

## The Dragons Fire



**“When the prison doors are opened,  
the real dragon will fly out”**

**Ho Chi Minh**

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## **Revolutionary Greetings,**

Welcome to our National Jericho Movement Newsletter. Thank you to all of our members and affiliates who contribute critical information regarding our Political Prisoners/Prisoners of War as well as updates on activities, events and actions. Moving forward, we stand in fierce determination and solidarity to free our remaining Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War still languishing behind the dungeon walls. Much work has been done by Jericho and other organizations, and there is still much more work to do. With 20 years behind us and much work ahead, Jericho is growing and is taking on new projects and missions. Our shared vision is that we will reach a time in this country (and others) wherein there will be no more Political Prisoners/Prisoners of War. We envision the day when they **all** will walk free and into their family's arms-who have been waiting for decades. We hope you join us in making this a reality.

**“One of the greatest things I fear is letting down my people. I wouldn't live with that type of conscience, of having let down my people after they've been brutalized for so long.”**

**~Winnie Madikizela Mandela~**

## Jericho Movement's Current Work and Progress

Jericho actively maintains direct connections with our Political Prisoners by visiting or writing them monthly. We also maintain contact with and assist their families. We monitor health & legal status and provide support and intervention. We hold political education classes, table at events, travel to give presentations, interviews and speak on radio shows.

We are actively involved in collaborating with and supporting other organizations and events which are in alignment with our missions and values to break down walls of injustice, racism, oppression, and Free our Political Prisoners. Jericho meetings and teleconferences occur during the month nationwide.

We are currently focusing on the campaign “In the Spirit of Mandela”, raising funds to support our PP’s financially, and addressing health and legal issues. We are actively involved in the Covid-19 prison crisis and are attending numerous online meetings, calls to action, as well as strategizing on gaining the release of our Political Prisoners.

## Jericho Highlights and Tributes

### **Please Support the Parole Preparation Project, who Work Tirelessly and END-LESSLY to FREE OUR PEOPLE!**

“Hi people, It's that time of year...the Thursday before Thanksgiving when we/The Parole Preparation Project welcome people home from prison and raise money to support our work! This is Parole Prep's 7th annual fundraiser, and it's an extra special one for me. You may have already heard about the recent release of former Black Panther **Jalil Muntaqim** (Anthony Bottom). Jalil was FINALLY granted parole this September after serving nearly 50 years in prison. Many of you also know that for the past several years I've been working closely with Jalil through the Parole Preparation Project. With a dedicated team of 2-4 other people we visited countless times and spent many hours laying the groundwork for a successful interview with the Board of Parole. We experienced countless setbacks before Jalil walked out of prison last month just days before his 69th birthday! He is living in Rochester with friends and spending time visiting with his mom.

2020 has sucked pretty hard. Between covid, Trump, police killings of black people... I mean, it's hard to find the joy these days. I'm hoping you'll take a few minutes to celebrate some successes while we brace for the struggles ahead. As with damn near everything, we had to go virtual this year, but the benefit is that you don't even need to be in NYC to participate.

Below is the official invitation - tickets are sliding scale; donations are welcome. And if you would like to donate to Jalil directly, please let me know and I'll tell you how. And please hit me up if you have questions about how your money will be used, PPP's philosophy and work, and/or how PPP fits into the broader movement for racial equality and freedom in this country. Please spread the word to your networks if you know others who would like to learn about and support PPP. Love, Nora Carroll (917) 557-0797

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**You're invited to the Parole Preparation Project's 7th Annual Welcome Home Party and Fund-raiser on November 19th at 7pm!**

You can read more about our work at [paroleprepny.org](http://paroleprepny.org)

**Purchase tickets here!** <https://ticketbud.com/events/f60f7c6a-eeba-11ea-a31a-42010a71700b>

Every year since our founding in 2013, Parole Prep has hosted a party to celebrate and honor all those who have returned home from prison. This year, because of the global pandemic and the risks associated with Covid-19, we're celebrating these homecomings in an

online, virtual gala. Please join us on November 19th for speeches from former applicants of the project, as well as guest appearances by Parole Prep volunteers, staff and board members. We hope you can join us to celebrate this incredibly joyous and important moment in the lives of so many of our friends and colleagues. Tickets are sliding scale, starting at \$25. If you aren't able to join us, you can donate tickets to returning Parole Prep applicants and their families! To donate a ticket, simply select the "Donate a Ticket" option and enter the amount you wish to donate. We will distribute donated tickets as they come in. Link and details for the event to follow. We can't wait to see you online on November 19th at 7pm!

Warmly,

Michelle Lewin

*Executive Director*

Parole Preparation Project”

## Chairman's Corner

No News this Month



## Political Prisoners/Prisoners of War

### Medical Updates

**Leonard Peltier:** “11/9-I want to update you on Leonard’s situation in his quarantine unit. He has been able write letters but no phone or e-mail. I spoke to his counselor and administration is looking at next week to lift the quarantine and hopefully by Un-thanksgiving we should be able to have a legal visit. This quarantine has been hard for Leonard as he has lost a few friends during this time and he has not been able to share his sympathy and love with their families. UPDATE 11/11- Today Leonard advised the good news that there is not currently any Covid in his unit and the lockdown was partially lifted. Leonard was happy to get a hot shower and be able to make some phone calls. They remain only able to be out three days a week. We are still waiting word on a visit.” See [www.whoisleonardpeltier.info](http://www.whoisleonardpeltier.info)

### Legal Updates

**Leonard Peltier:** “With the changing of President’s, we have until Jan. 20th to convince Pres. Trump to grant Leonard Clemency or Compassion. Our attorney has asked that family, friends and supporters write letters requesting Clemency or Compassionate release for Leonard in a positive and polite

manner. For Compassionate release you can use Leonard's age 76, and poor health: diabetes, spots on his lungs that have never been diagnosed, arthritis in hips, knees and shoulders as well as an enlarged prostate that has not been taken care of for 4 years and an aortic aneurism. For a Clemency release you can use the following legal issues: FBI misconduct, Constitutional violations, witness intimidation and tampering, evidence tampering and more. These are a few legal issues you can mention, we will be sending out some sample letters in the next few days you can review to assist you in writing your personalized letter. Please send your letters to the following addresses:

1. Federal Bureau of Prisons, 320 1st St NW, Washington, DC 20534
2. White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500"

See **Call to Action Section** and [www.whoisleonardpeltier.info](http://www.whoisleonardpeltier.info)

**NOTE:** "If you send the updates to Jalil Muntaqim or David Campbell, please stop as they have been released (on parole and completion of sentence, respectively). Big welcome homes to Jalil and David!"  
<https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/10/updates-20-oct-2020.pdf>

**NOTE:** "If you send the updates to Kojo Bomani Sababu, his address has changed as USP Canaan has shifted to a privatized mail service:

Kojo Bomani Sababu\*

#39384-066, USP Canaan,

Smart Communications

Post Office Box 30

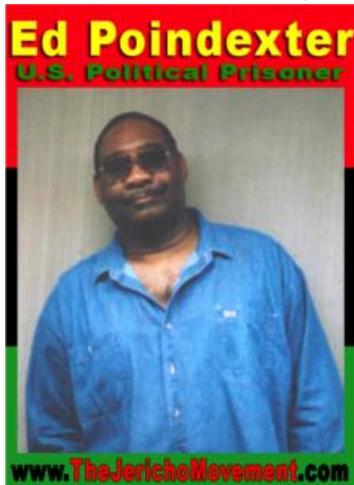
Pinellas Park, Florida 33781

\*Address envelope to Grailing Brown.

## Birthdays: Please Send a Card!

### *November Birthdays!*

**Ed Poindexter-Birthday: November 1, 1944**



Contact Information/Prison Address

#27767--Nebraska State Penitentiary, P.O. Box 2500, Lincoln, NE 68542

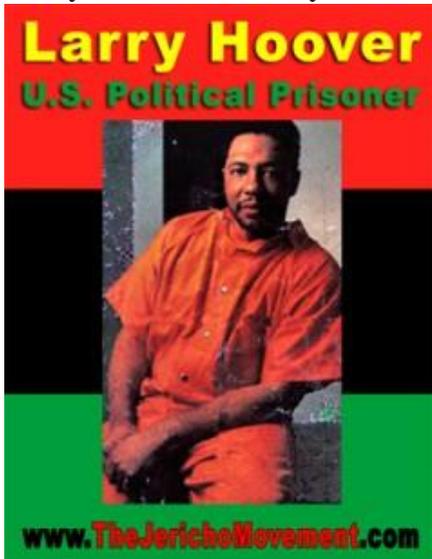
Affiliation: Black Panther Party

Captured: 1971-life. Denied parole 4 times. IN PRISON 50+ YEARS

"A breakthrough in Poindexter's case could have important ramifications for Mondo we Langa (formerly known as David Rice, gone to the ancestors), who exhausted his appeals thirty years ago. Amnesty International has classified Mondo we Langa and Ed Poindexter -- known as the Omaha Two at the time of their trial in 1971 -- as "prisoners of conscience."

[nebraskansforjustice.org/](http://nebraskansforjustice.org/) and <http://n2pp.info> and

<http://omahatwo.wordpress.com> Author, U.S. Prisoner

**Larry Hoover-Birthday: November 30, 1950**

Contact Information/Prison Address

#86063-024-Florence ADMAX,  
P.O. Box 8500, Florence, CO 81226, United States

Captured: 1973 –150 years

Excerpt from 1993 Call For Peace: "...And finally, in my sincere appeal for peace and unity: Those of us that have experienced being our brothers' keeper — We must educate our members around us. Education brings about awareness. Awareness generates the ability to think. Our youth must know the end result of crime is shame, disgrace, and imprisonment to themselves, as well as the community. We must come to the point of outlawing those who willfully disrupt our communities and our call for peace and unity.

“ <http://newafrikan77.wordpress.com/>

***October Birthdays!*****Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin-Birthday: October 4, 1943**

# 99974-555, USP Tucson, P.O. Box 2450, Tucson, AZ 85734

Affiliation: Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee

Captured: 2000- Life No Parole (Georgia to Federal custody).

The prosecutor in the Atlanta case after the conviction said, "After 24 years we've finally gotten him," which means the prosecutor was counting back to the day when Jamil walked out of a prison in New York City. So this case in Atlanta...was and is an extension of the targeting." - Karima Al-Amin, Attorney & Wife in extensive San Francisco Bay View article [photo: Imam Jamil with his son Kairi when he was a child – Kairi is now an attorney practicing law with his mother, Karima Al-Amin.]

New Trial For Imam Jamil Al-Amin FKA H. Rap Brown

<https://whathappened2rap.com/>

<https://thejerichomovement.com/profile/al-amin-jamil-abdullah>

**David Gilbert- Birthday: October 6, 1944**

#83A6158 Wende Correctional Facility

3040 Wende, NY 14004

Affiliation: ANTI-IMPERIALIST POLITICAL PRISONER

Captured: October 20, 1981. Sentence: 75 years to life.

“The starting point for me is identifying with other people. That solidarity, that tenderness, mandates standing with the oppressed—the vast majority—against the power structure...The Civil Rights Movement also showed me more of a sense of humanity and nobility of purpose than I found in the white suburbs where I grew up.” \*Political Autobiography, David Gilbert - 10/13/08

<https://thejerichomovement.com/profile/gilbert-david>

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*The National Jericho Movement sends  
our Beloved PP's/POW's  
Love, Respect, and Honor  
as we Celebrate your Birthday  
with Continued hope and Determination for  
Freedom...Now!*

## **Political Prisoners/POWs (Past & Present) Art, Writings, Statements, Interviews**

### **Jaan Laaman's RDTW/KDTW Report Back Oct 17**

"11 Oct -Jaan Laaman's RDTW/KDTW Report Back Written on the evening of September 6th, Jaan Laaman writes about his participation in the annual Running Down the Walls. "Let me send a strong raised fist salute of Freedom and Justice, to everyone, especially all of you, who in some way participated in or supported RDTW 2020. Yes, this pandemic RDTW 2020 was different than our runs over the past 20 years, but I am hopeful we did have some good events and solidarity and support today. Here in the US pen McCreary, like prisons across the country, we have been on a lockdown since March. Sundays we are totally locked down all day. Here in my cell, my New England homeboy from Maine, Jon Gardiner, and I just finished a solid hour of throwing some serious kicks, punches, ridgehands, and more! Yea, and the same in many other cells, like Iowa boy Andrew Neilson, and Dion the artist from DC were doing some similar workouts. Zak, my Armenian artist comrade was throwing kicks in his cell in another block, as were other conscious minded convicts, here on this Kentucky mountaintop prison.

Running Down the Walls, Kicking Down the Walls, positive solidarity in physical activity, to bring light and support to what's going on in these prisons, got expressed today! So I wanted to send this quick report back and salute to all of you, inside and out. In this time of large scale protest and resistance, we need to remember the political prisoners and all prisoners in captivity now. With all this public resistance in the streets today, activists are being busted and unfortunately, it is likely some may soon join us behind ugly prison walls --so let's remember --Freedom is A Constant Struggle! BLM, Jaan Laaman" See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/10/updates-20-oct-2020.pdf>

### **You Cannot Decarcerate by Using the Tools of Incarceration, Says Mumia Abu-Jamal**

Oct 25

"The somber baritone of Mumia Abu-Jamal is unmistakable. Before we can exchange greetings, one of several automated announcements interrupts the call, reminding us that our conversation will be subject to recording and monitoring. Abu-Jamal is phoning from State Correctional Institution Mahanoy, a medium-security prison in Pennsylvania." **Excerpt:** "Can we still see remnants of this today? Many Americans think that the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments were introduced to grant freedom and equal rights to Black people. In fact, however, they did nothing of that kind. We are living in a period where Black people are attacked by forces and agents of the state, like the police, with very little control or

comeback. This is the kind of unspoken, unwritten impunity that targets Black people in the North, in the South, in the East, in the West, in their homes, in their cars, on the streets, at the job, anywhere.... Black people speak openly about driving while Black, walking while Black and breathing while Black. Could you talk more about the historical roots of this system, in particular with regards to American policing, and what this means for the present political moment? American policing really differs from the police systems that emerged in European states. There is no co-referent to these systems, they are distinct. Most people lazily believe that American policing emerged as an offspring of Scotland Yard in London. Nothing could be further from the truth. The American police system emerged from the slave system and from a perpetual war against the freedom, movement and liberation of Black people from the land of their oppressors. It was designed to terrorize, humiliate and often destroy Black people as a message to other Black people, who dared to run away from slavery. Forces known as the Ku Klux Klan, the Knights of the White Camelia, and similar organizations performed a super-policing of Black people through terrorism. This was fascism in every sense. Fascism is not [only] an Italian or even a German thing; in many ways, it's an American thing. And we saw what that means when we looked at that video of George Floyd dying, begging for his life and calling for his mother. The cop kneeling on his neck could not be more." See Interview here: <https://truthout.org/articles/you-cannot-decarcerate-by-using-the-tools-of-incarceration-says-mumia-abu-jamal/>

**From One Struggle to Another: Lessons From the First Abolition Movement**  
by Mumia Abu-Jamal Oct 27

“When people came together in the 19<sup>th</sup> century to oppose the expanding slave system, they were considered an aberration—but the course they charted continues to this day. When one thinks of the term abolition, there is a tendency to see it as a threat emerging from the left. Another perspective understands, however, that abolition is a natural response to a situation that has become untenable. What condition lay before the nation in its founding days? Slavery: human bondage, which sat like an incubus upon the new nation’s foundation and transformed its stated aims and ideals into lies. After some reflection, perhaps, we will see that the notion of abolition has deep historical roots. Consider summer, 1776, when delegates from the Continental Congress gathered in a sweltering room in Philadelphia. These men, some of the country’s intellectual elite, were scientists, writers, doctors, and thinkers, yet their claims of the new nation’s ideals were thick with contradiction. They wrote and adopted a document that said, among other things, the following: We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or abolish it. These words emerge from the Declaration of Independence, adopted July 4, 1776, and celebrated throughout the U.S. annually on Independence Day today. When people came together in the 19<sup>th</sup> century to oppose the expanding slave system, they were called abolitionists. Among both the rulers and the press, such people were regarded as oddballs at best, and nuts at worst. Despite present popular opinion, slavery was the air that people breathed. The nation was so deeply and openly negrophobic and racist, that the idea of a multiracial group opposed to slavery was considered aberrant....” See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/updates-3-nov-2020.pdf>

**“The brutality doesn’t stop with the arrest” by Eric King Oct 28<sup>th</sup>**

“We are always happy to be able to share the poetry of Eric King. Below are two of his latest.”

“#1 Police Brutality is state brutality,  
it’s the media calling a protest “violent “

after pigs fired weapons and toxins,  
 into crowds of people exercising their “rights”.  
 If the knee hadn’t strangled George,  
 the “justice “system would have.  
 He would have been arrested  
 for trying to exchange non sanctioned paper  
 placed into federal custody.  
 He would have waited months  
 before being sent to federal prison  
 stripped of his “rights”, dignity, family contact ....for YEARS.  
 Police brutality is more than guns and sprays,  
 it is scanning every single piece of Mail you receive.  
 Its preventing you from speaking to your mom, post-surgery.  
 It’s convincing you that YOU’RE the reason  
 for how THEY TREAT YOU.  
 It’s the longing for your partner’s touch,  
 while knowing,  
 your captives make six figures  
 to hold you in a fucking box

#2 Police brutality is state normalcy.  
 It’s knowing that protests are popping off  
 not 5 minutes away  
 and the only  
 thing stopping you from joining the  
 mis 5 janky doors  
 It’s the sadness,  
 thinking that those in the streets,  
 overlooked the fact that we in here,  
 suffering the existence of police brutality  
 mentally, physically, existentially  
 EVERY SECOND OF EVERY DAY  
 It’s the indoctrination,  
 being taught  
 that we deserve this,  
 and there is no way out  
 except through their rules  
 and the goodness of their hearts.  
 That the days of Bill Dunne, Assata are over,  
 Picket signs don’t bend steel.  
 Police normality,  
 is convincing us  
 that those arrested  
 deserve their treatment.

Those five doors may as well be 500”

See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/updates-3-nov-2020.pdf>

## Community Calls for Action

### Monroe County DA Attempts to Reincarcerate Jalil Muntaqim on Fabricated Charges! Nov 2

**Monroe County District Attorney  
Attempts to Reincarcerate  
a Respected Elder  
[recovering from COVID-19]  
Jalil Muntaqim  
on Fabricated Charges**



PHOTO:  
Jalil and mother Billie  
upon his release

**J**alil Muntaqim, former Black Panther and respected elder, was recently released after nearly 50 years in prison. The NYS Board of Parole, in his 14th hearing, interviewed him at length and determined that he met the criteria for discretionary release. **He had an exemplary prison record, expressed sincere remorse, and posed no threat to the community.** DOCCS' own risk assessment tool, COMPAS, scored Jalil as having the lowest risk for reoffending. In prison, he earned multiple college degrees and helped avert prison riots; his release on parole was endorsed by hundreds of people, including academics, faith leaders, and the Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic & Asian Legislative Caucus (of NYS). **Jalil entered prison as a 19-year-old; today, he is a 69-year-old great-grandfather.**

On October 30th, Monroe County District Attorney Sandra Doorley's office issued a warrant against Jalil with charges for which no one in the state of New York has ever been arrested or indicted. **This attempt to reincarcerate an elder recently recovering from COVID-19 does not work in the interest of justice, public health, or public safety.**

The DA's calls are outrageous, unprecedented, and come on the heels of a petition by Bill Napier, Chairman of the local Republican Party, to prosecute Jalil for voter fraud. **These charges are politically-motivated, senseless and a waste of taxpayers' money.** None of the people in Monroe County who oppose Jalil's release know him; they believe that anyone convicted of a serious crime should never leave prison. Whether or not one agrees with this sentiment, **Jalil was released from prison according to the lawful procedures of this state.** Jalil has scrupulously followed the instructions given him by his parole officer. In fact, hundreds of faith leaders, community members, elected officials, academics, legal experts, and civil rights organizations in Rochester and throughout the State of New York oppose this politically motivated effort by the District Attorney.

