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## KEEPING IT REAL

## A Culture of Lawlessness in Riverside County Sheriff's Department



Riverside County Sheriff's Department Southwest Station (riversidesheriff.org)

Millions of dollars worth of illegal drugs were seized by Riverside authorities last week—the culmination of a nearly year long investigation.

The amount of drugs seized included 376 pounds of methamphetamine, 1.4 kilograms of cocaine, 37.4 pounds of fentanyl and 600,000 fentanyl tablets with the potential to provide ingredients for nearly 10 million lethal doses and were worth an estimated \$16 million.

The news does not end there. These drugs were part of a Mexican cartel trafficking operation and the investigation also resulted in the arrest of 15 people. Unfortunately, the arrests included that of an allegedly corrupt Riverside County Sheriff's deputy.

Details of the deputy's involvement were passed to the Riverside County Sheriff's Department which led to the deputy's arrest with 104 pounds of fentanyl pills in his possession.

Although Riverside County Sheriff Bianco may spin the story and point to the deputy's arrest as proof his department is cleaning house, it begs a question regarding why the deputy was operating as a corrections officer in the first place, especially with all the attention placed on the department with the spike in incustody deaths in Riverside jails in 2022, where drug overdoses played a major role as recorded in a Black Voice News in a special report released in January.

No matter how you slice it, ongoing reports about the antics of Riverside County deputies is bad and getting worse.

When news broke of this most recent arrest of another Riverside County deputy for their role in illegal activities, it appeared as just another day in an agency that more and more seems rife with malfeasance. Has the Riverside County Sheriff's Department become a team of lawless, law enforcement officers who are currently being led by a sheriff with questionable performance as the county's top law enforcement leader?

I am not challenging what Bianco's capabilities were as a deputy, etc. while he worked his way up the law enforcement ladder before running for sheriff. We have no way of knowing how he performed as a corrections officer at the Robert Presley Detention Center or while on patrol or working narcotics in the City of Lake Elsinore. Nor can I criticize his performance in his various administrative positions,

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## Rancho Cucamonga Excels at the Arcadia Invitational



Rancho Cucamonga Junior Cameron Sermons, son of former USC running back Rodney Sermons, anchors his 4x100 team in 41.38 to win at the Arcadia Invitational. (Photo: Jon Gaede BVN)

## Jon Gaede | BVN Sports

**S** ince it's inception in 1968, the track stadium at Arcadia High School has hosted a premier track and field event that has produced 180 Olympians and 32 national high school records over 56 years.

Among the latest outstanding prep performances are the Rancho Cucamonga High School's Boys Relay teams who won both the 4x100 and 4x200 relays at Arcadia, posting some of the best times in the state this year.

In the 4x100, Rancho Cucamonga finished with an outstanding time of 41.32 over Parkland and Cerritos. The winning baton was carried by Jonah Dawson, Rodney Sermon, Trey Wilson and anchored by Cameron Sermon.

"Our goal is to prepare for the state meet in Sacramento so we are competing with ourselves," said Rancho Cucamonga High School's Cameron Sermons.

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- Cameron Sermons Rancho Cucamonga High School Student

In the 4x200, Rancho Cucamonga posted a first-place time of 1:27.48 over Parkland, Notre Dame and De La Salle high schools respectively. The Cougar team was anchored again by Cameron Sermon, brother Rodney Sermon, Jonah Dawson and Jeremiah Brown running the remaining legs.

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## **Esther Gatica | Staff**

cclesia Christian Fellowship Church hosted a Celebration of Life Ceremony for the incomparable Deacon Emeritus Marion Black Jr.

Black was born September 23, 1937, in a small farming town in Kentucky to Marion David and Geneva Lenora Black. He attended what was then Kentucky State College, now Kentucky State University, and graduated with a bachelor's degree in commercial teachers education.

After graduation, Black worked as an accountant in Louisville before joining the United States Air Force in 1959. As an airman he traveled all over the world, from Frankfurt, Germany to Libya, in North Africa, as well as within the United States including places like Columbus, Ohio, Las Vegas, Nevada, Illinois, Missouri, Anchorage, Alaska and finally to Norton Air Force Base in San Bernardino, where he retired in 1983, after 23 years of service.

