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KEEPING IT REAL

Federal Judge Rules Minority Business Development Agency Discriminates Against Whites



(Graphic by Chris Allen, VOICE)

arly this month, a federal judge in Texas, Mark T. Pittman, ruled that the Minority Business Development Agency must also serve white people.

According to Pittman, who was appointed to the bench by former President Donald J. Trump, the presumption that the white business owners were not disadvantaged was a violation of equal protection under the law as guaranteed by 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

In his ruling Pittman wrote an almost unbelievable statement, "If courts mean what they say when they ascribe supreme importance to constitutional rights, the federal government may not violate such rights with impunity." He then declared, "Time's up."

Time's up for what? The support and assistance offered to minority businesses by this agency? The nation's quest to level the playing field for those disadvantaged by years of slavery, Jim Crow, lynchings, discrimination, low wages, poor housing, inadequate education and the list

goes on.

The Minority Business Development Agency, was created in 1979 to help minority-owned businesses who were not asking for a hand out, just a hand. With his March 6 ruling, Pittman in essence determined minority owned businesses do not need a hand when he declared the agency discriminates against white people and as a result, must now offer its services to people of all races and ethnic groups.

Reality makes it plain that despite the services of this agency, minority businesses, especially Black owned businesses, have less access to loans, and when their loans are approved, they not only usually get less money when they apply but most often they also have to pay more for it due to the higher interest rates they are charged compared to white borrowers.

This ruling is just one more in a string of court decisions that continue to erode progress by rescinding promises made to Blacks and other

In Memoriam: Kathy Malphettes 1944 - 2024



Former IE VOICE contributor Kathy Malphettes, spent most of her career as the head of marketing at Robinson's department stores. She passed away peacefully at home in Riverside on March 20, 2024 at the age of 79. (Photo by Benoit Malphettes)

P Brown-Hinds

hen Kathy and Benoit Malphettes moved to Riverside in 2008 to spend their retirement years relaxing in the inland heat, little did they know they would become the center of creative activity as portraitists for the Black Voice News and IE Voice. After turning their guest room into a studio they went on to photograph some of the region's most prominent faces — from mayors to academics and university leaders to community activists. Kathy passed away on March 20, 2024 with her husband Benoit by her side.

Although Kathy spent her childhood living in cities throughout the Midwest, she always claimed St. Paul, Minnesota as home. She loved the architecture of the city and often spoke of returning. Kathy moved to Texas as a young adult to attend college in Houston where she studied fine art. She was a talented painter and lover of abstract art.

Upon graduation, Kathy worked at Sakowitz,

a Texas department store chain, before moving to California and turning her passion for painting into a career in creative direction and marketing. For two decades, she worked as the creative and marketing director for Robinson's department store in Los Angeles, overseeing a staff of 54 in the marketing department.

It is impossible to talk about Kathy's professional life and career without also talking about Benoit. After contracting Benoit as a photographer for Robinson's advertising department in 1978, the two began a professional partnership and personal relationship that would span four decades.

As the duo behind Robinson's impressive ad campaigns, the two worked with the top models of the day including Iman, Jerry Hall, Renee Russo and Gia, and Kathy was an award winning marketing executive, often quoted in AdWeek and other trade publications. After leaving Robinson's, Kathy joined Benoit at his studio in Pasadena that boasted a clientele of some of

the city's most notable families. Benoit worked behind the camera while Kathy did almost everything else including art direction for the portraits.

In 2003 the two married and in 2007 they retired and moved to Riverside.

After searching for a community in their new city, the Malphettes found a welcoming family at the Black Voice News, where their talents were once again put to great use. The special



Riverside resident Kathy Malphettes peacefully passed away at home on March 20, 2024, with her husband, Benoit, by her side. (Photo by P. Brown-Hinds)

skill of art direction she honed over the years in the workforce, Kathy brought to the portrait settings for the Black Voice News covers as well as The Merchants of Riverside, the special portrait project she and Benoit produced for the VOICE featuring some of the city's small business owners.

Kathy was an avid fan of Rock n Roll music, with the band Queen being one of her favorites. When they toured the United States she never missed the opportunity to attend their concerts and visit backstage with her friend, lead guitarist Brian May.

Under the care of Dr. Sarah Chae and Kara Health Hospice, Kathy passed away peacefully at home with her beloved Benoit lovingly holding her hand.

Did Racism Play a Part in the Selection of Montoya for City Manager?



Hardy Brown, Sr.
P u b l i s h e r
Emeritus
Photo by Benoit Maphettes

want to make a correction in my last article where I stated that three Council members voted to extend a contract to Steve Carrigan; it should have read "three Council members did *not* vote to extend." I apologize for the error.

Continuing with my investigation of the selection process, it is revealing that some members of the Council interjected race,

politics, and personal agendas into the process, disenfranchising the Black citizens of San Bernardino.

A quick review of the claim filed by Steve Carrigan in November 2023 revealed that racial dynamics were introduced into the selection process by Frank Rojas, Recruitment Manager for Koff & Associates, and Ms. Suzie Soren, San Bernardino's Human Resources Director. Frank Rojas told Carrigan that several African-American community members spoke out against him during a Council meeting on August 28, 2023, and that three Council members—Ben Reynoso, Kim Calvin, and Damon Alexander—did not vote to extend him an employment contract.

Since last week, I reviewed the video of the 8/28/23 meeting again and race was never mentioned in any remarks made by the Black speakers as claimed by Carrigan. How did we get to this racial claim of Carrigan being white and used against him by the Black community?

I recall back in 2019 when the Police Chief position was open and I pointed out to the Council on May 15, 2019, to be exact, that it had been 114 years in this city without one being African American. I did not tell them to hire someone of lower qualifications or standards or to break any laws, just to hire a Black person. Ted Sanchez, Sandra Ibarra, and Fred Shorett were the only ones of the current Council sitting on the Council that night. Juan Figueroa was appointed to Council later, replacing John Valdivia, who was elected Mayor, while Teri Ledoux, a white female, was City Manager.

Some Council members did not like or appreciate me stating that fact and a few years later they hired Darren Goodman as Chief of Police. Teri Ledoux retired as City Manager and the Council hired Rob Field, a white male, who was fired by the Council in December 2022. The Council found themselves in a pickle, so they reached out to Charles McNeely, who is Black, to come back and hold the position until they could find a permanent City Manager. It was a happy reunion with McNeely, Mayor Tran, and the Council.