**Jalil is grateful to have strong community support,  
is putting down roots, and reconnecting  
with friends and family.**

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**If you would like join the growing list  
of community supporters,**

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**please sign-on here  
<https://urlat.co/8KOpt>**



“Please sign on to the community letter being circulated which is in opposition to his reincarceration: <https://urlat.co/8KOpt> If you have already signed, please share with colleagues, coworkers, family and friends! Depending on the outcome, Jalil's next court date will be in December, and we will definitely mobilize to court in Rochester for this! Watch Jalil's press conference here: <https://www.facebook.com/pabnow/videos/639217206747716/?vh=e&d=n>”

## Demand Freedom for Ed Poindexter (ongoing)



### Ed's Story

In April of 1971, Edward Poindexter and Mondo we Langa, formerly David Rice, were sentenced to life in prison for the death of an Omaha police officer- a crime they did not commit. The two were targeted by law enforcement and wrongfully convicted due to their affiliation with the Black Panther Party, a civil rights and anti-fascist political group.

Nearly 50 years later, Ed is still in prison and maintains his innocence. He has earned several college degrees, taught anti-violence classes to youth, authored screenplays, and more. His last chance for freedom is to receive a commutation of sentence from the Nebraska Board of Pardons. At age 75, he is at high risk for COVID related health complications. He must receive an immediate and expedited commutation hearing from the Board.

### Take Action Now

Write, email and call the Nebraska Board of Pardons. Request that they expedite Ed's application, schedule his hearing for the October 2020 meeting and commute his sentence.

<p><b>WRITE:</b> Nebraska Board of Pardons P.O. Box 95007 Lincoln, NE 68509</p> <p>*please email a copy of your letter to <a href="mailto:freedomfored@gmail.com">freedomfored@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>EMAIL:</b> <a href="mailto:ne.pardonsboard@nebraska.gov">ne.pardonsboard@nebraska.gov</a></p>	<p><b>CALL:</b> Governor Pete Ricketts 402-471-2244 SoS Robert B. Evnen 402-471-2554 AG Doug Peterson 402-471-2683</p>
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### Sample Letter

Dear Pardons Board:

I am writing in regards to Edward Poindexter, #27767, who has served nearly 50 years in prison with exemplary behavior and many accomplishments. He is 75 years old and at high risk for COVID-19 related medical complications, which have been amplified by the increased COVID transmission rate among prisoners. I am therefore requesting that the Board expedite Ed's application, schedule his hearing for the October 2020 Board meeting, and commute his sentence to length of time served.

EMAIL: [freedomfored@gmail.com](mailto:freedomfored@gmail.com)

[f@freedom4ed](https://www.facebook.com/f@freedom4ed)

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## Please support these recently released Political Prisoners! (ongoing)

-**Nina Droz Franco** <https://www.gofundme.com/f/nina-quiere-retomar-su-vida>

-**Eddie Africa** <https://fundrazr.com/eddie-africa>

-**Connor Stevens** <https://fundrazr.com/d1PY2c>

-**Janet and Janine Africa** <https://fundrazr.com/janet-janine>

-**Debbie and Mike Africa** <https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-debbie-amp-mike-rebuild>

"You can read more about Ed here:

<https://prisonersolidarity.com/prisoner/edward-poindexter>

\*Ed was denied an expedited hearing, his hearing will be sometime next year.

**PLEASE SIGN THE PETITION FOR ED:** Here is the link to the Petition for Ed Poindexter.

Please sign-- and also write to the Nebraska Pardons Board demanding commutation of Ed's life sentence to --Time Served! <http://chn.g.it/vctskKv49k>

Please write a letter to the Pardons Board (and forward this), Ed would be very grateful. We would also appreciate if you could send us a copy of your letter to: [freedomfored@gmail.com](mailto:freedomfored@gmail.com) Thank you so much for your decades of support for Ed, and for Mondo we Langa!

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## Bring Imam Jamil Home In The Next 6-12 Months! organized by Kairi Al-Amin (Ongoing)



“As-Salaamu Alaikum, For 20+ years we’ve been fighting not just for the freedom of my father, H. Rap Brown/Imam Jamil, but also to prove his innocence. We are excited not only to have been able to accomplish one of these goals, but to be the closest we’ve ever been to accomplishing both! We believe we can bring the Imam home within the next 6-12 months but we need your help so please, give what you can as we make this last push for Freedom. My Name is Kairi Al-Amin, son of Imam Jamil Al-Amin and before we go any further, on behalf of myself, my father and my family I would just

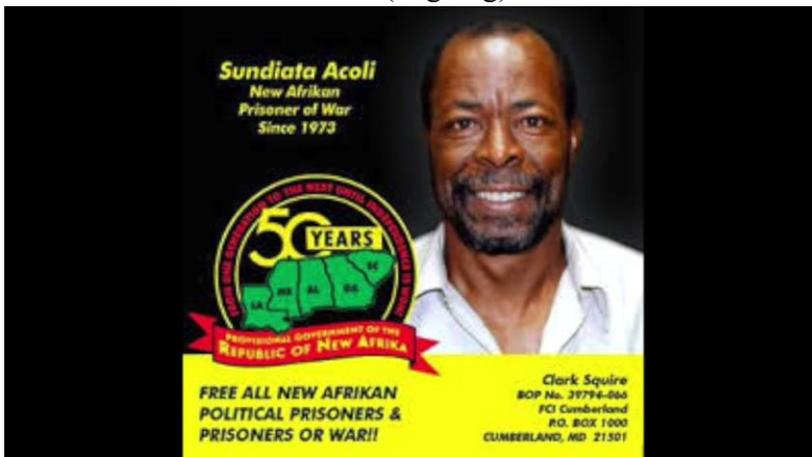
like to say shukran/thank you . We have launched numerous campaigns over the last 20 years but the response to this one has been truly overwhelming and we would be remiss if we didn’t show our appreciation so again, shukran/thank you and insha Allah our efforts will not be in vain this time. For 20 years we’ve pointed out all of the discrepancies and poked all of the holes in this case to no avail but Allah is the best of planners and He provided us with the circumstances that can free the Imam within the next 6-12 months. These circumstances include: A video of the actual perpetrator confessing under oath to the murder my father is currently serving life in prison for.” (Watch The Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uWXNr1BaI88&feature=youtu.be>

For rest of petition see; <https://www.change.org/p/fulton-county-district-attorney-paul-howard-new-trial-for-imam-jamil-al-amin-fka-h-rap-brown/u/27297316>

## Fundraiser to Free Political Prisoner Sundiata Acoli, 83, from 47 years in prison

### FREE SUNDIATA ACOLI (ongoing)



“Dear Friends and Supporters of Sundiata Acoli: The New Jersey Appellate Court denied Sundiata’s release on parole in a decision dated Dec. 27, 2019. He gets a mandatory appeal to the New Jersey Supreme Court. Sundiata’s attorney must get transcripts and will have other expenses, including printing, and of course his legal fees, as he prepares the next phase of this case. A minimum amount of \$20,000 is the fundraising goal. His attorney needs

funds now. He has done a great job so far, on behalf of Sundiata, and no doubt will continue to do so. Please give generously to ensure that lack of funds does not contribute to any delay in pursuing freedom for Sundiata, who is 83 years old and has been in prison for 47 years. Sundiata deeply appreciates the support, and commitment to getting him released. Much thanks in advance, on his behalf. How we can help FREE SUNDIATA ACOLI: Make checks or money orders payable to Sundiata Acoli Freedom Campaign (or SAFC). Mail them to: Florence Morgan, 147-25 Northern Blvd. #5Q, Flushing, New York 11354. Or, if paying via Pay Pal, use this Email: SAFC766@gmail.com. And use this link to pay using the “pay with debit or credit card” option:

[https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\\_s-](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-)

[xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=DVMHWEW8D7SWW&source=url](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=DVMHWEW8D7SWW&source=url). Be safe, healthy, and be encouraged.

Attorney Florence Morgan can be reached at [flomorgan@nyc.rr.com](mailto:flomorgan@nyc.rr.com). Editor’s note: In addition to your monetary donation, send our brother some love and light: Sundiata Acoli (Squire), 39794-066, FCI Cumberland. P.O. Box 1000, Cumberland MD 21501.” See <https://sfbayview.com/2020/05/fundraiser-to-free-political-prisoner-sundiata-acoli-83-from-47-years-in-prison/>

### **Online Fundraiser for Joy Powell** (ongoing)

“Joy's family recently covered some legal expenses in order to proceed to the next step in appealing her wrongful conviction. The online fundraiser is to cover these costs as well as any future costs for her support. We are still seeking options for pro bono counsel to keep these costs as low as possible, but even with pro bono representation there will be filing fees, legal visit costs, etc. Every dollar truly counts, and Joy is very appreciative of everyone's support. The direct link for the fundraising page is <https://fundrazr.com/freejoypowell>, and we have added a link to her website at <https://www.freejoypowell.org/support/>.



We also posted a link on the Facebook page for her (Free Joy Powell). Please share these with your social networks! Don't hesitate to let us know if there are any questions and THANK YOU for helping spread the word about this important step to secure Joy's freedom. -Philly ABC and NYC Jericho”

### **Support SF Bay View -PLEASE DONATE NOW** (ongoing)

“While the country’s mainstream press is slowly catching up to the issues and concerns of the Black community, the Bay View has long given a voice to Black San Franciscans since its inception in 1976. Please donate to keep the Bay View growing: Our GoFundMe is [https://www.gofundme.com/f/invest-in-liberation?utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-1](https://www.gofundme.com/f/invest-in-liberation?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1) “Invest in liberation, save the SF Bay View!” Support SF BayView with a donation to the Prisoners Subscription Fund: <https://sfbayview.com/donate/>. Prisoners say, “The Bay View keeps me alive,” and hundreds are waiting to be placed on the Bay View mailing list. Check the Bay View Calendar of Events daily <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=829hf98rkd77ervck14qft4gi4@group.calendar.google.com&pli=1>. You are sure to find an event that beckons you to get involved – and many are free! Find a friend among the Bay View Pen Pals, <https://sfbayview.com/category/enemylines/pen-pals/> who write, “I would love to hear my name at mail call.”

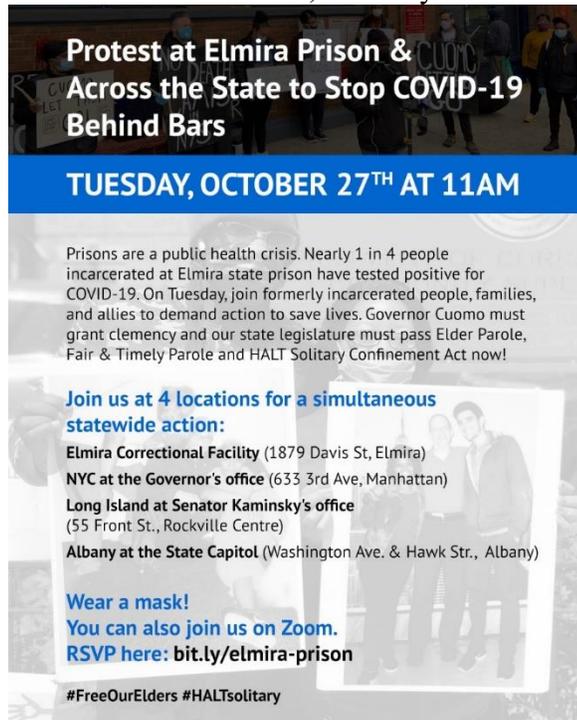
### **Elmira Prison Protest for Clemency, Parole Justice & HALT Solitary-Protest to Demand Action on COVID-19 Behind Bars** Oct 27

“TUESDAY at 11am EST: Right now, there is a terrifying outbreak of COVID-19 in New York's Elmira prison. Over 25% of the people incarcerated there have tested positive, making it the single largest outbreak in the state. Join us on Tuesday (Oct. 27) at 11am to demand Governor Cuomo and the

Legislature take immediate action to save lives, including granting clemency and passing urgent parole justice legislation and the HALT Solitary Confinement Act. We will be holding simultaneous protests in Elmira, NYC, Albany and Long Island. If you can attend, RSVP by email to let us know. Remember to wear a mask! If you can't join us in person, you can join by Zoom here:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_NxhzdypPSDeoNf9BZLiCCg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NxhzdypPSDeoNf9BZLiCCg)

We need your help on Tuesday at 11am to save lives behind bars. Speakers will include families with incarcerated loved ones, formerly incarcerated leaders, and other advocates.



**Protest at Elmira Prison & Across the State to Stop COVID-19 Behind Bars**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup> AT 11AM**

Prisons are a public health crisis. Nearly 1 in 4 people incarcerated at Elmira state prison have tested positive for COVID-19. On Tuesday, join formerly incarcerated people, families, and allies to demand action to save lives. Governor Cuomo must grant clemency and our state legislature must pass Elder Parole, Fair & Timely Parole and HALT Solitary Confinement Act now!

**Join us at 4 locations for a simultaneous statewide action:**

- Elmira Correctional Facility (1879 Davis St, Elmira)
- NYC at the Governor's office (633 3rd Ave, Manhattan)
- Long Island at Senator Kaminsky's office (55 Front St., Rockville Centre)
- Albany at the State Capitol (Washington Ave. & Hawk Str., Albany)

**Wear a mask!**  
**You can also join us on Zoom.**  
**RSVP here: [bit.ly/elmira-prison](https://bit.ly/elmira-prison)**

#FreeOurElders #HALTsolitary

## MXCC Presents The Ballot or The Bullet-The Impact of Malcolm X on SNCC Oct 31



**On Sat., October 31st, 2020**  
**The Malcolm X Commemoration Committee**  
 proudly presents  
**The Ballot Or The Bullet:**  
**The Influence of Malcolm X on SNCC!**  
**The Student NonViolent Coordinating Committee**

**LIVE! On Facebook!**  
 @ 5pm EST  
 Dedicated to Imam Jamil Al-Amin aka H Rap Brown  
 Please contribute to his commissary at <https://www.paypal.me/PPOWs>

**Special Guests Include:**  
 Sam Anderson  
 Mae Jackson  
 Mukassa Ricks  
 and more...

**For more information, please call 973 202 0745**

Malcolm X at Howard Univ, October 30, 1961

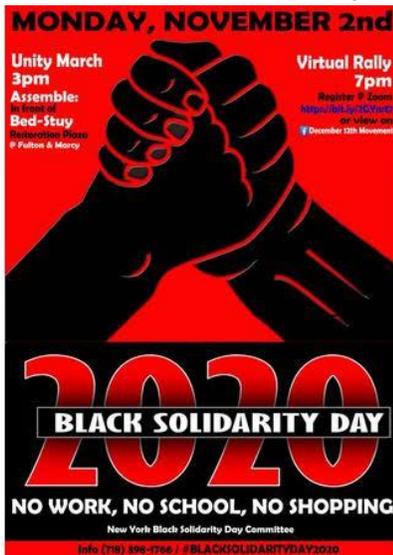
“The Malcolm X Commemoration Committee Presents ‘The Ballot Or The Bullet-The Impact of Malcolm X on SNCC/The Student NonViolent Coordinating Committee’! On Saturday, October 31st, 2020, the Malcolm X Commemoration Committee (MXCC) will host another powerful virtual roundtable... ‘The Ballot Or The Bullet-The Impact of Malcolm X on SNCC/The Student NonViolent Coordinating Committee’! **This roundtable will take place at 5pm on Facebook Live!**

Special guests for this engaging dialogue will be former SNCC members Prof. Sam Anderson, author of *The Black Holocaust For Beginners*, Mae Jackson,

who was also a founder of Third World Women’s Alliance and Art Without Walls, and their advance man for ‘Black Power,’ former SNCC field secretary Mukasa Ricks. This month’s political spotlight will be Imam Abdullah Al-Amin, formerly known as H. Rap Brown. Imam Jamil was also the former

national chair of SNCC! Imam Jamil was framed for the 2000 shooting attack on two Fulton County Deputy Sheriffs, in which one was killed. He was sentenced to Life in Prison in 2002. He has always maintained his innocence. Another person, Otis Jackson, confessed to the deed years ago. The courts have yet to entertain his confession. Jackson surfaced again just recently. This time, he not only restated his confession, but did so under oath in an unrelated legal proceeding. Supporters of Imam Jamil are fighting tirelessly to get the courts to admit the confession on the Court Record and to secure the Imam's release. Imam Jamil is now 77 years old. He has suffered from Multiple Myeloma and a minor stroke since his conviction. Supporters say his continued incarceration, especially in light of the new evidence, is cruel and unusual punishment, and he should be released in the interest of justice. To contribute to the Imam's commissary, please forward your contribution to <https://www.paypal.me/PPOws>. See [www.MXCC519.org](http://www.MXCC519.org)

**This is the 50th Anniversary Year of Black Solidarity Day. Nov 2**



**BLACK SOLIDARITY DAY**  
**NO WORK, NO SCHOOL, NO SHOPPING**  
**Monday, November 2, 2020 @ 3PM**  
**BLACK POWER UNITY MARCH**  
 Assemble Bed-Stuy Restoration Plaza  
 @Fulton St. (Harriet Tubman) & Marcy Ave.  
 Info (718) 398-1766 / #BLACKSOLIDARITYDAY2020



BLACK SOLIDARITY DAY AND THE GENERAL STRIKE!

“Countering Police Terror, Nov 2. No Work, No School No Shopping” Facebook: [fb.me/BlackSolidarityDay](https://fb.me/BlackSolidarityDay)

**Take action now: On his 100th day of hunger strike, it's time to #Rage4Maher Nov 3**



الحرية لماهر الأخرس  
**FREEDOM FOR  
 MAHER AL-AKHRAS**

Palestinian prisoner  
 on hunger strike for over 100 days  
 against imprisonment by Israel  
 without charge or trial.

**#RAGE4MAHER**

**samidoun**  
 PALESTINIAN PRISONER SOLIDARITY NETWORK

“Take action now: On his 100th day of hunger strike, it's time to #Rage4Maher Join the twitterstorm and social media campaign for Palestinian prisoner Maher al-Akhras now, on his 100th day of hunger strike. Take action NOW - at 10 am Pacific, 1 pm Eastern, 6 pm British and Irish time, 7 pm central Europe time, 8 pm in Palestine. Post on Twitter and your other social media accounts –

including Instagram and Facebook and use the hashtag #Rage4Maher! Use this handy Tweet Sheet for

prepared tweets that you can paste and use: <http://bit.ly/mahertweets> Tag @amnesty, @hrw, @ICRC, and @UNHumanRights to demand immediate action on Maher's 100th day of hunger strike.

