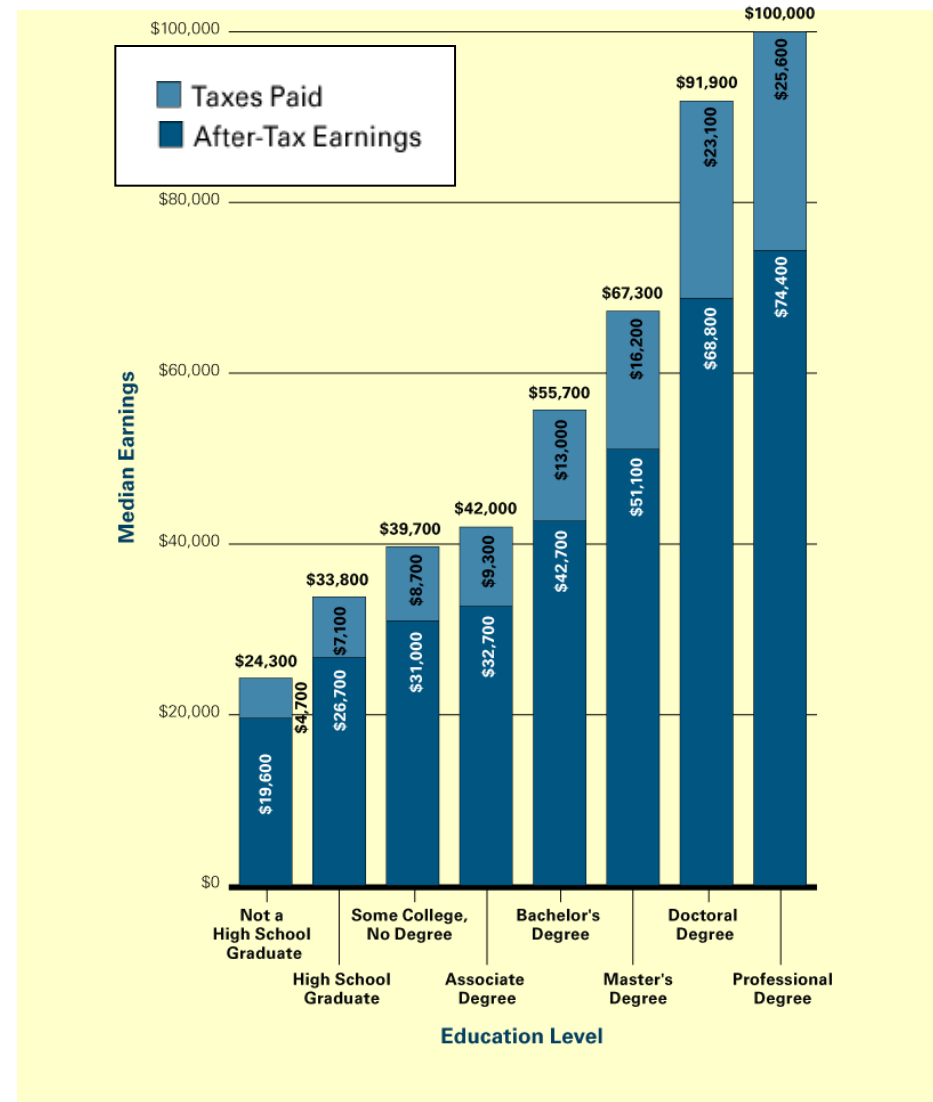
Transforming Student Lives!

What Will It Be?

Solano Community College or
Solano County Detention Facility
Sacramento State University
or Folsom State Prison
Tuition or Bail
Morehouse or The Jail House

