

July 7th – July 8th 2023

About Us



California Families Against Solitary Confinement (CFASC) works to end the cruel, inhumane, and degrading treatment of solitary confinement in California, which violates international human rights standards. CFASC engages in policy advocacy to bring about changes in correctional systems, organizes to raise awareness, and always put survivors of solitary confinement first.



Presents:

Solitary Confinement Symposium

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Schedule

Day 1



6-8:30 Pm: Round Table and Mixer

Event kick-off with appetizers, drinks, and a conversation on the significance of the 2013 hunger strikes to the Ashker litigation and the national campaign to end solitary confinement. Led by Jules Lobel, Johnny Perez, and Jessica Sandoval.

Day 2



9-9: 55 Am: Opening Comments, Breakfast, and a conversation

Enjoy Vegan burritos and quiche as the host provides opening remarks and Anne Weills, Terry Kupers, and Ed Dombrique lead an opening conversation



10-10: 50 Am Pm: Ending Juvenile Solitary Confinement

Jessica Solis, Kirn Kim, and Ariel Fabian



11:00-11:55 Am: AB280 and Success After Solitary

A conversation with Hamid Yazdan Panah, Nikki Martinez, Kevin McCarthy, Jack Morris



12-1:15 Pm: Lunch and Private Film Screening

Lunch and special viewing of Loz Feliz Films 5 Block, Filmed in Lancaster State Prison, featuring Jose Flores.



1:15-2:10 Pm: Family Perspective: Surviving Solitary Confinement

Lilly Gonzales, Alyssa Ruiz, Reyna Baca, and Marie Levin



2:15-3:05 Pm: From Isolation to Education

Michael Savaadra, Danny Murillo, Heidi DeLeon, and Hakim Owens



3:15-4:15 Pm: Ending All Hostilities Panel

Jamala Taylor, Eddie Burnett, George Villa, Flaco Rising, and Richard Johnson

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Onsite Services

Pavilion A:

Panels and Presentations

Pavilion B:

Calming Corner W/ Michelle Garcia

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Record Expungement Services with Michael Saavedra (Record Printout Required)

Ontiveros C/Outside Patio:

Counselling Services Available With

Heidi De Leon, LCSW, Theresa Rodriguez, CADC, AMFT, Raji Shivshanker, LCSW



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