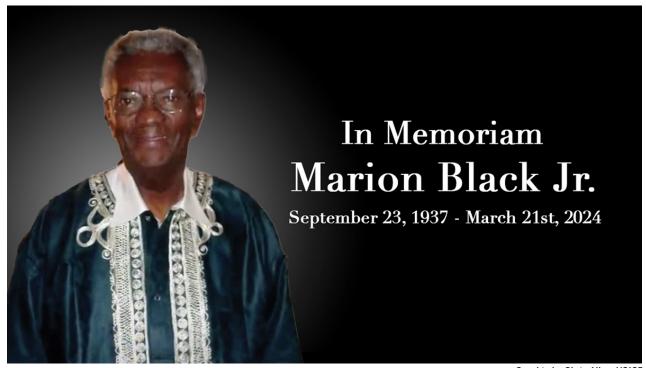
Black married Charlotte Edward on January 30th 1960, and to that union was born two children: Cynthia Elaine and William David. After moving to San Bernardino he became active in the Inland Empire community, constantly being recognized for his unique life of boundless service.

After retiring from the military he worked for the Vernon Company as a salesman and was a board member of the YMCA of San Bernardino and the San Bernardino Area Chamber of Commerce where he was elected Ambassador three times. He was also actively involved in the Black Culture Foundation and was awarded the Black Rose Award for his commitment to service.

Black was also a civil service commissioner for the County of San Bernardino from 1999 to 2019 where he served as vice chairman. In addition, he was cited as one of the League of Women Voters' citizens of achievement and was a lifetime member of the National Council of Negro Women, one of the only men in that organization. He was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Inc. And was a lifetime member of the NAACP.

An active blood donor, Black's cumulative

# Marion Black Jr.: A Life of Service and Dedication Remembered



Graphic by Chris Allen, VOICE

43 gallons of blood he generously donated to the former Blood Bank of San Bernardino-Riverside, earned the honor of his smiling image being displayed on the side of the blood bank's van for all to see.

In addition to his acknowledged community involvement, Black's greatest passion was to serve at church, having been saved at an early age he saw his acts of service as the best way to minister God's love to his family, friends and community. He was a member of the executive board of Ecclesia Christian Fellowship, and served in several ministries from deacon to security guard to usher and more. It was because of this history of service that he received the distinguished Taft T. Newman Outstanding Service Award.

During Black's celebration of life service his family was presented with a certificate of special recognition by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors.

Marion Black Jr. is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren as well as other family members, family and



Marion Black Jr. and his wife

friends. He transitioned on March 21st, 2024 and his Celebration of Life was held April 9th, 2024. The service celebrating his life can be viewed here: Celebration of Life | Marion Black Jr.

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Temecula, CA 92591
RIVERSIDE COUNTY
Progressive Ingenuity
Advancements LLC
27623 Lock Haven CT
Temecula, CA 92591

This business is conducted by: Corporation

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s. Rigoberto Acosta, Managing Member

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INDIO, CA 92201
RIVERSIDE COUNTY
Kim Marie Hammer
45300 Portola #278
Palm Desert, CA 92261
William Joseph Hammer
45300 Portola #278
Palm Desert, CA 92261

This business is conducted by: Married Couple

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S. Kim Marie Hammer, Owner Peter Aldana, Riverside County, Clerk

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY
Cultivating Good, Inc.
28410 Old Town Front St Suite 112
Temecula, CA 92590

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This business is conducted by: Corporation

Registrant has commenced to transact business under the fictitious

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## Aryana Noroozi | Staff

lora and Alton James Joubert, known as Al, met at their workplace, an aerospace company in Los Angeles in 1980. They worked in different departments but a friend encouraged them to get together and eventually, to Flora's surprise, they began dating. Flora was also surprised to learn that Al rode horses.

They both grew up in Louisiana, but unlike Al and the rest of her family, Flora did not gravitate towards horseback riding. But as they began dating and eventually married, that changed.

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You live it, you breathe it, you eat it, you walk it, you talk it, sleep it. Those were the conversations. We were always talking about horses.

- Flora Joubert Wife of the late Alton James Joubert

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She embraced the horseback riding and rodeo lifestyle she learned from her husband.

Though often under-recognized or celebrated, Black cowboys played a pivotal role in American history and have continued that legacy to present day. As of last week, Beyonce's album, Cowboy Carter debuted as the No. 1 album in the United States for a second weekend, and it is the first album by a Black woman to top the Top Country Charts album. It has brought the history of Black country artists and cowboy lifestyle front and center. Here in the inland region, one Black family, the Jouberts, share their memories of contemporary cowboy life.