Then, something happened during the recruiting and selection process that changed the







Councilman Theodore Sanchez

relationships between Mayor Tran, four members of the Council, toward three Black Council members and McNeely, and how they reacted to Black citizens that came before the Council to speak.

Allow me to share a few examples: Councilmember Ben Reynoso had requested that the topic of discussing putting a police substation in the 5th ward to reduce crime in the community be placed on the agenda. Councilmember Sanchez objected to the topic even being discussed because to him it was political, plus in his conversation with the rank and file police officers, the money could serve the city in other ways. Reynoso's topic was rejected by four council members.

Councilmember Calvin, with the support from citizens of the 6th Ward, did not want another storage building put on Highland Ave. Of course, Councilmember Sanchez led the charge to advocate that it was needed and the gang of four voted to build it despite Calvin and the Black residents' opposition.

I do not want to go into more examples that Sanchez has done but I must share this one by Ibarra and Sanchez. It involves an email sent on October 10, 2023, from City Council member Sandra Ibarra to interim City Manager Charles McNeely, accusing him of "unequal treatment" and giving "preferential treatment" to a specific part of the city, Ward 6, represented by Councilmember Kim Calvin.

The city was invited by Councilmember Calvin and host Pastor Wade Ford of 16th Street Seventh-Day Adventist Church for a Town Hall meeting in the community. This is the heartbeat of the Black community, where this ward was created back in 1967 because Blacks were disenfranchised from serving on the Council.

McNeely had city employee Debbie Gonzalez prepare a response on October 12, 2023, in an email, back to Ibarra, saying, "I have worked to be responsive to each Councilmember when they have requested support from staff to attend their Town Hall / Neighborhood meeting. Staff and/or I have been invited and attended Town Hall / Neighborhood meetings for every single Councilmember in the time I have served as Interim City Manager. In fact, if you recall, I along with several staff members have attended two of the citizen meetings you have hosted in your ward."

Gonzalez gave other examples, on how the city staff had assisted her in Ward 2, pointing out that Ibarra had received the same equal treatment. So, I am asking myself, what is the issue?

The issue for Councilmember Ibarra is racial and political because she stated in her email; "I am seeking equal treatment" because "I believe this is preferential treatment to a specific part of our city (Black community) and one colleague (Calvin, who is Black), in light of the upcoming election" (political meaning 3/5/24).

It is clear to me, some members on the Council had already made up their mind to remove Councilmembers Reynoso and Calvin from the Council, smear City Manager McNeely, while disenfranchising the African-American citizens

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Breanna Reeves | Staff

Wade, near or total abortion bans have gone into effect across 14 states after the Supreme Court's decision. Arizona may become the 15th state to ban abortions after the Arizona Supreme Court ruled that the state could enforce a law that bans nearly all abortions. The 1864 law that banned nearly all abortions in the state went unenforced for decades after Roe v. Wade passed in 1973.

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The unfortunate reality is that this attack on bodily autonomy and reproductive freedom is nothing new... Since Roe was overturned, patients have been forced to travel and navigate additional barriers to get the basic care they need.

- Darrah DiGiorgio Johnson President & CEO Planned Parenthood of Pacific Southwest

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bodily autonomy and reproductive freedom is nothing new," said Darrah DiGiorgio Johnson, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest (PPPSW), in a statement. PPPSW supports patients from San Diego, Riverside and Imperial counties. "Since Roe was overturned, patients have been forced to travel and navigate additional barriers to get the basic care they need."

According to Johnson, after the Supreme



(Graphic by Chris Allen, VOICE)

Court's decision, PPPSW increased their capacity to serve out-of-state patients. An estimated 10% of all abortion patients at PPPSW come from states outside of California.

As reproductive justice and health advocates continue to emphasize the significant health impacts of restricting access to reproductive health care, the Black Mamas Matter Alliance reinforced this topic with the 2024 Black Maternal Health Week theme: "Our Bodies STILL Belong to Us: Reproductive Justice

NOW!"

Although the Arizona Supreme Court upheld the 1864 law, the abortion ban will not immediately take effect. The court put the ruling on hold and sent the case back to a lower court to hear more arguments.

Arizona Gov. Katie Hobbs criticized the court's ruling and emphasized that under her tenure as governor, no woman or doctor will be prosecuted under the "draconian law."

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Reproductive Justice and Gynecologic Care: Honoring Jessica Pettway's Legacy



Aiyana Davison and Lodz Joseph-Lemon

Jessica Pettway did not need to die from cervical cancer. What will we do to make sure that another Black woman does not die? Jessica Pettway, 36, beauty influencer, mom, and wife passed away on March 11, 2024, from cervical cancer.

Black women are constantly forced to disappear or comply with healthcare provider plans without being informed of all of the options. Black women are constantly bombarded with messages of our mortality. What Jessica Pettway's death reminds us is that Black women encounter the bombardment of racism, sexism and medical dismissiveness.

In her last social media post, Jessica shared how she wanted women to advocate for their own health. We believe that in order for women to advocate for their own health, we must also know what we are advocating for. Black women deserve to be listened to because we know and trust our bodies.

April 11 through 17 is Black Maternal Health Week which was founded by Black Mamas Matter Alliance (BMMA). This week is "a time of awareness, activism and community-building aimed at amplifying the voices of Black mamas, bringing visibility to Black-led maternal health initiatives, and centering the values and traditions of the reproductive and birth justice movements."

This year's theme is "Our Bodies Still Belong to Us: Reproductive Justice Now" and given this, we would like to honor Jessica Pettway and highlight that reproductive justice is inclusive of gynecologic care.

Cervical cancer, a gynecological disorder, can affect everyone who has a cervix. People over 30 are more likely to be diagnosed with it. Cervical cancer is mostly caused by persistent infection with specific strains of the human papillomavirus (HPV) virus. A common virus, HPV, is transferred



from one person to another during sexual activity. When detected early, cervical cancer is one of the most preventable and treatable cancers.

By combining vaccination, early screening and access to health care we can decrease the number of late stage cervical cancer cases. It is important to know that in the last 50 years, cervical cancer rates have declined, but survival rates have not altered significantly, and there remains notable racial disparities in disease identification.

