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Aram

On Tue, Jun 3, 2025 at 7:58 AM Tim James <TJames@rsaplav.com> wrote:

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Hi Jeff,

Aram here. I hope you and your family are doing well. I will write more later.

Given your long history of advocacy for the State of Israel, your Israeli citizenship, your recent handshake with Bibi, and your apparent antipathy towards the Palestinian people and their struggle for liberation, I believe it would be wise for you to recuse yourself and your office from the Stanford 12 Case. The optics of this situation are problematic for you.

I agree with you that non-violent protest is protected by the First Amendment, and I also recognize that vandalism can be a crime. However, when property damage occurs, even if it is substantial, to prevent a greater crime—such as genocide or the destruction of a culture—this vandalism may be excused. We can certainly debate this matter, but I believe you are an honorable person, and with a bit of self-reflection, you will do the right thing. Please feel free to call me at any time to discuss this most critical matter.

Best regards,

Aram James

P.S. Please correct me if I have any factual inaccuracies. If you are not an Israeli citizen, please inform me. Additionally, if you did not shake Bibi's hand during his recent visit to the Bay Area, kindly clarify that as well.

“We felt like we couldn’t be anywhere else,” shared Hausner alumna Rachel Rosen (Class of 2013) in describing her family’s visit to Israel in January.

Best regards,
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Dear HRC,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to follow up on an issue I have raised consistently for over a year and a half regarding the urgent need for city-led trainings addressing Islamophobia, anti-Palestinian racism, and antisemitism.

To date, I have not received any substantive update regarding if, when, or how these trainings will be implemented across all city staff, including councilmembers, board members, and affiliated personnel. Given the escalating need for cultural understanding and equity in our community, this delay is deeply concerning.

I am respectfully asking for the following:

1. What is the current status of the Islamophobia, anti-Palestinian racism, and antisemitism trainings?
2. Have any of these trainings already occurred for city staff, council members, or affiliated personnel? If so, when and who participated?
3. If not, what is the timeline for implementing these trainings and who will be required to attend?

4. What steps are being taken to ensure these trainings are substantive, community-informed, and address the specific forms of bias mentioned?

This is a matter of public trust and accountability, and I urge the city to demonstrate leadership by taking concrete and transparent action.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to your response.

Best,
Uzma

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Megha Vemuri called out MIT for having research ties with the Israeli army and "aiding and abetting" the country with its "assault on the Palestinian people."

MIT bans class president from graduation commencement after pro-Palestinian speech

<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/mit-bans-class-president-graduation-commencement-palestinian-speech-rcna210023>

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Todd Chrisley admits he got special treatment in prison over Black inmates: 'We know why I wasn't denied that'

Source: EW.com

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Cc: [Palo Alto Free Press](#); [Bains, Paul](#); [Gennady Sheyner](#); [Sheriff Transparency](#); [Greg Tanaka](#)
Subject: Re: Get Up or We Will Slam You': Florida Deputies Body Slammed Unarmed Black Man After Paralyzing Him. That Man Just Received a \$5.5 Million Settlement
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On Thu, May 29, 2025 at 9:09 AM Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com> wrote:

Get Up or We Will Slam You': Florida Deputies Body Slammed Unarmed Black Man After Paralyzing Him. That Man Just Received a \$5.5 Million Settlement

Timmie Lee Knox, a then 17-year-old Black teen, was on his way to a kids' party when he ended up Tasered and paralyzed by a Palm Beach County sheriff's

Source: Atlanta Black Star

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Subject: A regional cup final was abandoned on Sunday because the venue's management allegedly objected to Palestine flags in the stands.
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Cup final abandoned as fans and players wave Palestine flags

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On Mon, May 26, 2025 at 12:10 PM Aram James <abjpd1@gmail.com> wrote:

FYI: 2020 award-winning series a must see!!!

A series on the damage police dogs inflict on Americans, published in collaboration with AL.com, IndyStar and the Invisible Institute.

Source: The Marshall Project

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On Fri, May 23, 2025 at 9:02 AM AROC Action <campaigns@arocaction.org> wrote:

Dear Aram James,

Thank you for making your voice heard.

A copy of the email you sent is included below.

Please encourage everyone you know to visit bit.ly/ab715 to do the same.

AROC Action

I am writing to you today to express my strong opposition to AB 715 (Zbur & Addis). This is a dangerous bill that seeks to silence Palestinian and Arab histories and perspectives on one of the most pressing issues of our time: Gaza and Palestine.

As noted at the May 14 Assembly Education Committee hearing, and in a recent SF Chronicle article (bit.ly/sfcab715), this bill is deeply flawed and fails to include a concrete definition of antisemitism, which is guaranteed to lead to its politicization and weaponization, similar to what we are seeing at the federal level by the Trump Administration.

Additionally, the bill changes the definition of nationality, employs a mechanism to facilitate right-wing style book bans, and will lead to the targeting of teachers and school board members on allegations of weaponized antisemitism.

The murders in DC this week underscore the urgency of disentangling antisemitism from anti-Zionism, and we must all work together to end this cycle of violence and recrimination.

Stopping hate requires us to have difficult and complex conversations at our educational institutions, and AB 715 strips us of our democratic ability to do so. I urge you to stand against censorship and attacks on freedom of speech and critical thinking in California public education. Vote NO on AB 715.

Sincerely,
Aram James

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An important piece for anti-Zionist Jews and their supporters to read!

U.S. Jewish Institutions Are Purging Their Staffs of Anti-Zionists

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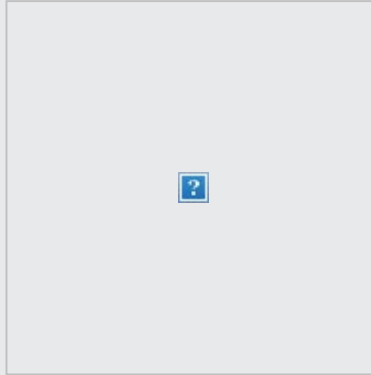
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#WalkWithUs: Pledge your treasure, time or talent

From the runway to the streets, walk with us in bold, joyful resistance. Pledge to give your treasure, time or talent to power queer liberation.

Dear friends,

This year, we have been gathering our thoughts to push against hate and authoritarian control by creating something new—something that reimagines how we fight, how we resist, and how we celebrate who we are. It's called Threads of Pride.

It's more than a fashion show. It's a declaration.

A declaration that our resistance can be joyful. That our visibility can be fierce. That our beauty, creativity, and culture are not just worthy of celebration—they are powerful tools for change.

Threads of Pride is where fashion meets activism. Together with designers, models, and some of the most courageous LGBTQ+ nonprofits,

we're taking the stage at San Francisco Pride to show what queer resistance can look like when it's led with love and vision.

But this is not just about a show. It's about building a movement—and I want you with me.

Here's how you can walk with us:

1. Sign the petition: Join the #WALKFORUS campaign and stand up for LGBTQ+ rights. [[#WalkWISHUS](#)]
2. **Attend Threads of Pride:** Be there. Witness it. Celebrate it. Let your presence be part of the movement. [[Threads of Pride](#)]
3. **Share the message:** Post. Tag. Talk. Wear something that tells a story. Use your platform, whatever size it is, to push the message forward.

Use the hashtag #WALKFORUS and help us spark global momentum.

By the end of this campaign, we aim to present a powerful list of individuals—ready to walk—directly to the nonprofits already leading the way.

This is how we build something bold, beautiful, and lasting. I hope to see your name on the petition—and your face in the room.

With gratitude, hope, and a little sparkle,

Dr. Nas Mohamed



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Dear Aram,

On May 15, we mark the **Nakba**, the catastrophe that was inflicted upon the Palestinian people by Zionist militias and the nascent Israeli army. Over **750,000 people were violently expelled** and forced to flee from their lands, over **530 villages were destroyed**, and **entire communities were massacred and destroyed by Zionists**.

That catastrophe has resulted in 77 years of ongoing ethnic cleansing, dispossession and dehumanization, and now 19 months of genocide.

From its inception, Zionism has been a settler-colonial project premised on the erasure of Palestinians.

In 1937, David Ben-Gurion, who would later become Israel's first Prime Minister, wrote, "**We must expel Arabs and take their places.**" Three years later, Yosef Weitz of the Jewish National Fund declared, "There is no room for both peoples in this country... **not one village, not one tribe should be left.**"

These statements reflect a core belief of Zionist ideology: that Palestinians must be expelled from their ancestral lands, in order to make way for

colonial occupation.

