## Hidden Lives Illuminated: Reflection Guide

## THEME: CRIMINAL JUSTICE TODAY

## Original Hidden Lives Illuminated Films



Alexander S., The Bus Stop

• From the filmmaker's perspective, we all do dumb things as kids, and we could all use someone watching our back.



Joseph K., There He Was, There He Is

 The protagonist goes to sleep a child and wakes a man. How will yesterday's plans work in tomorrow's society?



Louis B., Money Talks

"Money doesn't grow on trees." The filmmaker asks, "How much is money really worth?"



Marvin S., Between Two Courts

 The filmmaker recalls how his youth on the basketball court became a life in criminal court and incarceration.



Filmmakers at Philadelphia's Riverside Correctional Facility for Women, *You Can Go Left or Right* 

• The filmmakers reflect on life inside a hectic county jail for women.

## **Student Reflection Questions**

- Did the films challenge or change any of your views about the criminal justice system? How?
- What role do you think young people can play in addressing some of the issues raised in the films?
- Write a letter to one of the filmmakers, and share some of your reflections on their film.