Unfortunately, the number of women who need to get screened for cervical cancer is rising, and the number of late-stage cases is increasing. This means that by the time we are seen and diagnosed, the cancer is at an advanced stage. As a result, Black women are becoming the face of cervical cancer deaths amid the other health disparities that we face.

As nurse midwives, we take care of people through preventative care and help point people in the right direction when abnormal cervical cancer screenings occur. We do this with referrals to the appropriate providers when high-risk diagnoses are made. As providers, who deeply care about our community, we want to present straightforward points that every Black person with a cervix needs to carry with them so that we do not continue to be the face of these statistics.

• Get checked! Please take care of yourself. We know

that you have a lot on your to-do list. Our concern is that YOU are not on this to-do list. Please schedule your annual well-person appointment (dental and optical appointments as well). No shade. We need to schedule ours too! We understand that going to see your healthcare provider when you are healthy doesn't seem that important. But, it is.

• Don't discount abnormal symptoms. If it seems abnormal to you, then go get checked! Cervical cancer sometimes does not present with major symptoms. But if you are noticing things that are concerning, it is important for you to report these things to your trusted healthcare provider.

• Trust your body. As two Black midwives, we trust and believe when you are concerned about your body. We see you and understand that your path to health might not be linear due to racism, implicit bias and the world's perception of us.

As midwives, we want to be partners in your health. We represent a population of providers who are ready, willing and able to care for you. We are honored to walk with you through all the chapters in your life. You are the boss of your body and we believe this. We see you. We believe you. We love you. You are your biggest priority and in order to continue the ever-growing list of "to-do's", let's — together — continue the conversations about how to take care of ourselves.

Aiyana Davison (she/her) is a Certified Nurse Midwife and Women's Health Nurse Practitioner currently practicing in Southern California. While she has worked for the last eight years at a large hospital-based teaching facility, she recently started her own homebirth practice, The Village House, Inc. Aiyana has been featured on a wide variety of platforms including ESSENCE, Parents, Peanut, Elvie, Ovia Health and Mama Glow. Her work focuses on healing through sharing and vocalizing stories, supporting Black people as they traverse healthcare especially within pregnancy, birth and postpartum, and educating those interested in midwifery.

Lodz Joseph-Lemon (she/her) is a Certified Nurse Midwife currency practicing in Southern Arizona. She has presented at the American College of Nurse Midwives, American Public Health Association, Nurses for Sexual and Reproductive Health and National Black Midwives Alliance. Lodz has been on panels addressing reproductive health and justice, queer health and rural health. Her work focuses on amplifying "invisible" voices, mentorship and midwifery education and queer health.

Navigating Reentry: Two Men Share Their Journeys After Decades in Prison

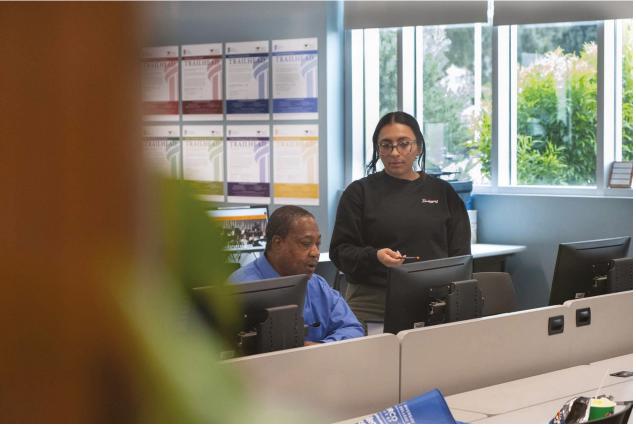
by Aryana Noroozi

ach year, California releases roughly 786,970 men and 200,866 women from its prisons and jails to communities around the state. When people leave prison they must learn to navigate life in a new way or risk reincarceration. Richard Jerimiah Giles III and Bennie Burrell were released from prison within the past year after each having served more than two decades inside. Their stories of reentry to society shed light on the complexities of navigating a world they were estranged from for more than twenty years.

The process of reentry — re-entering society after being released from prison — is heavily dependent on access to reentry resources. Oftentimes, these resources focus on life skills, and don't always address health and well-being. According to a study published by health policy journal Health Affairs, reentry programs typically focus on practical skills like finding work, opening a bank account and finding housing. "Compared with approaches that focus on health and well-being, these programs are unlikely to achieve identity transformation and self-efficacy in managing health and other needs."

The study suggested that programs that have the greatest potential to reduce recidivism, a relapse to criminal behavior resulting in reincarceration, are generally therapeutic, targeting substance use disorders, mental illness and patterns of thinking related to criminal behavior.

Vonya Quarles, attorney and co-founder of Starting Over, Inc., a nonprofit organization that employs a holistic approach to reentry, said that without a proper support system people are inclined to turn to the coping skills they are familiar with — not because they want to, but because that is all they know. This approach leads to recidivism. A support system is critical



Richard Jerimiah Giles III, 58, works with a computer technician at Riverside Community College for the upcoming semester on April 4, 2024. After serving 28 years in prison he was released in February. He works daily at reintegrating into society by learning new skills and navigating technology. (Aryana Noroozi for Black Voice News/CatchLight Local)

for both the mental health and successful reentry of formerly incarcerated people, Quarles noted.

While the process remains difficult, supports such as peer networks, group sober living homes and family make the process more manageable and reduce the mental toll.

The process of reentry can exacerbate stress even for those who do not have pre-existing mental health conditions. The experiences of Richard and Bennie shed light on the positive impacts a support network has on the mental health of those in reentry, and the correlation between mental health and a successful reentry.

Richard Jerimiah Giles III

Richard Jerimiah Giles III, 58, served over

28 years in prison on a second-degree robbery charge.

In February, he was released from Pelican Bay State Prison in Del Norte County, CA Richard explained that his reentry process has not been easy, but on the outside he finds daily inspiration.

"I'm learning how to navigate life and society on its own," he said. "I've made strides because I'm putting in the work." Each week Richard attends courses hosted at the Starting Over office tailored to reentry and sobriety, as well as another group course centered around employment and entrepreneurial opportunities. He enjoys spending time with his son and

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granddaughters, taking pride in their academic achievements.

In addition to his own efforts, Richard attributes his success during reentry to his support system.