The violence that began in 1947-48 has never stopped. It continues in the mass starvation and bombardment of Gaza. In the armed settler violence and military incursions in the West Bank.

But Palestinians will not be erased. Today we reaffirm our solidarity with Palestinians, our support for the Palestinian right of return, and our commitment to fighting for an end to Zionism's ongoing catastrophes.

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Arms Embargo Now Campaign Call this Sunday



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Since launching a year ago, the Arms Embargo Now campaign has changed the national narrative about Canada's complicity in Israel's genocide, and forced our leaders to take unprecedented steps to slow down our export of arms to Israel. But we have a long way to go.

When confronted during the election campaign about their complicity in Israel's escalating genocide in Gaza, many politicians lied to their constituents, claiming that Canada has stopped exporting weapons to Israel. Unfortunately, for all their talk, the Liberals have left the vast majority of exports untouched.

With the election over, a new government in Ottawa, and Israel's siege and assault on Gaza reaching ever new levels of devastation, it is time to reconnect, reassess, and refocus on how to advance our demand and win a full two-way arms embargo.

Join us this Sunday May 18th, at 11am PT / 12pm MT / 1pm CT / 2pm ET / 3pm AT for this [urgent organizing call](#). You will hear from organizers with the Arms Embargo Now campaign about the current status of Canada's arms trade with Israel, why an arms embargo is a key way for our government to sanction Israel, and the next steps of the campaign.

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In solidarity,

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Bonjour Aram,

Le 15 mai, nous commémorons la **Nakba**, la catastrophe infligée au peuple palestinien par les milices sionistes et l'armée israélienne naissante. Plus de **750 000 personnes ont été violemment expulsées** et forcées de fuir leurs terres, **plus de 530 villages ont été détruits** et **des communautés entières ont été massacrées et détruites par les sionistes**.

Cette année, nous célébrons l'anniversaire de cette catastrophe, qui s'est traduite par 77 ans de nettoyage ethnique, de dépossession et de déshumanisation, et maintenant par 19 mois de génocide.

Depuis sa création, le sionisme est un projet de colonisation fondé sur l'effacement des Palestinien.ne.s.

En 1937, David Ben-Gourion, qui deviendra plus tard le premier Premier ministre d'Israël, écrivait : « **Nous devons expulser les Arabes et prendre leur place** ». Trois ans plus tard, Yosef Weitz, du Fonds national juif, déclarait : « Il n'y a pas de place pour les deux peuples dans ce pays... **il ne faut laisser aucun village, aucune tribu.** »

Ces déclarations reflètent une croyance fondamentale de l'idéologie sioniste : les Palestiniens doivent être expulsés de leurs terres ancestrales pour faire place à l'occupation coloniale.

La violence qui a commencé en 1948 n'a jamais cessé. Elle se poursuit par la famine de masse et le bombardement de Gaza. Dans la violence armée des colons et les incursions militaires en Cisjordanie.

Mais les Palestiniens ne seront pas effacés. Aujourd'hui, nous

réaffirmons notre solidarité avec les Palestiniens, notre soutien au droit au retour des Palestiniens et notre engagement à lutter pour mettre fin aux catastrophes continues du sionisme.

[Lire la déclaration complète de VJI ici](#)



Embargo sur les armes maintenant : Appel de la campagne ce dimanche

Depuis son lancement il y a un an, la campagne « Embargo sur les armes maintenant » a changé le discours national sur la complicité du Canada dans le génocide israélien et a forcé nos dirigeants à prendre des mesures sans précédent pour ralentir nos exportations d'armes vers Israël. Mais il reste encore beaucoup à faire.

Lorsqu'ils ont été confrontés pendant la campagne électorale à leur complicité dans l'escalade du génocide israélien à Gaza, de nombreux politiciens ont menti à leurs électeurs, affirmant que le Canada avait cessé d'exporter des armes vers Israël. Malheureusement, malgré tous leurs discours, les libéraux n'ont pas touché à la grande majorité des exportations.

Avec la fin des élections, un nouveau gouvernement à Ottawa, et le siège et l'assaut d'Israël sur Gaza atteignant de nouveaux niveaux de dévastation, il est temps de se reconnecter, de réévaluer et de se recentrer sur la façon de faire avancer notre demande et d'obtenir un embargo complet sur les armes dans les deux sens.

Rejoignez-nous ce dimanche 18 mai, à 11h PT / 12h MT / 13h CT / 14h ET / 15h AT pour **cet appel urgent à la mobilisation**. Les organisateurs de la campagne Embargo sur les armes maintenant vous expliqueront l'état actuel du commerce des armes entre le Canada et Israël, pourquoi un embargo sur les armes est un moyen essentiel pour notre gouvernement de sanctionner Israël, et quelles sont les prochaines étapes de la campagne.

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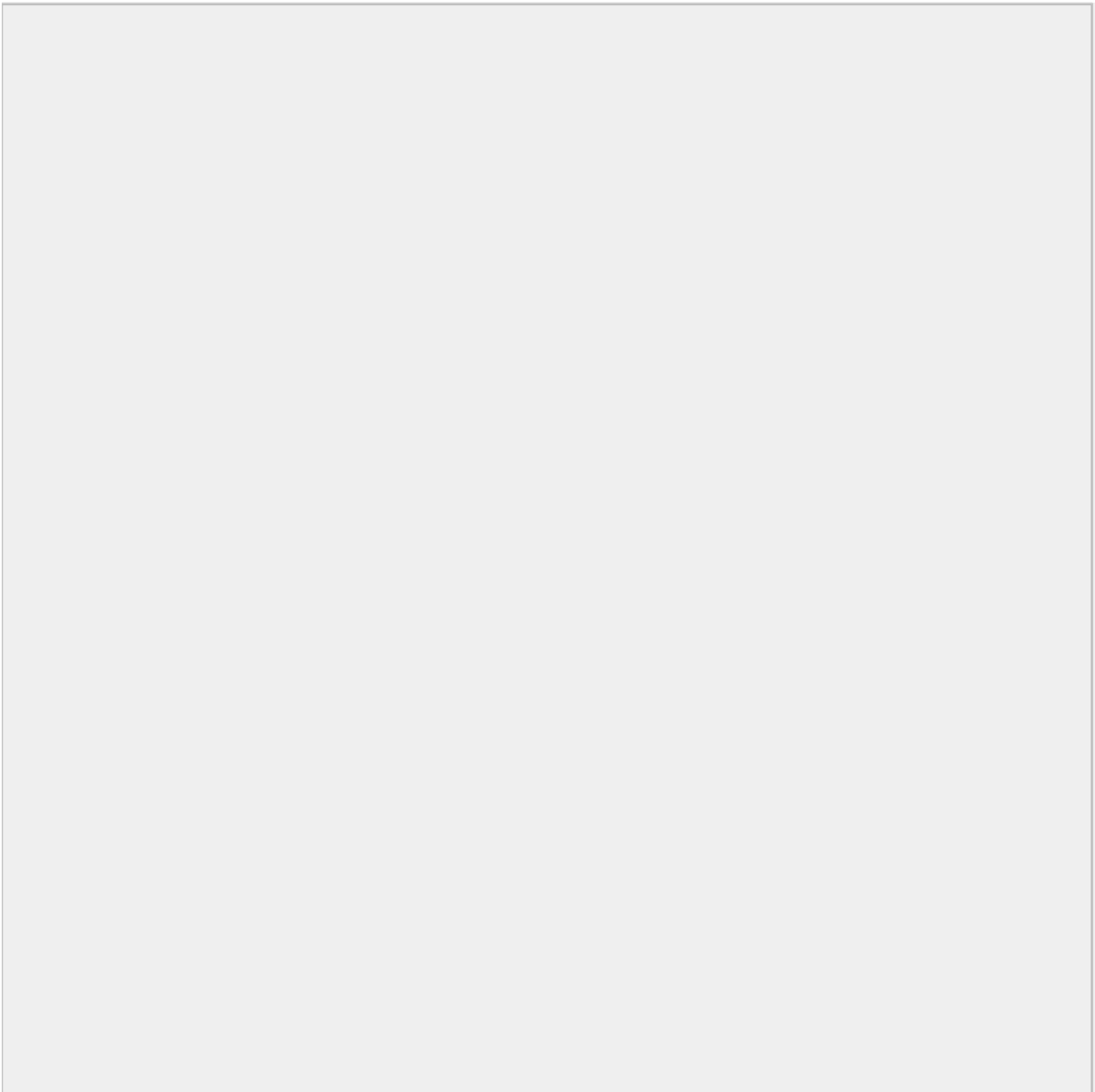


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As Netanyahu rallies troops for an expanded offensive, some reservists are resisting the call.

