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**Introduction**

In America the social issues affecting the racial groups are deeply rooted and have got many different features or aspects pertaining their different contextual historical aspects. Therefore, history shapes the social issues pertaining racial aspects in America in a number of ways. Hence, an overview of the social issues and the principles that are adopted to curve away the African American race within the Americans at large and to have an equal society are as follows:

**The Systemic American Racism**

This systematic racism is demonstrated in various institutions like in health centers, law courts, education centers among others. Hence, this leads to unequal treatment among the people based on the race they belong to. It therefore deals with the systems of employment hence ending up corrupting them. This vice can implement a policy like affirmative action that increases the chances and opportunities among the under represented individuals in the racial groups. Furthermore, there is need to come up with commissions like equal employment opportunity commission that enforces the federal laws that prohibits employment discrimination among the Americans.

**The Economic Inequality**

This deals with the unequal distribution of opportunities in terms of income between different groups in the African American society. The whites are the majority and they got the say in their incomes whereas the blacks occupy the minority class that always awaits laws from the whites. The racial minority class experiences lower wages, less access to wealth opportunities and higher rates of poverty as compared to their white counterparts. Policies to be implemented to curve out this menace: encourage banks through the Community Reinvestment Act to meet the credit needs of all communities. This helps particularly the underserved members within the society. In addition, the efforts to increase the minimum wages trough the federal minimum wage that aims to support the low-income earners or workers disproportionately people of color.

**Educational Inequality**

This social issue deals with the unequal distribution of academic resources, funding among schools, and qualifications of the human power. According to the research I have conducted it shows that schools that are within the predominantly neighborhood receives less funding therefore leading to inferior educational outcomes and resources. (Green, 2023). To curve all these social challenges in the educational sector initiatives like school desegregation efforts within the local and state levels that aims to address the isolation of public schools and also to incorporate the federal funding that is referred to as title funding in schools with higher percentage of low-income students to help join the educational gaps.

**The Healthcare Inequalities**

This social inequality deals with the differences in the distribution of the health sector at large. This affects different population groups that come from the social conditions where different people grow, live and work. In the real sense, the racial minorities face a lot of disparities when accessing the health care in terms of quality care, health outcomes and health access. The dominant whites receive high quality services as compared to the minority. Furthermore, this disparity can be reduced through the following ways: Affordable Care Acts that aims to increase the healthcare services and also helps to reduce disparities especially on the minorities and the low-income earners.

**The Housing Discrimination**

This is a discrimination pattern that affects people’s ability to own, rent or buy a house. Still, practices like discriminatory, redlining lending have historical limitation on housing opportunities for the racial minorities. All these disparities on the housing can be reduced through the fair act that prohibits discrimination on housing based on color, nationality, origin and other factors. Secondly, the housing choice voucher program consequently provides support to the low-income families to afford a better housing in the neighborhoods. Therefore, owning a house is a major basic need among the people.

**Criminal Justice Disparities**

This refers to the unequal treatment of people within the criminal justice system basing on factors like ethnicity, race, gender, social-economic activities and geographic location. The minority groups face harsher jail term sentencing, higher chances of arrests, high likelihood of being the target by the law as compared by their white counterparts. Also, individuals in the minority lack access to quality legal representation which further affects their case outcomes due to their lower socioeconomic backgrounds. This vice among the Americans can be curved through initiative reforms in the justice sector. These reforms help to reduce the mandatory minimum jail terms and do away with certain offences. Further, some jurisdictions have come up with polices to better and bring transparency and accountability in the police units.

**Voter Suppression**

The voter suppression in America has got its root since the historical periods. The target is mostly on ethnic and marginalized groups especially the minority blacks and the native Americans. Inappropriate laws have greatly affected minority voters hence denying them their voting rights. Also, reduction of the polling stations affects the African American society especially during the election days. This leads to long lines and difficulties when casting the votes in the African American communities. Additionally, this can be reduced through increasing the number of polling stations and adequate staffing to ensure easy casting of votes. Furthermore, ensuring free accessibility if the ID cards and incorporating modern ways of voter verification to ensure that the minority groups are voting. Hence, voter suppression can be addressed through comprehensive policy reforms that advocate in the community and ensure to the African Americans exercising their democratic rights fairly and freely through voting.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, racial groups that face the social issues in America are interrelated and complex thus incorporating better policies to curve this challenge. Advocating for equality, awareness among the African Americans and reforms have really helped to have an equitable society.

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