"I'm blessed with the greatest support system I could ever wish for, I could ever dream of, I could ever pray for," he explained. "That's what's keeping me on course, along with myself."

Richard's reentry journey began with a network. He was connected with resources prior to release by doing his own research. The day Richard was released from prison, a representative from the Anti-Recidivism Coalition picked him up.

"They gave me a cell phone. They took me to my first breakfast at Denny's. I had a big egg yolk, which I'd been feening for about 10 to 12 years," he said. "I took a lot of pictures. I got to see the ocean, feel the ocean."

The organization took Richard shopping and to lunch, and then transported him to the airport where he took his first flight in 30 years. He arrived in Ontario, CA, later that night where his son picked him up and made him dinner.

Since then, Richard has enjoyed spending time with his family and loved ones. He recently watched his first film at the movie theaters since being released. He enjoys walking to the pond in his neighborhood and observing the squirrels and rabbits.

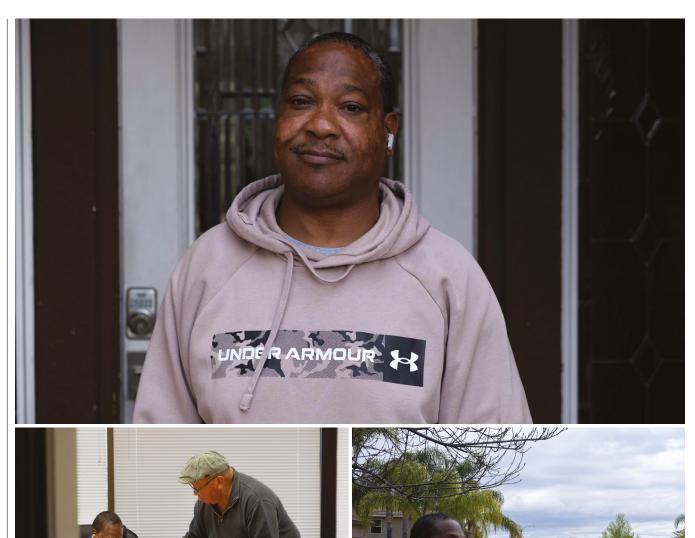
"I appreciate the smaller things a lot of people would overlook like walking barefoot on carpet," he said.

In just two months, Richard said he has mastered many of the necessary skills for life outside.

"I've learned how to manage money, something that I never did in the past," he admitted. "I didn't even do that in prison. I spent frivolously on prison packages."

He still has to juggle the complexities of everyday living like learning the bus system and schedules, obtaining an identification card and managing relationships with loved ones.

A study published in Science Direct analyzed data of men released from prison to examine



Top: Richard poses for a portrait at a group transitional home where he lives in Corona, California on April 4, 2024. "I appreciate the smaller things a lot of people would overlook like walking barefoot on carpet."; Bottom left: Richard places a nametag on his shirt for a weekly group course on sober living held by Douglas Calderon (right) at Starting Over Inc., an organization that takes a holistic approach to reentry through peer mentorship; Richard walks down his street on April 4, 2024 in Corona. He describes it as "the most beautiful neighborhood that he ever thought he'd live in." (Photos by Aryana Noroozi for Black Voice News/CatchLight Local)

how pivotal social support is on the health of those reentering society. The study noted that the challenges and obligations associated with community reentry, especially after a long prison sentence like Richard's, can impact an individual's "ability to preserve their physical and mental health."

According to the study, "Ties to a steadfast

network of support may be the key to curtailing deleterious physical and mental health issues upon release."

Richard's strong network of social support and resources have enabled his successful reentry and positive mental health.

"If you have family members and loved ones, they want your time too, but you have to realize that you got to put yourself first because their life is already on track. Yours is not," Richard stressed. "Plus, I have to answer to somebody; even though I'm free, I still have to answer to my parole officer."

Finding employment is a specific challenge amid reentry that can cause anxiety and stress.

"They often picture themselves as a burden, instead of someone who can help the household," Quarles said. "They've been in the situation, depending upon how long they've been incarcerated, where their labor has not benefited their family, and then they come home, and might not be able to get to work right away and so they further burden their families."

Richard is actively applying for jobs, from pet grooming, to Walmart to fast food, but the process is prolonged as a result of his record of serving time.

Richard lives in a group home in Corona, an area he describes as "the most beautiful neighborhood that he ever thought he'd live in." He is enrolled to attend Riverside Community College as a Rising Scholar and study sociology in the fall semester.

Starting Over, Inc. provided Richard with housing, so he doesn't have to pay rent or utilities, but he performs chores each day. The organization also provides Richard with rides to his stipulated programs such as anger management classes.

"Most likely, I'm gonna stumble on some speed bumps, but I'm not gonna let that deter me from my life goals, and that's to eventually be a homeowner and to be married to the woman of my dreams," Richard said.

Bennie Burrell

Similar to Richard, Bennie Burrell, 67, was recently released from prison just over a year ago. He served 31 years for a felony charge of mayhem, a criminal offense that involves seriously maining someone.

In under a year's time, Bennie is actively giving back to other formerly incarcerated individuals by offering reentry support. He works as a peer support specialist at Starting Over, Inc.. Bennie also works as the housing manager for the transitional home in Eastvale where he resides.

Like Richard, Bennie said his transition has been smooth.

"I do realize and understand that everybody's transition is not the same," Bennie said. "I witnessed some of the struggles and problems through others



Bennie Burrell, 67, poses for a portrait at the group home in Eastvale, CA, where he lives and also presides as the house manager on April 4, 2024. After serving 31 years in prison he was released in March 2023. Today he is a Peer Support Specialist at Starting Over, Inc. (Aryana Noroozi for Black Voice News/CatchLight Local)

and that's why I'm passionate about my work."

The recidivism rate was 42% for people in 2018-19, according to the most recent data available from a recent report published by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). Recidivism rates in the state are calculated using a three-year follow-up period.

Bennie pointed to multiple hurdles in the reentry experience, some of which starts before a person even leaves prison.

"I think it's actually set up to set you up for failure," Bennie said about California's prison system. While CDCR has implemented several programs within its prison, they are often limited, understaffed and overall fractured. A 2019 state audit of CDCR emphasized that their rehabilitation programs were inadequate and failed to "meet any of the rehabilitative needs for 62% of the [incarcerated people] released in fiscal year 2017–18 who had been assessed as at risk to recidivate."