The Israeli Soldiers Who Refuse to Fight in Gaza

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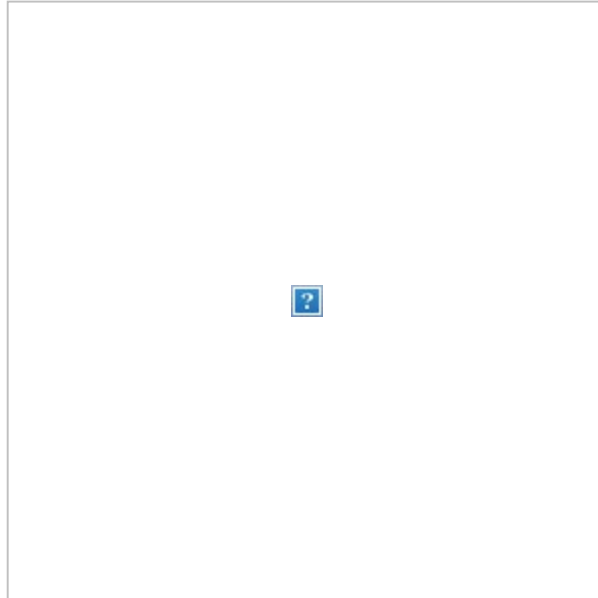
As an immigrant myself, I understand the emotions and uncertainty many members of our community may be feeling right now.

Yesterday, I stood alongside the Board of Supervisors, County Executive Williams, Chief Operating Officer Hansen, District Attorney Rosen, and leadership from across the County of Santa Clara to launch the **One County One Future** [media campaign](#).

This campaign aims to reaffirm our County's unwavering support for our entire community, including all of our immigrants, and connect anyone under threat by the current federal administration to information and resources. Launched yesterday, the

campaign features print, digital, TV, radio, and transit (VTA) advertising, and website [SCC.INFO/more](#) in five languages: [ENGLISH](#) - [ESPAÑOL](#) - [中文](#) - [Tiếng Việt](#) - [TAGALOG](#).

Santa Clara County is an incredibly diverse region in our state, let alone our nation, with a population that speaks over 100 languages and dialects. Further, immigrants comprise 2 out of 5 residents in our community, and own more than half (50.3%) of our businesses.



UPDATE: On Friday, May 9th, Judge Susan Illston of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, temporarily blocked the White House's sweeping overhaul of the federal government. Judge Illston shared that a restraining order -- pausing further implementation of the Feb. 11 executive order for major reorganizations within federal and directing government agencies - - was necessary "to protect the power of the legislative branch."

[Read the full report from NPR here](#)

We at Santa Clara County agree. Your government works for you, and we must ensure that any plans for restructuring within government agencies is done so lawfully and justly.

We thank Judge Illston for her work, and continue on our mission: to support you, and everything that

makes this a great place to live. I reassure you,
**Santa Clara County: We have your back, your
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still be supported by your County.**

Read the full **One County One Future** press
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Stanford students launch hunger strike, demand divestment over Gaza war

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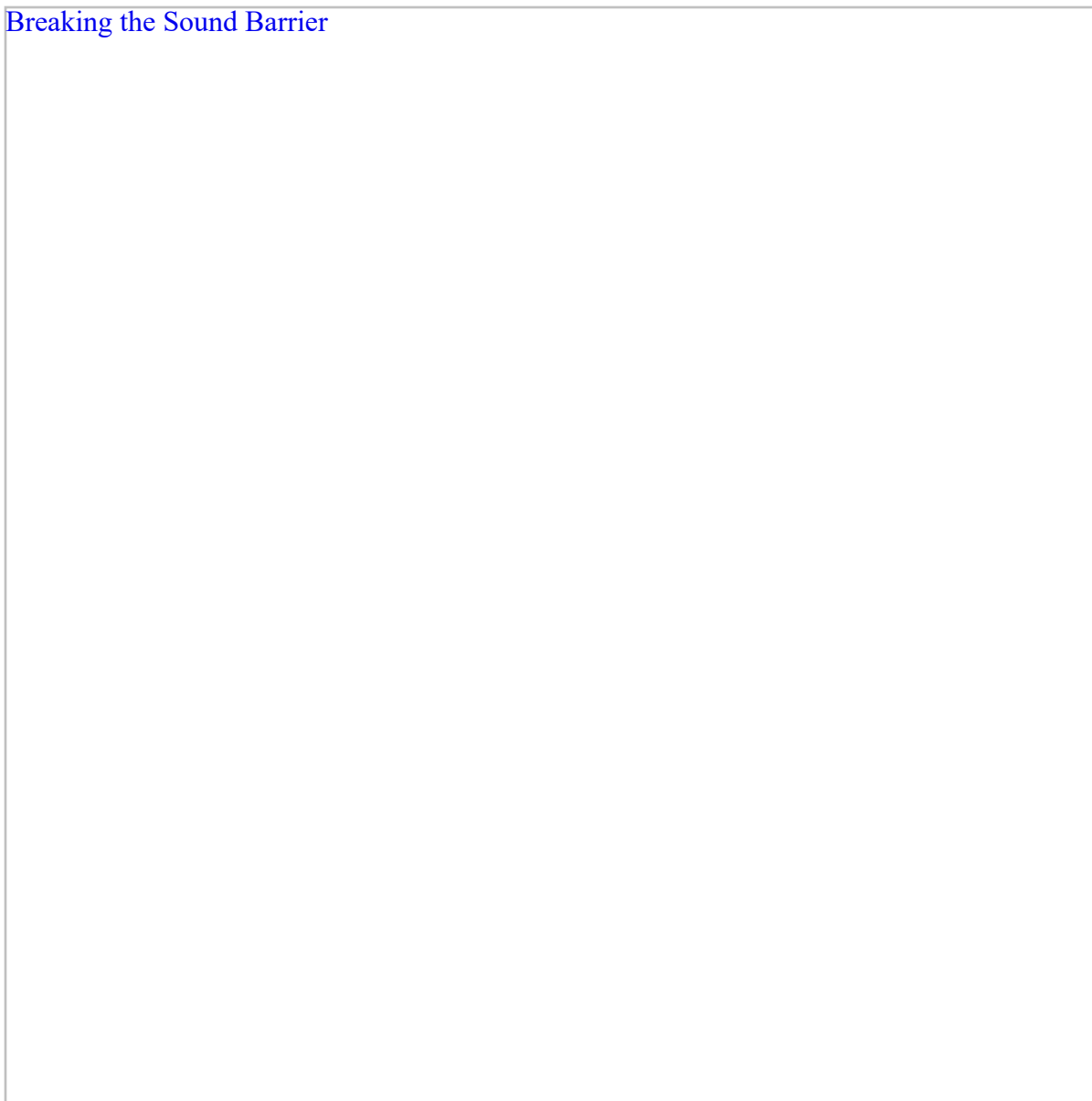
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Weekly Column Thursday, May 8, 2025

Black Lives Matter: Challenging Police Impunity

By Amy Goodman and Denis Moynihan

On May 3rd, 2024, Roger Fortson was on a video call with his girlfriend when a knock came at his door. Fortson, a 23 year-old Black man, was a Senior Airman in the U.S. Air Force, stationed in Florida. Okaloosa County Sheriff's Deputy Eddie Duran had responded to a domestic disturbance call at the apartment complex. Building staff directed him to Fortson's unit. After the deputy pounded on the door, Fortson opened it, holding his left hand up, palm out, posing no threat. In his other hand he held his legally owned pistol, as was his right. Within seconds, Duran fired six shots at point blank range. Fortson fell to the ground. As he lay dying, he uttered his final words, "I can't breathe."

Within weeks, Duran was fired and charged with manslaughter, facing 30 years in prison. He is currently out on bail awaiting trial. Meanwhile, civil rights attorney Ben Crump is representing Fortson's family, and recently filed a civil suit against Duran, Okaloosa County Sheriff Eric Aden, as well as the apartment complex owner and the staff person who wrongly directed Duran to Fortson's apartment.

