## RITE NOW ( ROP



JoAnn Bridges Academy created a Black History Exhibit Hall stretching from the Pearls' Dorm to the gym as part of the month-long celebration. Staff member T. Johnson launched the concept through student tutorials about African American culture and achievements. Students then created banners and posters outlining historic moments. Black History month culminated with a theatrical production performed for Department of Juvenile Justice and Community Advisory Board representatives as well as Rite of Passage staff members. The students incorporated different performance arts such as praise dances, music, poems, and speeches. JoAnn Bridges Academy students closed the program with a segment of a praise dance that included D. McQuay, Coach Counselor. A reception followed the performance and featured an extensive spread prepared by Shift Supervisor, S. Flores.