# DECARCERAL VISIONS CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCIA DE VISIONES DECARCERALES

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### **CONFERENCIA DE VISIONES DECARCERALES**

22 y 23 de septiembre de 2023 UCLA School of Law, 385 Charles E. Young Drive East, Los Angeles, CA 90095

### **AGENDA**

### Viernes, 22 de septiembre de 2023

6:00-7:00 pm	Inscripción, prueba de COVID
	Patio Shapiro
	Solicitamos que todos los participantes se sometan a una prueba rápida de COVID al momento de la inscripción, o que proporcionen una prueba de COVID-19 con resultado negativo realizada la mañana del evento, y que usen mascarillas en el interior. Concurra al menos 30 minutos antes de que comience el programa para poder realizar las pruebas e inscribirse.  Si acudirá en su vehículo, llegue 15 minutos antes para tener tiempo suficiente para estacionar.
7:00-9:00 pm	Panel principal/Apertura de la Conferencia
	Sala 1347; Sala 1357 (por falta de lugar)
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### Sábado, 23 de septiembre de 2023

8:00-9:00 am	Inscripción, desayuno, prueba de COVID  Patio Shapiro
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9:00-9:30 am	Bienvenida y apertura Sala 1347; Sala 1357 (por falta de lugar) <a href="https://aclu.zoom.us/j/88062667935">https://aclu.zoom.us/j/88062667935</a>

9:30-10:45 am	SESIÓN PLENARIA I: Otro mundo es posible: lecciones de las campañas			
	para reutilizar ins	talaciones y planifi	car transiciones jus	tas.
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### LOGÍSTICA

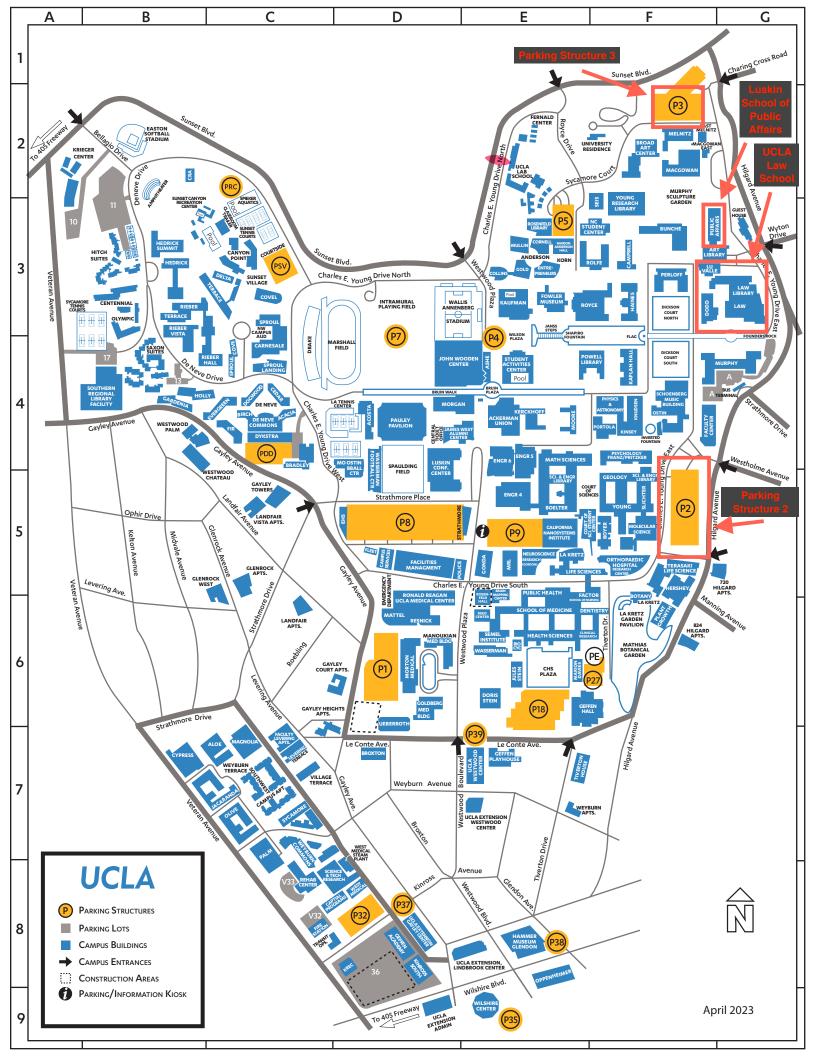
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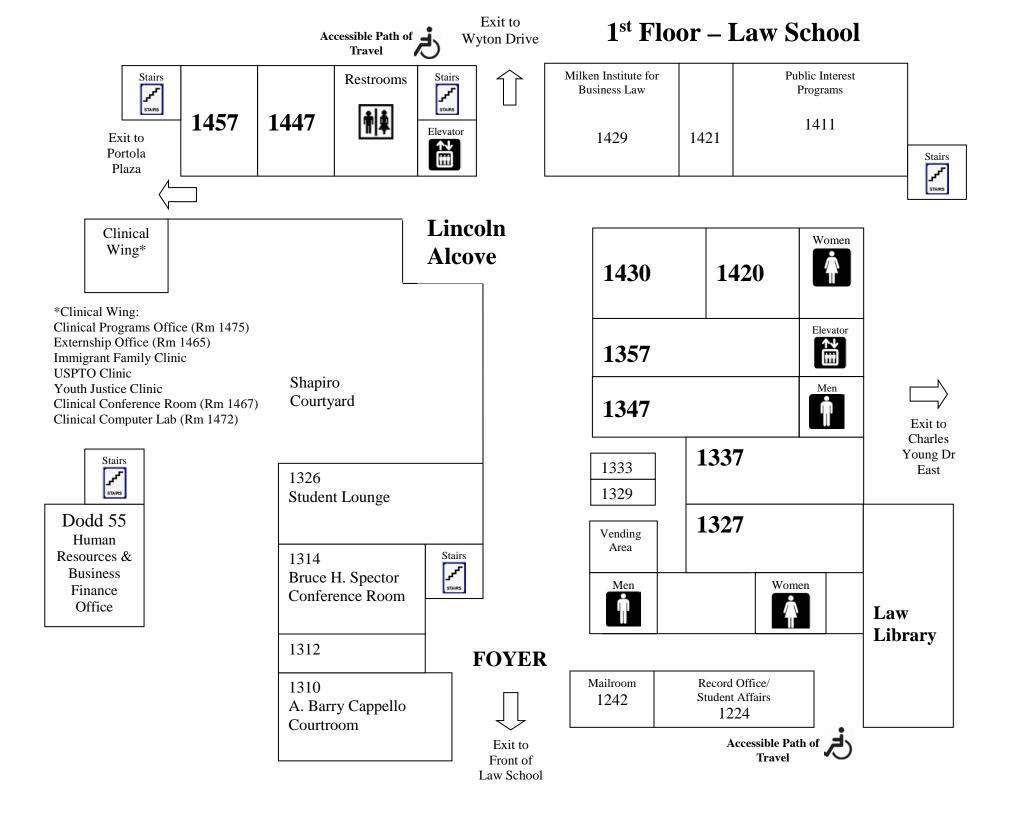
- Antes de la conferencia:
  - Se recomienda encarecidamente a los participantes que se vacunen contra la COVID o se coloquen los refuerzos antes del evento.
  - Si ha estado expuesto a la COVID-19, ha dado positivo en las pruebas de COVID-19 o tiene síntomas de COVID-19 en los tres días anteriores al evento, absténgase de asistir en persona.
- Durante la conferencia:
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  - Solicitamos a todos los participantes que usen una mascarilla en todo momento cuando estén en el interior (salvo cuando coman, beban o hagan una presentación). Las mascarillas estarán disponibles en el mostrador de la inscripción.
- o Después de la conferencia:
  - Si se enferma de COVID-19 o descubre que estuvo infectado durante la conferencia, informe a decarceralvisionsconference@aclu.org. La conferencia notificará a todos los participantes presenciales si alguien se infectó durante la conferencia (sin identificar a la persona).
- Subtítulos. Habrá subtítulos disponibles en la conferencia (en ingles). Habrá subtítulos disponibles en Ingles para sesiones seleccionadas a <a href="https://www.streamtext.net/player?event=DecarceralVisions">https://www.streamtext.net/player?event=DecarceralVisions</a>. Estas sesiones incluyen: Panel principal, Bienvenida y apertura, sesión principal, talleres 1B, 2D, y 3C, y Cierre. Subtítulos para zoom estará disponible a través de subtítulos automáticos de zoom. Los enlaces web de zoom están disponibles en la descripción general de la agenda.
- Materiales de la conferencia. Los materiales y presentaciones de la conferencia están disponibles a: <a href="https://bit.ly/44H6JDj">https://bit.ly/44H6JDj</a>, o en el código QR. Para agregar materiales al archivo, envíe un pdf a decarceralvisionsconference@aclu.org.