"The FaceTime video of his girlfriend is just horrible," Crump said, speaking on the Democracy Now! news hour, not long after Fortson's death. "You hear him saying, 'I can't breathe,' and you hear the police officer barking orders, 'Don't move. Don't ... [Read More](#) →"

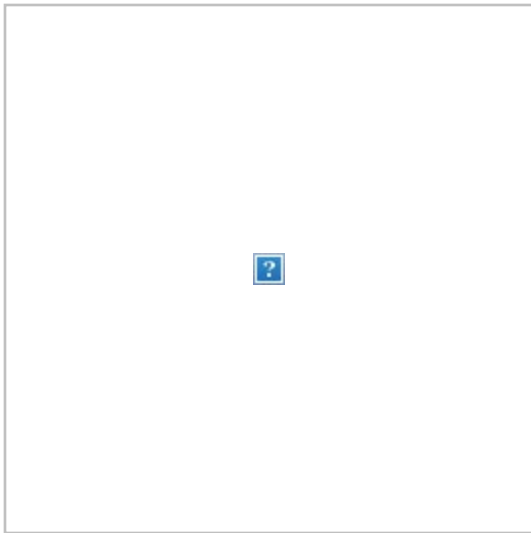
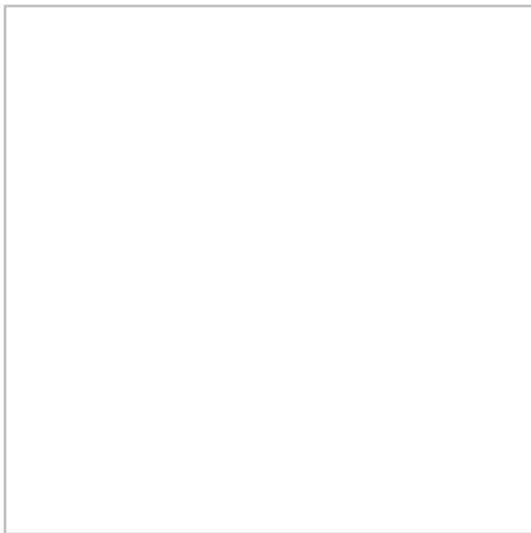
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Israeli Airstrikes Decimate the Last Restaurant in Gaza City in Nightmarish Bloodbath

Journalist Rasha Abou Jalal recounts horrific scenes from a massacre at a beloved restaurant and a bustling market—destroyed by a triple Israeli airstrike in Gaza City.

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Israel this week vowed to escalate its already brutal assault on Gaza, approving plans to capture the entire Gaza Strip and remain entrenched there indefinitely.

Today, at least 92 Palestinians were killed in a series of Israeli airstrikes across the enclave, including women and children, and two journalists.

Among the most brutal attacks was a triple airstrike on a crowded restaurant and adjacent street market in Gaza City that killed at least 33 people.

Like many journalists in Gaza City, Rasha Abou Jalal would frequent Thai Restaurant to use their internet and charge her equipment. She filed this harrowing story from the scene of the attacks.

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The aftermath of Israeli airstrikes on Thai Restaurant in Gaza City. May 7, 2025.
(Photo by Rasha Abou Jalal)

GAZA CITY—On Wednesday afternoon, two Israeli airstrikes slammed into Thai Restaurant—the last restaurant still open in Gaza City—turning a once bustling gathering place into a panorama of death. A third, near simultaneous, airstrike hit a nearby crowded market on al-Wahda street, sending body parts everywhere.

At least thirty-three Palestinians were killed and nearly ninety wounded in the three airstrikes, according to the health ministry, though the actual death toll is likely higher. Many of the dead and wounded were customers enjoying a hot drink in the restaurant, or people in the market trying to find food during a full-spectrum siege that has suffocated Gaza for over two months.

In these days of bloodshed, Wednesday was a particularly bloody day. Earlier this week, Israel vowed to escalate its already savage assault. At least ninety-two people were killed across Gaza today, most of them women and children, Ismail Al-Thawabteh, the Director-General of the Government Media Office in Gaza, told Drop Site.

The scene inside the restaurant in the aftermath of the attack was nightmarish. Customers lay on the ground drenched in their own blood. Pieces of pizza were scattered across the tables and floor. In my shock, I, at first, thought the red stains on the floor were ketchup, but it was all blood. There was blood everywhere.

Before the war, this restaurant was once a Gaza City landmark—bustling with patrons and offering Thai dishes, shawarma, and grilled chicken. Destroyed during Israel's carpet bombing campaign, the restaurant was rebuilt during the brief ceasefire that went into effect in January, offering Palestinians here a glimmer of hope and a return to some semblance of normalcy.

After Israel imposed a total blockade on March 2, most restaurants were eventually forced to close. Thai Restaurant, somehow, managed to remain open, serving only hot drinks and slices of pizza.

As the weeks went by, the restaurant became a popular gathering place for journalists who are always looking for power sources to charge their phones and equipment, and a place with reliable internet to file their stories.

I would come to the restaurant at least twice a week with my laptop and sit at one of the tables to finish my articles—to report the ongoing genocide of my people to the world. My last visit there was just two days ago. I thought it was a safe place, but in this land of death, there is no such thing.



Journalist Rasha Abou Jalal sitting at Thai Restaurant days before it was bombed by the Israeli military. May 2025. (Photo courtesy of Rasha Abou Jalal)

When the bombs fell on Wednesday, Abeer Sabri and her friend were sitting at a table in the middle of the restaurant. The two women were trying to steal a few

moments away from the daily burdens of war and siege—standing in line for hours to get water, or lighting firewood to make a thin soup for their children.

"I hadn't seen my friend for more than a year and a half, because of the war and repeated displacements, so we agreed to meet here at Thai Restaurant," 28-year-old Abeer said, still in shock and struggling to catch her breath. "We ordered two cups of coffee, we were laughing together—then everything turned to hell." She was still in shock, as she spoke, and struggling to catch her breath.

"A loud explosion shook the place. I felt dizzy and closed my eyes," she said. "When I opened them, I found myself drenched in a pool of blood; it wasn't mine or my friend's—it was from the other customers. I stood in disbelief. How had I survived?"

Among the dead was a young boy who sold coffee to customers. I would see him whenever I visited. I still remember his smile.

The journalist Yahya Sobeih was also killed. He was one of the journalists who regularly frequented Thai Restaurant. Just hours before he was killed, he had welcomed his newborn daughter into the world. He shared a photo on Instagram of him cradling her in his arms, calling her his "little princess" in the caption. He couldn't have known that his first embrace of her would be his last. When his wife heard the news of her husband's death, she suffered a nervous breakdown and slipped into a deep state of shock, drifting in and out of consciousness.



Journalist Yahya Sobeih cradling his newborn daughter hours before he was killed in an airstrike on Thai Restaurant in Gaza City. May 7, 2025. (Photo: Instagram screenshot @yahyasobeih)

Sobeih's close friend Soheil Amer said that Sobeih has spent the entire war reporting for several media outlets. Sobeih was particularly interested in stories of the displaced and posted his work on [social media](#). "I was shocked when I heard Yahya was martyred," Amer said.

In the aftermath of the attack, the head chef of the restaurant, Abu Saleh Abdo,

was in a state of disbelief that he had survived the massacre. “How long will we keep dying every day? Children, women, the elderly, even animals haven’t been spared from the killing. There were no fighters here, just customers and some families trying to relive fragments of their past lives. What was their crime to be bombed like this? It’s absolute savagery,” he said.

“There’s no hope left for survival. If you don’t die from bombing, you die from hunger or disease. This war must stop now.”



The body of a young boy killed in Israeli airstrikes on Thai Restaurant in Gaza City. May 7, 2025. (Photo by Rasha Abou Jalal)

Next to Thai Restaurant, at the street market where the third airstrike hit, the scene was even more horrific. Bodies were strewn across the ground. Three members of one family—a father, mother, and their child— lay dead in a pool of blood. Many street vendors were killed, their stalls destroyed. The body parts of customers who had come to try and find food for their children were scattered everywhere.

Inside the home of 16-year-old Nahid Qanoua, who was killed in the market attack, his mother was consumed with grief and wailing. Tears streamed down her face, as she kissed his forehead for the last time before his body was taken away for burial. I tried to comfort her with words of condolence. “He celebrated his birthday yesterday,” she said. “Today he wore his best clothes and went to the market to find food. What was his crime to be killed like this?”