"You live it, you breathe it, you eat it, you walk it, you talk it, sleep it. Those were the

# Legacy of a Black Cowboy: Remembering Al Joubert's Life and Love for Rodeo



Flora Levon Hays-Joubert holds a photo of her late husband Alton James Joubert, known as Al, in her Jurupa Valley home on April 17, 2024. (Aryana Noroozi for CatchLight Local / Black Voice News)

conversations. We were always talking about horses," Flora said.

Today, she remembers her late husband as a committed cowboy which included his participation in the annual Bill Pickett Rodeo and his service with the San Bernardino region's Mounted Posse, a volunteer horse mounted unit that rescues people from the mountains and performs other outdoor search and rescues.

"Cowboy boots everyday. Jeans, belt, everyday, everywhere you go," she said, describing Al.

After Al and Flora married they moved from Los Angeles to Jurupa Valley, in search of a rural lifestyle.

"You see people in the neighborhood, we would come home from work and see folks riding their horses on the horse trails and cowboys," Flora said. "This was the community."



Flowers and plants bloom in Flora's yard after a winter of rainstorms on April 17, 2024. The family used to keep horses on their property and train them in the yard until Al's passing. Flora no longer keeps horses, but the equipment, storage and horse trailer with Al's truck remains in the yard. (Aryana Noroozi for CatchLight Local / Black Voice News)

Flora and Al had twins, Andrea La Toya and Adrianne Le Trece Joubert, who are now 41 years old. Flora said they were born into the rodeo lifestyle.

## **EDUCATION**

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# We Define The Future: Celebrating CSUSB's Black Alumni Success Series

CSUSB student wins national research competition



Pictured: Dea Armstrong

### Dea Armstrong | Student and Marketing Assistant, CSUSB Scene Shop California State University, San Bernardino

Theatre arts student Dea Armstrong will present an abstract from her paper during the S. Randolph Edmonds Young Scholars award ceremony on July 22 at the 37th annual Black Theatre Network Conference in St. Louis, Mo.

Cal State San Bernardino theatre arts major Dea Armstrong has been awarded first place in the undergraduate competition for the prestigious S. Randolph Edmonds Young Scholars Award for her paper, "First Person Accounts and the Importance of William Wells Brown's Work."

"His memoir and seeing the aspects of his life integrated into his plays and novels made his work feel very personal as a Black American," said Armstrong, who will be a senior this fall semester. "That's when I settled on the importance of reading first-person accounts because I thought it was important that everyone know of him, recognize that he was writing from his life, and feel moved by his experiences like I was."

The national competition is sponsored by the world-renowned Black Theatre Network. Armstrong

will present an abstract from her paper during the S. Randolph Edmonds Young Scholars award ceremony on July 22 at the 37th annual Black Theatre Network Conference in St. Louis, Mo.

"This is really a big first for me. I've always enjoyed writing essays and having discussions about literature for my entire academic career, but I've never won an award for an essay, much less attended a conference to present it," she said. "Despite my nervousness, I am definitely looking forward to presenting my work at the conference."

Kristi Papailler, CSUSB assistant professor of theatre arts, served as Armstrong's mentor during the development and submission of her work.

Armstrong has worked in all areas of theater, but she is currently interested in backstage and technical work. She is employed as a student assistant in the CSUSB scene shop and is spending the summer getting more experience at the Redlands Theatre Festival.

"I recommend that the most important thing about research and scholarship competition is passion and curiosity, which sort of go hand in hand," Armstrong said. "Love something enough and have enough curiosity to pour that love into it." This is the first year a CSUSB student has won the research award, which includes a monetary prize and the opportunity for possible publication in the Black Theatre Review, the journal of the Black Theatre Network. The Black Theatre Network has been a critical resource and support for the CSUSB theatre arts department faculty over the years. Additionally, students from CSUSB participated in the conference as panelists in 2011 and 2014.

About the Randolph Edmonds Scholars Young Award According to the Black Theatre Network (BTN), the award is in recognition of Black theatre scholar and educator S. Randolph Edmonds. BTN instituted the S. Randolph Edmonds Young Scholars Competition in 1988, which seeks to encourage research and scholarship in Black theatre. The competition supports the overall mission of BTN, which is "to expose the beauty and complexity of the inherited theatre work of our African American ancestors" and "preserve and develop Black Theatre's unique art form."

About the Black Theatre Network The Black Theatre Network is comprised of artists, educators, scholars, students and theater lovers who are dedicated to the exploration and preservation of the theatrical visions of the African Diaspora. For 35 years, the Black Theatre Network has collected, processed and distributed information that supports the professional and personal development of its membership (comprised of individuals engaged in the full range of theater professions, professional and community theaters and organizations, and academic institutions). For more information, visit the Black Theatre Network website.

