

Jami Napier

From: Will Colin <willcolinrichardson@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 11:07 AM
To: Truth Act
Cc: tony@workingeastbay.org
Subject: Public comment on Truth forum

Good morning members of the board.

My name is William Colin-Richardson, I am a resident of Contra Costa County and a member of the Central County Regional Group.

Today is the third year that we are meeting again to make Sheriff Livingston's action accountable. Three years talking for the same topic that you as members of the boards have not yet understood.

Sheriff Livingston continues realizing information from people at the time they will be released and his very well collaboration is still there. This is a perfect example of how corrupt the criminal system is. If I can compare him with anyone in history he is as bad as Mark Fuhrman.

I urge you to please stop giving more money to sheriff Livingston and invest in things the community need. We demand that found for AB 109 are invested to assist people with reentry.

Board of supervisors close Marsh Creek DF and invest in community-based mental health services.

You know what you have to do, so step aside your personal interests and serve the community that elect you to make contra costa an inclusive an welcoming county, do what you promised to do.

Thank you for your time.

William Colin-Richardson

Jami Napier

From: Efigenia Bravo
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:11 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Item D.4. PLEASE READ ALOUD
Attachments: Efigenia B. 7.28.20 BOS English.docx

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Good morning, my name is Efigenia Bravo, a Concord resident and a mother volunteer with the Central County Regional Group, sponsored by First 5.

During this time that families are struggling to survive the pandemic while also surviving the housing crisis, we are outraged to know that our own sheriff is continuing to collaborate with immigration, negatively affecting our immigrant community. We ask that you put an end to this collaboration.

Our immigrant community needs the assurance that this collaboration will no longer continue. This collaboration is only causing more fear among tej immigrant community in reaching out to the Sheriff's department in times of crisis. It is preventing immigrant families from calling when they have something to report.

We also ask that instead you invest in our communities with prevention programs and services and eliminate the youth detention center. What we need is funding for hospitals, so that they can continue to provide help to the community being affected by COVID-19.

Invest in our community and put an end to the collaboration between the Sheriff and immigration.

Jami Napier

From: conniechiba@... of Constance Chiba
<conniechiba@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:09 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Connie Chiba and I am retired. I have lived in Moraga, CA for 35 years.

I am proud to participate in today's forum in solidarity with the many Contra Costa community racial justice organizations. It is unfortunate that I cannot deliver this comment during the forum. The Board has severely limited public engagement in this year's TRUTH Act forum by beginning the forum at 9:30am -- an inaccessible time for essential workers, many of whom are immigrants -- and limiting public comment to 60 seconds.

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Sincerely,
Constance Chiba
Moraga, CA 94556

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From: hmalvido@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Hector Malvido
m.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 10:00 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Hector Malvido and I am with the Ensuring Opportunity Campaign to End Poverty in Contra Costa. We collaborate with different community-based organizations in addressing the root causes of poverty.

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Sincerely,
Hector Malvido
Richmond, CA 94804

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From: nicole@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of nicole zapata
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Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:06 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

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Sincerely,
nicole zapata
Walnut Creek, CA 94598

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From: danielsafran@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Daniel Safran
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Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:29 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Dan Safran and I have been a resident of Contra Costa County for more than 25 years.

I participate in today's forum in support of the many Contra Costa organizations devoted to racial justice. I wish I could deliver my brief comments in person but the current health crisis makes this impossible.

I'm very disappointed that the Board has severely limited public engagement in this year's TRUTH Act forum. In that regard, I will limit my statement to a very few points, I'm also upset that the Board set the start of the forum to 9:30am, a time when most of the essential workers we depend on find it impossible to participate at this time of day.

Sheriff Livingston and his department have demonstrated significant disregard for the needs, safety and well-being of Contra Costa's communities of color, but also with their continued collaboration with ICE. It is of great concern that our county's Board of Supervisors is adding funds to the Sheriff's budget while, at the same time, the BOS is cutting services that most County residents depend on.

I support the demands of the Contra Costa Immigrant Rights Alliance:

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Sincerely,
Daniel Safran
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Jami Napier

From: debra@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Debra Ballinger
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Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:29 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Debra Ballinger, Executive Director of Monument Impact. We serve the immigrant and refugees community in Central and East Contra Costa County. I am also a resident of Concord. resident of where you live in Contra Costa County.

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Debra Ballinger
Concord, CA 94520

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From: carmchang@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carmen Chang
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Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:28 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

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Sincerely,
Carmen Chang
North Hollywood, CA

Jami Napier

From: jennifer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jennifer Morales
<jennifer@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:25 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Jennifer Morales and I work at Monument Impact. Monument Impact is a nonprofit serving immigrants, refugees and low-income residents of Concord and Contra Costa County. We are a hub of resources for sorely underserved community members, who also have been deeply hit by the crisis of COVID-19 and are now facing long-term economic impacts as a result of this pandemic.

