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To ensure freedom and justice for all kids, systems must be responsive to how gender and sexism intersect with racism to drive youth incarceration.

The Vera Institute of Justice (Vera) believes that we can end the incarceration of youth on the girls side of the juvenile justice system by building stronger, safer, and more equitable communities where girls and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and gender-nonconforming (LGB/TGNC or gender expansive) youth particularly youth of color are no longer criminalized for the violence and discrimination they face.

Through its Initiative to End Girls Incarceration, Vera is zeroing out the country's confinement of girls within 10 years. We are inspiring and partnering with jurisdictions to build new reforms and programs that will better support the safety and well-being of girls and gender expansive youth in their communities, address the root causes of their incarceration, and permanently close the doors to girls juvenile detention and placement facilities. This publication outlines our 10-year strategy to make this happen.

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