1. Join the social media campaign on Tuesday, 3 November at 10 am Pacific time, 1 pm Eastern time, 8 pm Palestine. We will launch a new hashtag for maximum impact. Follow @SamidounPP on Twitter for the hashtag, sample tweets and more. Let us flood social media with demands for Maher al-Akhras' freedom on his 100th day of hunger strike!
2. Join the picture and solidarity campaigns. Send your photos to Within Our Lifetime – United for Palestine, CAPJPO-EuroPalestine and more. Join WOL's Instagram campaign today!
3. Sign the petition. Join over 3,000 people who have already raised their voices to international human rights groups Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the UN High Commissioner on Human Rights to take action for Maher al-Akhras. The ICRC in particular has failed to live up to its responsibilities to protect Palestinian prisoners, calling on the political prisoner jailed without charge or trial to “find a solution” with the occupying power violating his rights. Sign the petition here: <https://www.change.org/p/amnesty-hrw-icrc-un-ohchr-act-now-to-free-maher-al-akhras>” For full details and posters see <https://samidoun.net/2020/11/video-100-days-of-hunger-strike-free-maher-al-akhras-now/>

### Calling for Emergency Response as More MN Prisoners Die From COVID-19 Nov 5

“IWOC is demanding that the Department of Health declare a medical emergency and do an investigation of COVID practices in all prisons, as the agency has done in other state-funded residential housing facilities. They believe immediate steps should be taken to allow social distancing and to improve conditions - including the release of low-risk and medically fragile prisoners. These demands mirror those of a recent lawsuit filed by the ACLU on October 22 of this year. This action will be held Friday at the MN Department of Health, 625 Robert St. N, St. Paul, MN from 2-4pm. More information can be found on Twin Cities IWOC's Facebook page” See <https://www.facebook.com/events/2015596732073225/>

### Get Ready for “The Black Peoples March on the White House! Nov 6-8-2020

“The Black is Back Coalition for Social Justice, Peace and Reparations (BiBC) is calling on colonized and unrepresented people of the U.S. to join us November 6-8 for the Black Power Matters march on the white house opposing the reactionary U.S. agenda being imposed on Africans and others within the U.S. and around the world. Millions of people within the U.S. have been pushed out of legitimate political life by the rulers of this country. The two ruling parties have both put on their ritual shows

called conventions, formally nominating their respective representatives for U.S. president and unveiling their two tame programs that represent the interests of one single white colonial-capitalist ruling class.” Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/black-peoples-march-on-white-house-tickets-117137301823>

### **Jay Chase is finally free!!! Nov 7**

“I am happy to report that Jared (Jay) Chase has finally been released from prison after eight+ hard years. Jay was one of the NATO 3, arrested in 2012 in Chicago, Illinois in an entrapment scheme organized by the Chicago police department. This was the first time the state of Illinois charged people with conspiracy to commit terrorism, and it was simply for protesting NATO. Thanks to many awesome people on their legal team, and broader community support, they were found not guilty on all terrorism related charges Jay and his two codefendants were convicted on one felony. Jay was sentenced to the longest time, 8 years. This sentence was beyond terrible but especially awful because Jay Chase has Huntington's disease.



He was diagnosed with it back in 2013 and the disease has been progressing since then. Huntington's is a terminal disease that affects his motor skills and cognitive ability. Jay is out, but he has a long fight ahead of him with this disease. There is no cure for Huntington's but there is treatment that can slow symptoms and prolong life. Jay did not receive proper health care in Illinois state prisons but we want to get him proper care now that he is free.

Donations will be used to:

- 1) get Jay set up with basic necessities people need,
- 2) medical care, and 3) housing.”

See <https://www.gofundme.com/f/jay-chase-of-the-nato3-is-free>

### **BAP: The DNC and the Politics of Betrayal – EVENTS: Nov 7- 8th**

‘BAP continues to act on our renewed commitment to our political prisoners during this 41st Black August by posting solidarity videos from our members on our Instagram account. BAP member, Black Is Back Coalition Steering Committee member and Black Agenda Report Executive Editor Glen Ford’s talk during the Black Is Back Coalition national conference has been transcribed and published in Black Agenda Report. Plus, the official U.S. position that it holds no political prisoners is part of “the lie and the founding mythology of U.S. ‘democracy,’” Princeton University doctoral candidate, activist and minister Nyle Fort said during a Black Agenda Radio interview. Then Netfa Freeman, who represents BAP member organization Pan-African Community Action (PACA) on the BAP Coordinating Committee, interviewed Naji Mujahid, an attorney for the political-prisoner advocacy group The Jericho Movement, on WPFW’s “Voices with Vision.”

November 7-8: The Black Is Back Coalition calls on all to march, rally and convene in Washington, D.C., during the “Black People's March On White House.” Registration is required.” See <https://www.facebook.com/events/750379092201904>

### **Clemency for Leonard Peltier!!! Nov 11**

“Clemency or Compassionate release for Leonard in a positive and polite manner. For Compassionate release you can use Leonard’s age 76, and poor health: diabetes, spots on his lungs that have never been diagnosed, arthritis in hips, knees and shoulders as well as an enlarged prostate that has not been taken care of for 4 years and an aortic aneurism. For a Clemency release you can use the following legal issues: FBI misconduct, Constitutional violations, witness intimidation and tampering, evidence tampering and more. These are a few legal issues you can mention, we will be sending out some sample letters in the next few days you can review to assist you in writing your personalized letter.

Please send your letters to the following addresses:

1. Federal Bureau of Prisons, 320 1st St NW, Washington, DC 20534
2. White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500” See

[www.whoisleonardpeltier.info](http://www.whoisleonardpeltier.info)

### David Gilbert: “Tutu, Gandhi, King Descendants Call for Clemency for NYS Imprisoned Elder Activist Nov 10, 2020 | Advocacy, Black Lives Matter, Social Justice” Nov 11

“The Open Letter (below), coordinated by Fellowship of Reconciliation former Chairperson Matt Meyer, is one of many such efforts throughout the U.S. calling for relief for over-age inmates facing fatal consequences in light of multiple health crises, and throughout the world calling for freedom for all political prisoners. “In truth it is revenge and nothing else,” Meyer notes, “which keep so many behind bars despite the emergency circumstances we’re all facing.” Meyer, now a global leader in the field of peace studies and second only to 20th century “dean” of pacifist and peace movements Rev. A.J. Muste to head both FOR and the War Resisters League, has been visiting Gilbert for over three decades. “David started off as a nonviolent activist, became deeply committed in the 1960s to solidarity with the Black movement by any means necessary, and continues to demonstrate both remorse and action which would make him the opposite of a danger to the community,” Meyer asserts. Aware that the tragic crime for which Gilbert was convicted took place just down the road from FOR’s historic then-headquarters in Nyack, Fellowship leaders throughout the interfaith movement have signed onto the call. “As the signers to this initiative spotlight,” Meyer concludes: “Gilbert’s incarceration is itself an act of cruel and unusual injustice; his freedom would surely benefit anyplace he might choose to live.” “Open Letter to the Hon. Governor Andrew Cuomo from Nobel Peace Laureates and world humanitarian and religious leaders urging clemency for David Gilbert” See

<https://forusa.org/2020/11/10/open-letter-to-the-hon-governor-andrew-cuomo-urging-clemency-for-david-gilbert-from-nobel-peace-laureates-and-world-humanitarian-and-religious-leaders/>

For those wishing to support David Gilbert’s release, and for more information, contact:

[questions@friendsofdavidgilbert.org](mailto:questions@friendsofdavidgilbert.org)

### Emergency Rally on Thursday to Demand Gov. Cuomo #FreeArthurGreen #FreeOurElders Nov 12

#FreeArthurGreen  
Rally

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | 1PM  
GOV. CUOMO'S NYC OFFICE, 633 3RD AVE.  
(BETWEEN 40TH AND 41ST STREETS)

Join us to demand Governor Cuomo release Arthur Green, an elder who is currently in hospice with end stage kidney failure at Wende Correctional Facility. Mr. Green is 70 years old and has been in prison for 44 years. It is past time for him to be home.

Register for Zoom: [bit.ly/arthur-green](https://bit.ly/arthur-green)

“Please join us this Thursday, November 12th at 1pm outside Gov. Cuomo's NYC office to demand the release of incarcerated elder Arthur Green.

Mr. Green is currently in hospice with end stage kidney failure at Wende Correctional Facility.

He is 70 years old and has been in prison for 44 years. It is past time for him to be home.

Join us and Arthur's family to call on Cuomo to #FreeArthurGreen #FreeOurElders. If you can't join in person, watch the rally on Zoom

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_k\\_FO8Z9aR9qMWzQLDd5B9A](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_k_FO8Z9aR9qMWzQLDd5B9A). Read more about Mr. Green and his family's struggle to get him home in this new NY Daily News story

<https://www.nydailynews.com/coronavirus/ny-coronavirus-new-york-prison-parole-board-medical-parole-20201110-wt5f66w6xretpjhlweizjfbka-story.html>”

### **Take Action!! Update on Jalil Muntaqim Legal Situation Nov 13**

“If you have not done so already, please sign on to the community letter being circulated, which is in



opposition to his reincarceration:

<https://urlat.co/8KOpt> The Police Accountability Board Alliance (PABA) held a press conference on Nov. 12, 2020 in support of Jalil. You can watch the press conference here:

<https://www.facebook.com/pabnow/videos/639217206747716/?vh=e&d=n> (It is difficult to hear due to heavy background noise.) Jalil's mother Billie speaks movingly beginning at 13:54 minutes. Jalil was released on his own recognizance by the judge at his arraignment. Grand Jury proceedings were to be held on Friday, Nov. 6, 2020, but were postponed. No new date has been set yet. The next court date for Jalil 12/14/2020 @ 3pm EST (subject to change). We will be mobilizing to Rochester to support Jalil!

Monday, Nov. 16, 2020 @ 3 p.m.

Brighton Town Court

Brighton Town Hall

2300 Elmwood Ave, Rochester, NY 14618

(a few blocks West of the Twelve Corners)”

### **INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR — Defending Venezuelan Elections Against U.S. Intervention**

Nov 18

“International Zoom Webinar, Venezuelans Want to Vote! Defending Venezuelan Elections Against U.S. Intervention. A discussion with Venezuelan peace organizations on the upcoming legislative elections in Venezuela and how peace forces around the world can help protect the people's right to vote in the face of U.S. blockade and intervention. November 18, 2020, 6:00 – 8:00 PM (EST) Program:

Moderator: Bahman Azad, Executive Secretary of U.S. Peace Council. Speakers: Carlos Ron, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Gabriel Aguirre, General Secretary, COSI, Venezuela, Ajamu Baraka, National Organizer, Black Alliance for Peace, Margaret Flowers, Director, Popular Resistance, Miguel Figueroa, President, Canadian Peace Congress, Monisha Rios, International Affairs Coordinator, VAMOS Puerto Rico, Vijay Prashad, Executive-Director, Tricontinental: Institute for Social Research. Followed by Q/A Period. Language: English & Spanish.” Register here:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_eqMKIoWqS4a0ad82uc02Kg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_eqMKIoWqS4a0ad82uc02Kg)

### **Join Us for a Rally on November 23 to Demand #ClemencyNow Nov 23**

“Governor Cuomo has one of the worst prison release records of all Governors across the country.

Cuomo has only granted 24 clemencies to New Yorkers in prison during his 10 years as Governor of



**Home for the Holidays**

11.23.2020 | 5:30 pm  
Outside Cuomo's NYC Office  
(633 3rd Ave. between 40th and 41st streets)

→→→ **Rally to Demand Gov. Cuomo Grant #ClemencyNow!**

**TOO MANY NEW YORKERS GO TO PRISON FOR TOO LONG**

**GOV. CUOMO HAS THE POWER TO RELEASE THEM TODAY**

- Gov. Cuomo has only granted 24 clemencies to New Yorkers in prison during his 10 years as Governor of New York State
- Cuomo has one of the worst prison release records of all Governors across the country.

*Join community members whose loved ones have pending clemency applications, formerly incarcerated community leaders, and advocates outside Cuomo's NYC office to demand he grant mass clemencies and bring our loved ones home for the holidays*

Register for in-person rally: [bit.ly/holiday-clemency-rally](https://bit.ly/holiday-clemency-rally)  
Register for Zoom: [bit.ly/holiday-rally-zoom](https://bit.ly/holiday-rally-zoom)

#BlackLivesMatter #ClemencyNow 

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## Community Events & Resources (Oct. 15-Nov. 15)

**Both Sides of The Conversation in Collaboration with the Commemoration Committee for the Black Panther Party: OAKLAND, CA Every Sunday at 2pm PST (Ongoing)**



**Both Sides of the Conversation**  
*in collaboration with*  
**The Commemoration Committee for the Black Panther Party**

**Black Health During the Coronavirus Pandemic**  
*September 27th*

**Original Black Panther Party Guest Speakers:**  
Dr. Satara Neal & Prof. Steve McCutchen

**WE WANT COMPLETELY FREE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL BLACK AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE**

**Join us every Sunday at 2pm**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/69921715567>

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Both Sides of the Conversation    bothsidesoftheconversation@gmail.com

### #HonorLivesLost - Candlelight Ritual to Free Them All (ongoing)

“Every Sunday, 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. via zoom and live-streamed on Facebook. Hosted by Restore Oakland, California Coalition for Women Prisoners and 4 others. We invite you to #HonorLivesLost, an online weekly candle-lighting ritual to uplift incarcerated people we have lost to COVID-19 and #DeathbyIncarceration in California. These gatherings will take place every Sunday at sunset via Zoom in both English and Spanish. Organizers and advocates across the state have created this space so we can come together to mourn the lives of people we have lost and send light and love to families grieving the unnatural deaths of their loved ones. We hope this effort will grow and support our ongoing demands to release incarcerated people who face a potential death sentence amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. #HonorLivesLost is a network of organizers and advocates dedicated to memorializing and uplifting incarcerated people we lose to COVID-19 and #DeathbyIncarceration in California” See <https://www.facebook.com/events/2672414763015683/>

### NEW YORK CITY PEOPLE'S SURVIVAL PROGRAM (P.S.P.) Oct 17

“Saturday, October 17, 2020-Celebrating The 50th Anniversary Of The 1970 Founding Of The Lincoln Detox Center: The Legacy Continues In Harlem's "Healing Space" @ The Historic Peoples Church !! Come Join Us On Sunday's @ 12:00 Noon To Learn and/or Get Acupuncture Treatment. Dr. Shakur is a long-time nationalist and is a respected figure in the Black liberation movement. His love for the Black people motivated him to pioneer the use of acupuncture for treating drug addiction and other medical ailments. He led the Lincoln Hospital's Detox program which serviced New York City's Bronx community; And then later established both the Black Acupuncture Advisory Association Of North America (BAAANA) and The Harlem Institute Of Acupuncture. Currently, Brother Mutulu is an African American political prisoner. In 1986, he became the target of the FBI's Operation COINTELPRO, along with many freedom fighters from the Black struggle and other movements.

Click On The Link To Read more on Dr. Mutulu Shakur:

<https://thejerichomovement.com/profile/shakur-mutulu>

The portrait is 24" X 30", acrylic on canvas will be donated and mounted in the "Healing Space" room of The Peoples Church in recognition of it's current Community Acupuncture Program. It was painted by **Veteran Young Lords Party Veteran Carlito Rovira** with the utmost respect for Dr. Mutulu Shakur and the hundreds of other political prisoners fighters held captive by our oppressors.”



**Carlito Rovira**

<http://www.facebook.com/carlitoboricua>

## HEALING IN COMMUNITY

Salud y Acupuntura Para El Pueblo at  
FSUMC "The People's Church"

The Healing Space at The People's Church has been established to attend and support the community by:

- Offering a safe haven that provides wellness and healing during & after COVID 19
- Addressing the stress, trauma and anxiety that has emerged during this public health crisis.
- Fostering a community participatory process where:
  - Mutual Aid takes place
  - Educating the community in Self Care practices
  - Educating and Training participants in alternative health practices
  - Fostering self sufficiency and volunteer practices in the community

Moving forward the Healing Space will assist participants with:

- Treatment and coping with stress, anxiety and trauma related issues
- Educate & demonstrate self care modalities to address other existing conditions

“Black Revolutionaries and Acupuncture? A History of Integrative Medicine. CLICK THIS LINK: [Black Revolutionaries and Acupuncture? A History of](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lyPv4hQYm3o) [www.youtube.com/watch?v=lyPv4hQYm3o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lyPv4hQYm3o)  
Screened with: *Black Revolutionaries & Acupuncture*

In the 1970s, Black revolutionaries used acupuncture as a way to serve the people. In Oakland, Dr. Tolbert Small, the People’s Doctor, incorporated acupuncture into his medical toolkit after returning from a trip to China on a Black Panther Party delegation in 1972. In the South Bronx, Dr. Mutulu Shakur, a member of the Republic of New Afrika who worked with the Party, introduced acupuncture to Lincoln Detox, a drug treatment program, as an alternative to methadone. Together, Drs. Small and Shakur, have bettered the lives of thousands of patients. These lesser-known histories are deeply important to the legacies of Black revolutionaries of the 1970s, and emphasize their dedication to serving the holistic needs of the people, especially in healthcare.”

### Green Scare card-writing 10.20 Oct 20

**WHAT:** Political Prisoner Letter-Writing **WHEN:** 7pm sharp, Tuesday, October 20th, 2020

**WHERE:** YOUR HOME **COST:** Free



“It is 2020 and there are still folks locked up due to the US government’s war on environmental activists and animal liberationists. A few of years ago NYC ABC and Sacramento Prisoner Support responded to the state’s repression with project FANG, a travel fund for earth and animal liberation prisoners and we have since provided funds to families and supporters to help ease the burden of visiting imprisoned loved ones. With “Operation Backfire” defendant [Joseph Dibee](#) apprehended in Cuba and the continued imprisonment of [Standing Rock water defenders](#), we are reminded of the backwards and arbitrary logic the State uses to deem who are “terrorists.” Corporate influence continues to drive policy, as recently seen in North Dakota where

pipeline companies have pushed legislators to codify harsh punishment for actions such as “valve turning.” The truth is, those in power will always villainize those who seek to liberate and will always valorize those who seek to carry out real destruction.