The Black Alumni Success series is supported by Cal State University San Bernardino.



### About the Author

Armstrong is the first Cal State San Bernardino student to be awarded first place in the undergraduate research competition for the prestigious S. Randolph Edmonds Young Scholars Award, for her paper "First Person Accounts and

the Importance of William Wells Brown's Work." She presented an abstract from her paper at the annual Black Theatre Network Conference's awards ceremony, who sponsors the national competition, and will have the opportunity for her work to be featured in its publication, the Black Theatre Review. Armstrong has worked in all areas of theater but is interested in backstage and technical work. She is employed as a student assistant in the CSUSB scene shop and has worked at the Redlands Theatre Festival. "I believe the most important thing about research and scholarship competition is passion and curiosity, which sort of go hand in hand," Armstrong says. "Love something enough and have enough curiosity to pour that love into it."

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# BEYOND EARTH DAY:

Inland Empire Environmental Justice Community Lays Solutions for Warehouse Growth



Traffic moves through Ontario on Interstate 215 north on April 4, 2023. (Aryana Noroozi for Black Voice News/CatchLight Local)

## by Aryana Noroozi

hile Earth Day may have come and gone, the fight for environmental equity continues as local community organizations and activists address the importance of protecting the environment all year long.

The impacts of an expanding warehouse industry are one of the top environmental equity concerns of communities in the Inland region.

Last year, a coalition of more than 60 environmental and social justice groups and organizations wrote a letter, as part of a working paper report, to Governor Gavin Newsom, Attorney General Rob Bonta, and California Department of Education Superintendent Tony Thurmond. The letter addressed warehouse growth: what they identified as one of the most critical environmental justice issues of our time.

According to the report's findings, across the Inland Empire over

300 warehouses stand 1,000 feet or less from schools, while over 600 warehouses surround these same schools at 1,500 feet.

Warehouses are a crucial component of the global supply chain: which begins with TransPacific shipments, container sorting at the ports and movement of goods to warehouses in the Inland Empire where they are stored and then moved throughout the rest of the nation.

The letter was part of Region in Crisis: The Rationale for Public Health State of Emergency, a report co-authored by the Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice (CCAEJ), the Sierra Club San Gorgonio and Robert Redford Conservancy for Southern California Sustainability.

The report emphasized the detrimental impact of the rapidly growing warehouse industry in the region, which saw an increase from 229 million square feet of warehouses in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties in 1980, to 385.5 million square feet of warehouses in 2020, according to

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the Redford Conservancy at Pitzer College and Radical Research LLC warehouse mapping tool. Riverside and San Bernardino Counties rank as counties with the worst air quality in the nation, according to the American Lung Association.

In the year since publishing the report, one of the authors, Susan Phillips, Professor of Environmental Analysis at Pitzer College and Director of the Robert Redford Conservancy for Southern California Sustainability, said that one of her greatest concerns is local agencies continuing to facilitate warehouse development next to schools and homes.

"There is also a troubling pattern of demolishing housing or rezoning land designated for housing for industrial [land use]," she added. "This has racialized overtones in which primarily people of color are forced out of neighborhoods, are evicted, or losing out on future housing opportunities... all this in the midst of a major housing crisis."

Black Voice News has documented the impact of the warehousing industry on the community over the last few years. From chronicling local pushback by community members to examining state intervention on behalf of warehouse building, residents across both counties are demanding environmental justice.

As local climate and environmental justice organizations like the Sierra Club and CCAEJ work to address and rectify the health impacts and economic harms of the growing logistics industry, the report offers proposed solutions to the warehousing boom.

"The Sierra Club San Gorgonio Chapter has been involved in using the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) rules for years in attempts to get city and county governments in our area to do their jobs," said Mary Ann Ruiz. Chair of the Sierra Club San Gorgonio Chapter. "We make public comments, members and supporters show up at their city council meetings and speak against the projects in their communities, and when all else fails we litigate."

Ruiz added that action is needed at the state level when local leaders fail their communities.

Among the key solutions and suggestions offered in the report one emphasizes the need





for more state-wide air quality regulations. The report noted that although there has been progress in state and federal air quality regulations over the past 22 years, the recent surge in warehouse construction is undermining these efforts. Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG), oxides of nitrogen (NOx), particulate matter (PM) and ozone disproportionately affect communities in close proximity to warehouses. According to the American Lung Association and CalEnviroScreen 4.0's most recent report, the Inland Empire has the highest concentrations of



ozone in the country.