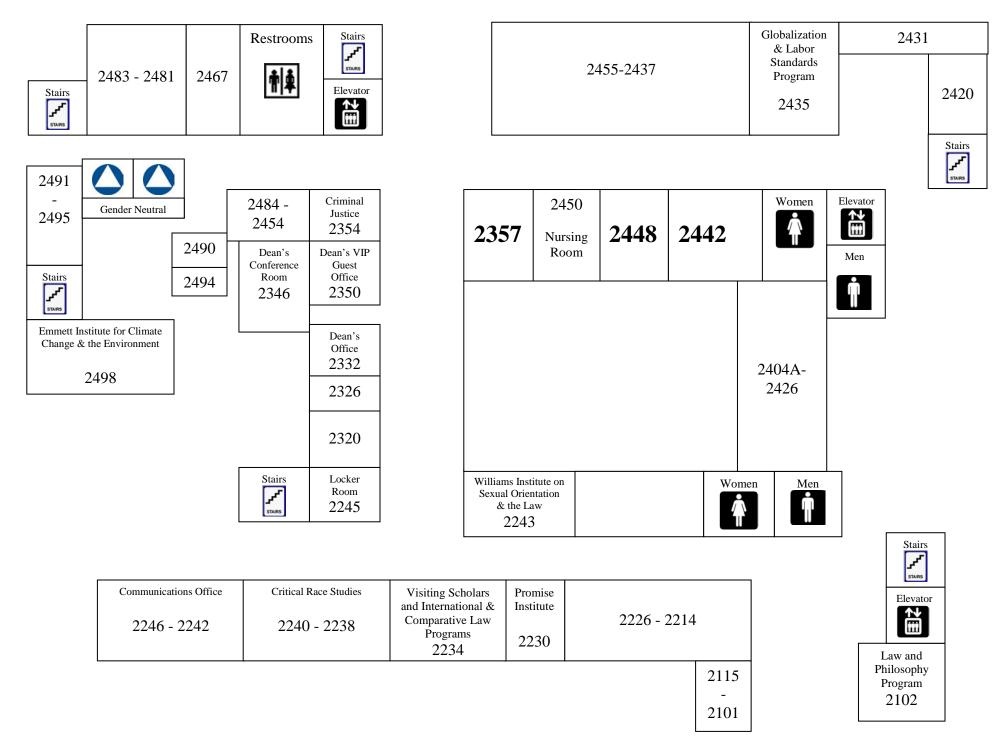
- Interpretación/traducción. Habrá interpretación al español disponible en la conferencia y para zoom. Tome unos auriculares en la mesa cercana a la inscripción si necesita interpretación. También se facilitarán traducciones al español de todos los materiales en PowerPoint expuestos durante la conferencia en la mesa de interpretación que estará cerca de la inscripción y en el archivo de las materiales de la conferencia, a: <a href="https://bit.ly/44H6JDj">https://bit.ly/44H6JDj</a>.
- Sala de lactancia. La Facultad de Derecho dispone de una sala de lactancia (sala 2450) para quienes necesiten amamantar. Solicite la llave e instrucciones en la mesa de inscripción.
- **Comidas y bebidas.** El desayuno y el almuerzo se ofrecerán en el Patio Shapiro. Habrá café y otras bebidas disponibles entre las sesiones.
- **Uso de micrófono.** Solicitamos a todos los ponentes y participantes de la conferencia (incluso durante las sesiones de preguntas y respuestas) que hablen despacio y con claridad a los micrófonos en todo momento para garantizar la accesibilidad de todos los participantes. Hablar por los micrófonos es esencial para el subtitulado, los intérpretes de español y para los participantes remotos a través de Zoom.
- Asientos para el exceso de participantes. Debido a la abrumadora demanda, hemos ampliado la asistencia presencial más allá del número estimado originalmente. Incluso más personas participarán a distancia, ya que la participación en la conferencia ha alcanzado la capacidad ampliada. Sin embargo, debido a las limitaciones de tamaño de la Facultad de Derecho, en las sesiones plenarias es necesario agregar asientos. Agradecemos la solidaridad y paciencia de todos para adaptarse a esta disposición de los asientos.
- Estacionamiento. Está disponible el estacionamiento con autoservicio pago, con estaciones de pago situadas en todo el campus. El estacionamiento pago más cercano al edificio de la Facultad de Derecho está disponible en determinadas entradas de las estructuras de estacionamiento 2 y 3, y junto al edificio de la Facultad de Derecho en Charles E. Young Drive East. El precio suele oscilar entre \$1 por 20 minutos y \$20 para todo el día. Recomendamos que llegue 15 minutos antes para poder estacionar con tiempo.
- Fotografías. La conferencia será fotografiada y la transmisión en directo será grabada. Al participar, los asistentes a la conferencia otorgan su consentimiento para ser fotografiados, grabados en video o audio y para que los anfitriones de la conferencia puedan reproducir contenido de su apariencia, imagen y voz, y eximen y renuncian a reclamos por el uso del contenido grabado de la conferencia. Si no desea que lo fotografíen, obtenga una etiqueta de "No fotos" en el mostrador de inscripción y úsela durante la conferencia.