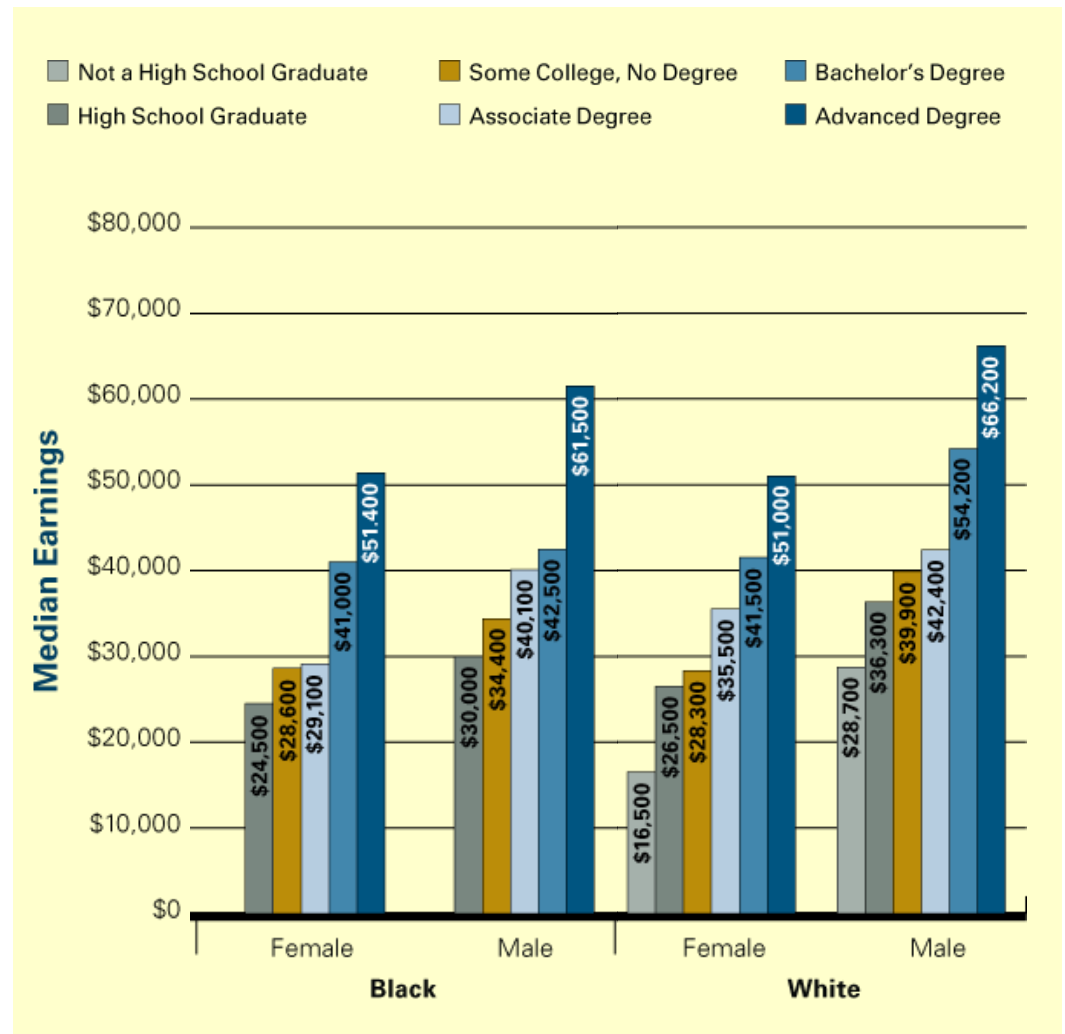
Education and Earnings

- Bachelor's degree recipients in 2008 earned \$55,700, \$21,900 more than the median earnings of high school graduates.
- Individuals with some college but no degree earned 17% more than high school graduates working full-time year-round.
- Individuals with higher levels of education are more likely to have earnings and more likely to work full-time year-round.



Earnings by Race/Gender

- The college earnings premium for black males is about 42%, or \$12,500, per year.
- The earnings differential between high school graduates and associate degree recipients ranged from 17% (\$6,100) for white men to 34% (\$10,100) for black men.



Cradle To Prison Pipeline

- The Prison To Cradle Pipeline
- The School To Prison Pipeline
- The Achievement Gap
- Help Students Achieve Their Goals and Live Their Dreams

Harambee Model

- Promotes Student Success and Retention For All Male Students
- Serves Students From All Disciplines
- Accepts Referrals Throughout Academic Year
- Provides Resources Upon Arrival At SCC

Harambee Components

- Mentoring
- Book Club
- Overcoming Barriers and Pathways
- Prison Re-Entry Support Services
- Academic Support, Tutoring and Counseling

Harambee Components

- Educated, Alive and Free – Keeping students in school and free from the disease of violence and incarceration.
(Marshall 2001)
- Individual Centered Approach

Faculty Development

- **African American Male Empowerment Seminars** – *To increase cultural competency of faculty, staff and management*
- **Develop Culturally Relevant Strategies** - *Understanding and effectively responding to socioeconomic, educational, generational, ethnic, language and gender barriers.*

Harambee Student Learning Outcomes

- Learn How To Avoid Sabotaging Future
- Understand Attitudes and Behaviors
- Identify gifts, talents, dreams and aspirations
- Understand challenges of poverty and develop strategies to overcome life obstacles

Harambee Student Learning Outcomes

- Increase Critical Thinking Skills
- Honest Self Evaluation
- Develop Skills Necessary to Successfully Complete College Studies

Harambee

- Apply for Grants
- Integrate Current Available Resources
- Integrate Community Resources
- Secure Internships

Thank You!