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From: gabbylazz8@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gabby Lazzeretti <gabbylazz8@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:24 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Gabby and I'm a graduated senior at Alhambra High school here in Martinez. I've lived in Martinez all my life.

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Martinez, CA

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From: Linda Olvera <linda.olvera@freedomforimmigrants.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:15 AM
To: Truth Act
Cc: Tony Bravo
Subject: [BULK] Sheriff Livingston - ACT NOW!

To: Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

Where do you find the justification, heart and soul for allowing your Sheriff to turn over innocent immigrants to the inhumane jails of US Immigration falsely known as "detention centers" where our innocent immigrants are dying of Covid-19. The majority of these immigrants have done nothing criminal. Trump is the one who started rounding up our innocent immigrants with his dog-catcher ICE agents and Border Patrol and putting them in his for-profit jails including the hundreds of families that have been separated.

May I remind you that we are a Sanctuary County and a Sanctuary State but you have a Sheriff that resents all of this as a strong Trump supporter and plays games in order to transfer innocent human beings to immigration jails & prisons for the sake of monetary profits and his own personal racism towards people of color. We are now witnessing right before our eyes in this county and this country the same actions of Hitler right before our eyes. AND YOU ARE ALLOWING THIS!!!

I don't need to remind you of the great contribution of our back-breaking immigrants to this country for hundreds of years including the essential workers that they are during this Pandemic. Where is your heart & soul? We cannot continue to follow in Hitler's footsteps. STOP SHERIFF LIVINGSTON NOW AND FOLLOW RECOMMENDATIONS THAT OUR COMMUNITY IS MAKING TO YOU ABOUT SHERIFF LIVINGSTON!!!

Linda Olvera
Freedom For Immigrants
Contra Costa Immigrant Rights Alliance

Contra Costa Resident

Jami Napier

From: pulido.tania@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tania Pulido
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Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:10 AM
To: Truth Act
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Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Tania Pulido, I live in Richmond, CA. I work on affordable housing in Contra Costa County and have lived here my whole life.

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Sincerely,
Tania Pulido
Richmond, CA 94801

Jami Napier

From: deborahcdonovan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Deborah Donovan
<deborahcdonovan@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 28, 2020 9:07 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Deborah Donovan, I am a retired corporate lawyer and I lived in Diablo for a decade and have lived in Pleasant Hill for 20 years.

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Sincerely,
Deborah Donovan
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

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From: jeanettemckillop@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeanette Mckillop
<jeanettemckillop@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 9:14 PM
To: Truth Act
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Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Jeanette Mckillop and I have lived in Walnut Creek for the past five years. I am disappointed that I cannot make a comment during the forum, but the 9:30AM time would require me to miss work.

I am very dismayed by the Sheriff's continued cooperation with ICE. We are all facing the same health crisis and it is no secret that COVID-19 has been spreading throughout jails, prisons, and ICE facilities here in California. This is a humanitarian issue! I am calling on the Board of Supervisors to end the Country's collaboration with ICE, to cut the budget allocated to the Sheriff, close juvenile hall, and reinvest that money in our black and the immigrant communities.

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Jeanette Mckillop
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Jami Napier

From: Irrussell55@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Linda Russell <Irrussell55@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 8:44 PM
To: Truth Act
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Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Linda Russell and I work at John Muir as a Care Coordinator. Prior to that I was a medical social worker at Contra Costa Regional Medical Center in Martinez for over 15 years. I have lived in Pleasant Hill for about 13 years.

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From: waynereznickphd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Wayne and Helen Reznick
<waynereznickphd@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 8:37 PM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

Dear Supervisor Mitchoff,

My wife and I, both psychologists, were excited to relocate from the East Coast eight years ago to settle in Clayton. As you well know, there is much about Contra Costa that is impressive.

One feature, though has surprised and frankly disappointed us. We are at a loss to understand the Board of Supervisor's seeming avoidance of its responsibility for meaningful oversight and the Board's continued expansive funding of Sheriff Livingstone department. We have sadly witnessed your dismissive response to concerns about abusive incidents of inmates in custody, and the Board's overt enabling his lack of transparency, including his interaction with ICE. No doubt you understand that, given the heightened Covid risk in ICE detention facilities, transferring released inmates increases the risk of their death. Do you feel comfortable with that? Is this the right thing to do?

This is a time for the Board to exercise its civil and moral leadership. Throughout our country, jurisdictions and leaders are re-examining their approach to address broad and specific community issues and to move away from unwarranted 'over-policifying'.

Please do what is increasingly becoming clear: invest thoughtfully in communities and not merely continue a pattern of over-funding an armed and physically aggressive catch-all approach that makes matters worse. Transfer proposed funds from the Sheriff's Department to mental health, substance abuse and social services, as well as to re-entry and youth programs.

Please exercise your role to improve the quality of life for all residents in Contra Costa County, especially those who are vulnerable and traditionally disadvantaged.

Thanks for being open to consider these matters and to shift your approach.

