

URBAN PEACE MOVEMENT 2022 AT A GLANCE

This was an exciting year for Urban Peace Movement! Through the power of youth organizing, community partnership and coalition building, we pushed systems leaders to reimagine youth justice and public safety and helped to strengthen the movement to end mass incarceration in Alameda County.

Check out these highlights from our work in 2022!!



YOUTH LEADERSHIP & ACTION



UPM's youth organizing programs are thriving again after two difficult years during the pandemic, with our "Determination" and "Leaders in Training" programs in full throttle! UPM's youth leaders in Oakland and in Southern Alameda County have been busy in 2022 planning UPM's events, taking leadership in our campaigns to end mass incarceration, conducting court watching, working to hold the Alameda County DA and other systems leaders accountable, raising voter awareness about important local elections, and leading UPM's social media outreach and public education campaigns. Follow us at @UrbanPeace510 on Instagram to see them in action!

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REIMAGINING YOUTH JUSTICE

UPM is part of the Free Our Kids Coalition, a powerful coalition of a dozen grassroots organizations fighting for a complete reimagining of Alameda County's juvenile justice system to move away from punishment and incarceration and toward healing and restoration. Free Our Kids is urging county leaders to create a community-led process to assess and re-design the county's overall approach to youth justice. In 2022, youth leaders from across the various organizations in Free Our Kids developed a vision for a reimagined youth justice system and put forth their vision publicly in a 10 Point Plan. Through the leadership of our partners at 67 Sueños, the Free Our Kids youth organizers painted a mural on E12th St. in Oakland to showcase the values and tenets of their vision! And Free Our Kids has been working to monitor Alameda County's plan to transition young people back from California's state youth prison system (DJJ) as that system closes.





TOWN UP TUESDAY: CELEBRATING OAKLAND CULTURE & VOTER AWARENESS

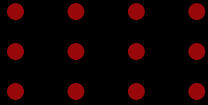
On May 17th UPM hosted one of the largest and most vibrant events in our organization's history! Town Up Tuesday was a free live music and voter awareness festival held at Oakland's Lake Merritt. See KQED's coverage here. The event featured performances by some of the Bay's most talented artists such as Kamaiyah, Goapele, Stunnaman02, Young JR, Symba, and Baby Gas, along with acclaimed DJ's D Sharp (Golden State Warriors), FUZE (Digital Underground), and Kleptic (Core DJs)! At the event, we raised awareness about the importance of voting in local elections and conducted voter registration. The festival was incredibly uplifting and brought a much needed opportunity for our community to come together and to celebrate Oakland's unique and rich culture! Huge thanks to Lateef Daumont, Tim House, Steve Baiocchi, and OVM for their immense support on the production side!! UPM used the event registration process to collect data from nearly 1000 Alameda County residents on issues of criminalization and community safety. Highlights of the data include:

- 96% of registrants felt that Probation should not be able to use pepper spray and prone restraints on youth in juvenile facilities;
- Of a menu of 11 options, respondents selected "mental health services" and "affordable housing" as the most effective strategies for preventing violence, and "police" was ranked lowest as an effective violence prevention strategy among respondents.
- 88% of respondents expressed a positive view of voting.



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TOWN NIGHTS



This past summer, UPM hosted a series of 8 “Town Nights” events across multiple locations in West Oakland in partnership with the City of Oakland’s Department of Violence Prevention that featured healing and wellness services including massages and acupuncture, live music, free food, and other family friendly entertainment for the community. Town Nights is a city-wide initiative to create opportunities for families and residents to come together, build relationships, and create safety in our community through culture, food, and fun activities!! We are deeply grateful to Marilyn Washington-Harris, Annette Miller, and Ronald Muhammad, who are pillars of the West Oakland Community, for working with us to lead these powerful events!!



We are proud to have supported the creation of a new mural in Downtown Oakland (1528 Webster Street) called Remembrance is Power honoring a group of Black men who were important community leaders from different sectors of the Oakland community and who passed away in recent years. The mural was painted by acclaimed mural artist and former UPM youth member Timothy B who served as the Lead Artist with support from supporting artists Malik Byers and Steven Anderson. The mural was commissioned by Urban Peace Movement and the ABG Art Group with support from the Uptown/Downtown Community Benefits District, People's Choice Printing, and the 1528 Webster St Co-working Space.