The mother of Nahid Qanoua, 16, weeps over her son’s body in the aftermath of an Israeli airstrike on a street market in Gaza City. May 7, 2025. (Photo by Rasha Abou Jalal)

Wednesday’s massacres occurred in the midst of a brutal siege of Gaza. Famine is setting in. Flour supplies have been depleted. Food warehouses are empty. Most charity kitchens have shut down due to a lack of basic goods, like beans and rice.

The attacks do not stop. The bombs fall everywhere, every day. In Gaza, Palestinians who have been displaced multiple times are being bombed in shelters. On Wednesday, two schools sheltering displaced families were bombed in Gaza City, one in the north and one in al-Bureij in central Gaza. The strikes killed forty-nine people, including another journalist, Nour Al-Din Abdo.

Restaurants, charity kitchens, schools, shelters, and tents have all been hit. At least 235 schools and shelters have been bombed according to Al-Thawabteh: "It reflects Israel's clear intent to cause the highest number of casualties among displaced civilians. It constitutes a full-fledged war crime and a continuation of the genocide being carried out against our people," he said.

Al-Thawabteh held the U.S. administration responsible for the ongoing massacres, accusing it of providing unlimited military, political, and financial support to the Israeli government. He called on the international community to take immediate action to stop these crimes, protect civilians, and hold Israel accountable in international courts. Meanwhile, the Israeli army continues its relentless bombing of Gaza.

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Rasha Abou jalal

I am Rasha Abu Jalal, a journalist from the Gaza Strip. I work in several media outlets covering Palestinian political, humanitarian and social issues. I am a permanent member of the judging committee for the annual Press House Award.

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When the ugliness of Israel's crimes in occupied Gaza overshadows the ugliness of its crimes in the occupied West Bank, films like **Farah Nabulsi's** latest release, 'The Teacher,' become all the more important.

The BAFTA-winning, Oscar-nominated Palestinian Director joins Mehdi to discuss her latest film, which centers around the struggle of Palestinians living in the occupied West Bank through the lens of a school teacher there.

"The film is set in this sort of brutal, oppressive reality of militarily occupied Palestine, a place of apartheid that has been suffered by Palestinians for decades," says Nabulsi, adding that highlighting that reality is not an easy task. *"You really do have this reality unfolding around you that you're trying to do justice to in your film. So a lot of pressure."*

The movie, which was entirely shot in the occupied West Bank prior to October 7, 2023, was a complicated one to film, according to Nabulsi, *"One evening we finished at two in the morning shooting a scene in the heart of Nablus only to wake up four hours later and receive messages that the Israeli military entered Nablus and blown up a house about two kilometers from where we were shooting."*

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After crossing the hurdles of filming under heavy militarization in the occupied territories, Nabulsi still faced the hurdles of distributing a film that centers around the Palestinian struggle for liberation. *"What's crazy is this is a British-Palestinian film, and I am a British-Palestinian filmmaker, and you would think that we would have got distribution in the UK, considering this film has won now 20 international awards... it ticked all the boxes, and yet we didn't have distribution."*

Nabulsi went on to self-distribute the film, which was released in the US just last month. Head to theteacher.film to find a screening near you.

Paid subscribers can watch the full interview above to hear some of Farah's horrifying stories while filming in the occupied West Bank, and to see what she has in store for her next film.

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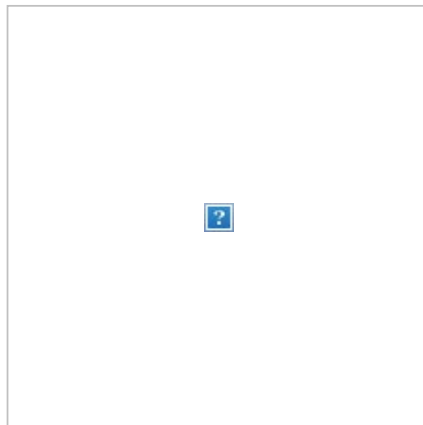
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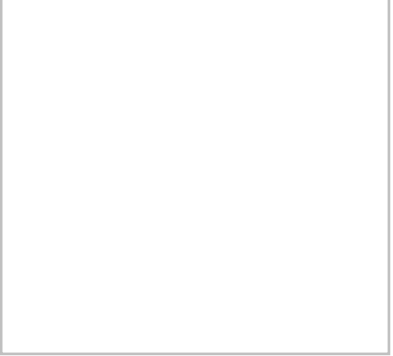


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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

April 2025 was FILLED with lots in bloom – and that’s not just because of **Sustainability Month and Earth Day!**

On the first day of April, we celebrated [the grand re-opening of Regional Medical Center](#), which

officially joined Santa Clara Valley Healthcare's family of public hospitals and high-quality care countywide. It was a great way to start a new month and helped us get rolling on a ton of other great events!

Take a look below at some other incredible events, both in community and with the County itself, and join us in looking toward the next month of events that demonstrate just how diverse and joyful this community is.

As we face challenges from the federal government's policies affecting us here locally, it is imperative for us to stand in community together, and work for everyone in our County. We at the County of Santa Clara will continue to work together to support our community near and far, and protect one another for our collective growth and prosperity.

Now, let's connect on how great District 3 is, and all that our County has to offer! Some friendly reminders and events coming up:

- Remember to dump out standing water on or near your properties, due to recent finding of *aedes aegypti* mosquitoes in the area.
- We hope to see you at the **Berryessa Annual Art Festival!** [Check out more information here.](#)
- **Budget workshops** are May 12, 13 and 14. Your feedback is important to help the County guide the tough decisions we have ahead.

As always, please feel free contact our office anytime via email at Supervisor.Lee@bos.sccgov.org or visit us online at SupervisorLee.org.



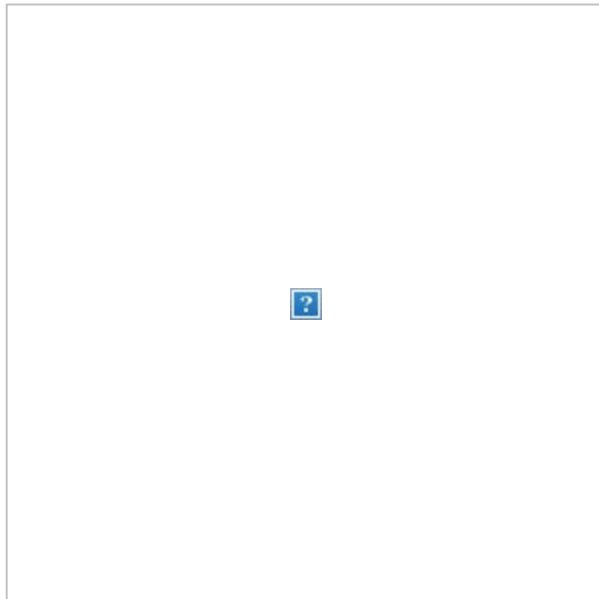
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ICYMI: Town Hall with Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren



On Friday, April 4, the District 3 team welcomed [**Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren \(CA D-18\)**](#) to County chambers for a **Town Hall**, dedicated to her District 18 constituents regarding all of the challenges coming down from Washington D.C.

Congresswoman Lofgren -- no stranger to the County, as a previous Supervisor from 1981 to 1994 – spoke to over 400 attendees from the Chamber floor, addressing their questions and concerns on topics ranging from DOGE cuts, a ceasefire in Gaza, and

threats against social security. The Congresswoman spoke to the crowd for nearly 90 minutes, and took additional questions back to her staff to address personally.

As she reminded the audience, **it's time to “stand up, fight back, and I'll do it with you.”**

Many thanks to Congresswoman Lofgren for joining us at the County to address your constituents, and for encouraging further action both locally and federally.