- Sala de tranquilidad/reflexión. La sala 2473 del segundo piso ha sido designada como espacio de tranquilidad/reflexión para la conferencia. Siéntase libre de usar esta sala si lo necesita.
- Baños. En la Facultad de Derecho de la UCLA hay varios baños disponibles, como se indica en el plano del edificio. Los baños próximos a la sala 1447 están designados como baños para todos los géneros. Los baños próximos a la sala 2491 están designados como baños genero neutral.
- **Transmisión en línea.** La conferencia se transmitirá por Zoom y será grabada. Los enlaces se facilitarán por correo electrónico a todos los participantes remotos antes de la conferencia.
- Accesibilidad para sillas de ruedas. Las instalaciones de la Facultad de Derecho de la UCLA son accesibles para sillas de ruedas.
- Wifi. La red de wifi disponible es: UCLA\_WEB. No requiere contraseña.





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### CONFERENCIA DE VISIONES DECARCERALES AGRADECIMIENTOS

#### Comité directivo de la conferencia

Eunice Cho, ACLU National Prison Project; Jasmine Heiss (anteriormente) Vera Institute of Justice; Marcela Hernandez, Detention Watch Network; Nicole Porter, Sentencing Project; Judah Schept, Professor, Eastern Kentucky University; Alicia Virani, UCLA School of Law; Monica Smith, Vera Institute of Justice; Kyle Virgien, ACLU National Prison Project; Samantha Weaver, ACLU National Prison Project. Gracias a Maurice BP-Weeks, de Interrupting Criminalization, por su apoyo en la planificación.

### Patrocinadores de la conferencia

American Civil Liberties Union, Detention Watch Network, the Sentencing Project, Vera Institute of Justice, UCLA School of Law's Criminal Justice Program, UCLA School of Law's Prison Law and Policy Program, UCLA School of Law's Criminal Justice Law Review.

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#### **Artista**

Diseño artístico de la conferencia, *Yellow Flowers*, cortesía y derechos de autor de Brian Hindson. Brian Hindson es un artista y escritor cuya obra es publicada por la Justice Arts Coalition. Actualmente está encarcelado en Texas.

### Apoyo a la conferencia

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### **PROGRAMA DETALLADO**

### Viernes, 22 de septiembre de 2023

### 6:00-7:00 pm Inscripción, prueba de COVID

Patio Shapiro

### 7:00-9:00 pm Panel principal/Apertura de la Conferencia de puntos de vista para el cierre carcelario

Sala 1347; Sala 1357 (por falta de lugar), https://aclu.zoom.us/j/86713770879

- Reconocimiento de Tierras: free Pierre, estudiante, Faclutad de Derecho de la UCLA
- Bienvenida: Michael Waterstone, decano de la Facultad de Derecho de la UCLA
- Nilson Barahona, ICEBreakers
- Shawnda Chapman, Ms. Foundation
- Ruthie Wilson Gilmore, City University of New York
- Ronald Marshall, VOTE
- Bianca Tylek, Worth Rises
- Deanna Van Buren, Designing Justice + Designing Spaces
- Judah Schept, Eastern Kentucky University (moderador)

### Sábado, 23 de septiembre de 2023

### 8:00-9:00 Inscripción, desayuno, prueba de COVID

Patio Shapiro

### 9:00-9:30 Bienvenida y apertura

Sala 1347; Sala 1357 (por falta de lugar), https://aclu.zoom.us/j/88062667935

- Kyler McVoy, Co-Presidente, UCLA Native American Law Student Association (Tribu Miami de Oklahoma)
- Alicia Virani, UCLA Criminal Justice Program
- Eunice Cho, ACLU National Prison Project

### 9:30-10:45 SESIÓN PLENARIA I: Otro mundo es posible: lecciones de las campañas para reutilizar instalaciones y planificar transiciones justas.

Sala 1347; Sala 1357 (por falta de lugar), https://aclu.zoom.us/j/88062667935

Con una presentación multimedia y un panel de experimentados organizadores de campañas, este panel analizará las campañas de cierre carcelario, pasadas y presentes, y debatirá las oportunidades y retos clave para el cierre carcelario y las transiciones justas. Los panelistas hablarán de las diferentes etapas de sus campañas, desde el inicio hasta las diferentes lecciones aprendidas.

- Amaia Cook, Decarcerate KC
- Robyn Hasan, Women on the Rise
- Amber-Rose Howard, Californians United for a Responsible Budget
- Bob Libal, (anteriormente) Grassroots Leadership
- Nicole Porter, The Sentencing Project (moderadora)

### 11:00-12:00 SESIÓN 1 DEL TALLER

 Taller 1A: Transiciones justas para las personas y comunidades directamente afectadas por el cierre: personas encarceladas y detenidas

Sala 1347, https://aclu.zoom.us/j/84426483135

Este panel analizará las estrategias para abordar el impacto del cierre de instalaciones sobre las personas encarceladas y detenidas y sus familias. ¿Qué lecciones hemos aprendido de otros cierres de instalaciones, y cuáles son las alternativas y salvaguardas, incluida la planificación de la liberación y los recursos, que se deben tener en cuenta?

- Antonio Gutierrez, Organized Communities Against Deportation
- Reuben Jones, Frontline Dads, Inc.
- Duane Palm, actualmente encarcelado en la prisión de San Quentin, CA
- Timothy Peoples, actualmente encarcelado en la prisión estatal de Wasco, CA
- Israel Salazar Villa, California Alliance for Youth and Community Justice
- Emmett Sanders, Prison Policy Initiative
- Marcela Hernandez, Detention Watch Network (moderadora)

### • Taller 1B: Seguir el dinero: Comprender la financiación de las prisiones, cárceles y centros de detención

*Sala 1357*, https://aclu.zoom.us/j/81020003192

Este panel ofrecerá una visión general de cómo entender e investigar la financiación de las prisiones, cárceles y centros de detención, y desarrollar y proponer alternativas fiscales a los responsables de las tomas de decisiones. Los ponentes hablarán sobre cómo entender los bonos municipales y los contratos para instalaciones. Los panelistas debatirán los componentes de justicia racial de la monetización de las instalaciones carcelarias y las estrategias para denunciarla y transformarla.

- Jacob Kang-Brown, Vera Institute
- Silky Shah, Detention Watch Network
- LaTonya Tate, Communities Not Prisons
- Christina Hollenback, Investor Circle (moderadora)
- Taller 1C: Imaginar un nuevo futuro: la planificación comunitaria y la arquitectura en el replanteamiento de los sitios carcelarios y la prevención de la construcción de nuevas instalaciones

Sala 1430, <a href="https://aclu.zoom.us/j/83192191087?pwd=YjFONkRrSmg4MjQvOVhNbE0rMGpXQT09">https://aclu.zoom.us/j/83192191087?pwd=YjFONkRrSmg4MjQvOVhNbE0rMGpXQT09</a>
Este panel destacará las campañas a favor del cierre carcelario y las formas en que los procesos comunitarios de planificación y arquitectura han contribuido a dar forma a la visión de los planes de reutilización y a empoderar y evidenciar la posibilidad del cierre y la reutilización. Los panelistas debatirán cómo son los procesos comunitarios y qué preguntas y respuestas puede aportar el proceso.

