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# Highland Avenue Forum Event

Incarceration - Justice - Policy Reform

## Remember Those Who are in Prison:

AT HIGHLAND HALL ASSEMBLY ROOM

a panel discussion  
on the challenges  
ex-offenders face  
re-entering society  
after encounters  
with the criminal  
justice system,  
including prison

### Panel Discussion Participants:

Mary Scott Hodgin  
Carla Crowder  
Ronald Mckeithen  
Dena Dickerson  
Jeremy Sherer

Saturday,  
**October 1**

9:00 - 11:00 AM  
at Highland Hall Assembly Room  
3116 Highland Ave,  
Birmingham, AL 35205

# Meet the Panelists



## Mary Scott Hodgin

... of WBHM will moderate. She was the lead journalist on the new podcast. An award-winning journalist from Birmingham, Mary Scott Hodgin joined WBHM in 2018. From 2019 through 2022, Mary Scott led the development of WBHM's first narrative podcast, "Deliberate Indifference," a 7-part series on Alabama's violent and overcrowded prison system.



## Carla Crowder

... is the Executive Director of Alabama Appleseed. Alabama Appleseed Center for Law & Justice is our state's only nonpartisan research and advocacy organization working exclusively on justice system reform in Alabama.



## Ronald McKeithen

... who was released from prison after 37 years, works with Appleseed to support formerly incarcerated individuals who are re-entering society.



## Dena Dickerson

... with the Offender Alumni Association, a peer support group for recently released individuals.



## Jeremy Sherer

... Assistant United States Attorney, the Project Safe Neighborhoods Coordinator, tasked with developing community-oriented partnerships and solutions to fight and prevent crime, including a focus on reentry, juvenile delinquency, domestic violence, opioid addiction, and voting rights.