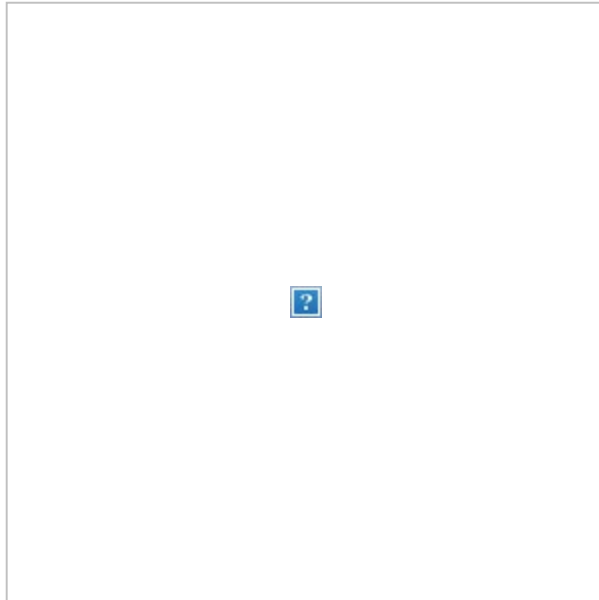
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The D3 team was able to celebrate [Sustainability Month and Earth Day](#) in lots of amazing ways. Take a look below at just some of our favorite moments out in the community!

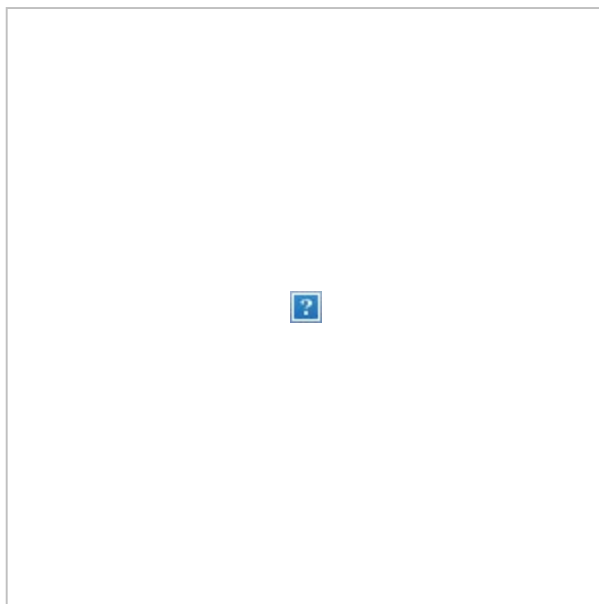
- Fremont Union High School District 2nd Annual Earth Day
- 10th Anniversary of Stanford Energy System Innovations
- Milpitas Community Education Foundation's STEAM Showcase
- City of Sunnyvale Earth Day

- San Jose Water-led tour of the Watershed + AI wildfire detection sensors



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Many thanks to all of these organizations,
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more sustainable and greener future for us all!



**Black April: Remembering 50
Years Since the Fall of Saigon**

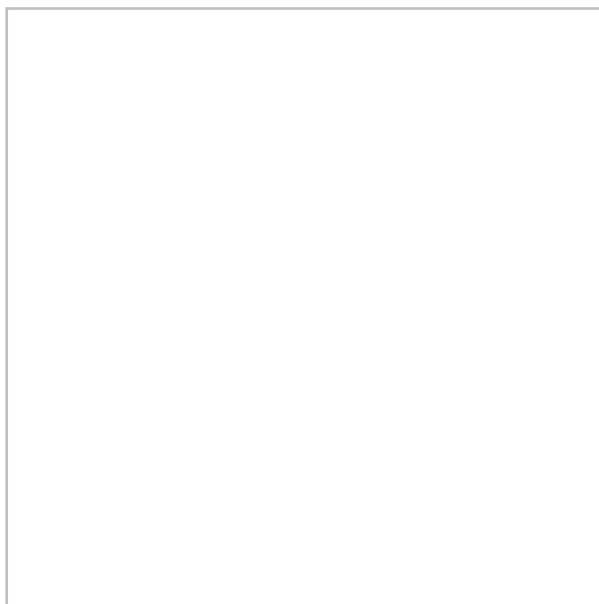
On April 30, we are commemorating a historic moment for Vietnamese and Vietnamese American individuals -- [the 50th anniversary of Black April](#). This marks both a solemn and pivotal point in the history of Vietnam and its peoples.

On April 30, 1975, the fall of Saigon marked the end of the Vietnam War. While it was the end of the war, for millions of Vietnamese peoples, it was just the beginning of greater conflict – lives torn apart, peoples uprooted, and a great exodus from the country.

This day symbolizes loss and grief for many, but further demonstrates the pure resilience, courage, and spirit of the Vietnamese people

Here in Santa Clara County, we are proudly the home of over 140,000 Vietnamese Americans, the second-largest Vietnamese community in the United States. Vietnamese Americans are powerful advocates for freedom, democracy, and human rights, and we are so grateful to have so many amazing community members here to remind us of the importance of unity and strength.

On April 7th, the D3 office joined Supervisor Duong and the District 2 team in raising the Vietnamese flag, symbolizing our community's Vietnamese Americans and the importance of this history. Take a look at that event, and other memorable moments in which we commemorated this historic anniversary.



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Wildfire Preparedness Day

As wildfire season becomes more prolonged here in California, it is imperative that we prepare ourselves, our families and our properties appropriately

On Saturday, May 3, we're taking part in [Wildfire Community Preparedness Day](#), reminding people and organizations everywhere to take action in both raising awareness and reducing wildfire risks.

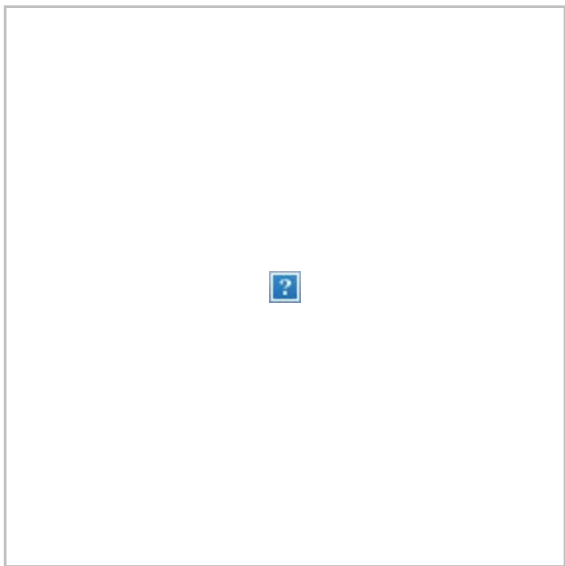
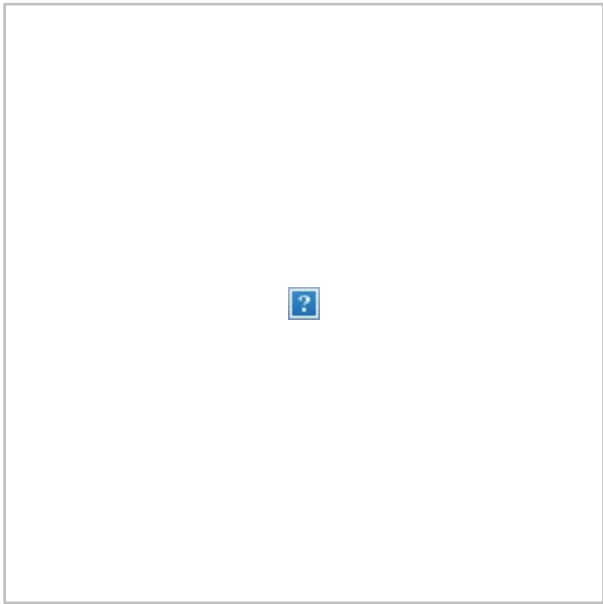
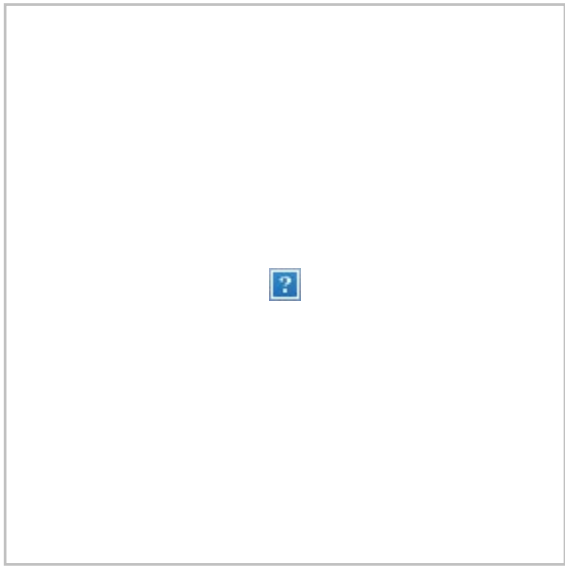
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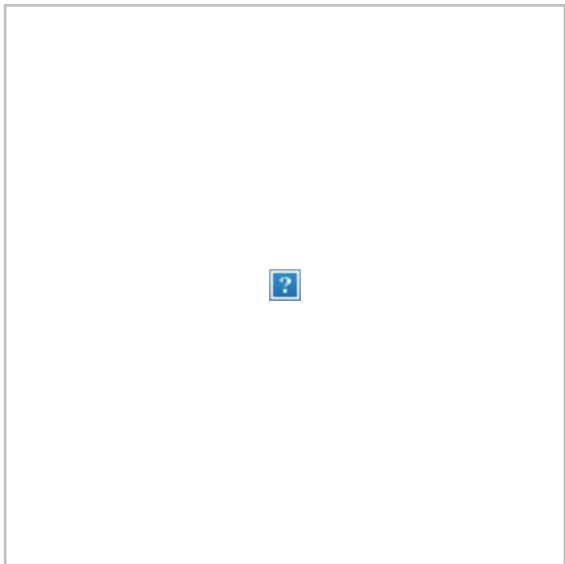
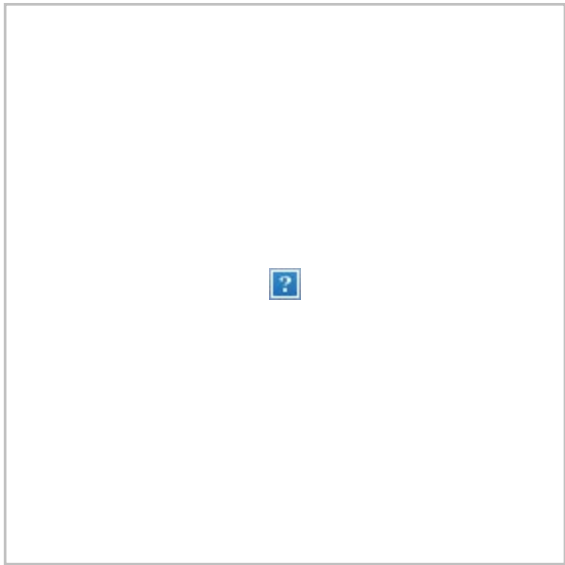
- Regularly clear debris from roofs, gutters, vents, and under decks.
- Store combustible items – such as firewood, propane tanks, and vehicles – at least 30 feet away from structures.
- Create a custom wildfire readiness plan, with the help of CAL Fire.

