CENTER for Nu LEADERSHIP ON URBAN SOLUTIONS (CNLUS)

The Center for Nuleadership on Urban Solutions (CNLUS) is an inter-disciplinary forum for scholars, policy makers, civil society leaders and formerly incarcerated professionals working on urban contemporary criminal, economic and social justice issues. The Center is dedicated to creating new paradigms for solving the myriad of urban problems and challenges as they relate to communities of color. The center conducts research and analysis on convergence of mass incarceration, mass unemployment and mass disenfranchisement of communities of color can be conducted from the perspective of the communities most impacted by this phenomena. Central to the inquiry are the implications of this phenomenon for urban communities, families, Black males and institutions. The Center will be divided into six major areas: (1) research, (2) faculty and curriculum development, (3) public policy, (4) community education and training, (5) forums, seminars, conferences and special events, and (6) fellowships and internships.

The Center will serve as an academic and training institution for the development and promotion of leadership from among formerly and currently incarcerated individuals, community residents and others seeking careers within the criminal justice arena. The center is under the leadership of Dr. Divine Pryor, Executive Director, and Mr. Eddie Ellis, Board Chairman.