In light of the coming holiday, we are asking you to send Halloween cards to targets of the Green Scare as part of our [every-other-week](#) political prisoner [letter-writing](#) events, this year with 100 percent fewer spooky snitches’ fingers cookies, but 100 percent more [Page One Collective](#) collaboration, as we collectively work to keep each other safe from COVID-19 by distancing and writing from home. Since the early 1980s, public relations hacks have been working to reify the term “[eco-terrorism](#).” By 2004, they became successful and a phrase that a decade earlier had no real meaning was now defined by the United States government and used to introduce legislation. In the face of global ecologic destruction and animal torture, those who try to end the suffering are the ones labeled terrorists. Join us in letting the ones who have ultimately been captured know that they have not been forgotten. Please take the time to [send cards](#) to **Marius** and **Rattler** (and [share](#) a photo of your completed envelopes with us [online](#)):

**Marie (Marius) Mason** #04672-061, FCI Danbury, Route 37, Danbury, Connecticut 06811

*\*Address card to Marius.*

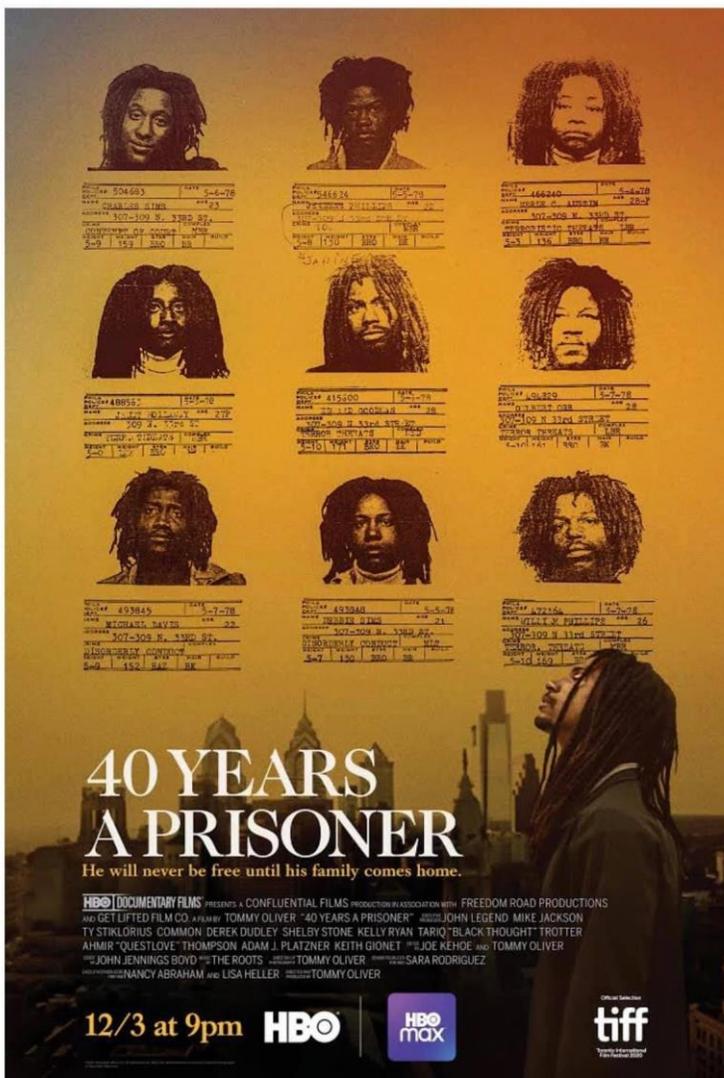
**Rattler\*** #06280-073, FCI Sandstone, Post Office Box 1000, Sandstone, Minnesota 55072

*\*Address envelope to Michael Markus”.*

**A Son's Fight for His Father's Freedom by Russell 'Maroon' Shoatz and Russell Shoatz III** Oct 20  
 "Russell 'Maroon' Shoatz and Russell Shoatz III share how they built an unshakable relationship in spite of incarceration and separation. Russell "Maroon" Shoatz is an activist, writer, founding member of the Black Unity Council, former member of the Black Panther Party, and soldier in the Black Liberation Army. Incarcerated since 1972 and now 77 years old, Maroon is serving multiple life sentences in Pennsylvania as a U.S.-held political prisoner of war. After escaping prison twice, in 1977 and 1980, he earned the name Maroon from fellow incarcerated men, a nod to Africans who fled chattel slavery and created autonomous communities throughout the Americas. His son, Russell Shoatz III, is a longtime activist, educator, and live event producer. For the past three decades, he's worked tirelessly for his father's freedom and that of all U.S.-held political prisoners.." See <https://level.medium.com/a-sons-fight-for-his-father-s-freedom-6434464014d7> "Below is a link from an article Colin Kaepernick produced for Maroon and his son Russell. Please share forward repost and tell family and friends about this revolutionary conversation stressing Liberation education and the freedom of all political prisoners..."

<https://kaepernickpublishing.medium.com/a-sons-fight-for-his-father-s-freedom-by-russell-maroon-shoatz-and-russell-shoatz-iii-e3deb2146c64>"

**40 years a Prisoner – MOVE** Oct 20



**Please Join Us for the NBLM Webinar on Building National Unity: Register Here.** Oct 22

“Six Respected Organizations from Years of Work in the National Black Liberation Movement Will Start Our National Discussion in this First Webinar on Rebuilding the NBLM:

Cooperation Jackson, Mississippi, Black Alliance for Peace, District of Columbia, Black Workers for Justice, North Carolina, The National Jericho Movement, Virginia, Black Lives Matter - Louisville, Kentucky, December 12 Movement, New York.

As we continue to build this process, all organizations that join in this important effort will be invited to present their assessment and thinking on this period, the work and programs of their organizations, and how their organizational work could contribute to the process of building national unity. Six organizations will present at each ongoing webinar in this national discussion series until all members of the process have contributed. We are reaching out to organizations rather than activist individuals at this stage. We seek and encourage gender balance, generational balance, and organizations of the LGBTQ community and all others dedicated to the liberation of our people from the perspective of anti-capitalism, anti-imperialism, anti-patriarchy and for national liberation (self-determination) of the African American people.

A Call for Unity Of the National Black Liberation Movement (NBLM) in the Time of Capitalist Decline. **What: First in a Webinar Series to Launch A National Dialogue on Rebuilding the NBLM When: Thursday, October 22, 7pm EST Register Here: <http://bit.ly/october222020>**

The current crisis in capitalism has further exposed the historic depravity of the oppression of the African American people in this society and again endangered the lives of our people under threat of uncontrolled deadly disease, increasing poverty and job loss, dangerous working conditions, open repression of our fundamental democratic rights and state sanctioned attacks and violence.

These 21<sup>st</sup> century threats to our very existence must be met with a 21st century national movement for the liberation of our people. Only an organized and unified National Black Liberation Movement that effectively opposes this racist, capitalist, imperialist, and patriarchal system can meet the challenges of these times. Join us, both leaders and members of black liberation organizations, to examine, plan, and find a path to national unity and a national program of action. This *urgent call* is initiated by three of the long-standing organizations of the Black Liberation Movement: Black Alliance for Peace, Black Workers for Justice, and Cooperation Jackson and the newly joined Community Movement Builders. We are asking all forces of the NBLM to join this effort and help us find the path forward. We invite and encourage you to have your members and leaders join in the webinar discussion. This Webinar Series is jointly sponsored by the: Black Workers for Justice , Cooperation Jackson, Black Alliance for Peace Community Movement Builders \*\*\*This webinar is graciously hosted by the Black Alliance for Peace as a part of BAP’s monthly educational webinars.”

**Gitmo North: How Muslim Prisoners Are Denied Basic Rights Inside U.S. Prisons** Oct 23

“Ep. 18 #InjusticeAtHome CCF Webinar Series - Friday, October 23 at 2:30 PM EDT

This Friday, we'll be examining the recent unfortunate dismissal of the Aref v. Barr lawsuit against the Bureau of Prisons brought by the Center for Constitutional Rights (CCR) on behalf of several federal prisoners who had been incarcerated in two Muslim-majority special units, called Communications Management Units (CMUs) dubbed "Guantanamo North." Joining us will be two former political prisoners and CMU residents, Yassin Aref, the original plaintiff after whom Aref v. Holder was named, and Daniel McGowan, a political prisoner who was sent to a CMU for his political writings and as a “balancer” so that the CMUs could not be said to be completely Muslim. Both men were held in the two CMUs in Terre Haute, Indiana and Marion, Illinois and will speak about their experiences. Rachel Meeropol, CCR Senior Staff Attorney and lead counsel on the lawsuit, will speak about the legal challenge to the CMUs and future implications for the criminal justice system in the U.S. Co-sponsored by the Center for Constitutional Rights. Register on Zoom at <http://bit.ly/CCFCMUwebinar> or tune in on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/civilfreedoms/live/>

### **'Dope is Death' Podcast & Legal Update Oct 22**

“Have you gotten a chance to see 'Dope is Death' yet? The companion podcast is out now! Plus, there are more showings to come: All episodes at: [dopeisdeath.com](http://dopeisdeath.com). Denver Film Fest- October 22- November 8: [dff.eventive.org](http://dff.eventive.org); Dope is Death-November 11-19: [docnyc.net](http://docnyc.net). We are spreading the word about this film far and wide because we believe it illuminates the healing work Dr. Shakur performed, and we hope that shedding light on who he is will aid securing his freedom. Dr. Shakur had his latest parole hearing on October 20th, and we are awaiting the decision. If you have not yet signed the petition supporting Compassionate Release for him, please do so now: <https://campaigns.organizefor.org/petitions/support-parole-and-compassionate-release-for-dr-mutulu-shakur>

### **CANY releases new monitoring report from Fishkill Oct 22**

“CANY issues More Harm Than Good, a monitoring report from Fishkill Correctional Facility, as COVID-19 cases surge in prisons across the state and 18th incarcerated person dies from the virus. Many of the incarcerated people CANY spoke to at Fishkill in July seemed unaware of how COVID-19 tests are administered, proper mask usage, and even the symptoms of COVID-19. This key finding illustrates how incarceration goes beyond keeping people in, to keeping information out. Our recommendations – which include essential measures such as increasing testing and public reporting of test results; increasing public education about COVID-19 for incarcerated individuals; expanding creative solutions for delivery of programming; and modifying facility operations to accommodate the need for social distancing – must be grounded in a commitment to decarceration in order to save lives. Access the report here <https://files.constantcontact.com/47c47a0d701/43f48963-b111-43e8-8002-4323a9c5c652.pdf>”

### **New AIM Book and Leonard Peltier Oct 24**

“Please check out this new book by Sheron Leonard, about AIM and four dear dear comrades: [simonandschuster.com/books/I-Will/Sheron-Wyant-Leonard/9781951627768](http://simonandschuster.com/books/I-Will/Sheron-Wyant-Leonard/9781951627768) Also I want to let you know, that while Leonard is doing ok, his elder unit has been put on quarantine for 14 days starting last Wed the 21st. It seems that a food worker tested positive who lives in his unit. The kitchen workers live in the same unit as Leonard because it is closest to the kitchen and mess hall making it easier for the elderly prisoners to get there. If you haven't had the chance you should check out New Observation Magazine 135. This edition is centered on Pine Ridge Prisoner of war camp which includes over 35 of Leonard's paintings including many of his early works: [newobservations.org](http://newobservations.org) I also want to thank all of you that have supported the committee and Leonard with donations through Facebook, Amazon Smile and the Network for Good. It is most appreciated by me and Leonard as it helps keep the committee running and Leonard's with commissary funds!” See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/updates-3-nov-2020.pdf>

### **USP Canaan now using Smart Communications Oct 26**

‘It looks like USP Canaan is now using Smart Communications like the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections. This is a step toward privatized mail handling for federal prisoners and is, objectively, bad for folks on the inside. MORE: That means mail for someone in a federal prison needs to be sent to Florida so this vampiric company can scan and email back to the prison in Pennsylvania. This will likely spread in the Bureau of Prisons. [bop.gov/locations/institutions/caa](http://bop.gov/locations/institutions/caa). See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/updates-3-nov-2020.pdf>

### **Ralph Poynter: What's Happening BlogTalkRadio Tues., Oct. 27, 2020 Call in 1 (347) 857-3293 @ 9-10pm ET Oct 27**

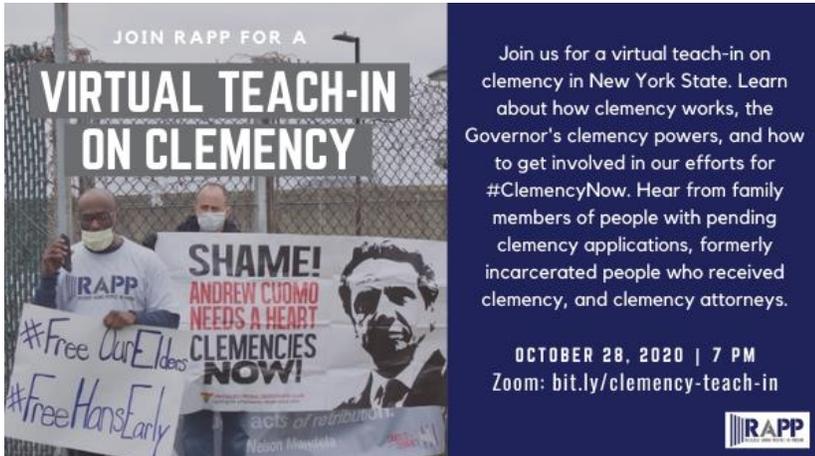
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3. Professor Louie & Sarah Adams: Liberation Poetry- In remembrance of Sister Lynne'

### Clemency Virtual Teach-in Oct 28



“October 28 at 7 pm: Join us for a virtual teach-in on clemency in New York State. Learn about how clemency works, the Governor's clemency powers, and how to get involved in our efforts for #ClemencyNow. Hear from family members of people with pending clemency applications, formerly incarcerated people who received clemency, and clemency attorneys.”  
Join on Zoom: [bit.ly/clemency-teach-in](https://bit.ly/clemency-teach-in).

### An opportunity to listen in on a conversation between Eddie Conway and Jose Saldana, facilitated by Susie Day Oct 28

“WEDNESDAY, October 28, 2020, 4:30-6:00 pm • Incarcerated Elders: Black Panthers and Young Lords Mentoring Behind Bars, a conversation with Eddie Conway and Jose Saldaña. Between them, they served 82 years in prison and saved hundreds of young lives • moderated by Susie Day, author of *The Brother You Choose: Paul Coates and Eddie Conway Talk About Life, Politics, and The Revolution* (Haymarket Books) REGISTER HERE”



Jose Saldaña



Eddie Conway

moderated by Susie Day, author of *The Brother You Choose: Paul Coates and Eddie Conway Talk About Life, Politics, and The Revolution*

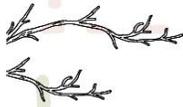
Register for Zoom: [bit.ly/mentoring-behind-bars](https://bit.ly/mentoring-behind-bars)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpcuuqhT4rHdJDbrJVbAzrh5DANp5r-YyU>”

### The Palestinian Exception to Calls for Social Justice Oct 29

“In this moment, as calls for social justice around the world deepen, the issue of Palestinian human rights remains unspeakable in the US. Palestinian voices are systemically not allowed to be heard.

# The Palestinian Exception to Calls for Social Justice



With  
**Professor Rabab Abdulhadi**  
San Francisco State University

OCTOBER 29 @ 7:00 PM

visit [www.american.edu/cas/crgc](http://www.american.edu/cas/crgc)  
or scan the QR code to register



Joined by  
Professors  
Irene Calis  
&  
Zein El  
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This pervasive silencing, including on college and university campuses, operates through intimidation, bullying, criminalizing, lawsuits, policing, and smearing. In practical terms, this has meant jobs rescinded, funding withheld, events shutdown, livelihoods denied. Join us as Professor Rabab Abdulhadi speaks to this moment and why working for Palestinian social justice remains the last taboo, the enduring exception to that cornerstone of American civil liberties, the freedom to speak. Pre-registration is required. You can expect to receive access links to

the event within 12-24 hours prior to the event start time.” Register here  
[https://american.col.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_aaakzM7PzdUGmAl](https://american.col.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aaakzM7PzdUGmAl)

**COVID OUTBREAK at FORT DIX: Families and community call to save our loved ones Oct 29**  
“NEW YORK CITY & NEW JERSEY—Families and community members are launching a campaign to flood the phone lines and email servers of FCI Fort Dix administrators, two Federal Bureau of Prisons offices, and Senator Cory Booker with demands to end prison procedures that are endangering their incarcerated loved ones and spreading COVID-19 throughout New Jersey communities. Over the past few weeks, a spate of carceral operations—hasty population transfers, viral transmission by corrections officers, lack of PPE and medication delivery, and crowded, unsanitary conditions that violate CDC guidelines—have led to at least 127 new COVID-19 cases inside the BOP-controlled prison. Actions intended to mitigate these escalated risks and push for compassionate releases will continue into the next week. As the second wave of COVID-19 hits jails and prisons nationally, the overseers of FCI Fort Dix, in New Jersey, are willfully endangering our incarcerated loved ones through a degree of medical neglect that, while shocking, is all too common in the carceral system. People held captive, along with their family members, are risking their safety and well-being to provide information about the conditions inside; among them, that there are at least 127 cases of the virus behind the walls. This is a steep climb from the current BOP-provided lie of 57...” “Do you know anyone else inside FCI Fort Dix who is at particular risk of infection or who simply wants their story told? If so, please use the contact information above to get in touch. Email: [iwoc.nyc@riseup.net](mailto:iwoc.nyc@riseup.net) Facebook and Instagram: @iwocnyc (to see images) Twitter: @IWOC\_NYC Phone: 929-286-3709 (Jocelyn Cohn, IWOC-NYC) Phone: 201-207-4083 (Fred Stein, IWOC-NYC) Phone: 302-824-2975 (Megan Hallett Wragg, family member)”

### NYC Books through Bars/Freebird Books November bundle Nov 2

“Buy 5 books for just \$30 and Books through Bars will get the books at the end of the month and we will send them to people in prison! November's pick features reference books, crafts, and games-- among the most requested materials from people in prison nationwide. Following October's drive (Zone One, Kindred, and a selection of histories), Freebird heads into the holidays offering five titles + one for \$30: Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's New World Thesaurus; USA Today Sudoku Super Challenge 2, Origami Flowers and Birds, and Star Wars Word Search and Coloring Book. EVERY ORDER WILL BE MATCHED BY FREEBIRD with an additional Webster's New World Dictionary. Dictionaries are the single largest request NYC Books Through Bars receives every year, and they can never have enough in stock. To learn more about how NYC Books Through Bars began, and what impact access to reading material has on the incarcerated, check out this conversation we hosted between NYC BTB co-founder Victoria Law and Orange Is the New Black author Piper Kerman. Order at <https://bit.ly/3oGGUzs>”

### Black Agenda Report: Anti-Black Racism is Everywhere in the Americas Nov 2

“Police “Reform” = Counterinsurgency, Anti-Black Racism is Everywhere in the Americas, Anti-Queerness in Africa is Complicated, Mumia on 2020 Elections.” Listen here: <https://www.blackagendareport.com/black-agenda-radio-week-november-2-2020>

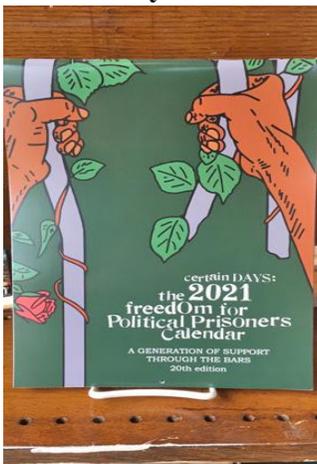
### BK/NY – Tuesday, November 3rd – Letter Writing To Ronald Reed Nov 3

“WHAT: Political Prisoner Letter-Writing, WHEN: 7pm, Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020, WHERE: YOUR HOME, COST: Free

Ronald Reed is a former 60s civil rights activist. In 1969, Reed was also among the students at St. Paul Central High School who demanded black history courses and organized actions against racist teachers. He was also instrumental in helping to integrate college campuses in Minnesota. During this period, Reed began to look toward revolutionary theory and began to engage in political street theater with other young black revolutionaries in the city of St. Paul. Reed went on to join the Black United Front. In 1970 he was convicted of shooting a St. Paul police officer. Twenty-five years after the killing, Reed was arrested and convicted of first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first degree-murder. He is serving life in prison. Please take the time to write a letter to Ronald (and share a photo of your completed envelopes with us online):