The anxieties a person may retain from their time in prison combined with the additional pressures added post release could compromise their mental health.

When someone is released from a California state prison, they are entitled to \$200 in state funds upon release. These funds are known as "gate money" or "release allowance."

"If you compare \$200 back 57 years ago, that would be fine. But in today's money, \$200 would barely check you into a hotel for one night and get you a meal to eat so, we know that's outdated," Bennie said.

He added that documentation is vital upon release. It took Bennie four months to access his birth certificate which was shipped from Detroit, Michigan. "That was a major setback," he recalled.

Currently, Bennie is working with Starting Over, Inc. to propose legislation for helping

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California Gov. Gavin Newsom expressed his support in a tweet and reinforced California's support for Arizona residents seeking access to reproductive health care. California continues to be a state that protects reproductive health rights by working to improve quality access to care in general and maternal health outcomes for Black birthing people who have some of the worst health results.

While Black Maternal Health Week comes to an end, Black maternal and reproductive health advocates continue to forge solutions of their own to support birthing people of color and address the ongoing maternal health crisis.



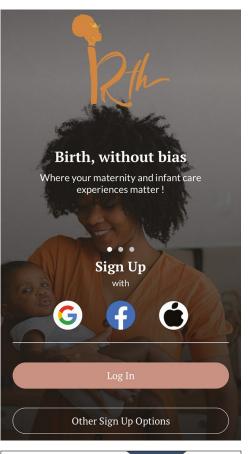
Here are three maternal health apps created by Black women and women of color to support birthing people of color:

Irth

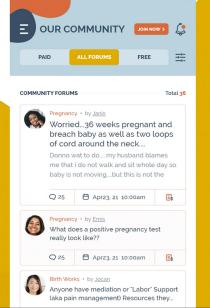
Created by Kimberly Seals Allers, journalist and birth equity advocate, Irth — "as in Birth, but without the B for bias" — operates like Yelp where users can read prenatal, birthing, postpartum and pediatric reviews written by Black and brown parents. Inspired by her own traumatizing birthing experience, this app allows families to read peer reviews of other birthing experiences and write their own. Irth then translates that information into quantitative data to "identify patterns and behaviors, as we leverage the collective power of Black and brown consumers to push for social change."

Wolomi

Layo George, a registered nurse, is the founder of Wolomi, an app developed to support and guide birthing parents and parents-to-be with their pregnancy journey. Marketed as the "pregnancy companion app," Wolomi is a digital-based community that allows users to connect with one another and health experts to improve maternal health outcomes. Wolomi was inspired by George who sought to address the national maternal health crisis impacting women of color. According to the company's website. Wolomi offers users weekly tips from a midwife of color to help them prepare for doctor's appointments, advice from trusted experts and "assessments to check" on how they're doing throughout their pregnancy journeys. The app also includes access to community discussions led by a registered nurse.







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people receive identification cards before they leave prison.

When it comes to managing his own mental health amid reentry, Bennie said that playing chess and basketball have helped him.

"When I first got out, I coached a little youth league basketball team and that was fantastic. That helped me as I adjusted from thinking about certain things that were pressure and stressful."

His team even won the local championship.

"I'm just moving forward and I understand that everything is a process," Bennie said. "That's how I deal with it, one day at a time, one step at a time."

Importance of Peer Support

The process of reentry can exacerbate stress even for those who do not have pre-existing mental health conditions. Richard and Bennie's experiences shed light on the positive impact that a support network has on the mental health of those in reentry, and the correlation between mental health and a successful reentry.

Yuri Cobb, a case manager at Starting Over, Inc., described what life on the outside may feel like for those recently paroled. Formerly incarcerated people who are newly released often enter a world with no security. Unlike in prison, there is no guaranteed housing, no guaranteed meal times. They are now responsible for securing those things for themselves, Cobb explained.

"All those responsibilities start rolling downhill like a snowball effect and it causes a lot of stress and anxiety for people and sometimes when it's I feel like that they go back to their old habits on how to numb it," Cobb said.

Both Richard and Bennie's experiences exhibit how a successful reentry can be established by not having to shoulder stressors by oneself. With the availability of resources and peer support, both men have been able to carve out an initial successful path to reentry.

According to Quarles, communities have become overly dependent on the CDCR for reentry support. Rather, she believes that mutual responsibility within the community will



Bennie descends the stairs at the transitional group home he manages and resides in. Bennie's room is the only door that locks as he is the house manager. Guests are not allowed upstairs. (Aryana Noroozi for Black Voice News/CatchLight Local)

be more effective for those reentering society.

When it comes to expanding resources and partnerships to combat recidivism locally, Cobb said she hopes the vast resources and efforts in Los Angeles County can migrate to the Inland Empire.

"We still have a lot of recidivism because a lot of people don't want to be in LA [to access resources], they want to be closer to their family," Cobb said. "I feel like once we get more resources out here, we [will] see a big difference within our community."

An analysis by the Urban Institute found that Los Angeles and San Bernardino Counties have the highest number of California parolee releases. Across LA County there are dozens of nonprofit organizations that address reintegration needs and seek to reduce recidivism. Networks like the LA Reentry Collaborative, composed of several organizations, partner to reduce recidivism, and "promote successful reentry and reintegration" of formerly incarcerated people in Central and

South Los Angeles. Another collaborative, the Los Angeles Regional Reentry Partnership (LARRP), is a countywide network of nonprofit organizations, public agencies and advocates that are focused on reentry and ensuring that the system addresses the needs of the collaborating agencies, their communities, and the people they serve.

Though the Inland Empire may have less resources, community-based organizations like Starting Over Inc., IE Rebound and California State San Bernardino Reentry Initiative (CSRI) are taking steps to address community reentry across Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. IE Rebound offers trauma-informed "evidence-based services" such peer-to-peer mentorship and post incarceration processing groups which support formerly incarcerated individuals with their experiences and help them build community.

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in the process; and they had already agreed, according to a City News posting dated October 13, 2023, amongst the five: Sanchez, Ibarra, Figueroa, Shorett, and Tran that they would hire Montoya at the October 18, 2023, Council meeting.

