

# *Bias Against Black Women and Girls Not a Priority*

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New York, November 29 (RHC)-- A study released in the U.S. by the National Women's Law Center and the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund says more attention needs to be paid to specific bias against Black females.

The report is titled "Unlocking Opportunity for African American Girls: A Call to Action for Educational Equity." According to the law center's Fatima Goss Graves: "The suspension rate for African American girls is around 12 percent, which is far higher than any other group of girls and higher than most groups of boys."

The new study also shows that Black women are the only major group for whom joblessness in the United States has not declined, and 43 percent of Black women without a high school diploma live in poverty.

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