Ronald Reed #219531, Minnesota Correctional Facility-Lino Lakes, 7525 Fourth Avenue, Lino Lakes, Minnesota 55014” See <https://nycabc.wordpress.com/2020/11/01/ronaldreed2020>

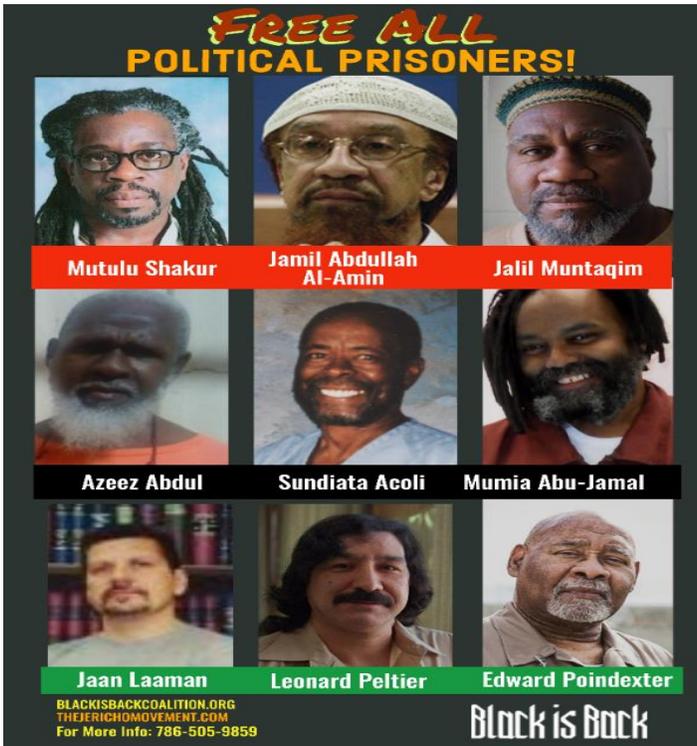
### Certain Days 2021 calendars are back from the printer Nov 3



“Our friends at Burning Books worked furiously all day yesterday to pack up all the calendars you ordered the last month and this is the end result! You want to get in on this! Order yours at [burningbooks.com](http://burningbooks.com) today and add a book or two to qualify for free shipping. Each calendar has 12 thought-provoking essays and 12 pieces of beautiful art that address a yearly theme - in 2021, the theme is A Generation of Support Through the Bars. You'll feel inspired every day of the year, with radical historical dates and lots of space for your own plans. 20th anniversary calendar features art and writings by: Grae Rosa, former political prisoner and Certain Days founder and editor Herman Bell, political prisoner Veronza Bowers, former political prisoner David Campbell, Saima Desai of Briarpatch Magazine, Damon Locks, former political prisoner Tom Manning (RIP). Monica Trinidad Nidal el-Khairy, Certain Days editor and political prisoner David Gilbert

Gord Hill (aka Zig Zag), political prisoner Support Eric King, political prisoner Jaan Laaman, Paul Lacombe, political prisoner Joy Powell, former NYS prisoner of 39 years Richard Rivera, former political prisoners Laura Whitehorn, Linda Evans and Susan Rosenberg, Certain Days editor and political prisoner Xinachtli. Use the discount code "BULK" to get 10 or more calendars for \$10 each. Our proceeds benefit groups like Release Aging People in Prison - RAPP, Addameer Prisoner Support & Human Rights Association, Civil Liberties Defense Center & Rosenberg Fund for Children.”

**Free "Free All Political Prisoners" Posters (Ongoing)**  
 From the Black is Back Coalition!!



**Equal Rights & Justice radio, WBAI 99.5 FM, Thurs. 9 am: The Way Forward for Immigrants Rights, Building Black Power Support for Jalil Muntaqim Nov 5**



**EQUAL RIGHTS & JUSTICE**  
Free speech radio - news & analysis - hosted by  
**Mimi Rosenberg**



**Tune in this Thursday, November 5, 2020, at 9 AM EDT**  
**WBAI 99.5 FM New York**



Say it Ain't So – how Republicans are trying to reincarcerate former political prisoner **Jalil Muntaqim** for registering to vote!  
 Many throughout the State of New York oppose the politically motivated effort by the Monroe County District Attorney to reincarcerate Jalil Muntaqim, former Black Panther, respected elder, recently released after 50 years in prison for voter registration.

**Oscar A. Chacón**,  
 co-founder and executive director of **Alianza Americas**

**The Black is Back Coalition for Social Justice, Peace and Reparations**  
calls for colonized people of the US to join them. Nov. 7, in Washington for the Black Power Matters March, opposing the US agenda being imposed on Africans and others around the world.



**Yejiye Orunmilla**,  
 president of the **African National Woman's Organization**



**Ralph Poynter**,  
 Chair of the **Black Is Back Political Prisoner Working Group**

**Contact Mimi Rosenberg: Mimi@WBAIradio@gmail.com**

## Virtual Letter Writing Night Fighting for H Rap Brown/Imam Jamil Al-Amin and other Aging Prisoners Nov 8

“Join ILIA and HRC at a Letter Writing Workshop to learn more about how you can help write letters to release prisoners.

About this Event: There is a incredible number of people who have been wrongfully jailed or imprisoned, their trials not meeting the requirement of guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. In addition, the vast majority of seniors in prison, many who have been in prison for decades, are routinely denied parole and compassionate release by the state, often denied release even though they pose no threat to the public. One such individual is H Rap Brown aka Iman Jamil Al-Amin. Imam Jamil is a civil rights leader and humanitarian who was convicted of a murder he did not commit in 2002. His constitutional rights were violated at his trial and another man has confessed to the murder. He's gone through cruel and unusual punishment, a gag order, medical neglect in hopes that he dies, etc. See more of his story at [whathappened2rap.com](http://whathappened2rap.com)

Imam Jamil and others like him, as well as seniors who are wrongfully denied parole, need your support. We will be writing letters of support to the prisons and correctional facilities in order to vouch for their release. Your actions can be the step between injustice and freedom.

See the other prisoner's stories here: <https://www.apphrc.com/>

WHO: Anyone

WHEN: Sunday, November 8th, 2020 at 7:00 PM

WHAT: Letter Writing Workshop

WHERE: Online (Zoom Link Provided upon Registration) WHY: Use your voice to be heard and make a difference in the community.”

**Register here:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/letter-writing-night-tickets-126739099057>

FB: [https://m.facebook.com/events/393536521674814?context=%7B%22source%22%3A%2298%22%2C%22action\\_history%22%3A%22null%22%7D&aref=98](https://m.facebook.com/events/393536521674814?context=%7B%22source%22%3A%2298%22%2C%22action_history%22%3A%22null%22%7D&aref=98)

## RalphPoynter: What's Happening BlogTalkRadio Tuesday, November 10, 2020 - Call in 1 (347)857-3293 @ 9-10pm ET Nov 10

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3. Prof. Louie Liberation Poetry- In remembrance of Sister Lynne”

## Online Event & Brief Legal Update on Dr. Mutulu Shakur Nov 10

“This month marks 50 years since the inception of the revolutionary acupuncture treatment program known as Lincoln Detox.

Join us on zoom for the commemoration event with a special Tribute to Dr. Shakur.”

“To Register And Participate In The Webinar "Q & A - Talk Back" With The Guest Speakers & Panelists; You MUST.....RSVP Your Request No Later Than Monday evening, November 9th @ 12 midnight by sending both your Name & email address to: [maroonpartyforliberation@gmail.com](mailto:maroonpartyforliberation@gmail.com)

**BLACK PANTHER PARTY**  
PANTHER POWER

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of  
the November 10, 1970 launching  
of the Lincoln Detox Center.

With special tribute to

# Dr. Mutulu Shakur

Dr. Mutulu Shakur, along with the Young Lords & Black Panther Party were the main architects of the Lincoln Detox Center (Lincoln Hospital in the Bronx, New York City).

Join us in a historic zoom meeting on  
**November 10, 2020, from 6 to 8 PM**

[https://zoom.us/j/94173578400?](https://zoom.us/j/94173578400?pwd=MEkvZ0NUTlhqeWg3blRpL0hmSVJMdz09)  
pwd=MEkvZ0NUTlhqeWg3blRpL0hmSVJMdz09

For more information contact Brother Shep:  
[panthershepcat@aol.com](mailto:panthershepcat@aol.com)

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Special dedication of  
Dr. Mutulu Shakur's portrait created  
by people's artist Carlito Rovira.

(and/or) [Panthershepcat@aol.com](mailto:Panthershepcat@aol.com)' Zoom Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/94173578400?pwd=MEkvZ0NUTlhqeWg3blRpL0hmSVJMdz09>

## FREEDOM AND ABOLITION WEBINAR | CASE FOR MUMIA'S IMMEDIATE RELEASE | MON NOV 16, 2020 @NOON Nov 16

“Virtual Press Conference: Angela Davis, Pam Africa, Dwayne Betts and many other advocates Demand an immediate release of Mumia Abu-Jamal and End to the PA Supreme Court Investigation of an Alleged Conflict of Interest by Philadelphia District Attorney Larry Krasner. Philadelphia, PA – Angela Davis, Pam Africa, Kwame Ajamu, Linn Washington and Greg Gonsalves are demanding the immediate release of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the internationally acclaimed radio journalist who has been wrongfully imprisoned for nearly 39 years. These thought leaders and advocates support a decades old international movement for justice for Mumia Abu-Jamal and are seeking to end the investigation proceedings ordered by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. Philadelphia Common Pleas Court Judge Leon Tucker ruled that Mumia is entitled to reopen his appeals filed over the course of almost two decades which were denied by a Pennsylvania Supreme Court judge with a conflict of interest. In his ruling, Judge Tucker wrote in his 36-page opinion that under U.S. Supreme Court precedent, “if a judge served as a prosecutor and then the judge, there is no separate analysis or determination required by the court, there is a finding of automatic bias and a due process violation.” “Date: Monday, November 16, 2020. Time: 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time / 9:00 a.m. Pacific Time. Watch it Live Here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mumia-abu-jamal-press-conference-freedom-and-abolition-tickets->

**PRESS CONFERENCE**  
**FREEDOM & ABOLITION**  
 A CRITICAL MOMENT IN THE FIGHT TO  
**FREE MUMIA ABU-JAMAL**

**SPEAKERS**

**ANGELA DAVIS**  
**PAM AFRICA**  
**PROF LINN WASHINGTON, JR**  
**KWAME AJAMU**  
**PROF GREGG GONSALVES**  
**DWAYNE BETTS**

**MON, NOV 16, 2020**  
**12 PM EST/ 9AM PST**  
**REGISTER AT: LINKTR.EE/MUMIA**

Co-sponsors: Mobilization 4 Mumia, Black Lives Matter Philadelphia, Black Philly Radical Collective, Black Alliance for Peace, Common Notions Books, Yale Justice Collaboratory, No Cops Union, Yale Green Haven Prison Project, Workers World Party, YLS MLSA, YLS GHJP, NLG, YLS Defender Society, Quinnapiac NLG, Connecticut Bail Fund, YLS Capital Assistance Project, YLS Law and Political Economy, Minority Pre-Law Association (Dartmouth), International Concerned Family & Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal, FGP, LLSA, JIM

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Attendees: Angela Davis; Professor Emerita, University of California at Santa Cruz, Pam Africa; Leading Voice, Mobilization 4 Mumia & MOVE, Johanna Fernandez, Associate Professor of History, Baruch College, Linn Washington, Jr.; Professor of Journalism at Temple University, Kwame Ajamu; Ohio Death Row Exoneree, Chairman, Board for Witness to Innocence., Greg Gonsalves; Associate Professor at Yale Law School, Assistant Professor at Yale School of Public Health and Co-Director of the Yale Law Global Health Justice Partnership. Dwayne Betts; Director of the Million Book Project at Yale Law School which is part of the Yale Law Justice Collaboratory, Public Defense Attorney and Award-winning author.”

**Ralph Poynter: What's Happening BlogTalkRadio Tuesday, November 17, 2020- Call in 1 (347) 857-3293 @ 9-10pm ET Nov 17**

“1. NEWS ANALYSIS - An anatomy of oppression requires an anatomy of colonialism/imperialism i.e. An anatomy of the American Capitalist System: Ralph Poynter, Tom Siracuse, Joel Meyers, Gwen Goodwin, Paul Gilman, Henry Hagins, Dolores Cox  
 2. Updates from the Political Prisoner Death Camps - Anne Lamb (NYC Jericho), Gil Obler (Free Mumia Coalition-NYC)  
 3. Professor Louie & Sarah Adams: Liberation Poetry- In remembrance of Sister Lynne  
 This week’s show is about the “Pen Pal ” book. The book is a selection of letters that Tiyo Attallah Salah-El wrote to Paul Alan Smith who was introduced to Paul by Howard Zinn, who also corresponded with Tiyo.”

**Tuesday, November 17th – Letter Writing To American Indian Warriors- Political Prisoner Letter-Writing- Leonard Peltier and Michael Markus Nov 17**

“WHAT: Political Prisoner Letter-Writing WHEN: 7pm, Tuesday, November 17th, 2020  
 WHERE: YOUR HOME COST: Free. NYC ABC and Page One Collective are back for our every-other-week Political Prisoner Letter Writing. As anarchists, it should come as no surprise that we don’t celebrate Thanksgiving– we’ll take your damned day off from work, but not in exchange for commemorating the historic and ongoing genocide of indigenous folks and the 250 million turkeys who are killed each year. While we might be eating the fruits of the fall harvest, don’t confuse that with an acceptance of the Thanksgiving myth. This Tuesday’s dinner will focus on indigenous political prisoners Leonard Peltier and Rattler. **Leonard Peltier** is an American Indian Movement (AIM)



warrior. In the 1970s, the United States government continued its legacy of decimating indigenous communities, focusing on those organized and prepared to challenge its authority. Peltier is imprisoned for the 1975 shoot-out between the FBI and AIM in which two federal agents and an indigenous man were killed. Four years after his imprisonment, a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request released documents which prove Leonard Peltier's innocence and the FBI's targeting him. And still, Peltier remains imprisoned. For more

information and ways to help, visit [whoisleonardpeltier.info](http://whoisleonardpeltier.info)

**Rattler (Michael Markus)** is Oglala Lakota from Pine Ridge, South Dakota, a water protector, and one of six folks who eventually came to be known as the Standing Rock 6. The Standing Rock 6 are arrestees enduring felony charges stemming from arrests on October 27, 2016 at ceremonial resistance camps at Standing Rock. These camps were convened in North Dakota by Native peoples and their allies who gathered there to stop the Dakota Access Pipeline. Collectively, they are referred to as water protectors. These seven arrestees are out of the 800-some water protectors arrested, many the result of widespread police sweeps at demonstrations like October 22 with scant or no evidence to link most individuals to any crime. More information: [freerattlernodapl.com](http://freerattlernodapl.com)"

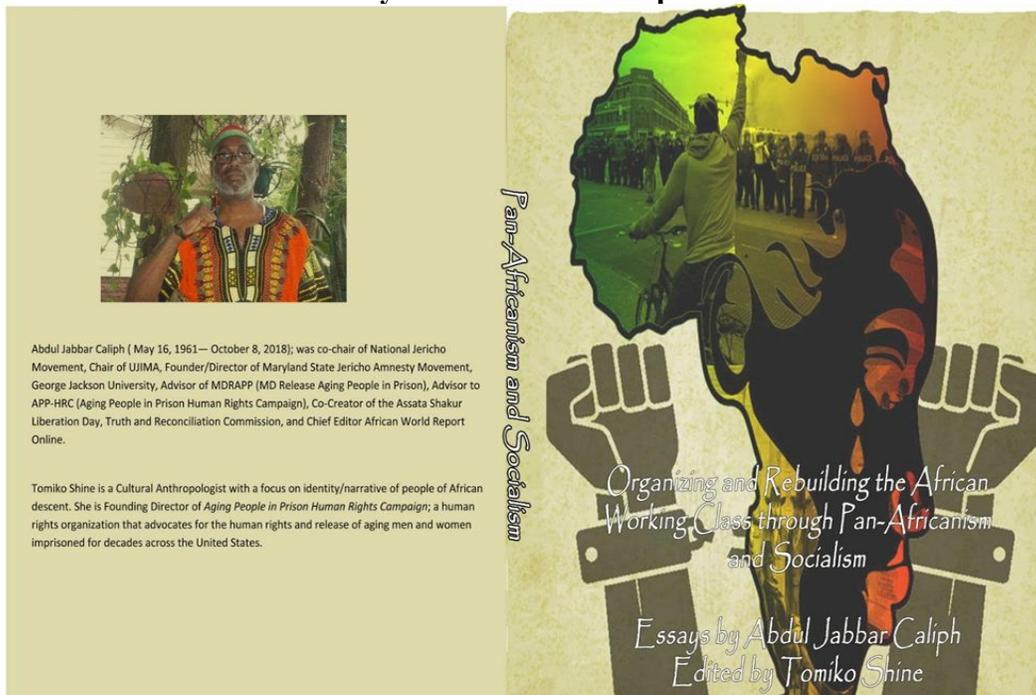
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## News, Articles, and Updates

### **A State-by-State Look at Coronavirus in Prisons** Oct 15

“Over 143,000 federal and state prisoners have contracted COVID-19, an increase of four percent from last week’s total. The death toll among prisoners has surpassed 1,200. Over 31,000 prison employees also have tested positive-- the death toll among staff, almost certainly an undercount, stands at 85. In collaboration with the Associated Press, here is our updated tracker” See

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/05/01/a-state-by-state-look-at-coronavirus-in-prisons>

### **Black man serving life sentence for stealing hedge clippers granted parole** Oct 16

“A Black man in Louisiana serving life in prison for stealing hedge clippers more than two decades ago was granted parole — [months after the state's Supreme Court declined to review his sentence](#). The Board of Pardons and Committee on Parole voted Thursday to release Fair Wayne Bryant, 63, [records](#) show. He walked out of prison later that day after serving more than 20 years at the state penitentiary in Angola, his attorney said. Bryant will enter into a program in Baton Rouge that helps prisoners adjust to life after they are released. Eventually, he will be allowed to live with his brother in Shreveport. Under the conditions of his parole, Bryant will have a curfew, must attend Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and complete community service. The [Louisiana American Civil Liberties Union](#) called the board's decision to grant parole a "long-overdue victory." See <https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/black-man-serving-life-sentence-stealing-hedge-clippers-granted-parole-n1243757>

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“Since March, The Marshall Project has been tracking how many people are being sickened and killed by COVID-19 in prisons and how widely it has spread across the country and within each state. Here, we will regularly update these figures counting the number of people infected and killed nationwide and in each prison system until the crisis abates.” See

<https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/05/01/a-state-by-state-look-at-coronavirus-in-prisons>

### **Fifty years ago an Omaha police captain told two different stories to Congress about a Black Panther murder case contradicting court testimony** richardsonreports Oct 18

“Fifty years ago, the House Committee on Internal Security was the successor to the infamous House Committee on Un-American Activities. In October 1970, an Internal Security Committee hearing opened that focused on “National Office Operations of the Black Panthers and activities in Des Moines, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska.” Chief Committee investigator Robert Horner said there were twenty-seven active Black Panther and National Committee to Combat Fascism chapters which he considered virtually the same organization.” See <https://richardsonreports.wordpress.com/2020/10/18/fifty-years-ago-an-omaha-police-captain-told-two-different-stories-to-congress-about-a-black-panther-murder-case-contradicting-court-testimony/>

### **Angela Davis - One of The New York Times Five Greats** Oct 19

“Before the world knew what intersectionality was, the scholar, writer and activist was living it, arguing not just for Black liberation, but for the rights of women and queer and transgender people as well. “THERE’S A WALL on Throop Avenue in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn, that is painted with a mural of Black icons. It begins with Bob Marley and Haile Selassie before going on to include Martin Luther King Jr., Betty Shabazz (Betty X) and Nelson Mandela. The last portrait is of Angela Yvonne Davis — scholar, activist and the only surviving hero of the global African diaspora.