On October 13, 2023, Councilmember Ted Sanchez of Ward 1, took issue with the staff's response back to Ibarra and he sent an email to McNeely defending Ibarra, saying, "While I disagree with many assertions made in your response to former Mayor Pro Tempore Ibarra's email, I am more concerned with Brown Act compliance. This email appears to cross the line from an update to Council into advocacy for adoption of a policy which is a Brown Act violation. The fact you have cc'd and not bcc'd Council is not best practice and raises the risk Council's response will be a Brown Act violation. I have dropped my colleagues from this email because I don't wish to violate the Brown Act. I ask you to be cognizant of this fact over your short remaining tenure here."

When I read both emails, McNeely cc'd the same people Ibarra had on her email list. I wonder why Ibarra did not include Councilmembers Kimberly Calvin and Ben Reynoso in her email. The council and mayor had voted unanimously to offer the top person the City Manager's position; why didn't they offer Carrigan the position on a 5-3 vote like they later did with Montoya?

My theory is, once the full selection committee agreed on the three top candidates, someone on the committee, probably Sanchez, developed a strategy to remove the number one and two candidates from wanting the City Manager position and get to Montoya, who was ranked as their 3rd choice.

For your information, there were more Black and other citizens speaking out against Montoya than against Carrigan.

So, my question is, did racism play a part in the selection process of City Manager Montoya? I am still monitoring and investigating City Hall to find out how did the HR Director qualify for a promotion that gave her a \$90,000 yearly raise. I must commend Montoya for hiring a diverse management staff. We must find a way to bring the city back together because currently, it is divided along racial lines.

KEEPING IT REAL

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The agency's work "to concentrate on the growth of businesses that still remain substantially locked out of the mainstream of the American economy is necessary and needed."

- Marc H. Morial

minority groups in the nation's tepid efforts to level the economic playing field.

There were promises made to former slaves in the wake of emancipation that dissipated during the subsequent period of Reconstruction. Initially, Black folks held tight to Reconstruction promises but it wasn't long before the former slaves recognized the futility found in depending on the fairness of a government that in many ways continued to see them as chattel and contrived covertly and often overtly to deny full citizenship rights let alone any real assistance in building an economic foundation after having labored centuries without compensation.

Following this disappointing period of radical Reconstruction when all military protections for former slaves were withdrawn from Southern states and the 40 acres and a mule never materialized, former slaves were further disadvantaged during years of Jim Crow.

It took nearly a century for the Black community and its allies to raise the consciousness of American citizens with a searing call for the country to make good on the promises of the U.S.Constitution, something Martin Luther King Jr. referred to as a "promissory note" where the proceeds were paid to Black people with a bad check that came back marked "insufficient funds."

Hard fought progress was made during this era. Yet, despite the progress and the strained political, social, economic, educational, housing, health and other incremental changes that resulted, Blacks are experiencing take-backs reminiscent of the radical Reconstruction era take-backs.

In recent years, the nation's courts have leveraged a new, radical Reconstruction by pulling back on the promises and progress of the Civil Rights era.

Other examples of this include the 1978 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that a university's admissions criteria which used race as a definite and exclusive basis for an admission decision, violated the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

In 2023 the U.S. Supreme Court gutted Section 5 of the 1965 Voting Rights Act for jurisdictions requiring pre-clearance due to discrimination for changes in voting procedures. And the list goes on.

It is no secret that issues related to equity are under attack by right wing extremists and their duly elected and/or appointed leaders at all levels of government. If we've learned nothing from history and the erosion of other democracies, it is that the downward spiral to chaos is often incremental ... just a little bit taken away here... another small set back there...a slight change in policy over there... until pretty soon... rights are gone and there is no way to retrieve them

It's like knowing that the earth is simultaneously turning as it revolves around the sun but we never feel the movement so we have a false sense that everything is stable and that we are standing still when in reality, we are not. For this reason it is easy to lulled into a false sense of security. However, it is imperative that we remain vigilant.

Of course, this is just my opinion. I'm keeping it real.

S.E. Williams Executive Editor

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Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) s. Jerrallyn Cox, CEO

The filling of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 02/22/2024

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202402245 p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. R-201911347 GOODFELLAS EXPRESS AUTO BODY REPAIR

10971 Hole Ave Ste B Riverside, CA 92505 RIVERSIDE COUNTY Ana Maria – Lopez Hernandez

This business is conducted by: Individual The fictitious business name(s) referred to above was filed in Riverside County on

08/15/2019
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a

misdemeanor is punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000).) s. Ana Maria Lopez Hernandez Peter Aldana, Riverside County, Clerk

FILE NO R-201911347 p. 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24 The following persons) is (are) doing business as:

SHINING STAR MANAGEMENT TRUST ACCOUNT 8320 Mission Blvd Ste 11

Jurupa Valley, CA 92509 RIVERSIDE COUNTY Kimberley Jane Robinson 8310 Mission Blvd, Ste 11 Jurupa Valley, CA 92509

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on July 2008

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) s. Kimberlev Jane Robinson

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 04/05/2024

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202404591 p. 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24, 5/09/24

The following persons) is (are) doing business as:

LET'S C.O.P.E. CALIFORNIA 4193 Flat Rock Drive, Suite 200-547 Riverside, CA 92505 RIVERSIDE COUNTY Chalon Sanora Murphy 4193 Flat Rock Drive, Suite 200-547 Riverside, CA 92505

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) s. Chalon Sanora Murphy

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 04/04/2024

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NOTICE- In accordance with subdivision

(a) of section 17920, a fictitious business name statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the county clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., business and professions code). I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my

Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202404491 p. 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24, 5/09/24

The following persons) is (are) doing business as:

SMART INCOME TAX 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. Ste 301B Riverside, California 92507 RIVERSIDE COUNTY 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. Ste 301B Riverside, California 92507 Ariel Virgilio 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. Ste 301B

Riverside, California 92507 Luciana Virgilio 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. Ste 301B Riverside, California 92507

This business is conducted by: Married Couple

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) s. Ariel Viroilio

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 04/03/2024

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fictitious business name statement must be filed before the expiration. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see section 14411 et seq., business and professions code). I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202404413 p. 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24, 5/09/24

The following persons) is (are) doing

DUSINESS AS:
UNILEASHED BEAUTY BOUTIQUE
6827 Magnolia Ave
Riverside, CA 92506
RIVERSIDE COUNTY
UNLEASHED BEAUTY BOUTIQUE LLC
6827 Magnolia Ave
Riverside, CA 92506
CA