- Inez Bordeaux, ArchCity Defenders
- Courtney Knapp, Pratt Institute
- Bryan Lee, Collogate
- Bz Zhang, Design as Protest Collective (moderadora)

### 12:00-1:00 ALMUERZO (sin ponencias)

Patio Shapiro

### 1:00-2:00 TALLER SESIÓN 2

• Taller 2A: Justicia ecológica: lecciones del movimiento ecologista

Sala 1347, https://aclu.zoom.us/j/85784843046

El movimiento ecologista ha disfrutado de importantes victorias recientes en lo que respecta al desarrollo y la política de infraestructuras verdes y al desarrollo económico rural. Los panelistas del movimiento ecologista identificarán y analizarán las tácticas y los vehículos políticos que podrían ayudar a apoyar la reutilización carcelaria y los planes de transición justa, las formas en que las cuestiones medioambientales pueden influir en los planes de cierre carcelario, y cómo los planes de cierre carcelario pueden también fomentar la justicia medioambiental.

- Sara Imperiale, Natural Resources Defense Council
- J.E. Martinez-Mazurek, Fight Toxic Prisons
- Idalmis Vaquero, Just Solutions
- Michaé la Cuadra, Budget2SaveLives (moderadora)

### • Taller 2B: Comprender los conceptos básicos de los presupuestos y las declaraciones de impacto fiscal del cierre carcelario

Sala 1357, https://aclu.zoom.us/j/87468627627

Este taller proporcionará formación práctica a los defensores interesados en aprender a descifrar los presupuestos gubernamentales, utilizar la ciencia de los datos y las proyecciones fiscales, y utilizar las declaraciones de impacto financiero para defender el cierre de las instalaciones carcelarias y evitar la construcción de nuevas instalaciones.

- Bea Halbach Singh, Vera Institute
- Jared Knowles, Civilytics
- Eunice Cho, ACLU National Prison Project (moderadora)

### • Taller 2C: Defensa legal y campañas de cierre carcelario

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Este panel analizará las formas en que la defensa legal y los litigios en centros carcelarios pueden apoyar eficazmente las campañas para cerrarlos o impedir una nueva construcción. Los panelistas debatirán sobre cómo conciben su papel en el manejo de la ley como herramienta al abordar la reducción de daños, la abolición y las reformas reformistas frente a las no reformistas. También analizarán cómo enfocan su trabajo en los espacios de coalición/campañas.

- Andrew Manuel Crespo, Harvard Law School
- Salil Dudani, Civil Rights Corps
- Tiffany Roberts, Southern Center for Human Rights
- Hamid Yazdan Panah, Immigrant Defense Advocates
- Alicia Virani, UCLA School of Law (moderadora)

### Taller 2D: Trabajo de comunicación y narrativa para el cierre carcelario

Sala 1430, <a href="https://aclu.zoom.us/j/88229888612?pwd=TjAxRDVzYklyMTVXKzY3NjJSVGFJQT09">https://aclu.zoom.us/j/88229888612?pwd=TjAxRDVzYklyMTVXKzY3NjJSVGFJQT09</a>
El trabajo narrativo y la narración de historias son fundamentales para conseguir apoyo para el cierre carcelario y las transiciones justas. Esta presentación dinámica ofrecerá ejemplos de estrategias narrativas eficaces para el cierre carcelario, la prevención de la expansión carcelaria y las transiciones justas.

- Faylita Hicks, escritora y artista
- Ashley Hunt, California Institute of the Arts
- Victoria Law, periodista y autora
- Juan Prieto, Immigrant Legal Resource Center (moderador)

### 2:15-3:15 TALLER SESIÓN 3

 Taller 3A: Transiciones justas para las personas y comunidades directamente afectadas por el cierre: trabajadores y economías locales

Sala 1347, https://aclu.zoom.us/j/83454645295

Este panel analizará estrategias para abordar el impacto del cierre de instalaciones sobre los trabajadores y las economías locales. El panel abordará las perspectivas del trabajo organizado y el redesarrollo económico, así como las estrategias aprendidas de otras transiciones. Este panel debatirá las formas en que podemos desarrollar planes para evaluar las capacidades transferibles y la formación, y garantizar transiciones justas y sostenibles para las economías locales.

- Eddie Torres, Inland Coalition for Immigrant Justice
- Tracey Corder, Action Center on Race and the Economy
- Kelcey Duggan, Community Resource Hub for Safety and Accountability
- Hanna Love, Brookings Institution
- Saul Sarabia, UCLA Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (moderador)
- Taller 3B: Sanar el cuerpo y la mente: Cierre de prisiones, cárceles y centros de detención: perspectivas de la salud pública y trabajo social

Sala 1357, https://aclu.zoom.us/j/85411685133

Este panel analizará las estrategias sanitarias para cerrar las campañas. Los panelistas debatirán sobre enfoques arraigados en la salud pública y cómo sortear las tensiones entre abogar por la mejora de las condiciones y luchar al mismo tiempo por el cierre. El taller también se centrará en las nuevas propuestas para construir infraestructuras sanitarias comunitarias que sustituyan a la dependencia de las prisiones y la vigilancia policial.

- Christine Mitchell, Human Impact Partners
- Zy'aire Nassirah, TGI Justice Project
- Eric Reinhart, Collaborative for Community Wellness, Northwestern University
- Shamsher Samra, UCLA Medical School
- Sunita Patel, UCLA School of Law (moderadora)
- Taller 3C: Defensa presupuestaria para el cierre carcelario y las transiciones justas. Sala 1457, <a href="https://aclu.zoom.us/j/84585617971?pwd=R09ZMzFVTTVUNGZmZ3k3U1gwclpxdz09">https://aclu.zoom.us/j/84585617971?pwd=R09ZMzFVTTVUNGZmZ3k3U1gwclpxdz09</a> La defensa del presupuesto se ha convertido en una herramienta fundamental para avanzar en el cierre carcelario y evitar la construcción de nuevas instalaciones. En este panel se presentarán las campañas para abordar los presupuestos gubernamentales, las lecciones aprendidas y las estrategias que pueden duplicarse en otros lugares.
  - Brian Kaneda, Californians United for a Responsible Budget
  - Luis Nolasco, ACLU of Southern California

- Emily Posner, Voice of the Experienced
- Jasmine Heiss (moderadora)

### • Taller 3D: Necesidades posteriores a la liberación y vivienda

Sala 1430, <a href="https://aclu.zoom.us/j/82088137714?pwd=OUpHNnZrbWtCbUh2aUQzZDk2MzZ2dz09">https://aclu.zoom.us/j/82088137714?pwd=OUpHNnZrbWtCbUh2aUQzZDk2MzZ2dz09</a> El éxito de la transición desde las prisiones y cárceles requiere la base necesaria de una vivienda segura, saludable, equitativa y sostenible. Esta sesión examina los retos (y las oportunidades) a los que se enfrentan los defensores del cierre carcelario cuando colaboran con promotores inmobiliarios y arquitectos en los esfuerzos por conseguir viviendas de reinserción. Esta sesión desentrañará una serie de complejidades de la vivienda de reinserción centrándose en las voces afectadas por los sistemas para: ofrecer una visión de las campañas de vivienda de reinserción que han tenido éxito; iluminar los procesos de desarrollo de viviendas asequibles para las organizaciones comunitarias; y examinar cómo es un proceso de compromiso comunitario sano y sólido.