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Sincerely,
Wayne and Helen Reznick
Clayton, CA 94517

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Jami Napier

From: marecal58@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marianne Callahan <marecal58@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 7:35 PM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Marianne Callahan. I am a resident of Contra Costa County and have worked as a public school teacher in the county for 35 years. I have lived alongside as a neighbor and worked with members of our immigrant community in my profession, and I can attest to the contributions of this hard working community that I have grown to love. I want to participate in today's forum, but with a 60 second time limit I'm afraid I will not be able to convey my message.

Sheriff Livingston's has been a menace to communities of color for his entire tenure. His refusal to to be transparent and to allow outside oversight has been an ongoing concern. I'm saddened but not surprised to now learn that he continues to cooperate with ICE even after years of community outcry and a supreme court decision that prohibits law enforcement from aiding federal agents in taking custody of immigrants when they are released from jail.

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Sincerely,
Marianne Callahan
Concord, CA 94521

Jami Napier

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Meg Keeley
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Jami Napier

From: cyj01@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Nancyj Moran <cyj01@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 5:05 PM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

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From: sallyedgerton27@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sally Edgerton <sallyedgerton27@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 4:33 PM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

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<ehhamphshire@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 1:27 PM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

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My name is Emily Hampshire and I am a lifelong Contra Costa resident & current social work graduate student at UC Berkeley.

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<elizawii@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 1:12 PM
To: Truth Act
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Walnut Creek, CA

Jami Napier

From: pathwork@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lynne White
<pathwork@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 11:39 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Lynne White and I am a psychotherapist and minister with offices in Pleasant Hill and Concord. I've been a resident of Contra Costa County for 50+ years.

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From: Shelihcryderman@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sheli Cryderman
<Shelihcryderman@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 9:32 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Sheli Cryderman. I am a member of Racial Equity for MDUSD, and am employed at MDUSD. I am asking for the removal of support from ICE for the reasons mentioned below. I am also asking for an explanation of more and more \$ being allocated to the sheriff. I personally have acquaintances in law enforcement who honestly are admitting that their job duties are very quiet and not busy during this time of SIP. Why are we paying for more enforcement \$?

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Sincerely,
Sheli Cryderman
Concord, CA 94519

Jami Napier

From: rose1margie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Rose Barreto
<rose1margie@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 9:21 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Rose Barreto. I have been a resident in Contra Costa County for 8 years.

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From: emills1948@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Elsie Mills <emills1948@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 9:04 AM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Re: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

Dear Public Comment Submission,

My name is Elsie Mills and am a member of Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) Contra Costa County. I have lived in Concord for 4 years.

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Sincerely,
Elsie Mills
Concord, CA 94518

Jami Napier

From: Liz Miller
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2020 4:49 PM
To: Truth Act
Subject: Fwd: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum

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From: Liz Miller <lizmiller.22@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Jul 24, 2020 at 4:03 PM
Subject: Public Comment for 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum
To: Candace Andersen <Candace.Andersen@bos.cccounty.us>, Diane Burgis <Diane.Burgis@bos.cccounty.us>, John Gioia <John.Gioia@bos.cccounty.us>, Karen Mitchoff <Karen.Mitchoff@bos.cccounty.us>, Federal Glover <Federal.Glover@bos.cccounty.us>
Cc: Tony Bravo <tony@workingeastbay.org>

Dear Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors,

My name is Elizabeth Miller and I have been a resident of Danville since 1996, now enjoying my community, lifestyle, and retirement in the East Bay.

I am writing to submit comments regarding the 7/28/20 TRUTH Act Forum in solidarity with our many Contra Costa community racial justice organizations. It is unfortunate that the extreme time constraints imposed by the Board have severely limited public engagement in this year's TRUTH Act Forum. Let this letter be my voice instead.

Among other CCC citizens, I am **concerned not only with Sheriff Livingston and his department's utter disregard for the needs, safety and wellbeing of Contra Costa's communities of color, but also with their continued collaboration with ICE.** As you must surely know, the COVID-19 pandemic is sickening and killing people in jails, prisons, and ICE facilities all over the country. I am deeply disturbed that despite this sobering reality, the Contra Costa Sheriff's Department maintains a policy of notifying ICE of release dates for people who are eligible for release from county custody and of publishing release dates online. Since the pandemic began, the Sheriff's Office has failed to provide answers about the spread of COVID-19 in the county's jails, how many people they have turned over to ICE through notifications, and why they continue to publish release dates online. On top of this, the recent Supreme Court Decision in *US v. CA* leaves intact rules that prohibit law enforcement officials from aiding federal agents in taking custody of immigrants as they are released from jail. This means that, in the midst of a pandemic, Sheriff Livingston and his department have made the decision to cooperate with ICE *out of their own volition.*

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Also concerning is the Sheriff's additional role as county coroner. The \$3.2 million supporting this should be invested in **funding an independent coroner, community-based mental health services, and a commitment to funding the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility.**

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Elizabeth Miller
Danville resident