Another suggested intervention from the report is the declaration of a regional warehouse moratorium of one to two years which would allow time to implement policy changes. A moratorium is a period of time that allows for expert assessment of the impact of the warehousing industry on the community.

During the moratorium, new warehouse expansion projects are paused. Once the findings and recommendations are provided to the governing body, a moratorium can be terminated.



In recent years, eight cities in the region enacted a moratorium against warehousing after the community expressed concerns.

The report also calls for the identification of high exposure communities from both warehouse and industrial land uses. Once these communities have been identified, it calls for the creation of higher standards at the state level to approve projects in these zones. According to the report, in 2010, 337,445 Inland Empire residents lived within a quarter mile of a warehouse; by 2022 this number grew by 30,000 to 367,584 individuals, roughly 60% of whom are Latino.

From a legislative perspective, the report's authors recommend the enforcement of existing state limits for campaign contributions and to prohibit developer donations to city councils or other decision-making bodies within three years of pending decisions.

Currently in effect, Senate Bill 352 requires that when a school site is being selected that any potential sources of pollution within a quarter mile of the proposed school site be surveyed and included in a risk assessment. This legislation also includes school sites within 500 meters of a

busy roadway to be assessed to show that neither short- nor long-term exposure poses a significant health risk. The study recommends the bill to apply the same rules to warehouses and to extend the distance to schools within 500 meters.

Since the report's publication over a year ago, CCAEJ has made strides in advocating for communities at further risk of displacement due to warehouse development as exemplified by their work on the ground with impacted communities, from helping them get involved at community meetings by leaving comment and gaining access to translation services, to making decisions about whether to sell their homes when approached by developers.

Highlighting its accessibility, Phillips said that a powerful tool for community-based environmental justice engagements is Warehouse CITY, an interactive cumulative impact tool that allows users to map warehouses in Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, from acreage and square footage to diesel particulate matter and carbon emissions.

It is intended to be utilized by planners, municipalities, community-based organizations, and residents who are interested in community and environmental health.

"The public response has been encouraging, with much more attention to the issue and participation in communities across the Inland Empire," Ruiz said. "The government response has been lacking, and at the local level in cities and counties it is business as usual, with many mega-projects still in approval."

Ruiz shared that she hoped for a greater government response.

"I've been disappointed in the lack of response from the Governor's office and the office of Attorney General Bonta," she said. "We, the Sierra Club, are also feeling left out of the process with the warehouse task force group, but hopeful to be included at some point in the process."

Phillips said that there have been few changes in terms of legislation or engagement of higherlevel officials since the report's publication but that there is now more information at hand than ever.

"We do have the ears of some politicians who are interested in new ways of thinking and framing healthier futures for residents and the planet," she said.

Phillips added that many communities are now faced with the encroachment of warehouses.

"Not just here in Southern California, but across the state and U.S." she said. "Our biggest success is slowly shifting the narrative, but in terms of actual change, we have seen a speeding up as opposed to a slowing down of warehousing in the region."

A Region in Crisis II report is currently being developed and projected to be published in the summer.

Far top left: During public comment at the San Bernardino County Planning Commission meeting on September 22, 2022, Ana Carlos and other members of the Concerned Neighbors of Bloomington and local environmental justice groups hold signs in protest of warehouses being built in their community. At the end of the meeting the Planning Commision voted to move the project ahead to the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors; Top right: Mark Tomich, the Director of Colton's Planning Department presents updates in Colton's warehouse moratorium ordinance to the Colton City Council on February 7, 2023. He included the recommendation regulations around warehousing to better protect the community that the Ad Hoc committee, a group formed to study the impact of warehouses, developed during the moratorium period; Far bottom left: The Zimmerman Elementary School playground faces an already existing warehouse, the Bloomington Commerce Center, that is situated across the street on April 11, 2023. The developer, Howard Industrial Partners purchased the school and will demolish it to build the Bloomington Business Park. The school will be relocated to a heavily trafficked road and behind the Pilot Travel Center truck stop, creating outcry within the community; Bottom right: On April 4, 2023, dusk onsets as lights from an Ontario warehouse illuminate the land it stands on and snow capped San Gabriel Mountains loom behind. (Photos by Aryana Noroozi for Black Voice News / CatchLight Local)

## COMMUNITY

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"They knew how rodeos were set up. They knew the program, what comes first, what comes second, what comes third; what you do to get your horse groomed and all that kind of stuff," Flora said. "They would play rodeos," she explained, recounting how her daughters would pretend to be rodeo announcers and remember the names of the different competitors.