- Lisa Bates, Portland State University
- Shelley Davis Roberts, Designing Justice + Designing Spaces
- Gail Yen, Root and Rebound
- Toya Vick, Starting Over, Inc.
- Alex Salazar, Salazar Architecture (moderador)

### 3:30-4:30 SESIONES EN GRUPOS PEQUEÑOS

Si tiene una idea para un tema para un grupo pequeño, agréguela a la hoja junto al mostrador de inscripción antes de las 2:30 p.m. (No zoom)

- Tema 1: organizarse con personas detenidas y encarceladas, Sala 2357
- Tema 2: promoción de políticas para transiciones justas, Sala 2448
- Tema 3: investigación académica para transiciones justas, Sala 2467
- Tema 4: Sala 1327
- Tema 5: Sala 1337
- Tema 6: Sala 1314
- Tema 7: Sala 1447
- Tema 8: Sala 1457
- Tema 9: Sala 2442
- Tema 10: Consulta de expertos: citas individuales con expertos, Sala 2477
- Tema 11: Sala 2483
- Tema 12: Sala 1347
- Tema 13: Sala 1357

### 4:30-5:00 CIERRE

Sala 1347; sala 1357 (por falta de lugar), <a href="https://aclu.zoom.us/j/85710710247">https://aclu.zoom.us/j/85710710247</a>

#### **DECARCERAL VISIONS CONFERENCE**

September 22-23, 2023

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### **SPEAKER BIOS**

**Nilson Barahona** is a human rights activist and immigrant originally from Honduras. He was previously incarcerated at the Irwin County immigrant detention center and organized inside, including being part of hunger strikes, demanding free them all and the shutdown of the facility. Upon release, he founded The ICEBreakers, a collective of people who have been directly impacted by immigrant detention. He organizes with various coalitions in Georgia, including Shut Down Folkston Coalition and nationally with Detention Watch Network to end detention. He is featured in *The Facility*, a documentary that offers a glimpse into immigrant detention.

**Lisa K. Bates**, Ph.D. is Professor at Portland State University in the Toulan School of Urban Studies and Planning and in Black Studies. Her scholarship focuses on housing and urban policy and planning, using participatory action research as part of organizing for racial justice and housing rights. Dr. Bates' practice at the intersection of art, urban planning, and radical geographic thought urges developing new visions of Black history, present, and possibility, and has been recognized with a Creative Capital fellowship.

**Inez Bordeaux** (She/Her) is a nurse, organizer, abolitionist, and mother of four from St. Louis. She is currently the Manager of Community Collaborations at ArchCity Defenders, a holistic legal advocacy organization where she is the lead organizer of the Close the Workhouse campaign focused to closing the infamous Medium Security Institute aka the Workhouse and the Defund. Re-envision. Transform. campaign that works to defund SLMPD and invest those resources into the people and communities that need it the most.

**Shawnda Chapman** is the Director of Innovative Grantmaking and Research at the Ms. Foundation for Women. Throughout her personal and professional journey, her efforts have been dedicated to addressing inequality and injustice with a specific emphasis on amplifying the voices and experiences of marginalized communities. Previously, Shawnda played a pivotal role on the Ending Girls' Incarceration Initiative at Vera Institute of Justice. She also directed the Beyond the Bars Fellowship at Columbia University. She holds a BA and MS from Hunter College and is pursuing a Doctorate from The Graduate Center at the City University of New York.

**Eunice Hyunhye Cho** is a Senior Staff Attorney at the ACLU National Prison Project. Her work focuses challenging unconstitutional conditions in U.S. immigration detention facilities and ending immigration detention. Eunice litigates cases for detained immigrants and incarcerated people, and she most recently led the ACLU's nationwide litigation campaign to release immigrants from detention during the COVID-19 pandemic. She has authored numerous widely-

cited reports regarding the immigration detention system and alternatives to jailing. Eunice has worked in the fight for immigrant and racial justice for over 20 years; prior to becoming an attorney, Eunice was an immigrant rights movement organizer.

Amaia Cook (she/her) is an organizer and educator from Kansas City, MO with training in ministry and transformative justice. Her passion lies in fostering movements to drive meaningful change. Amaia is the co-founder and organizer of Decarcerate KC, an organization mobilizing community power in Kansas City around policing and incarceration. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Literature and Classics from Washington University. Amaia furthered her education with a Master of Theological Studies from Harvard Divinity School, delving into African American Religions and abolition theology. Her writings have appeared in various publications including Truthout, the Kansas City Defender, and Community Alliance.

**Tracey Corder** is an activist, organizer, strategist, communicator, facilitator and trainer. In her 15 years of professional experience, Tracey has run electoral, issue and cultural shifting campaigns. Tracey has recently supported the publication of two major reports, designed and led trainings on the intersection between policing and Wall Street, and co-created New Black City which combined visionary storytelling and participatory budgeting using an invest/divest frame. Tracey has supported Black-led organizations in developing justice transformation campaigns through facilitation, visioning and campaign planning.

**Andrew Manuel Crespo** is a professor at Harvard Law School, a founding editor of Inquest, and the Executive Faculty Director of the Institute to End Mass Incarceration. A national expert on criminal law and policy, his scholarship and public writings examine how the power structures and legal frameworks of the American penal system combine to produce the systems of carceral harm and oppression known as mass incarceration. Prior to joining the legal academy, Andrew served as a trial attorney with the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, where he represented over one hundred clients facing criminal charges.

**Shelley Davis Roberts** is the Studio Director at DJDS. Originally from Las Vegas, Nevada, Shelley earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Spelman College and a Master of Architecture from UC Berkeley. She has 25 years of comprehensive experience in all phases of architectural design and project management on various project types from housing to sacred spaces. Her multidisciplinary interests guide her work as a visual and performing artist, collaborating recently with House/Full of Black Women. Shelley is a former President for the San Francisco Chapter of NOMA and former City College of San Francisco Architecture and Diversity instructor.

**Michaé De La Cuadra** (they/she) navigates this world sin género. She is a community organizer and artist born and raised in Los Angeles, California (Tongva Land) with roots in México and Ecuador. Her work envisions a future free of gender-based violence and imagines the possibilities of divesting from our current oppressive systems. She has explored multiple mediums to work toward this world such as visual art, music, and policy change at local, state

and national levels. She has worked to pass policies related to sex work decriminalization, trans detention and incarceration, housing for trans women, healthcare access, and much more.