Angela Davis, Photograph by John Edmonds // New York Times (Photo from Portside Article)

Davis’s image is painted from a photograph taken in the early ’70s, when she became a symbol of the struggle for Black liberation, anticapitalism and feminism. It’s a powerful portrait — she is wearing her hair in a round, black Afro, her hand curled as if she’s making a rhetorical point. Her expression is pensive, intelligent, challenging.” See <https://portside.org/2020-10-22/angela-davis-one-new-york-times-five-greats>

### **Welcome to ‘The Zo’ Where prison guards’ favorite tactic is messing with your head. Oct 20**

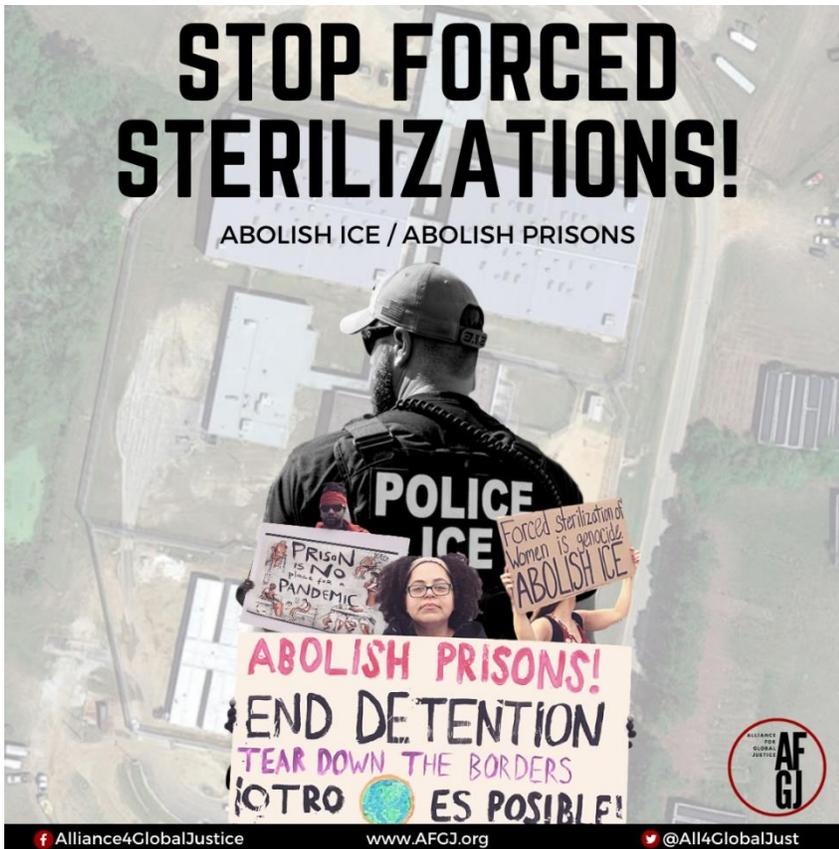
“**About the Project:** “The Zo was first published on Feb. 27. This month, it received an Excellence and Innovation in Visual Digital Storytelling award from the [Online News Association](#). Back in May 2017, Vesla Weaver, a political scientist then teaching at Yale (now at Johns Hopkins) sent me a student project she thought deserved a wider audience. The thesis by senior Patrick Doolittle was called “[‘The Zo’: Disorientation and Retaliatory Disorientation in American Prisons.](#)” “If I could give this essay an A+, I would,” she wrote. “Doolittle's essay is the most original, analytically complex, and most powerful essay I have advised over the years; I literally could not put it down.”

“By design, prisons and jails are among the most hidden institutions in American life. Even journalists who manage to gain access are only ever shown a highly edited version of life inside—sharing a deeper understanding of the realities of incarceration with the public requires creative multimedia journalism. “The Zo,” from The Marshall Project, Sharp As Knives and First Look Media’s streaming service, Topic, is an animated series illustrated by Molly Crabapple and narrated by Michael K. Williams. It allows us a glimpse of the disorienting reality of life in prison and the tools prisoners say wardens and guards use to make incarcerated people lose their grip on the world around them, becoming easier to control.

“The Zo” is a term coined by one prisoner who felt being in prison was like living in ‘The Twilight Zone.’ It is a disturbing study of a struggle between prisoners and their captors, waged not with fists or weapons but with deliberately disorienting rules and impossible tasks. Using Molly Crabapple’s iconic illustrations and anecdotes from prison letters in the American Prison Writing Archive, voiced by people who themselves were formerly incarcerated, the films illustrate how prison breaks down the people inside.” See <https://awards.journalists.org/entries/the-zo/>

### **Forced Sterilizations Echo History of U.S. Genocide Oct 20**

“Recently, Project South published a report to call attention to the concerning violations taking place inside Georgia’s Irwin County Detention Center (ICDC). The report details the multiple forced



sterilizations conducted by Dr. Mahendra Amin, called the Center’s ‘uterus collector’ by Dawn Wooten, a nurse at ICDC and the primary whistleblower of the violations. In addition, the report reveals the overwhelming medical neglect that permeates the facility; pointing to the significant lack of medical care and the lack of adequate protection against COVID-19. The accusations echo a long history of forced sterilizations in the United States, while also calling our attention to the inherent brutal conditions of a carceral system that cages people and consequently swipes their right to equal and accessible care.” See <https://afgj.org/forced-sterilizations-echo-history-of-u-s-genocide>

### **BREAKING NEWS: California Court of Appeal Orders 50% Population Reduction at San Quentin Oct 20**

“I am thrilled to provide this update: We won In re Von Staich, the habeas corpus case challenging CDCR’s mishandling of the COVID-19 crisis at San Quentin. Justice Kline wrote: “We agree that respondents—the Warden and CDCR—have acted with deliberate indifference and relief is warranted.” Here is an analysis of the opinion. Justice Kline begins by stating the magnitude of the San Quentin catastrophe. Even against the horrific history of disease and contagion in prisons—including three separate spikes of the Spanish Flu in 1918—the San Quentin COVID-19 outbreak is “the worst epidemiological disaster in California correctional history.” He then highlights the physicians’ urgent memo (published after they visited San Quentin, at the Receiver’s invitation) recommending a 50% reduction of the prison population. CDCR’s response fell far short of this: between March and August 2020 they achieved a mere 23% reduction, “accomplished, in part, by suspending intake at San Quentin from county jails, which has increased the presence of COVID-19 in those local facilities, and is not likely sustainable.” See <https://www.hadaraviram.com/2020/10/20/breaking-news-california-court-of-appeal-orders-50-population-reduction-at-san-quentin/hadaraviram.com>

### **Commentary: Passing Elder Parole bill would be a step toward justice Oct 20**

“During this year of unprecedented suffering and loss, it has been made starkly clear that our criminal justice system needs to change. More and more people recognize that humane and restorative justice practices achieve much more positive outcomes than the current punitive system that only compounds harm. In light of a national reckoning about criminal justice, it is past time for Gov. Andrew Cuomo to grant clemency to long-serving elders in New York’s prisons who do not pose any threat to community safety and who are at serious risk for contracting COVID-19. One of those elders is my longtime friend, David Gilbert.” See <https://www.timesunion.com/opinion/article/Commentary-Passing-Elder-Parole-bill-would-be-a-15662680.php>

**"The numbers tell only half the story" - Narratives From San Quentin On COVID-19** Oct 20  
 "SAN QUENTIN – Accounts from an incarcerated individual at San Quentin State Prison unveils the unsanitary and unsafe living conditions inside as the prison continues to recover from its major COVID-19 outbreak. Through a series of letters, incarcerated comic book artist and illustrative journalist Orlando Smith shared his experiences with the Davis Vanguard, writing from inside San Quentin's 168-year-old prison." See <https://www.davisvanguard.org/2020/10/narratives-from-san-quentin-on-cdcr-covid-19-data-reporting/>

**Parents of 545 children still not found three years after Trump separation policy** Oct 21  
 "Three years after Donald Trump ordered a crackdown on undocumented migrants crossing into the US, lawyers are still struggling to find the parents of 545 children separated from them under the "zero-tolerance" policy, according to the American Civil Liberties Union. In a court filing, the ACLU said that about two-thirds of the parents had been deported back to the country of origin in Central America, leaving their separated children behind. In the rush to carry out Trump's orders, the locations of the parents were not recorded and three years later they still cannot be found. The zero-tolerance policy was announced in April 2018. It was later revealed that the administration had begun family separation the previous year under a secret pilot program." See <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2020/oct/21/trump-separation-policy-545-children-parents-still-not-found>

**Israeli Conscientious Objector Begins Third Stint in Military Prison** Oct 21  
 "Conscientious objector Hallel Rabin was sentenced to 25 days behind bars for refusing to join the Israeli army over its policies toward the Palestinians. This is Rabin's third period of incarceration. Israeli conscientious objector Hallel Rabin began serving a 25-day sentence in military prison on Wednesday for refusing to join the Israeli army over its policies toward the Palestinians. Rabin, 19, from Kibbutz Harduf in northern Israel, arrived at Tel Hashomer conscription base on Monday, where she was brought before the IDF's conscientious objectors committee. Military conscription is mandatory for most Jewish Israelis. This is Rabin's third period of incarceration, while her appeal to the conscientious objectors committee is still pending. She was first imprisoned in August after appearing before the committee to appeal for an exemption. She was tried and sentenced to two different periods of incarceration, including during Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year." See <https://portside.org/2020-10-29/israeli-conscientious-objector-begins-third-stint-military-prison>

**Over 152,000 state and federal prisoners have tested positive for COVID** Oct 23  
 "The Marshall Project is collecting data on COVID-19 infections in state and federal prisons. See how the virus has affected correctional facilities where you live. Over 152,000 state and federal prisoners have tested positive for the coronavirus, over 1,275 have died, and last week saw a steep increase in the number of prison employees with known positives. In collaboration with the Associated Press here is our updated tracker." See <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/05/01/a-state-by-state-look-at-coronavirus-in-prisons>

**Notice Regarding Southport, Elmira & Greene Visitation** Oct 23  
 "In accordance with the NYS DOH guidance regarding residential congregate facilities in micro-cluster zones, visitation at Southport Correctional Facility will be temporarily suspended effective 3:00pm, Sunday, October 25, 2020. Please click this link [https://forward.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2020/10/congregate\\_facility\\_visitation\\_in\\_zones\\_10\\_23\\_2020.pdf](https://forward.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2020/10/congregate_facility_visitation_in_zones_10_23_2020.pdf) to see the DOH guidance. Unfortunately, as a result of the significant increase in COVID-19 infections among the incarcerated population at Greene and Elmira Correctional Facilities, effective today, October 21, 2020, at 3pm, visitation at the two facilities will temporarily be suspended until further notice. We have also suspended all transfers in or out of the two facilities and programs at this time." See <https://doccs.ny.gov/doccs-covid-19-report>

**When people came together in the 19th century to oppose the expanding slave system, they were considered an aberration — but the course they charted continues to this day** Oct 25

“This article is part of Abolition for the People, a series brought to you by a partnership between Kaepernick Publishing and LEVEL, a Medium publication for and about the lives of Black and Brown men. In 1981, Black Panther Party member Mumia Abu-Jamal was sentenced to death by a “hanging judge” for the killing of a white police officer in Philadelphia. In 2000, Amnesty International found that the case “was irredeemably tainted by politics and race and failed to meet international fair trial standards.” Mumia forms part of the generation of Black radicals on whom the state tested law-and-order propaganda and lockdown in the ’60s — a prelude to the carceral repression it would deploy against poor Black and Brown urban communities in the 1980s and 1990s. On death row, Mumia became a writer of great literary power, and we are pleased to present this piece as part of Abolition for the People. — The Editors, Kaepernick Publishing”

“When one thinks of the term abolition, there is a tendency to see it as a threat emerging from the left. Another perspective understands, however, that abolition is a natural response to a situation that has become untenable. What condition lay before the nation in its founding days? Slavery: human bondage, which sat like an incubus upon the new nation’s foundation, and transformed its stated aims and ideals into lies. After some reflection, perhaps, we will see that the notion of abolition has deep historical roots. Consider summer, 1776, when delegates from the Continental Congress gathered in a sweltering room in Philadelphia. These men, some of the country’s intellectual elite, were scientists, writers, doctors, and thinkers, yet their claims of the new nation’s ideals were thick with contradiction. They wrote and adopted a document that said, among other things, the following: We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or abolish it.” See <https://level.medium.com/from-one-struggle-to-another-lessons-from-the-first-abolition-movement-d78dd24bbcd3>

**COVID Ravages Navajo Nation As Trump Makes Election Play For Area** Oct 25

“Last spring, the COVID-19 pandemic struck the Navajo Nation worse than just about anywhere else in the United States or the rest of the world. Infections on the country’s largest American Indian reservation soared, reaching the highest per capita rate in the U.S. in May. “Our people out here were hit very hard, and it spread like wildfire in our community,” said Jeff Begay, a business consultant living in the tiny community of Navajo Mountain, Utah. Begay, who is Navajo, said federal aid on the reservation has been slow and ineffective. More than 550 people on the reservation have died from COVID-19. Even in remote Navajo Mountain, Begay said there was an outbreak of four cases at a nearby church earlier in the pandemic. In mid-May, the Nation’s infection rate was 2,304 cases per 100,000 people – one in every 43 Navajos on the reservation had contracted COVID-19. As help from the federal government lagged, nonprofits like Doctors Without Borders stepped in to fill the void.” See <https://portside.org/2020-10-26/covid-ravages-navajo-nation-trump-makes-election-play-area>

**Hunger-Striker Al-Akhras Finally Allowed Visit from Family** Oct 26

“The long-term hunger striker Maher al-Akhras, on the 90th day of his water-only hunger strike, was finally allowed to receive a visit from his wife and daughter on Sunday. It was a tearful reunion, as his young daughter embraced her father’s frail, bony body. al-Akhras is nearing death, according to medical personnel from the International Committee of the Red Cross who have been monitoring his medical condition. This is the first visit he has been allowed from his family since he was taken into custody on July 27th by Israeli authorities. He has also been denied access to legal counsel and has never been told what his charges are. Former political prisoner, researcher and the head of the Studies

and Documentation Committee of the Palestinian Commission of Detainees and Ex-Detainees, Abdul-Nasser Ferwana, told the IMEMC that the army wanted to move al-Akhras to the Ramla Prison Clinic after the soldiers invaded his room, but they eventually did not transfer him, and he is still in Kaplan Medical Center.” See <https://imemc.org/article/al-akhras-if-am-going-to-die-i-want-it-to-be-at-home/>

### **Philadelphia police shooting victim’s family sought ambulance, not police** Oct 27

“The family of a Black man killed when Philadelphia police officers fired a dozen rounds in a shooting caught on video had called for an ambulance to get him help with a mental health crisis, not for police intervention, their lawyer said Tuesday. Additionally, Walter Wallace’s wife is pregnant and is scheduled to have labor induced in coming days, the lawyer, Shaka Johnson, told reporters from the steps of a family home. Wallace’s father planned a statement later Tuesday, Johnson said. Philadelphia officials anticipated a second night of unrest Tuesday, and a Pennsylvania National Guard spokesperson told The Inquirer that several hundred guardsmen were expected to arrive in the city within 24 to 48 hours. Chief Police Inspector Frank Vanore said earlier at a news conference that police had received a call Monday about a man screaming and that he was armed with a knife. The two officers each fired at least seven rounds — at least 14 total shots — but could not say how many times Wallace, 27, was struck.” See <https://www.inquirer.com/news/philadelphia/live/philadelphia-protests-police-shooting-walter-wallace-jr-20201027.html>

### **Prisoners have their say on Black Lives Matter and “defunding” cops** Oct 27

“On the eve of an historic election, the incarcerated speak. The Black Lives Matter movement and police “defund” initiatives are more popular among incarcerated people than they are among those who are free, our new and latest survey of approximately 2,400 prisoners reveals. Even among incarcerated people who say they are Republicans, there was strong support for the transfer of public funding from police departments to mental health, drug treatment and other social services.” See <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/10/27/what-2-392-incarcerated-people-think-about-defundthepolice>

### **America's Protest Crackdown: Five Months After George Floyd, Hundreds Face Trials and Prison** Oct 27

“Lee Percy Christian III didn’t think Arizona law enforcement could stop him from protesting – until they locked him up indefinitely. Earlier this month, Christian, 27, was arrested for “unlawful assembly” after a Black Lives Matter protest in Phoenix and jailed without bond because of outstanding charges from previous demonstrations. Prosecutors later suggested bond be set at \$100,000. Christian’s lawyers and a judge agreed he could be released on a lower bond – if he didn’t participate in future public protests. Christian was mortified, but agreed to sign away his right to protests so he could leave jail – he had spent nine days locked up. “I’m guilty until proven innocent,” he said recently on the phone. “We’re in a police state, and the last thing the police want is for me to be out there using my voice.” See <https://portside.org/2020-10-28/americas-protest-crackdown-five-months-after-george-floyd-hundreds-face-trials-and>

### **Feds go after protesters with rarely used civil disorder law enacted in 1960s** Oct 27

“The statute has been used in at least two dozen cases across the country. But legal experts worry it can be “a dangerous road to go down.” MORE:by Erik Ortiz and Steven Vago (NBC News)When announcing federal charges against four men accused of torching police cars in Philadelphia during a protest in May, U.S. Attorney William McSwain gave a stark warning: He would use the full force of the federal government against others who cause mayhem.“If you engage in violent civil unrest and commit a federal crime in this district, we will come after you as hard as we can,” McSwain, of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, said at a news conference Thursday. “You will go to jail.”In addition to the arson offenses, federal prosecutors said a grand jury had charged the men with one count each of

"obstructing law enforcement in the commission of their duties during a civil disorder." See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/updates-3-nov-2020.pdf>

**Number of Women Alleging Misconduct by ICE Gynecologist Nearly Triples** Oct 27

"At least 17 women treated by a doctor alleged to have performed unnecessary or overly aggressive gynecological procedures without proper informed consent remain in detention at Irwin County Detention Center, a privately run facility in Georgia housing U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement detainees, according to a briefing and written materials submitted by attorneys and advocates to Senators in a closed-door meeting on Capitol Hill. The total number of women known to have been seen by the doctor since 2018 who say they underwent or were pressured to undergo unnecessary treatments has risen to 57 — a higher number than previously known — according to the group of lawyers." See <https://theintercept.com/2020/10/27/ice-irwin-women-hysterectomies-senate/>

**The Marshall Project: First came the protests, now come the prosecutions- America's protest crackdown: five months after George Floyd, hundreds face trials and prison** Oct 27

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**Amidst GOP Outrage, Advocates Say There's Nothing Controversial About Restoring the Vote to Parolees** Oct 27

