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Supporting Survivors through the Grievance and Legal Process

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Introductions



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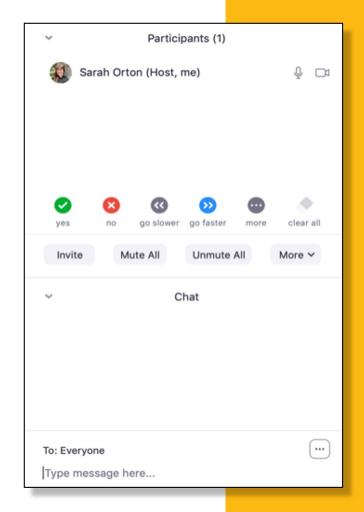
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ValorUS' Mission

ValorUS is committed to preventing and ending sexual violence by advancing equity and eradicating oppression.



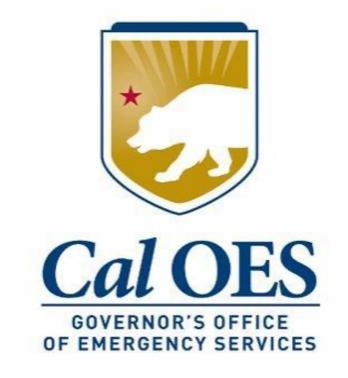




CA Advancing PREA Overview

Build strong relationships between CA state prison/ county jail staff and rape crisis advocates

Create sustainable agreements and protocols for the provision of victim services to survivors







JDI's Mission

JDI is a health and human rights organization that seeks to end sexual abuse in all forms of detention.







JDI's Core Principle

No matter what crime a person may have committed, rape is not part of the penalty.







Johanna Mills



Johanna Mills is a Program Associate at JDI and a longtime member of the JDI Survivor Council. Johanna has been at the forefront of the fight to ensure the dignity of incarcerated people. While she was incarcerated, Johanna worked closely with JDI on pushing for many key initiatives, including the Prison Rape Elimination Act. Johanna was released from prison in 2019.





Jonas Caballero



Jonas Caballero is a former US-UK Fulbright Scholar and survivor of repeated sexual abuse by staff in a New York City jail. Jonas obtained his Paralegal Certificate and worked for the Abolitionist Law Center. He recently finished a summer internship with Prisoners' Legal Services of New York and is currently pursuing a law degree from Albany Law School. He is the lead plaintiff in a federal class action lawsuit representing 2,500 incarcerated and formerly-incarcerated individuals who suffered mental health discrimination by the New York State Department of Corrections.







Additional Resources

- Jailhouse Lawyer's Manual
- Chapter 15: Inmate Grievance Procedures
- Chapter 23: Your Right to Adequate Medical Care
- Chapter 24: Your Right to be Free from Assault by Prison Guards and Other Incarcerated People
- Chapter 25: Your Right to be Free from Illegal Body Searches
- Prison Legal Office
- How to File a CDCR Administrative Grievance and Appeal





Additional Resources

- ValorUS<u>valor.us</u>
- Just Detention International justdetention.org
- PREA Resource Center prearesourcecenter.org





CA Advancing PREA: Resources for California Advocates

CALIFORNIA ADVANCING PREA: RESOURCES FOR CALIFORNIA ADVOCATES

The below resources were developed by Just Detention International and ValorUS to support California advocates.

Training Your Advocates to Work with Incarcerated Survivors



This webinar introduces a PowerPoint presentation and facilitators guide to RCC staff who will train volunteers and advocates at their agency about how to best serve survivors of sexual abuse and sexual harassment who are incarcerated.