Flora and Al participated in the Bill Pickett Invitational Rodeo for decades. The event, which recently celebrated its 40th anniversary, is a touring rodeo that celebrates Black cowboys. The Black Voice News has been a media sponsor for much of that time.

Flora explained how she and Al were in various associations. "A lot of African American

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One of Al's ropes sits in a container after being stored for a decade on April 17, 2024. Al participated in calf and team roping in rodeos and won many competitions for the activity. (Aryana Noroozi for CatchLight Local / Black Voice News)





## **Breanna Reeves | Staff**

n response to an Arizona Supreme Court's ruling that would ban nearly all abortions in the state in accordance with a 1864 abortion law, California Governor Gavin Newsom proposed a bill that would allow Arizona providers to give their patients abortions in California.

The Arizona Supreme Court ruled to uphold the 1864 law — which hadn't been enforced since Roe v. Wade passed — on April 9. The law could take effect by June 8 if efforts to repeal it do not succeed.

"Arizona Republicans continue to put women in danger—embracing a draconian law passed when Arizona was a territory, not even a state. California will not sit idly by," Newsom said in a statement. "We're urgently moving legislation to allow Arizona doctors to provide safe and reliable reproductive care to Arizonans here in California."

Under the proposed Senate Bill 233, licensed Arizona doctors in good standing would be temporarily allowed to provide abortion and abortion-related care to Arizona patients traveling to California until Nov. 30, 2024. Newsom introduced the bill, authored by Nancy Skinner (D-Berkeley) and Cecilia Aguiar-Curry (D-Winters), alongside the the California Legislative Women's Caucus. Arizona doctors would be under the supervision of California's Medical Board under the bill.

"In upholding Arizona's 160 year old law, it's clear that their real objective is to return women to second class status," California Legislative Women's Caucus Chair Sen. Skinner said in a statement. "With SB 233, the Legislative Women's Caucus is taking our gloves off once again as we pursue every legislative action necessary to protect women's reproductive rights, and especially our right to an abortion."

SB 233 includes an urgency clause and would take effect immediately once Newsom signs it.

Since Roe v. Wade was overturned nearly two years ago, California has taken concrete steps to protect reproductive care and abortion access in the state. In September 2023, Newsom signed a series of bills that strengthened protections for providers who deliver abortion care and

# Proposed California Bill Would Allow Arizona Doctors to Provide Abortions in CA



There are currently 21 states that ban or restrict abortion, with Arizona being number 22 if its State Legislature is unable to repeal the state's 1864 ban. (Graphic by Chris Allen, VOICE)

safeguarded patient reproductive records.

Following a Texas federal judge's ruling in April 2023 which prevented the approval of mifepristone, one of the drugs used in the process of ending a pregnancy, California obtained an emergency stockpile of the drug.

In November 2022, Californians voted to approve Proposition 1, which explicitly added abortion and contraception rights to the state constitution as a fundamental right to reproductive freedom.

Attorney General Rob Bonta also welcomed abortion care providers from other states to California, reinforcing California's support of reproductive health care.

"For providers from near-total abortion ban states who are willing to practice in California, you are welcome in California, and we want to ensure that you know your rights and are empowered to continue fulfilling your vital role of providing necessary abortion care here," Attorney General Bonta said in a press release.

There are currently 21 states that ban or restrict abortion, with Arizona being number 22 if the State Legislature is unable to repeal the 1864 ban. The State Supreme Court temporarily put a hold on their ruling, allowing abortions to continue under the state's 15-weeks law.



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supervisory or management roles over the years.

What I will say, however, is that since pinning on the badge of county sheriff, Bianco's ability to effectively lead an agency with oversight responsibility tor five jail facilities, six court buildings, a civil bureau, the Coroner's Bureau, Public Administrator's Office, nearly 20 contract cities, about 4,000 employees and an operating budget of nearly a billion dollars, again and again his leadership acumen is called into question.

Bianco has remained a lightning rod since he took office in 2019, sparked by a laundry list of curious mishaps that include everything from having to be ordered by a judge during the peak of the COVID-19 crisis to protect people in custody in Riverside County jails to refusing the state vaccine mandate for Sheriff Department employees to having to defend his membership in the now, seditious conspiracy, involved Oath Keepers to being investigated by the CA Attorney General for alleged Civil Rights violations—the list of his questionable actions has continued to expand.

The infamous list above does not include what appears to be rampant lawlessness by Riverside County sheriff deputies on his watch.