**Salil Dudani** is an attorney at Civil Rights Corps who litigates money bail and other abuses in the criminal punishment system. He is counsel in *Urquidi v. Los Angeles*, a challenge to LA's use of cash bail schedules. Before joining CRC, Salil was a Trial Attorney at Federal Defenders of San Diego, where he represented individuals accused of federal "crimes" in order to flee violence and poverty. Salil is a graduate of Yale Law School. His writing has been published in the *Yale Law Journal* and in Defending a Federal Criminal Case, a practice guide for federal criminal defense attorneys.

**Kelcey Duggan** (they/them) is a senior research associate at the Community Resource Hub for Safety and Accountability and based in Philadelphia. They have a background in public policy, research, and organizing related to criminalization of marginalization (race, gender, sexual orientation, class, etc.). Their published work focuses on the obstacles posed by police associations ("unions"), as well as how challenging this source of power relates to and benefits organized labor. They also provide research assistance related to police contracts, divesting from policing, building litigation against police associations, and other topics related to law enforcement on the local, state, and Federal levels.

Ruthie Wilson Gilmore is an abolitionist, scholar, and organizer. She teaches in the PhD program of Earth and Environmental Sciences, and directs the Center for Place, Culture, and Politics at CUNY. Gilmore is co-founder of many grassroots organizations including California Prison Moratorium Project (1998), Critical Resistance (1998), Central California Environmental Justice Network (2001), and Californians United for a Responsible Budget (2003). Author of Abolition Geography: Essays Towards Liberation (2022), and Golden Gulag: Prisons, Surplus, Crisis, and Opposition in Globalizing California (2007), her awards include the Lannan Cultural Freedom Prize (2020) and Marguerite Casey Freedom Scholar (2022).

Antonio Gutierrez, pronouns they/them, is an undocumented anti-displacement community organizer who has lived in Chicago for over 20 years. Gutierrez is one of the co-founders and current Strategic Coordinator for Organized Communities Against Deportations (OCAD). Gutierrez has organized direct actions, community forums, and national convenings. Gutierrez has over 10 years of non-profit administration & development experience, a degree in Architecture from Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) and is also a co-founder of the Albany Park Defense Network, La Guayabita Autonoma Community Garden and the Autonomous Tenants Union.

**Bea Halbach-Singh** is a senior research associate for Vera's Jails Team, where she conducts research on the social and economic implications of investment in carceral systems. As part of her work, Bea studies local jail, court, and budget data to help communities understand the impacts of incarceration. Before joining Vera, Bea worked as an evaluation specialist with the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation. Bea holds a BA in economics and Asian studies with a minor

in Mandarin from the University of Texas at Austin and an MPAff from the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs.

Robyn Hasan started with Women on the Rise, becoming the Executive Director in January 2022. After 10 years in prison, she fights to reform the criminal legal system through the Closing and Repurposing the Atlanta City Detention Center. Since coming home she started a Women on the Rise Inside Group where women currently incarcerated learn about organizing. She is an alumni of JustLeadershipUSA, Women Transcending Collective Leadership, & Women Organizing for Justice & Opportunity, and a Board Member of Reverse the Cycle of Incarceration. Featured in numerous magazine articles, most notable has been Time Magazine, talking about voting disenfranchisement.

Jasmine Heiss built and directed the Vera Institute of Justice's In Our Backyards Initiative, a national movement to end mass incarceration in smaller cities and rural communities. She worked with organizers across the country to prevent jail expansion, reduce arrests and bail, and shift investments. Prior to joining Vera, Jasmine was the Deputy Director of The Coalition for Public Safety and a Senior Campaigner at Amnesty International USA. She worked alongside organizers and litigators to win reparations for police torture survivors and secure the release of Herman Wallace and Albert Woodfox of the Angola 3. Jasmine is a JD Candidate at Columbia Law.

Marcela Hernandez is the Organizing and Membership Director at Detention Watch Network, a national network of 90+ organizations working to abolish immigrant detention in the US. She leads DWN's national Communities not Cages Campaign which gives organizing, communications and advocacy support to longstanding and new local campaigns to shut down detention centers, stop expansion and proliferation, while building a nationally coordinated strategy to Free them All and most recently for just transitions. She has more than a decade of organizing experience, previously working at Public Council, CRLN, IDEPSCA and with involvement in immigrant youth-led organizations including OCAD and IYC.

**Faylita Hicks** (she/they) is a queer Afro-Latinx activist, writer, and interdisciplinary artist. Born in South Central California and raised in Central Texas, they use their intersectional experiences to advocate for the rights of BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ people by interpreting policy's impact on the individual using poetry, music, performance, and digital art. They are the author of HoodWitch (Acre Books, 2019), a finalist for the 2020 Lambda Literary Award for Bisexual Poetry, the forthcoming poetry collection A Map of My Want (Haymarket Books, 2024), and debut memoir about their carceral experience A Body of Wild Light (Haymarket Books, 2025).

**Christina Hollenback**, founder and CEO of Justice Capital, helps investors align their capital with their values. She's led investors representing over \$35 billion to stop investing in prisons and extractive oil companies, towards more equitable and resilient investments in BIPOC and systems-impacted communities. She founded the Investor Circle Toward Decarceration and is founding chair of the NEXUS Working Group Toward Equal Justice after 13 years in politics and

social justice movement building. Hollenback's work has been featured in the *New York Times*, *Bloomberg*, the *Financial Times*, CNN, and more. She's a featured speaker at conferences and convenings on impact investment.

Amber-Rose Howard is a poet, public speaker and organizer from Pomona, CA. Experiencing a felony conviction as a young adult propelled Amber-Rose into a lifetime commitment of organizing against the Prison Industrial Complex and building up the power of Black people and all others impacted by state violence and racial capitalism. She earned a BA in Communication Studies from California State University, San Bernardino, and graduated from the Women's Policy Institute Fellowship. Amber-Rose is the Executive Director of CURB, or Californians United for a Responsible Budget.

**Ashley Hunt** is an artist and writer, and is faculty at the California Institute of the Arts. His works include *Corrections Documentary Project, Prison Maps, A World Map in Which We See..., Notes on the Emptying of a City,* and *Degrees of Visibility*. Hunt works in dialogue with movement-building organizations, including Critical Resistance, California Coalition for Women Prisoners, Citizens for Quality Education, Southerners on New Ground, and Friends and Family of Louisiana's Incarcerated Children. His works have shown in community centers, prisons, and museums, and his writings include the book, *Notes on the Emptying of a City*.

**Sara E. Imperiale** (she/her) is a Senior Attorney and Litigation Director of the Environment, Equity & Justice Center at the Natural Resources Defense Council, where she leads litigation and other advocacy to combat environmental hazards in partnership with low-income communities of color and environmental justice coalitions. Sara teaches as an Adjunct Professor at New York University School of Law and a Visiting Clinical Lecturer at Yale Law School. She holds admission to the bars of New York and New Jersey and earned a J.D. and a Master of Environmental Law and Policy from Vermont Law School in 2013.