"The Monroe County GOP and local right-wing commentators were busy fanning the flames of racist outrage in Rochester last week. The allegations read like a greatest hits of Republican fear-mongering tactics--alleged voter fraud, racial integration of the suburbs, a system gone soft on crime amidst a wave of "anti-police" sentiment--all as residents geared up for early voting. During a press conference last Thursday, local Republican Party Chair Bill Napier claimed that a former Black militant who recently moved to suburban Rochester broke the law by submitting a voter registration form shortly after he was released from prison on October 7th."It raises the question, who else is in the database who isn't entitled to vote?" Napier said. Local media ran with the story and the GOP's framing. WHAM went with the sensationalizing headline: "GOP calls for investigation after convicted cop killer registers to vote. "There's nothing new about local Republican Party operatives using racism and controversy to rile up their shrinking base during election season. See <https://nycabc.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/updates-3-nov-2020.pdf>

**Feds arrest prominent West Philly activist, 2 others in a case tied to torched police cars, as protests continue** Oct 28

"A prominent West Philadelphia activist who is the lead plaintiff in a civil rights lawsuit over police response to racial-injustice protests this spring was arrested by federal authorities Wednesday along with two others in a case tied to those demonstrations. Agents detained Anthony Smith, a social studies teacher and one of the organizers of the Philadelphia Coalition for Racial Economic and Legal Justice (Philly for REAL Justice), at his home Wednesday morning, his attorney Paul Hetznecker said. His arrest came just days after he was lauded in an article in Philadelphia Magazine for his activism. U.S. Attorney William M. McSwain has scheduled a news conference Thursday to announce the indictments on charges related to "police vehicle arsons." See <https://www.inquirer.com/news/philly-protests-anthony-smith-arrested-fbi-federal-charges-20201028.html>

### **Lax Masking, Short Quarantines, Ignored Symptoms: Inside a Prison Coronavirus Outbreak in ‘Disbeliever Country.’** Oct 29

“The number of COVID-19 cases have spiked in recent weeks across New York’s state prisons, including at Greene Correctional Facility in Coxsackie. According to the state Department of Corrections and Community Supervision’s website, 137 Greene prisoners had tested positive and 92 had recovered as of Oct. 28. Multiple accounts from inside the prison suggest that the cases are concentrated in one dorm—D-1. Residents we interviewed said that on Oct. 23, about 40 of the 50 men who lived there tested positive. The prison agency claims to have complied with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and the New York State Department of Health. But Greene residents described a response rife with inadequate quarantining, ignored symptoms, lack of treatment, men moving around the facility during the outbreak and inconsistent mask-wearing among staff and residents. Three men from D-1, Jermaine Archer, Cecil Myers and Eric Manners, shared their stories. The Department of Corrections and Community Supervision would not comment on the record about their accounts.” See <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/10/29/lax-masking-short-quarantines-ignored-symptoms-inside-a-prison-coronavirus-outbreak-in-disbeliever-country>

### **Federal Prosecutors Engaged in Unprecedented Push to Jail Protesters Before Trial**

Oct 30

“Shamar Betts never thought of himself as a radical. Last year, when he was 18 years old, he had a minimum-wage job at a camp for preschoolers in Urbana, Illinois, teaching them to play chess and explore nature. In a parents’ handbook, Betts described himself as a vegetarian who didn’t “believe in harming any living being.” As Covid-19 spread, Betts’s hours were reduced to zero, leaving him with more free time. When a Minneapolis police officer killed George Floyd on May 25, resulting in a flood of civil unrest, he felt called to action; his best friend had been killed by Chicago police in 2017. He attended a small march where there were more white people in attendance than Black; the crowd’s energy didn’t reflect the rage and pain that he felt.” See <https://theintercept.com/2020/10/30/federal-prosecutors-protests-pretrial-detention/>

### **Louisville officer involved in Breonna Taylor's death files lawsuit against her boyfriend** Oct 30

“Louisville police Sgt. Jonathan Mattingly, who was shot in the leg during the deadly March 13 raid at Breonna Taylor's apartment, filed a lawsuit against her boyfriend alleging assault, battery and emotional distress. The suit claims that Kenneth Walker's conduct was "outrageous, intolerable and offends all accepted standards of decency and morality" when he fired a shot that night, which police have said struck Mattingly in the thigh.” See [https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/louisville-officer-involved-breonna-taylor-s-death-files-lawsuit-against-n1245464?cid=sm\\_npd\\_nn\\_tw\\_ma](https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/louisville-officer-involved-breonna-taylor-s-death-files-lawsuit-against-n1245464?cid=sm_npd_nn_tw_ma)

### **Philadelphia Cops Attack and Beat Woman, Steal Her 2-Year-Old, and Post Photo of Themselves “Protecting” the Child** Oct 30

“The nation’s largest police union, the Fraternal Order of Police, posted an image to social media Thursday of a white Philadelphia police officer comforting a young Black child, pushing the image as further evidence of police benevolence in the face of demonstrations that have led to violence. Protests in the city this week have resulted in nightly clashes with police after officers shot and killed a Black man, Walter Wallace Jr., whose family said he was in the midst of a mental health crisis when police arrived on the scene. The police union presented the image of the officer this way: “This lost child was wandering around barefoot during the violent riots in Philadelphia. The only thing this Philly police officer cared about was protecting this child,” the FOP tweet reads. “We are not your enemy. We are the Thin Blue Line. WE ARE the only thing standing between Order & Anarchy.” It turns out the tweet was totally bogus (and later deleted). A similar Facebook post was also posted and subsequently taken down. Lawyers for the young boy’s family say the image does indeed capture a terrifying incident—the moments after Philadelphia police smashed the windows of the mother’s car and dragged her out of the

vehicle along with her 16-year-old nephew. The incident took place as the family was driving 10 blocks away from where the Wallace Jr. shooting occurred earlier that day.” See <https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2020/10/police-union-posts-propaganda-photo-white-officer-comforting-black-child-during-philadelphia-wallace-protests.html>

**The relentlessly rising toll of COVID-19 inside.** Oct 30

“The number of new cases of coronavirus among state and federal prisoners rose dramatically this week. More than 8,300 people were reported to have tested positive—the second-highest number since the pandemic began in the spring—as outbreaks emerged in South Dakota, Wisconsin, Kansas, New York and other states. And prison workers are being hit badly, too. More than 2,200 prison staff tested positive, the highest number of new cases on record. In collaboration with the Associated Press, here is our updated tracker.” See <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/05/01/a-state-by-state-look-at-coronavirus-in-prisons>

**Akhras enters day 96 of his hunger strike** Oct 30

“Prisoner Maher Al-Akhras continues his open hunger strike for the 96th consecutive day Friday, rejecting his administrative detention amid a serious deterioration of his health condition. The Israeli Supreme Court rejected on Thursday the prisoner's lawyer's petition to release him and transfer him to a Palestinian hospital. Qadoura Fares, the head of the Prisoner's Society, considered the court decision an execution decision against the prisoner in view of the seriousness of his health condition.” See <https://english.palinfo.com/news/2020/10/30/Akhras-enters-day-96-of-his-hunger-strike>

**Across the U.S., Trump Used ICE to Crack Down on Immigration Activists** Nov 1

“Immigration authorities under President Donald Trump's administration have pursued a widespread campaign of official retaliation against immigrant rights advocates around the country, according to a newly released database and searchable map assembled by the Immigrant Rights Clinic at New York University Law School. Though some of the more than 1,000 incidents of alleged retaliation catalogued in the NYU Law map have been previously reported on — many of them in The Intercept — and others have even been the subject of high-profile litigation, those instances have often been viewed in isolation. The NYU Law map, which was published under the banner of Immigrant Rights Voices in partnership with the immigration advocates of New Sanctuary Coalition, represents the most comprehensive effort to date to document all known instances of official retaliation against immigrant rights advocates. As such, it paints a picture of a practice so widespread as to seemingly constitute an official policy of using the powers of the state against critics of an unchecked immigration apparatus.” See <https://theintercept.com/2020/11/01/ice-immigration-activists-map/>

**100 days Palestinian Akhras's life is in big danger! Abu Bakr: Akhras's life is in big danger** Nov 1

“Qadri Abu Bakr, the head of the Prisoners and Ex-prisoners Affairs Authority, warned on Sunday of the seriousness of Akhras's health condition. He pointed out that Akhras began to gradually lose his vision and hearing abilities and became unable to speak, other than dangers threatening his vital organs. Bakr said that Akhras is approaching the 100th day of his hunger strike, and the Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) are still refusing and procrastinating his release and insist that Akhras must complete his current administrative detention.” See <https://english.palinfo.com/news/2020/11/1/Abu-Bakr-Akhras-s-life-is-in-big-danger>

**Study examines aging NC prison population, policies keeping people imprisoned longer** Nov 2

“A new study examining the aging population of North Carolina's prisons, the policy history that has led to people being imprisoned for longer and what that means for the system and the state. The report, from UNC-Chapel Hill Political Science professor Frank Baumgartner and student Sydney Johnson,

documents “a powerful shift toward an older prison population, based on a small share of all those incarcerated being sentenced to terms of 50 years and longer, and to the elimination of parole.”

The result: prisons that grow more like nursing homes each year.

“The system has not yet come close to reaching a steady state,” the report concludes. “So for at least the next 20 years we can expect that the number of older individuals in the system will continue to rise, and dramatically so.” See <http://pulse.ncpolicywatch.org/2020/10/12/study-examines-aging-nc-prison-population-policies-keeping-people-imprisoned-longer/>

### **Israeli arrest raids target Palestinian women activists and leftist organizers: Free Khitam Saafin, Shatha Tawil and all Palestinian prisoners! Nov 2**

“In the pre-dawn hours of 2 November 2020 – on the anniversary of the colonial Balfour declaration and only days after the one-year anniversary of the imprisonment of Palestinian feminist, leftist and parliamentarian Khalida Jarrar – Israeli occupation forces stormed the homes of women’s movement and student movement leaders, former prisoners and leftist organizers throughout the occupied West Bank of Palestine. They seized Khitam Saafin, the president of the Union of Palestinian Women’s Committees and student leader Shatha al-Tawil, a Bir Zeit University student, after invading their homes in al-Bireh.” See <https://samidoun.net/2020/11/israeli-arrest-raids-target-palestinian-women-activists-and-leftist-organizers-free-khitam-saafin-shatha-tawil-and-all-palestinian-prisoners/>

### **ICE Medical Misconduct Witness Slated for Deportation Is a U.S. Citizen, Says Lawyer Nov 2**

Alma Bowman, a 54-year-old woman in U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement custody, is scheduled for deportation on Monday. For over two years, Bowman has been held at Georgia’s Irwin County Detention Center, the site of growing concern about medical neglect and coerced gynecological procedures performed on nearly 60 women. She has been a key witness, for attorneys and journalists, of a doctor performing the allegedly unnecessary or overly aggressive procedures. She is also a U.S. citizen, according to her lawyer and documentation reviewed by The Intercept. “I’m just scared,” Bowman told The Intercept about her potential deportation. “I always had this fear that I’ll lose touch with my family.” Though she was ordered removed from the country on June 4, ICE only took action to begin her deportation in the last few weeks — after the public became aware of allegations of medical misconduct at Irwin. Following the initiation of deportation proceedings against her, a lawyer finally began reviewing documents for Bowman’s immigration case and realized that she had documentation indicating her U.S. citizenship.” See <https://theintercept.com/2020/11/02/ice-medical-misconduct-us-citizen-deportation>

### **COVID Cases in NY State Prisons Spiked; We Rallied for Release Nov 2**

“Last week, we joined the Center for Community Alternatives, #HALTsolitary Campaign, New Hour for Women and Children, and many others across New York State to demand Cuomo release people as the number of COVID cases inside Elmira and several other NY State prisons record highs. Advocates, formerly incarcerated people, and the families of incarcerated loved ones gathered outside Elmira prison, Cuomo’s NYC Office, Albany State Capitol, and Senator Kaminsky’s office in Long Island to show statewide solidarity in calling for #ClemencyNow, the passage of Elder Parole and Fair, Timely RAPP: Parole, HALT Solitary Act, and more. See press from the rallies here

<https://www.ithacajournal.com/story/news/public-safety/2020/10/27/protest-held-over-covid-19-outbreak-elmira-correctional-facility/6052176002/> here:

<https://www.northcountrypublicradio.org/news/story/42571/20201027/as-covid-cases-surge-in-ny-prisons-advocates-ask-cuomo-to-release-more-inmates> here:

<https://blog.timesunion.com/capitol/archives/290966/as-covid-19-spikes-in-state-prisons-activists-call-for-more-aggressive-response-by-state-leaders/> and here <https://spectrumlocalnews.com/nys/central-ny/news/2020/10/27/nearly-25--of-elmira-correctional-is-covid-positive>. The day after the rally,

Governor Cuomo misled the public, telling reporters that his administration has “already done clemencies and been very aggressive about it in light of COVID.” His staff also backed this statement and claimed to be following science in their response to COVID in prisons, despite refusing to listen to public health experts’ advice to release people. Read our response statement here:

<https://twitter.com/RAPPcampaign/status/1321513959460143105> ”

### **Civil rights activists question NYPD preparation for protests** Nov 2

“The New York City Police Department has been gearing up for potential protests and rioting around the contentious presidential election – and on Sunday, they got in a little practice time. NYPD officers, sporting riot gear and body armor, violently arrested 10 protesters – including two journalists – who had planned to partake in a counter-protest against a rally for President Donald Trump in Manhattan that never materialized. Protestors who were present at the anti-Trump demonstration questioned the officers’ justification and wondered if their response was intended to intimidate progressive activists.”

See <https://www.cityandstateny.com/articles/politics/new-york-city/civil-rights-activists-question-nypd-preparation-protests.html>

### **Members of Rochester’s faith community are speaking out amid calls to investigate a parolee after he reportedly registered to vote.** Nov 4

“Anthony Bottom, also known as Jalil Muntaqim, was convicted of killing two New York City police officers in 1971. He was serving a sentence of 25 years to life in prison before being granted parole last month. Monroe County GOP Chairman Bill Napier says Bottom registered to vote within 48 hours of his release. He is urging the Monroe County District Attorney’s Office to investigate if any crimes were committed. Wednesday, Rev. Lewis Stewart called it a “vindictive act” against Bottom, as well as an act of political grandstanding. This is a bogus charge, a trumped-up charge, a shameful charge, a racially-motivated charge,” said Stewart. “What hope is there for parolees who change their lives, reenter society to do good, and then have their past ever held against them by powerful, grandstanding politicians?” Bottom was later removed from the eligible voter list. A spokesperson for District Attorney Sandra Doorley said she is reviewing the matter. Bottom was convicted in the 1971 deaths of Officers Waverly Jones and Joseph Piagentini. Stewart says Bottom is remorseful for his actions and has taken steps while incarcerated to atone for the crimes. The state automatically restores voting privileges for individuals who have served their entire sentence or finished parole. Bottom did not meet these standards and had not been issued a pardon.

Former Rochester City Court judge Leticia Astacio said matters concerning felons voting can be confusing. She encourages parolees to check with their parole officers before registering to vote to make sure they are able to do so. “If it’s confusing to attorneys and to governors and to other people whether felons can vote, then it’s confusing to pretty much anyone,” she said.” See

<https://13wham.com/news/local/faith-leaders-call-charge-against-cop-killer-who-registered-to-vote-vindictive-act>

### **On the Conditions Facilitating Our Dying** – bayareaintifada Nov 4

“As Africans in America we must understand that our constant dying is not coincidence but the result of conditions(1) created by White Supremacist Capitalism. Some of these conditions, such as poverty or inaccessible healthcare kill us slowly, over the duration of our whole lives; while others, like qualified immunity(2) and stand your ground laws, give state actors and white vigilantes free license to end black and brown lives instantly. But despite the nature of our dying, the fact remains that the state is actively facilitating that death and we cannot vote away our dying as much as we can’t vote away the very state that is killing us. The same state that imposed these conditions upon us will not remove them because to do so would be to self-destruct. The conditions are its very essence. There is no US without state sanctioned killing and ritualistic violence towards black people. The same way this violence is hardwired into the cultural psyche of whites(3) it is codified into the DNA of the state because in this

country state power has always been informed by white power.” See

<https://bayareaintifada.wordpress.com/2020/11/04/on-the-conditions-facilitating-our-dying/>

**NLG Minnesota Condemns MPD For Mass Arrest of Hundreds, Including Minors** Nov 5

“The Minnesota Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild (NLG-MN) stands in solidarity with the hundreds of demonstrators kettled and arbitrarily arrested last night on I-94. These protesters gathered to demand that all votes be counted—a fundamental tenet of a political system that claims to be democratic. At the direction of elected officials, law enforcement arrested over 600 people and cited many others, including four NLG Legal Observers (LOs) and half a dozen or more minors. At least one person was taken into custody, a young Black woman charged with assault of an officer, and is still in jail. NLG-MN unequivocally condemns these arrests and citations. Leading up to the arrests and citations, law enforcement gave no orders to disperse. As people attempted to exit the freeway using access roads, they were not allowed to leave by officers and were then subject to pepper spray. The action was carried out by Minnesota State Troopers, Hennepin County sheriffs, and Minneapolis Police Department (MPD); there are unconfirmed reports that the National Guard was also present. A number of legislators and others have contacted Governor Tim Walz’s office, and have reported the governor’s remarks that last night’s law enforcement actions were intended to “teach a lesson.” After being cited, arrestees were put on buses and dropped off at random locations, including the University of Minnesota campus, U.S. Bank Stadium, Lake Harriet, Bloomington, and others. NLG-MN worked with local activists and jail support to organize car caravans to safely shuttle arrestees back to Minneapolis.” See <https://www.nlg.org/nlg-minnesota-condemns-mpd-for-mass-arrest-of-hundreds-including-minors/>

**That's Not Gangster, That's Love: Eddie Conway and Jose Saldaña Talking** Nov 5

“Why do prison abolitionists argue that people who spend years behind bars are exactly the ones we need out in the world to help mend our broken communities? The answer starts to emerge when you listen to Eddie Conway and Jose Saldaña. Eddie was Lieutenant of Security for Baltimore’s Black Panther Party when he was sentenced to life plus 30 years. He spent 44 years in Maryland prisons, was released in 2014, and now reports for The Real News Network. Jose was in the NYC Young Lords Party when he was sentenced to 25 years to life. He was paroled after 38 years in New York prisons, and now leads Release Aging People in Prison/RAPP, which works to change state policies that incarcerate thousands of people – mostly Black and Brown – for decades. Jose and Eddie spent most of their lives locked up, and survived largely by mentoring men inside, based on what they’d learned in the Panthers and Young Lords. **What follows is a virtual haiku of their 90-minute online conversation that I moderated for RAPP on October 28.** I began by asking them what it was like to face a life sentence as a politically aware person.” See <https://www.counterpunch.org/2020/11/05/thats-not-gangster-thats-love-eddie-conway-and-jose-saldana-talking/>