We can begin by recalling that last September, seven women who had spent time in a Riverside County jail filed federal cases against Riverside County that alleged liability for sexual abuse admitted by correctional deputy, Christian Heidecker, who pleaded guilty to 11 felonies Feb. 23, and was sentenced to five years in prison.

Also, last September, two Riverside County deputies were arrested and charged with drug possession — Brent Bishop Turnwall, 22, and Jorge Oceguera-Rocha, 25. Although neither were accused of distribution drugs in the jails, Turnwall was arrested while at work at Cois M. Byrd Detention Center. He was charged with being under the influence.

That same month, another deputy, Oceguera-Rocha, a corrections officer at Larry D. Smith Correctional Facility, was charged with possession

of narcotics for sale and transporting it for sale. At the time of his arrest, he purportedly had about 100 pounds of packaged fentanyl pills in his vehicle.

During an interview with Black Voice News last year, Bianco spoke about the 2022 increase in drug overdoses in the jails stating, "There is a market to purposely smuggle drugs into jail," he said, claiming that people get arrested so they can bring drugs into the facilities. "They swallow it, they insert it, they're underneath their fingernails, their toenails. They do everything they can to try and get it in, and unfortunately, sometimes they make it."

Bianco also acknowledged that the deaths were unfortunate and then went on to say, "but it certainly wasn't at the hands of our deputies." Well, maybe not, but who can say with certainty, because one thing we know for sure is that some of his deputies/corrections officers do not appear to have clean hands

As rumors began to surface that Bianco is now considering a bid for governor, it leaves one to wonder whether or not this man has any self awareness. Why would we consider electing someone like him to serve as governor when he continues to demonstrate the limits of his leadership skills and abilities to lead the Sheriff's Department?

We can not wait to see whether rumors of his run for governor come true. We should act now to spread the word regarding his short comings. This is important because his campaign is certain to be well funded by police unions and other like minded individuals.

For this reason, it is important that we educate our family, friends and neighbors about the works of Bianco and deputies under his stewardship, so that when, and if, a Bianco campaign for governor is launched, they are well informed and do not believe the hype that is certain to come.

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

S.E. Williams Executive Editor

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s. Kim Marie Hammer, Owner Peter Aldana, Riverside County, Clerk

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s. John Cruz

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s. Carmelina Sandoval

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s. Arlene Maria Taylor

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s. MICHARL ALLEN STEES, VICE

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s. Kimberley Jane Robinson

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Riverside CA 92505 RIVERSIDE COUNTY **Chalon Sanora Murphy** 4193 Flat Rock Drive, Suite 200-547

### Riverside, CA 92505

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s. Chalon Sanora Murphy

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

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s. Ariel Virgilio

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Peter Aldana, County Clerk, FILE NO. R- 202404413

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

OCC CONSTRUCTION 301 College Park Dr Seal Beach, CA 90740 ORANGE COUNTY 2929 Westminister Ave #3324 Seal Beach, CA 90740

This business is conducted by: Corporation

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed above on 11/05/2004

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. Bobby - Deaton, CEO

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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 vet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed ahove

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

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s. Maria Eustolia Arreola Vargas, Owner

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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

#### 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

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#### 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 granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. NOTICE OF HEARING: DATE: 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. 92507 Date: APRIL 10, 2024

LAURA C. GARCIA, Judge of the Superior Court

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### 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 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

### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS Bid No. 23-24

#### **Trailer Mounted Chiller**

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By: Lenore McCall, Purchasing Manager

Publication April 25, 2024

Request for Clarification May 6 2024 11:00 AM Virtual Bid Opening May 13, 2024,

2:00 PM https://meet.google.com/kfe-cojphtq?authuser=0 4/25/24

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#### NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS Bid No. 23-23

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By: Jeanette Martinez-Castaneda, Buyer

Publication May 2, 2024
Request for Clarification May 14,

2024 11:00 AM Virtual Bid Opening May 24, 2024 2:00 PM

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### NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS Bid No. 23-21

Power Washing - Districtwide NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the San Bernardino City Unified School District of San Bernardino County, State of California, acting through its Governing Board, hereafter referred to as the "District". is soliciting electronic bid submittals through its OpenGov Procurement web portal in response to Bid No. 23-21 Power Washing - Districtwide. Bids must be submitted electronically up to but not later than Tuesday, May 21. 2024 at 2:00 pm. at https:// procurement.opengov.com/portal/ shousd

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Bid Documents posted through the District's "OpenGov Procurement" website portal.