This business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 1/1/2024

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) s. Rashante Powers. CEO

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 03/26/2024

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

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office.
Peter Aldana, County Clerk,
FILE NO. R- 202404027
p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

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The following persons) is (are) doing

SWEETS BY RICCI 34273 Faircrest Street Murrieta, CA 92563 RIVERSIDE COUNTY SWFFTSIIC 34273 Faircrest Street Murrieta, CA 92563

This business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on May 2018

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000)

s. Ricci Henderson, President

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 02/06/2024

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202401606 p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

The following persons) is (are) doing

business as:
MARY VARGAS SERVICES 66434 5 th Street, Space 15 Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240 RIVERSIDE COUNTY Maria Eustolia Arreola Vargas 66434 5th Street, Space 15 Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000)

s. Maria Eustolia Arreola Vargas, Owner The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal. state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the

County of Riverside on 04/03/2024 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202404399

p. 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24 The following persons) is (are) doing

SKATEBOARDS AND VIDEO GAMES 10220 Hole Ave Ste 6 RIVERSIDE, CA 92503 RIVERSIDE COUNTY James Norman Smith 10220 Hole Ave Ste 6 **RIVERSIDE, CA 92503**

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000)

s. James Norman Smith

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. B- 202403855 p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

The following persons) is (are) doing

business as:
LABAY SEASONINGS 22865 Lukens Lane Perris, CA 92570 RIVERSIDE COUNTY 22865 Lukens Lane Perris, California 92570 Nicole Araiza 22865 Lukens Lane

Perris, CA 92570

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

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s. Nicole Araiza

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202402956 p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

The following persons) is (are) doing business as:

WOODY'S BARN DOORS 29268 Sandpiper Dr Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 RIVERSIDE COUNTY David L German 29268 Sandpiper Dr Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000)

s. David L German

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seg. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 03/25/2024 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202403968

p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

The following persons) is (are) doing business as:
THE TRAVELING SONOGRAPHER

29268 Sandpiper Dr Lake Elsinore, CA 92530 **EIVERSIDE COUNTY** Corri M German 29268 Sandpiper Dr Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000)

s. Corri M German

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 03/25/2024

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202403913

p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

The following persons) is (are) doing LUIGIWRAPS

MOVAL AUTOSTYLING 14300 Elsworth St. Suite A110 Moreno Valley, CA 92553 RIVERSIDE COUNTY Luis Aparicio

14300 Elsworth St, Suite A110 Moreno Valley, CA 92553

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above.

I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000)

s. Luis Aparicio

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seg. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 03/21/2024

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. B- 202403806

p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24 The following persons) is (are) doing business as:

GQ TRUCKING INC 40988 Bankhall Street Lake Elsinore, California 92532 RIVERSIDE COUNTY **GQ TRUCKING INC** 40988 Bankhall Street Lake Elsinore, California 92532

This business is conducted by: Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on March 18, 2024 I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code, that the registrant knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1000) s. Gregory Quarles, CEO

The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal. state, or common law (sec. 1440 et. seq. b &p code) Statement was filed with the County of Riverside on 03/27/2024

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202404055 p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CVMV2402526

To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: LINDA JEAN FRANZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: LINDA JEAN FRANZ to. LYNDA JEAN FRANZ. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court hearing indicated below to show cause. if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 05/24/2024 Time: 8:00AM Dept: MV2. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK ST, BLDG, D #201, MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553. MORENO VALLEY COURT. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: BLACK VOICE NEWS 1201 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 210, RIVERSIDE, CA. 92507

Date: APRIL 5, 2024 SAMRA FURBUSH, Judge of the Superior Court

p. 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24, 5/09/24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CVCO2402252

To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: MIRIAM JAZMIN JIMENEZ FLORES / EDWARD DELGADO VERDIN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: ANTHONY DELGADO to. ANTHONY DELGADO JIMENEZ. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why petition should not be

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granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: 05/29/2024 Time: 8:00AM Dept: C2. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 505 S. BUENA VISTA AVENUE RM 201 CORONA CA 92882. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: BLACK VOICE NEWS 1201 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 210, RIVERSIDE, CA. Date: APRII 10 2024

LAURA C. GARCIA, Judge of the Superior Court p. 4/25/24, 5/02/24, 5/09/24, 5/16/24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CVSW2402940

To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: SAMANTHA MARTINEZ / MARCOS TABB filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: RYDER JAMES MARTINEZ to. RYDER JAMES TABB. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 7/25/2024 Time: 8:00AM Dept: S101. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. SOUTHWEST JUSTICE CENTER 30755. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: BLACK VOICE NEWS 1201 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 210, RIVERSIDE, CA. 92507

Date: MAR 27, 2024
BELINDA A. HANDY, Judge of the Superior Court
p. 4/18/24, 4/25/24, 5/02/24, 5/09/24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CVCO2401539

To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: ROBERT ALEXANDER WATKINS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: ROBERT ALEXANDER WATKINS to. ROBERT ALEXANDER ZELAYA The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 5/01/2024 Time: 8:00AM Dept: C2. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 505 S. BUENA VISTA RM 201, CORONA

CA 92882 . CIVIL A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: BLACK VOICE NEWS 1201 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 210, RIVERSIDE, CA. 92507

Date: MAR 14, 2024
TAMARA L. WAGNER, Judge of the Superior Court

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CVMV2402291 To All Interested Persons: Petitioner:

NICOLE RENEE JENKS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: DEVIN LINCOLN JENKS to. LINCOLN MICHAEL BELTRAN. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 5/15/2024 Time: 8:00AM Dept: MV2. The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, 13800 HEACOCK ST. BLDG. D. MORENO VALLEY, CA 92553, MORENO VALLEY COURTHOUSE. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: BLACK VOICE NEWS 1201 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 210, RIVERSIDE, CA. 92507 Date: MAR 28, 2024

COMMISSIONER DAVID E. GREGORY, Judge of the Superior Court p. 4/04/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER CVCO2401974

To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: CARMEN SILVERIO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: CARMEN SILVERIO to. CARMEN VELAZQUEZ - REYNA. The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 5/15/2024 Time: 8:00AM Dept: C2 . The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BIVERSIDE 505 SOUTH BUENA VISTA AVENUE, CORONA, CA 92882. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: BLACK VOICE NEWS 1201 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 210.