REMEMBRANCE IS POWER MURAL

Over 200 community members attended the mural dedication ceremony to honor:

Stephen "Zumbi" Gaines of hip hop group Zion I;

Dr. Prince White, former Deputy Director of Urban Peace Movement;

Reuben Lewis, a father and coach;

Gregory "Shock G" Jacobs of hip hop group Digital Underground;

Timothy "Gift of Gab" Parker of hip hop duo Blackalicious;

Will Rogers, a local delivery carrier;

Jamon "JT" Simmons, a father and entrepreneur;

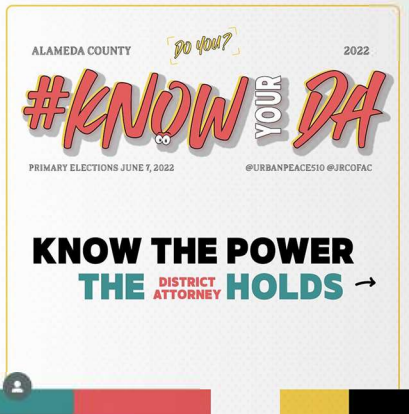
Thomas L Berkley, founder of the Oakland Post

DA ACCOUNTABILITY

2022 was an important year for UPM's DA Accountability work, especially with the first open District Attorney election in Alameda County in half a century in which an incumbent was not running! UPM conducted non-partisan voter education around the 2022 election for Alameda County DA, and we held two virtual non-partisan candidate forums with our partners in the Justice Reinvestment Coalition and Oakland Rising. Hundreds of community members tuned in to hear what the candidates had to say.

The first candidate forum was held on March 23rd with the initial four DA candidates in anticipation of the June primary election. The second forum was held on September 29th before the general election with the final two candidates, Terry Wiley and Pamela Price. Candidates addressed issues such as bail reform (money bail), youth justice, life without the possibility of parole, the death penalty, ending over-criminalization and mass incarceration, ending excessive sentences and promoting second chances, standing up to police misconduct, protecting immigrant communities, gang and status enhancements, three strikes charging, reducing the jail population, data & transparency, community involvement and more.

We held a "Know Your DA Month of Action" in March which included a public education and social media campaign to raise awareness about the power the DA holds and to highlight specific policies and practices including resentencing and releases, diversion and alternatives to incarceration, and ending the adultification of youth and youth transfers to the adult system. Next year, the DA Accountability Table will work to both support and hold accountable the newly elected DA, Pamela Price, to the needs and values of the community.



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PARTICIPATORY DEFENSE



UPM helps to coordinate the Alameda County Participatory Defense Hub in collaboration with All of Us or None, Communities United for Restorative Youth Justice (CURYJ), the Young Women's Freedom Center (YWFC), and Silicon Valley De-Bug. Participatory Defense is a community organizing model for people facing charges, their families, and communities to impact the outcomes of cases and transform the landscape of power in the court system.

This year the Alameda County Participatory Defense Hub supported 25 families by educating them about the justice system and pre-trial and trial processes, assisting them in speaking directly to the Alameda County DA's office to advocate for their loved ones' cases, and supporting them as they sought resentencing relief for their loved ones. Families who attend the weekly participatory defense meetings work to empower one another and support newer families as they transition into the participatory defense process.

UPM together with CURYJ, YWFC, the Ella Baker Center, and Silicon Valley De-Bug released a Resentencing Toolkit and roadmap this year for families and people with incarcerated loved ones to help guide them through the process of advocating for better justice system outcomes for their loved ones.



THANK YOU!!

Urban Peace Movement is so grateful to be part of a strong and vibrant community! **Thank you** to all of our **youth members**, our **staff**, **philanthropic partners**, **artists and cultural allies**, **coalition partners**, and **ally organizations** without whom our work would not be possible!! Huge thanks to **Oaklandish**, **Love Supreme**, and **The Acme Bread Company** who held local fundraisers for UPM this year!! And special thanks to **Mistah F.A.B**, **Young JR**, **Baby Gas**, **Royce Trotter** from **FOE/TrapHours**, **Darryl "Lil D" Reed**, and **Oakland Rising** for using their voices to encourage people to vote!!



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