HUNTINGTON WOODS PEACE GROUP PRESENTS
ZOOM DISCUSSION AND Q & A
The Realities of Mass Incarceration
In conversation with author/columnist
Jeff Cohen and Exoneree Lacino Hamilton
FEBRUARY 17th 7pm

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On September 30, 2020, Lacino Hamilton walked free after 26 years of wrongful incarceration in the Michigan prison system. At the hearing that exonerated him, Wayne County Judge Tracy Green apologized profusely: "Twenty-six years is a very, very long time to spend in prison. I'm sure it's even harder for an innocent man." He was freed by long-buried DNA evidence -- after social activism demanded a review of his case. He'd been convicted, at age 19, largely on perjured testimony from a “jailhouse snitch.”

After fighting for his freedom, seeking help by writing thousands of letters to the outside world, while educating himself, Lacino never gave up or gave in. On the inside, he became a columnist, writing about prison as part of a broader system of economic and racial exploitation. One of his columns, “The Gentrification-to-Prison Pipeline,” recalled his time growing up in Detroit’s Cass Corridor.

Lacino Hamilton has plenty to say about prison and about society. His articulate voice needs to be heard. He’s eager to answer any and all questions.

After 26 years of being denied an opportunity to make a life, Lacino has nothing. A GoFundMe page has been set up on his behalf. https://gofund.me/652e7b1a. Anything you can contribute will go directly to Lacino. He needs help with housing, transportation, clothes, food, eye wear, phone, medical needs denied him in prison, and resources to continue fighting for truth and justice. Donating will help Lacino secure the most basic necessities and help him foster and expedite his continuing efforts to build a broad dialogue to find more effective ways to challenge injustice and promote social justice through education. Thank you for being part of righting a terrible wrong. Donate! Help Lacino and join our zoom meeting on February 17th at 7pm.

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Jeff Cohen, cofounder of RootsAction.org, and the Huntington Woods Peace Group, were active in fighting for Lacino’s release.