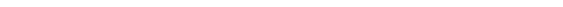
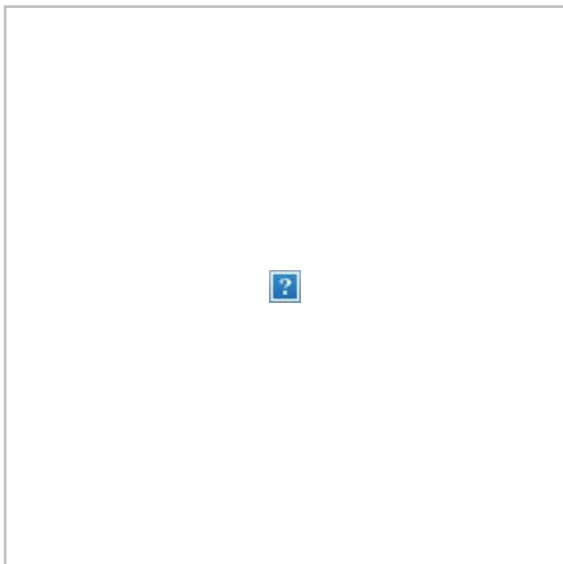
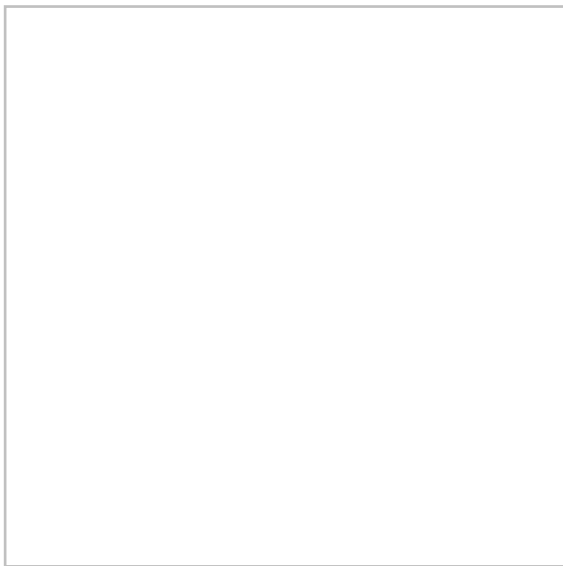
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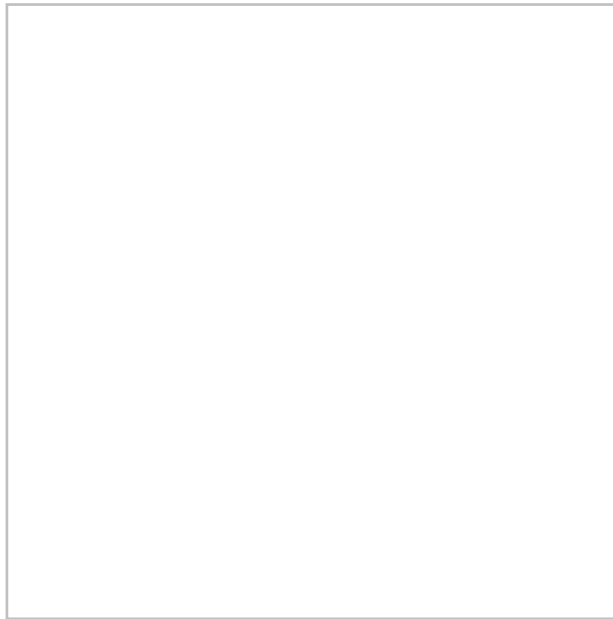
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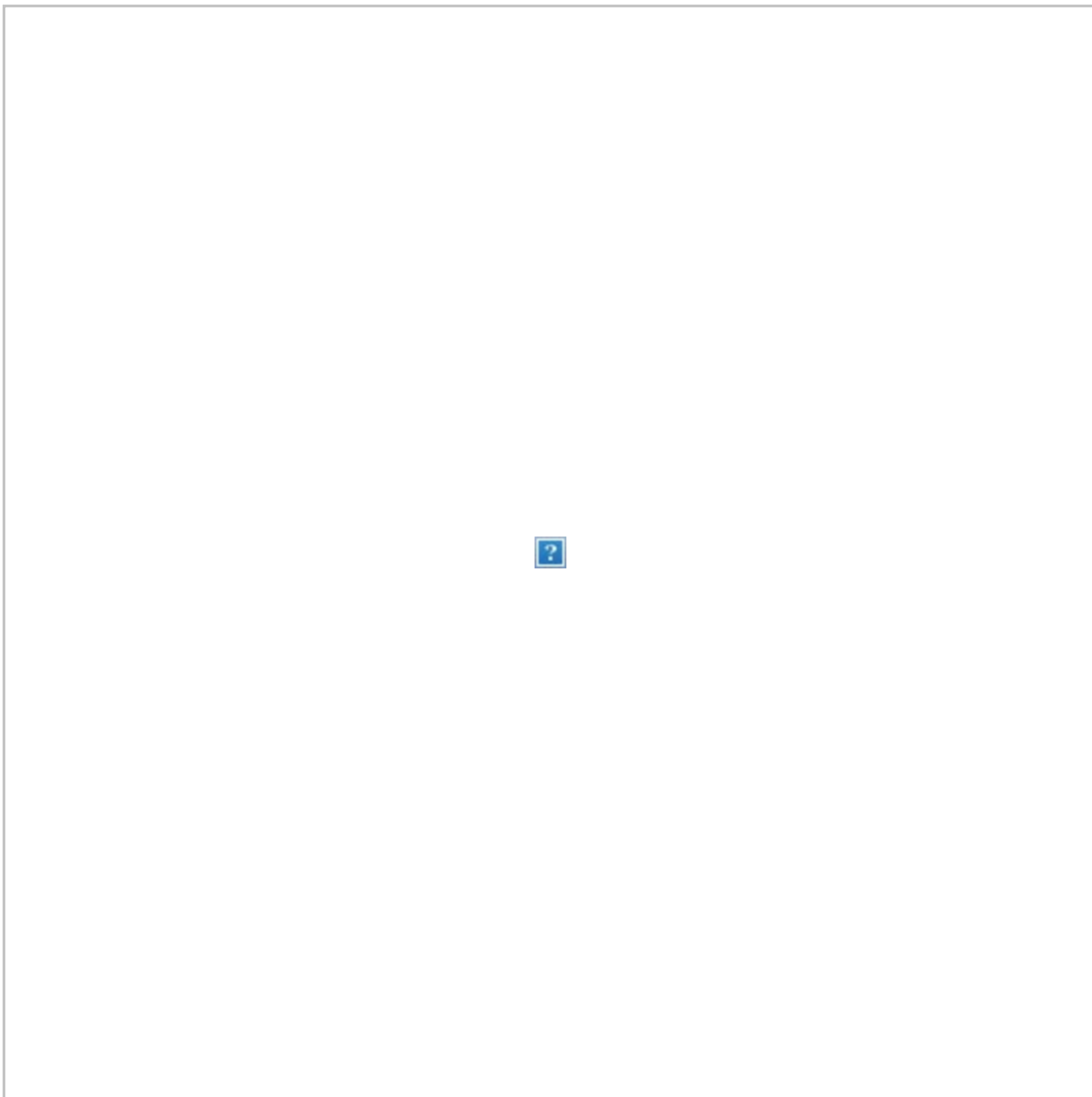
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Palestinians carrying the bodies of their family members killed in Israeli airstrikes for burial. April 28, 2025. (Photo by Ali Jadallah/Anadolu via Getty Images)