As of April 1, 2015, no contractor or subcontractor may bid or work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. Proof of DIR registration and compliance is required to be submitted with all bids https://www.dir.ca.gov/publicworks/PublicWorks/SB854.html

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By: Lenore McCall, Purchasing Manager

Publication: May 2, 2024

Request for Clarification: May 13, 2024 at 11:00 am

Virtual Bid Opening: May 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm

Google Meets https://meet.google.com/ozi-utgi-mtz?authuser=0&pli=1 NOTE: Late entry will not be permitted. 5/2/24

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#### NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS Bid No. 23-27

Requirements Contract for the Remediation of Lead, Asbestos, and Mold

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By: Paul Ramirez, Buyer Publication: May 02, 2024

Mandatory Bidder Conference May 15, 2024 at 10:00 am, Location 793 North E Street,

San Bernardino, CA 92410 Request for Clarification: May 17, 2024 at 11:00 am

Virtual Bid Opening: May 24, 2024 at 1:00 pm

https://meet.google.com/jph-rmpthrn?authuser=0 NOTE: Late entry will not be

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## COMMUNITY

Legacy of a Black Cowboy, continued from page 12 people weren't in all those associations like we were, but we were all around... whatever was going on in the community we were in the

community too," she said.

After losing Al a decade ago to a horseback accident, Flora no longer participates in circuit events the same way.

"I wouldn't understand how to tell anyone [how to cope] that had gotten invested into any sport, or something like that for many years with your spouse," she said. Flora confided how losing a partner feels as if "a big chunk" is taken from one's life and would not know how to advise someone experiencing this on how to navigate the next chapter of their life.

Flora attempted to attend the same events after Al passed, but it wasn't the same. For years she tried to get back on a horse, showing up to different annual events, but it didn't work out.

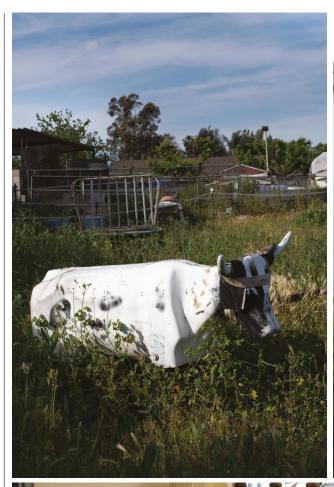
"I haven't been on a horse in a long time," said Flora. She was present when Al had his accident while riding his horse in the arena.

"Even though he passed being on his horse, there's still joy in that because he was doing what he loved to do," Andrea said. "He would have rather — I hate to say it this way — passed on his horse then passed of cancer or being sick... So, I find comfort in that."

Black Voice News spent time with Flora and Andrea to learn about Al's legacy as a Black cowboy, husband and father. The images display artifacts and memories from his life that his family feels best preserves his memory.

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Top left: An electric cow that moves in circles across the field to train horses for the rodeo remains in Flora's yard on April 17, 2024. The cow has not been used in over a decade since Al's passing; Right: Flora holds tack she and Al used on their horses, including bits, the equipment inside a horse's mouth that is used to control its direction and movement. "We just talked horses. We didn't talk about going to the mall or going skiing. We didn't talk about that. We went to ride horses. It's a lifestyle," Flora said, recalling the life she shared with her husband; Bottom: Flora Levon Hays-Joubert sits in her living room and looks at the memorabilia of her late husband Alton James Joubert, known as Al, in her Jurupa Valley home on April 17, 2024. "This horse stuff wasn't working for me like I thought it was, so I plunged back into school, gotta find something else," Flora said. "I got together with some widow groups and things of that nature. I was trying a regular life." (Photos by Arvana Noroozi for CatchLight Local / Black Voice News)







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Top left: Dust collects on an old stirrup that was stored with Al's tack on April 17, 2024; Right: On April 17, 2024, Flora Levon Hays-Joubert (left) and Andrea La Toya Joubert (right) pose for a portrait in Flora's yard where the family used to keep horses. To their left stands the area where horses were washed and groomed. Bottom left: Flora holds Al's belt from the Mounted Posse, a volunteer horse mounted unit in the San Bernardino region, that rescues people from the mountains and performs other outdoor search and rescues. Al was not only a member of the Mountain Posse, but also trained horses for the unit. Right: Some of Al's saddles sit lined up on the patio. Al participated in many competitions including Calf Roping and Steer Wrestling, American Cowboy Team Roping Association and Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association among others. (Photos by Aryana Noroozi for CatchLight Local / Black Voice News)



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