**Hunger-striking Palestinian Prisoner Maher Al-Akhras Ends Hunger Strike** Nov 6

“Hunger-striking Palestinian detainee in Israeli jails, Maher Al-Akhras, ended today his hunger strike which lasted for 103 days, after he had reached an agreement with the Israeli authorities to release him on November 26. Al-Akhras, a father of six who comes from the northern West Bank district of Jenin, was detained on July 27 and slammed with a four-month administrative detention order without any clear charges and based on secret evidence not available even to his lawyers. He immediately went on a hunger strike demanding his release from prison. Attempts by his attorneys to have him spend the rest of his detention period at a Palestinian hospital have so far failed to yield results with the Israeli High Court insisting to keep him at an Israel hospital while refusing to end his illegal detention.” See <https://www.palestinechronicle.com/hunger-striking-palestinian-prisoner-maher-al-akhras-ends-hunger-strike/>

### **A State-by-State Look at Coronavirus in Prisons-COVID-19 cases soar inside prisons, tracking broader waves across the country** Nov 6

“COVID-19 cases soar inside prisons, tracking broader waves across the country. The number of new coronavirus infections among state and federal prisoners in recent weeks neared the peak levels of August. There were significant jumps in cases in prisons in South Dakota, Wisconsin, Kansas, and New York, as well as outbreaks in Arkansas, Michigan and Minnesota, among others. Nearly 170,000 prisoners have tested positive for COVID-19 since March. At least 1,361 prisoners have died. Over 38,000 prison employees also have tested positive. At least 91 have died.” See <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/05/01/a-state-by-state-look-at-coronavirus-in-prisons>

### **Palestinian feminist leader Khitam Saafin ordered to six months in Israeli administrative detention** Nov 9

“Detained Palestinian feminist and women’s organizer Khitam Saafin was ordered by an Israeli military commander to six months in administrative detention, imprisonment without charge or trial, on 9 November 2020. The President of the Union of Palestinian Women’s Committees, Saafin was seized along with six other Palestinian activists and human rights defenders on 2 November 2020. She was last arrested by Israeli occupation forces in 2017, when she was ordered to three months in administrative detention — leading to a global outcry. We urge all supporters of justice in Palestine and women’s organizing to speak out and protest to demand freedom for Khitam Saafin and her fellow Palestinian women prisoners.” See <https://samidoun.net/2020/11/palestinian-feminist-leader-khitam-saafin-ordered-to-six-months-in-israeli-administrative-detention/>

### **Only five New Yorkers released from prison through medical parole since the start of the pandemic** Nov 10

“In the last eight months, the number of people in New York State prisons has dropped to just under 35,800 — the lowest the population has been in 34 years. Yet only five people have been released on medical parole since mid-March — and for some nearing the end of life, a last chance for freedom during the age of coronavirus feels far out of reach. The state’s Department of Corrections and Community Supervision has released more than 3,116 people since March 16 over coronavirus concerns, according to state data. Of those, 791 were accused of low-level parole violations, 2,313 were within 90 days of their release and another 12 women were pregnant or postpartum.” See <https://www.nydailynews.com/coronavirus/ny-coronavirus-new-york-prison-parole-board-medical-parole-20201110-wt5f66w6xretpjhlweizjfbka-story.html>

### **A Sad Day for Owe Aku and the Lakota Oyate** Nov 10

“To our allies, relatives and friends from Owe Aku International Justice Project: This morning our leader and matriarch, Debra White Plume, began her star journey after succumbing to cancer. Her daughter, Rosebud White Plume, made the following statement to our family, friends, and allies: "At 5:45 this morning while surrounded by her loved ones our Ina, sister, Aunty, grandmother “Wioweya Najin Win” Debra Lynne White Plume Reshaw took her final breath as she began her transition back to the Universe.... We will forever look to the stars and remember her loving voice as we await for our time to join her..." We will post details as arrangements are made. Rest in Peace and Power dear Sister.” See <https://oweakuinternational.org/sober-indian-dangerous-indian.html>

### **Palestinian Prisoner with Cancer Dies in Israeli Jails** Nov 10

“Cancer-stricken Palestinian prisoner, Kamal Abu Wa’ar, 46, died today in Israeli jails following a severe deterioration in his health due to medical negligence. Abu Wa’ar, from Jenin’s town of Qabatiya, suffered from throat cancer. He was arrested in 2003 and sentenced to multiple life sentences for resisting the occupation. Abu Wa’ar was the first Palestinian prisoner in Israeli detention to have tested

positive for the highly contagious COVID-19 last July.” See

<https://www.palestinechronicle.com/palestinian-prisoner-with-cancer-dies-in-israeli-jails/>

### **Massive coronavirus surge behind bars** Nov 12

“Grim milestone for the pandemic in prisons. Since March, we’ve been keeping track of how many people in prison, including staff, have contracted COVID-19, and how many have died from the disease. This week, new infections among prisoners increased sharply to their highest level since the start of the pandemic, far exceeding previous peaks. At least 182,593 people in prison had tested positive for the illness, an 8 percent increase from the week before. Iowa, Michigan and the federal prison system each saw more than 1,000 prisoners test positive this week, while Texas prisons surpassed 2,000 new cases. Cases among staff also continue a troubling rise. In collaboration with the Associated Press, here is our updated tracker” See <https://www.themarshallproject.org/2020/05/01/a-state-by-state-look-at-coronavirus-in-prisons>

### **Pandemic's Deadly Toll Behind Bars Spurs Calls For Change In U.S. Jails And Prisons** Nov 12

“San Quentin State Prison in California is among several across the U.S. that have experienced coronavirus outbreaks. Prisoner's rights advocates are pleading for more action to help stop the deadly toll taken by the pandemic that has ravaged America's jails and prisons. Their calls come as the country grapples with increases in cases and hospitalizations from the coronavirus, forcing states and cities to impose tougher restrictions on public gatherings. The advocates want faster, early release of older and medically vulnerable inmates, those nearing their parole date, as well as non-violent prisoners with a track record of good behavior. "Things are as bad as ever," says attorney Jamie Popper, who works on prisoners' rights issues in South Carolina and California with the group Root & Rebound, reentry advocates." It shows that the government is failing to protect the most vulnerable people who can't protect themselves because of their status as incarcerated people." See <https://www.npr.org/sections/coronavirus-live-updates/2020/11/12/934363254/pandemics-deadly-toll-behind-bars-spurs-calls-for-change-in-u-s-jails-and-prison>

### **80 percent of those who died of Covid-19 in Texas county jails were never convicted of a crime**

Nov 12

“Over 230 people have died from Covid-19 in Texas’s correctional facilities — and in county jails, nearly 80 percent of them were in pretrial detention and hadn’t even been convicted of a crime, [according to a new report](#). A team of researchers at the University of Austin at Texas reviewed data from the the Texas Justice Initiative which collects information from multiple sources including the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ). They found that at least 231 people have died of Covid-19 in the state’s correctional facilities between March and October. This report only looked at state-operated prisons and county-operated jails, as researchers were focused on how Texas’s Covid-19 prison policies had fared.” See <https://www.vox.com/2020/11/12/21562278/jails-prisons-texas-covid-19-coronavirus-crime-prisoners-death>

### **Faith and Community Leaders Call On DA to Drop "Politically-Motivated" Prosecution of Jalil Muntaqim** Nov 12

“Local faith leaders, elected officials, and community members are demanding District Attorney Sandra Doorley drop all charges against a formerly-incarcerated man who is accused of illegally registering to vote.



“Rev. Lane Campbell speaks in support of Jalil Muntaqim Thursday (PHOTO: D LAMEN)”

"For far too long our elders have been incarcerated as political prisoners, kept behind bars for years on end, when our communities need them now more than ever," Reverend Lane Campbell said Thursday during a press conference in front of Spiritus Christi Church. "Jalil Muntaqim is welcomed back into the community with open arms," she said. "And he deserves to be reunited with his children, his grandchildren, and his great-grandchildren." See <https://www.reclaimingthenarrative.org/post/faith-and-community-leaders-call-on-da-to-drop-politically-motivated-prosecution-of-jalil-muntaqim>

### **Kings Bay Plowshare 7 sentenced Nov 14**

“Clare Grady and Carmen Trotta of the Kings Bay Plowshares 7 were sentenced to over a year in jail, probation, and large fines. The other defendants will be sentenced in the coming days. Clare Grady spoke at the UNAC conference last February and others of the 7 attended. These people should be seen as heroes of our movement. The Kings Bay Plowshare 7 were convicted for an act of civil resistance done to protest the country's nuclear weapons program. They are members of the Catholic Workers Community, which has a long history of peace activism. On April 4, 2018, on the 50th anniversary of the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the seven entered the Kings Bay Naval Base in St. Marys, Georgia and “beat swords into plowshares.” They took hammers, bottles of their own blood and crime scene tape and spray-painted antiwar slogans, spread their blood, and hammered at a monument to nuclear war. Kings Bay houses nuclear submarines each armed with 20 Trident missiles each with multiple nuclear warheads. To read more about the 7 and their action, please go to their web site: <https://kingsbayplowshares7.org/>. There are specific tasks there we can all do for their defense and for our common goal of a nuclear free world.”

## In the Spirit of Mandela Campaign

Jericho is spearheading the “In the Spirit of Mandela” IT (International Tribunal) 2021 campaign proposed by co-founder of the National Jericho Movement Jalil Abdul Muntaqim. This initiative appeals to the international community, including the International Commission of Jurists, to call for special hearings within the United Nations to review the cases of Political Prisoners. In collaboration with interested others, much headway is being made regarding organizing efforts. The campaign “In the Spirit of Mandela” is busy researching the charges for the tribunal, laying the groundwork, collaborating, attending working sessions, among other activities.

Set your calendars now: The International Tribunal on U.S. Human Rights Violations and Political Prisoners (ITUSHRPP) is set to take place in October 2021. We intend to document, in detailed evidentiary form and utilizing all available contemporary human rights precedents, the gross violations faced by colonized people and those who have defended basic self-determination principles. But this will not be a narrow or dry legalistic affair. This people’s Tribunal is designed to both educate and mobilize, so renewed fight back movements can emerge and be strengthened. We are aware that we stand on formidable shoulders.

In the 1940’s, W.E.B. DuBois first petitioned the newly-formed United Nations regarding the rights of U.S.-born people of African descent; in the 1950’s Paul Robeson was one of a number who “Charged Genocide” against the U.S. government to the global body.

Minister Malcolm X’s formation in 1964 of the Organization of Afro-American Unity was part of a direct campaign to put the case of “the 22 million Black people who are the victims of Americanism” before the Organization of African Unity and the U.N. On Human Rights Day 1978, attorney Lennox Hinds— working on behalf of the National Conference of Black Lawyers, the Commission for Racial Justice of the United Church of Christ, and the National Alliance Against Racism—petitioned the UN’s Human Rights Commission, resulting in a team of seven international jurists investigating cases of gross violations pertaining to U.S. political prisoners.

Throughout the 1980’s and 1990’s, Dr. Luis Nieves Falcon and a wide array of petitioners held a variety of Tribunals in Europe, the U.S., and Puerto Rico, with verdicts indicating further abuses of the U.S. prison, police, political, and military systems. And in 2014, the UN Human Rights Committee issued a report criticizing the U.S. for 25 distinct violations of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. **We are aware that the people’s voice—including the voices of our long-incarcerated elders—must be heard!**

Mutulu Shakur asserted the need for a U.S. process of truth and reconciliation, and many have begun to discuss and implement grassroots forum for truth-telling, where witnesses listen and reflect upon voices “from the margins” to organize for an end to structural and militarized state violence. Jalil Muntaqim has called for campaigns “In the Spirit of Mandela,” where the international social and political context which helped revise the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners in 2015 be utilized in the case of those incarcerated in the U.S. Our International Tribunal will call for testimony from both sides of the wall, both on issues of the torturous conditions of political imprisonment and on the root colonial and neo-colonial conditions and repression which inevitably lead to growing numbers of political prisoners. We will not separate the work to free our prisoners with the work to free the land, and for ultimate liberation of all."

## Get Ready for I.T. 2021!



**I.T. 2021**

(International Tribunal October 2021)

Dear Friend,

Please begin to prepare for the “International Tribunal” organized by the *In the Spirit of Mandela Coalition*. At this early date we solicit your assistance in the brainstorming, planning, and donating. We value your input and what you do and have done for the movement and championing real issues impacting communities across America, prisons, and people of color. The “In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela” initiative is the brainchild of Jericho’s co-founder Jalil Muntaqim (Anthony Bottom). Hopefully, you will agree to assist, and if you do, please feel free to engage at your own level of comfort and capacity.

**Date: October 22 – October 26, 2021**

**Location: Medgar Evers College, New York**

Formally indicting the United States government and its States with historical, systematic, and ongoing human rights violations against people of color, working class people, and the planet!

### Outcomes

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Jericho meets virtually to work on the campaign “In the Spirit of Mandela/I.T. 2021”. Due to Covid19, we are restructuring our meetings to online. For future meetings contact [nycjericho@gmail.com](mailto:nycjericho@gmail.com) if you are interested in becoming involved. We invite you to support this initiative. **Everyone is encouraged to check out the website <http://spiritofmandela.org>**. In the Spirit of Mandela, activists across the country are urged to join and support in whatever way they are able in political solidarity toward the building of the National Coalition for the Human Rights of Political Prisoners”.

**Please read our invitation below and contact us if you are interested in endorsing, sponsoring, or otherwise becoming involved in “The Spirit of Mandela” initiative.**

## “Greetings of Peace!

“It is said that no one truly knows a nation until one has been inside its jails. A nation should not be judged by how it treats its highest citizens, but its lowest ones.” **Nelson Mandela**

“The government can become so elitist and concentrate on elitist interests. To help the government, you must constantly hold its attention.” **Winnie Madikizela-Mandela**

The IN THE SPIRIT OF MANDELA coalition invites you to join our campaign to develop an International Coalition to acknowledge, recognize and push for the release of US held Political Prisoners. The conditions under which US political prisoners are forced to live, and the length of their sentences violates international law and the UN Nelson Mandela Rules. In December 2015, the United Nations General Assembly adopted its landmark resolution 70/175 entitled “United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules”) (<https://www.penalreform.org/priorities/prison-conditions/standard-minimum-rules/>). These Rules condemn the United States’ policies and practices of punitive solitary confinement, medical neglect and long-term solitary confinement. This particular international initiative stems from a call from co-founder of the National Jericho Movement to Free All Political Prisoners, Jalil Abdul Muntaqim. Although efforts to present our issues in the international arena certainly are not new—Malcolm X urged such in the 1960s—this Initiative begins with a much-needed renewed energy, focus and commitment.

While constantly organizing and soliciting endorsers and sponsors, our first campaign objective was to contact the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) (<https://www.icj.org>) to initiate a formal investigation into the holding of Political Prisoners in the United States. Representatives from the ICJ had come to the United States before in 1979 to visit Political prisoners Sundiata Acoli and Ed Poindexter. Some forty years later these prisoners still remain in prison. Ultimately, we hope to use this investigation to bring the following results:

- Generate international awareness and attention
- Implore the United Nation to convene a Truth and Reconciliation Tribunal to explore, expose and address the social, economic and political historic conditions of people of color, and particularly black people in the United States, revolutionaries and movement organizations that struggle against these conditions, and the government’s brutal and illegal response to those organizations and people resulting in the deaths and incarcerations of hundreds
- Build political and legal pressure to call for the release of Political Prisoners

We realize that we have a difficult job ahead, but the more national and international solidarity we garner, the greater the chances for victory. We hope you will join the campaign by -

1. Agreeing to support by clearly identifying your organization and contact person;
2. Providing your accurate email and phone number (We will keep you informed of developments of this initiative); and
3. Partaking of the unique experience of collectively brain storming strategies to bring this struggle to the international arena and to the United Nations.

Your input is valued at any level.



In solidarity,

The National Jericho Movement  
In the Spirit of Mandela Coalition

**FREE ALL U.S. HELD POLITICAL PRISONERS!!!**

## Moving Forward

As we move towards accomplishing our goals, we seek to continue to form new alliances to help build a more unified front both nationally and internationally. We look forward to expanding our scope of services as well as increasing our dedicated members, especially reaching out to the youth to carry on the torch of justice for not only our beloved freedom fighters who are now elders **still** in these dungeons, but also for those Political Prisoners who are to come in the future-and surely, they will, given the escalating oppression and fascism that is swiftly seeping through every “right” in this country. Unless a sudden change permeates the power structures, the number of political prisoners will grow. COINTELPRO is still alive and running many missives in which to entrap those who oppose the tyrannical, oppressive & racism regime. In the many decades of their operations they have become even more cunning and sophisticated. Our hope is to unify the people who truly want to move forward towards a better future for all, **not just some**-and to use the power of unified numbers to stand as strong as a spider web against those who have chosen a destructive path to abolish human rights.

As our Political Prisoners/Prisoners of War are aging and too many have already died behind these dungeon walls, it is imperative that we as a collective, continue to go even harder in the quest for their freedom. They have been waiting patiently... for 30, 40, 50 years. As Jericho has withstood many obstacles in the past 20+ years, we are still here, and we will not fall back. We are relentless in bringing our beloved freedom fighters’ home.

“For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.”—**Nelson Mandela**

## Gratitude and Appreciation

It is with great gratitude that we express our sincere appreciation to you-our supporters. Without your help, we could not accomplish all that we do for our Political Prisoner's/Prisoners of War. From helping their families visit them, to assisting with legal and medical needs, to putting monies in their commissary as well as providing forums wherein we can hold events to educate others about our Political Prisoners/Prisoners of War, your support helps make this possible. We know it, and our Political Prisoner's/Prisoners of War know it as well. There is power in the people, and this is where freedom lies. It is because of people such as yourselves, who so graciously give of your time, your donations as well as your thoughts towards this cause, that brings us closer to the day when we can finally say-They are Home at Last....Can you imagine? After sacrificing for the community-the community is the one who brings them home. After languishing in a steel dungeon waiting for freedom for decades, when that door finally swings open and they finally step into their family’s arms for good, it will be a powerful day indeed.

We are all links that join together as one. No act, no deed is too small. Together we are strong, powerful. We just have to keep going-as they did back in the days when they were fighting the same old oppressive, racist regime.

***“Freedom can never be taken for granted. Each generation must safeguard it and extend it. Your parents and elders sacrificed much so that you should have freedom without suffering what they did. Use this precious right to ensure that the darkness of the past never return.”—Nelson Mandela.***

Thank you-for safeguarding and extending the fight for justice, freedom, and human rights. There is a

light down the way, it is called our children's eyes. May they know a better world.

As you know, the obstacles to helping free our political prisoners are immense. It is to challenge the superpower and its many facets. It is to fight repression through education, organizing, mobilizing, and creating a movement that embraces freedom and dignity for all people and freedom for all Political Prisoners.

Your financial support at this time is needed for Jericho's continued work and effectiveness. If you cannot support financially, please do continue to read our newsletters, share them widely, tell others about our Political Prisoners/Prisoners of War-volunteer to help us if you can, for everything matters and no sincere deed is left unnoticed. We are the ones, for a prisoner's options are limited, we have the key, we just have to figure out together, how to unlock those doors.

## **Free all Political Prisoners!**

In Struggle and Gratitude, The National Jericho Movement

**Please consider signing up to be a being a Monthly Sustainer!  
Your Generous Contributions  
Help Us Provide Real Support to our Political Prisoners!**

\_\_\_ \$25 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_\$75 \_\_\_\$100\_\_\_\$250 \_\_\_\$ Other\_\_\_

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**Mail to: "Jericho Treasury/Michael Alston"**  
**Ashanti Alston**  
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Or visit our website at: <http://www.thejerichomovement.com/donate> and click our "donate" button.