Reuben Jones is an advocate and community organizer who serves as the Executive Director of Frontline Dads, Inc., and the Philadelphia Campaign and Policy Lead for Dignity and Power Now. Reuben is a formerly incarcerated person who served 15 years in state prison for robbery. Since his release, he has transformed his life, and earned his Master's Degree from Lincoln University in 2009. He led the "Close the Creek" campaign which successfully closed the "House of Corrections," the oldest actively-used jail at the time. He has won many awards, including the Presidential Service Award from President Obama in 2016.

**Brian Kaneda** is the Deputy Director of CURB, Californians United for a Responsible Budget, a Black-led coalition of more than 80 organizations working to reduce the number of incarcerated people in California; decrease the number of prisons and jails in our state; and shift wasteful spending away from incarceration and towards healthy community investments. Brian is a leader in CURB's campaign to Close California Prisons. He serves on the Coordinating Committee of Re-imagine LA County and the Executive Teams of JusticeLA and the Budget 2 Save Lives super collective.

**Jacob Kang-Brown** is a senior research fellow with Vera's Jails Team, exploring the use of incarceration across the United States. At Vera, Jacob has conducted research on school discipline, status offense reform, policing and crime rates, hate crime, language access, jail and prison populations, charging and sentencing practices, electronic monitoring, and solitary confinement in prisons. Before working at Vera, Jacob worked for the County of Los Angeles Commission on Human Relations. His writing has appeared in the Lancet Public Health, the New York Review of Books, Contexts, SSM-Population Health, the Atlantic, Dissent, USA Today, and American Jails magazine.

**Courtney Knapp** is a certified urban planner and Professor of Urban and Community Planning in the Graduate Center for Planning and the Environment at the Pratt Institute. She is a participatory action researcher whose interests include anti/racism in planning and urban development, just transition and regenerative economic development, cooperative economies and land ownership, and decarceration planning. She is also the founder and principal of Integrated Urban Equity Solutions, a consulting firm specializing in housing justice, regenerative economies, and community engagement. She is the author of *Constructing the Dynamo of Dixie: Race, Urban Planning, and Urban Cosmopolitanism in Chattanooga, Tennessee* (2018).

**Dr. Jared Knowles** has read, analyzed, and collaborated with grassroots organizers on more than 60 city and county budgets in the past few years and has trained more than 200 people across the country on how to read and engage with their local budgets. He previously served in the budget office for the state education agency in Wisconsin. He founded Civilytics Consulting to help elected officials, community advocates, non-profits, and journalists access and analyze geospatial, Census, administrative and fiscal data to improve community well-being. He holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

**Victoria Law** is a freelance journalist and author who covers incarceration. Her books include *Resistance Behind Bars: The Struggles of Incarcerated Women, Prison by Any Other Name: The Harmful Consequences of Popular Reforms* (co-authored with Maya Schenwar), and "Prisons Make Us Safer" and 20 Other Myths about Mass Incarceration. She is currently working on a book about the Covid-19 pandemic in prisons.

**Bryan Lee** is an architect and design justice advocate. As the founder and director of Colloqate Design, a nonprofit design practice, Bryan is committed to using design as a tool for social change. Bryan is also a founding organizer of the Design As Protest Collective and Dark Matter University, has led two award-winning architecture and design programs for high school students, is the National NOMA President-Elect and the South Region Vice President, and has received numerous awards and fellowships, including the 2018 Fast Company Most Creative People in Business, and a 2023 United States Artist Fellow.

**Bob Libal** is a nationally recognized civil rights leader, community organizer, and former executive director of Grassroots Leadership. He serves as Senior Organizing Consultant for The Sentencing Project and as Texas-based immigration consultant to Human Rights Watch. Bob

was named to The Frederick Douglass 200 and one of 15 people changing the nonprofit world by the Chronicle of Philanthropy. In 2022, Bob received more than 7,000 votes for Travis County Commissioners Court running on a criminal justice reform platform. Bob's work on immigration and prison issues has been in the New York Times, NPR, Washington Post, and numerous other outlets.

Hanna Love (she/her) is a Senior Research Associate at the Brookings Institution, where her research centers on the intersection between place, public safety, and economic opportunity. Her recent work focuses on advancing non-carceral place-based approaches for community safety, how federal resources can be better leveraged to advance community violence intervention, and the impact of fear of crime on cities' economic recovery. Prior to Brookings, she was an analyst at the Urban Institute's Justice Policy Center, where she researched how to transform closed prisons into community-centered assets that produce tangible social and economic benefits for residents.

Ronald Marshall, Policy Analyst at VOTE, drafts legislation that directly impacts currently and formerly incarcerated individuals. After serving 25 years in Angola, he enrolled in Tulane University, pursuing a masters in Digital Marketing and Media Communication. Through his business, he contracts with jails and prisons to teach trauma-informed perspectives to incarcerated people. He is part of the Governor's Safe Alternative to Segregation and Louisiana Stop Solitary Confinement Task Forces to eliminate solitary confinement. He is a LEAP (Lived Experience Advisory Panel) member to address the prevalence of mental illness and co-occurring substance use disorders in justice systems.

J.E. Martinez-Mazurek (they/them), is an autistic, agender, Latine, grassroots organizer and abolitionist that specializes in building teams and coalitions of ordinary people that win "unwinnable" campaigns. To date they've worked with grassroots communities across the South to defeat over \$5 billion in new prison construction. In 2015 J co-founded Fight Toxic Prisons, a national collective fighting at the intersections of abolition and environmental justice. They currently co-run an all BIPOC abolitionist training, facilitation, and consulting co-op called Canopy Movement Consulting with their friends.

**Kyler McVoy** (he/him) is the Co-President of the Native American Law Student Association at UCLA School of Law. He is a member of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma.

Christine Mitchell is the Program Director for the Health Instead of Punishment program at Human Impact Partners. She is an organizer with the abolitionist Boston-based DeeperThanWater Coalition and a co-author of the American Public Health Association policy statements on law enforcement violence and carceral systems. She has a Master of Divinity from Harvard Divinity School and a Doctor of Science in Social and Behavioral Sciences from Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

**Zy'aire Nassirah** is a Black trans gentleman who works as a Reentry Case Manager at TGI Justice Project. Zyaire is dedicated to social justice and human rights for the Black Trans community.

His personal journey has been quite challenging, as he was formerly incarcerated for 30 years and during his time there he experienced and witnessed first-hand the harm and injustice towards TGI individuals. Upon his release, Zyaire remains passionate and driven to continue his fight for Black Trans rights. Zyaire's compelling life story of hope, strength and determination inspires others to become advocates for human rights.

**Luis Nolasco** is an undocumented queer latine organizer. He is currently a senior community engagement and policy advocate at the ACLU of Southern California, working from the Inland Empire office. His work is focused on the intersections between the criminal justice system and immigration systems. He began this work in 2012 and since then has been active in the fight to end ICE Detention and incarceration systems in the Inland Valleys of Southern California.