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S.B. Sheriff's Department Faces Scrutiny Over Teen Shootings Tied to Mental Health Crisis



In the last ten years, there have been 56 police shootings involving the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. Thirteen of the victims were experiencing a mental health crisis. (Graphic by Chris Allen, VOICE)

Breanna Reeves | Staff

Within a month, deputies from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department have killed two teenage boys who were both experiencing mental health crises during the incidents.

On April 2, 17-year-old Aaron James was shot and killed by sheriff's deputies after he escaped the hospital where he was being treated after cutting himself. James was to be transferred to a mental health facility.

James was found at a house in Victorville where his sisters live in foster care. A statement from the department reported that James locked himself in a bathroom and later produced a knife, threatening to hurt himself. Body camera footage was released capturing the fatal incident.

In a press conference held on April 4, San Bernardino County Sheriff Shannon Dicus reported that the department had responded to several incidents involving James at his home in Hesperia, and recognized James's history of mental illness.

On March 9, 15-year-old Ryan Gainer, who was autistic, was fatally shot in Apple Valley after officers responded to a 911 call from a family member who reported that the teen broke a window and was "assaulting" family members. According to a statement released by officers, Gainer was holding a "five-foot-long garden tool, with a sharp bladed end."

In a press release following the shooting of Gainer, Sheriff Dicus reported that both deputies fired their weapons. On March 26 the department released the names of the deputies involved: Deputy Wyatt Eisenbrey and Deputy Brandon Clancy.

Prior to this incident, Sheriff Dicus said that deputies had responded to the house multiple times in the past. Previously, Gainer had been taken to a mental health facility.

The death of Gainer has reignited questions about office-involved shootings and their lack of training when it comes to dealing with people who are experiencing mental health crises.

Crisis intervention training

In an interview with Black Voice News, the Gainer family's attorney, DeWitt Lacy, explained that officers are trained to de-escalate, but the deputies involved acted in a confrontational manner.

"If they approach a circumstance like Ryan, with some type of threat of violence," Lacy said in the interview. "It could cause a violent or aggressive reaction, which is what happened, right?"

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In an effort to reduce police involvement during a mental health crisis situation, California's Medi-Cal program received federal approval to add community-based mobile crisis intervention services as a Medi-Cal benefit in 2023.

The services are available seven days a week, 24 hours a day, to people experiencing a psychiatric emergency or who need crisis intervention. While these crisis teams work independent of the police, most people are unaware of these services and call 911.

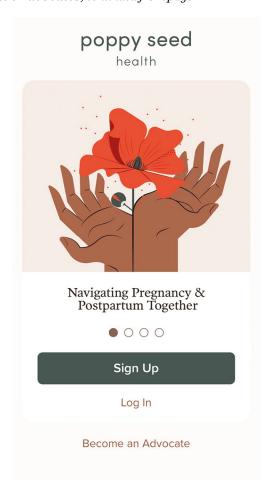
Under San Bernardino County's Department of Behavioral Health there are mobile crisis response teams that are available for people of all ages who experience mental health emergencies or need crisis intervention.

While crisis intervention training is offered to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, there is no mention of a crisis team that works in partnership with clinical

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Poppy Seed Health

Founded by Simmone Taitt, who suffered several miscarriages, Poppy Seed Health was born.

"My experiences firsthand made me realize that having emotional support allowed me to melt in my own vulnerabilities, joys and fears when I felt the most isolated. This is why I started Poppy Seed Health — to restructure pregnancy and postpartum care with an emphasis on emotional and mental health support that puts accessibility, equity and radical empathy at the center of our care model," according to a statement from Taitt on the company website.

Taitt became a birth and full-spectrum doula and launched Poppy Seed Health in 2019. The Poppy Seed Health app provides members with 24-hour access to doulas, midwives and nurses for birthing, postpartum, loss and miscarriage support. **S.B.** Sheriff's Dept., continued from page 18 therapists.

In addition to training, the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department launched a program called "Safe Return" which is a voluntary program that allows the public to share photos and important information about a loved one with disabilities with law enforcement. This program is "designed to assist law enforcement agencies during contacts with members of the community who have disabilities such as, but not limited to, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Dementia, Alzheimer's..."

It is unclear if Gainer or James were enrolled in the program.

There are several regions who have developed crisis teams who partner with law enforcement agencies to address emergency calls that involve someone who is experiencing a mental health crisis and may be armed.

In Riverside County, among the four types of crisis teams, one is the Community Behavioral Health Assessment Team (CBAT). The CBAT team includes one trained police officer and one Riverside County clinical therapist who respond to calls for law enforcement service involving mental health issues in the community. There are 17 teams that operate throughout the county in partnership with the Riverside Sheriff's Department and local police jurisdictions.

"Those teams respond to 911 calls that appear to have more of a behavioral health need than a law enforcement need," said Kristin Miller, the Crisis Support System of Care Administrator for Riverside University Health Systems Behavioral Health.

"And their goal is to try to help folks stay safe in the community, prevent any possibility of arrest, if at all possible, and provide that immediate crisis intervention."

Across Southern California several cities have launched community crisis response teams made up of behavioral therapists who respond to mental health crises that may not require law enforcement.

According to a statement released by the National Health Law Program following the death of Gainer, "Unfortunately, Black disabled people are killed by police at higher rates due to the intersection of both racism and ableism that exists within the criminal justice system, in addition to police officers being ill-equipped to respond to mental health crises."

While not all cities have community crisis teams that partner with law enforcement, under Senate Bill 11 and Senate Bill 29 police officers are required to complete behavioral health training set at a minimum standard. Under SB 29, police officers in supervisory roles who conduct field training are also required to complete several hours of behavioral health training on how to interact with persons with mental illness.

If you or someone you love are in need of support or are experiencing a mental health crisis in Riverside County, call 951-686-HELP. For those in San Bernardino County seeking support from the mobile crisis team, call (800) 398-0018 or text (909) 420-0560.

Navigating Reentry, continued from page 13 someone who is walking the same walk, that the peer support has already walked, "Quarles said. "I don't want somebody to tell me I can do it. I want to talk to somebody who's done it."

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