GAZA CITY—Three generations of the al-Khour family were wiped out when Israel bombed their family home in the al-Sabra neighborhood in central Gaza at dawn on April 26. The elderly patriarch of the family, Talal al-Khour, his wives, daughters, sons, and grandchildren were all killed in the attack. A total of twenty-two people—including twelve children—perished, their bodies blown apart and buried under the rubble.

"The airstrike occurred at dawn while we were asleep. Suddenly, we woke up to a blast that felt like an earthquake. We rushed into the street and found that the five-story home of the Al-Khour family had turned into a pile of rubble," Mohammad Al-Ajla, a 37-year-old neighbor who helped retrieve the bodies, told

Drop Site News. "As soon as the dust from the strike cleared, neighbors began trying to rescue members of the family. The recovery operation continued for eight straight hours. We saw bodies everywhere. There were children without heads."

With the help of residents in the area, Civil Defense teams were able to retrieve fifteen of the bodies, which were later buried together in a mass grave. The remaining bodies remain trapped under the debris. Emergency rescue crews were forced to dig through the wreckage with their bare hands as a result of Israel denying the entry of equipment into Gaza and deliberately targeting the little machinery available, according to the Civil Defense spokesperson, Mahmoud Bassal.

"We could hear the cries of the wounded trapped under the rubble, but we were helpless to reach them. Over time, the screaming faded, and we no longer knew whether they were still alive or had been killed," Bassal told Drop Site. "Many lives could have been saved, but the ongoing blockade and the denial of essential tools eliminated every possible chance for rescue."

Since Israel resumed its scorched earth bombing campaign on March 18, Gaza has been transformed into a desert of death, in which rubble and ruin form the backdrop for an unceasing campaign of mass killing. The Israeli military has carried out multiple airstrikes and shelling across the enclave on a daily basis, pounding homes, displacement camps, cafes, hospitals, charity kitchens, so-called "humanitarian zones," and other civilian sites.

The scale of the attacks is almost impossible to track. On Wednesday alone, three residential buildings in the Nuseirat refugee camp were bombed; one of the strikes killed six members of one family, including three siblings, all children. In a nearby building, eight people in a single home were killed. In Jabaliya, at least three people from the same family, including two young girls, were killed in Israeli artillery fire. On the coast, west of Gaza City, a fisherman was killed while pulling his boat ashore. In western Khan Younis, an overnight drone strike on a tent killed six people, including children. This is not a comprehensive list and does not even cover a 24-hour period.

Over two days last week, the Israeli military also targeted and bombed over 30 bulldozers and other pieces of heavy machinery. Some of them had been donated during the “ceasefire” to clear rubble, repair critical infrastructure, and rescue people after airstrikes, according to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA).

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The scenes emerging from across Gaza, from Rafah in the south to Beit Hanoun in the north, are staggering in their horror. Children blown apart across rooftops or while riding their bikes; dead bodies strewn across a cafe, some still seated, slumped in their chairs; corpses wrapped in white body bags lined up alongside one another; suicide drones crashing into tents housing sleeping families; screaming parents and wounded children scattered in the streets.

“The massacres do not stop. We are being slaughtered from vein to vein,” Al Jazeera correspondent Anas al-Sharif said in a social media post.

At least 2,300 Palestinians have been killed over the past six weeks alone—the equivalent of over fifty people killed every day. Over 740 of the dead are children, the Director of the Information Unit at the Ministry of Health in Gaza, Zaher Al-Wahidi, told Drop Site. Since the start of the war, more than 2,180 families have been entirely annihilated—with all members killed—while more than 5,070 families have lost all members except for one surviving individual, according to the Government Media Office.

The relentless assault comes as Israel has imposed a policy of forced starvation on Gaza’s two million residents, sealing off Gaza completely and denying the entry of all food, fuel, medicine and other humanitarian goods since March 2—by far the longest blockade since the beginning of the war. More than 65,000 children in Gaza have been hospitalized with severe malnutrition, according to a statement this week by the Government Media Office.

Israel has made it clear that the intensifying military assault and the ongoing blockade are explicitly aimed at bringing Hamas to its knees. Negotiations for a ceasefire appear deadlocked with Israel scrapping crucial elements of the original three-phase deal signed by Hamas and Israel in January, and now pushing for Hamas to formally surrender, disarm, and exile its leadership as a condition to end the genocide.

Israel's defense minister has reiterated that the denial of food, medicine, and other aid is being used to collectively punish the Palestinians of Gaza. "No humanitarian aid is about to enter Gaza," Israel Katz said, announcing that "preventing humanitarian aid from entering Gaza is one of the main pressure levers."

Using starvation as a weapon of war has had a devastating effect. Last week, the UN warned that Gaza "is now likely facing the worst humanitarian crisis in the 18 months since the escalation of hostilities in October 2023."

The World Food Program recently announced that it had run out of food. "The situation is at a breaking point," the organization said in a statement. Food prices have risen by 1,400 percent. With no remaining supplies of flour or fuel, Gaza's bakeries have stopped functioning and remaining stocks of food are being rapidly depleted. The flour that is available is often insect-infested. Families are increasingly resorting to mixing crushed macaroni with flour to make bread and allocating just one piece of bread per family member per day.

With shortages of cooking gas and firewood, families are forced to burn plastic and other waste to cook the little food they have. People are foraging for wild plants and eating sea turtles that have washed ashore in order to survive. The UN last week said it identified 3,700 children suffering from acute malnutrition in March—now up to 80% from the month before. A total of fifty-three children have died of malnutrition since the war began.

The heads of twelve major aid organizations issued a joint statement last week warning that "Famine is not just a risk, but likely rapidly unfolding in almost all parts of Gaza," and characterizing the situation in Gaza "one of the worst humanitarian failures of our generation."

Over the past few weeks, the Israeli military has bombed the al-Ahli Hospital and the Al Durrah Paediatric Hospital, both in Gaza City; the Nasser hospital in Khan Younis and the Kuwaiti Field Hospital in Mawasi; and massacred fifteen emergency workers and first responders. The hospitals that are still standing are barely functioning, with severe shortages of medicine, equipment and doctors.

Meanwhile, the Israeli military continues to squeeze Palestinians onto smaller tracts of land within Gaza. About 70 percent of Gaza has been designated as “no-go” zones or placed under displacement orders. Over the past six weeks, roughly 420,000 Palestinians have been displaced yet again, with no safe place to go.

“This is deprivation by design,” the acting head of office for OCHA, Jonathan Whittall, said in a statement. “Land is being annexed from the north, from the east, from the south of the strip as forces advance...Gaza is being starved, it’s being bombed, it’s being strangled. This looks like the deliberate dismantling of Palestinian life.”

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