**Jack Norton** (he/him) is an Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at Governors State University in the Chicago Southland. He has spent over a decade studying the political economy of mass incarceration in the United States and is co-editor, along with Lydia Pelot Hobbs and Judah Schept, of *The Jail is Everywhere: Fighting the New Geography of Mass Incarceration* (Verso, January 2024).

**Sunita Patel** is an Assistant Professor of Law and the founding Faculty Director of the UCLA Veterans Legal Clinic. Her current scholarship examines the intersection of policing and institutions of care and learning. More generally, her research and teaching interests lie in policing, social movements, race, and inequality.

**Nicole D. Porter**, Senior Director of Advocacy, The Sentencing Project. Named a "New Civil Rights Leader" by Essence Magazine for her work to challenge mass incarceration, Nicole D. Porter manages The Sentencing Project's state and local advocacy efforts on sentencing reform, voting rights, and confronting racial disparities in the criminal legal system. Since joining The Sentencing Project in 2009, Porter's advocacy and findings have supported criminal legal reforms in several states including Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, California, Texas and the District of Columbia.

**Duane Palm** is the co-author of In Debates Over Prison Closures, Don't Prioritize "Economic Impact Over Lives," an op-ed published in Truthout, and he sought to file an amicus brief in Susanville v. CA Dep't of Corrections and Rehabilitation, a case regarding the closure of the California Correctional Center in Susanville. He is currently incarcerated at Wasco State Prison in California and is an inside advocate with the CURB #CloseCAPrisons campaign.

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**Emily Posner** is general counsel at Voice of the Experienced (VOTE), where she works to advance the civil and human rights of currently and formerly incarcerated individuals in Louisiana and beyond. Prior to VOTE, Emily litigated criminal defense, civil rights and environmental justice cases through her private practice. She received her J.D. from Loyola University New Orleans in 2013. She is the recipient of the 2013 Public Service Award from the Gillis Long Poverty Law Center and the 2010 Roger Baldwin Award from the Maine Civil Liberties Union. She earned a B.A. from Colby College in Latin American Studies.

**Juan Prieto** is a digital strategist and graphic designer based in Oakland, California. An immigrant from Mexicali, Mexico, he works to implement narrative shifting strategies in the context of crimmigration for the emerging world of digital communications. Juan's comprehensive understanding of the ways the digital space can be used to cultivate transformative change began when he was first targeted by far-right extremists for his writing. Since then, he's helped train and empower advocates across California to use digital communications to shift the public discourse around immigration, detention, and against the propaganda of criminalization.

**Eric Reinhart** is political anthropologist of public health and law, psychoanalyst, and physician based in Chicago, Illinois. Alongside historical and ethnographic scholarship on the interrelation between psychiatric, racial, and aesthetic ideas, he conducts policy-focused public health research on systemic prejudice in healthcare and legal systems, the uses of confinement and punishment, and how policing and carceral policy undermine US public health and safety. Putting research into practice, he collaborates with organizers and public agencies on the design and implementation of non-police safety systems, with particular focus on building community care worker programs to support criminalized communities.

**Tiffany Roberts** is Director of the Public Policy Unit at Southern Center for Human Rights. She has practiced criminal defense since 2008 and civil rights litigation since 2011. A community organizer, she co-founded the police accountability organization Building Locally to Organize for Community Safety (BLOCS) which successfully advocated the disbandment of the notorious REDDOG unit. She is also a founding member of Black Lives Matter Atlanta. Tiffany has served on several committees, councils and task forces focusing on criminal legal policy. She is Chair of the Social Justice Ministry at Ebenezer Baptist Church and Board Chair for Ebenezer ACTS.

**Grisel Ruiz** is a Senior Managing Attorney at the Immigration Legal Resource Center where she focuses on the intersection between immigration and criminal law. This includes advising and training attorneys and organizers on the immigration consequences of criminal offenses. Grisel also supports local and statewide enforcement and decarceration campaigns, including the California Dignity not Detention coalition since its inception. Prior to the ILRC, Grisel co-founded "Know Your Rights" programs at local immigration detention centers and represented clients in detained proceedings, for which she received an award from Cosmo for Latinas. Grisel is an immigrant herself and is fluent in Spanish.

Alex Salazar is the Founding Principal of Salazar Architect. Alex's career-long focus linking architecture to community organizing serves as the foundation of the firm. Early in his career, Alex apprenticed with NGOs in India designing culturally appropriate, earthquake safe homes, and he later served on the Board of Directors of multiple housing justice organizations in Oakland and Boston. His decades of experience leading multifamily developments and community-based master plans continues to shape the firm's work and mission-based approach. He volunteers on the American Institute of Architects Housing & Community Development, Housing as a Human Right, and Government Affairs committees.

**Shamsher Samra**, MD, MPhil is Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine at Harbor UCLA and co-Chair of the Structural Racism and Health Equity Theme at UCLA School of Medicine. He is the co-founder the Violence Intervention Program and Trauma Recovery Center at Harbor UCLA and former medical director for the Whole Person Care Re-entry program for the Department of Health Services Los Angeles. He is a board member of Doctors for Global Health and a member of Frontline Wellness Network. He is committed to the practice of liberation medicine and the use of healthcare to advance community organizing and social change.

Emmett Sanders (he/him) is a critically impacted researcher, writer, and advocate who spent over 22 years in Illinois' prisons. He is the Policy and Advocacy Associate for Prison Policy Initiative, where he works to connect with and provide research support to on the ground organizations. Prior to joining PPI, he worked extensively on the issue of electronic monitoring with Media Justice's Unshackling Freedom campaign, and has authored and co-authored several publications including Cages Without Bars. He recently presented on racial selectivity in EM at the International Conference on Electronic Monitoring, hosted by Brazil's Conselho Nacional de Justiça and the UNDP.

**Saul Sarabia** leads the Labor and Decarceration Initiative at the UCLA Institute for Research on Labor and Employment. Since 1999, Saul has focused on leadership development and basebuilding with formerly incarcerated people. In 2018, he served as Chair of the LA County Probation Reform and Implementation Team which erected the country's only civilian oversight body over a Probation Department. He currently brings together former correctional staff and former detainees in CA's youth incarceration system to inform the transition from youth incarceration to community healing in LA County. Saul led the CRS Program at UCLA Law from 2005 to 2011.

**Judah Schept** is a Professor in the School of Justice Studies at Eastern Kentucky University. He is the author of *Coal, Cages, Crisis: The Rise of the Prison Economy in Central Appalachia* (NYU Press, 2022) and *Progressive Punishment: Job Loss, Jail Growth, and the Neoliberal Logic of Carceral Expansion* (NYU Press, 2015). He is co-editor of *The Jail is Everywhere: Fighting the New Geography of Mass Incarceration* (Verso, 2024). He has been active for more than two decades with organizations and campaigns fighting for decarceration and abolition. He holds a PhD from Indiana University and a BA from Vassar College.

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