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Formerly Incarcerated Leaders to Gather for Community-Building Event in San Antonio "From Prison to Power: Finding Your Voice After Incarceration" Will Take Place on December 30, 2023

(SAN ANTONIO, TX) – On December 30, a group of formerly incarcerated and justice system-impacted Texans will convene in San Antonio. The event, "From Prison to Power: Finding Your Voice After Incarceration," is organized by the Texas Center for Justice and Equity's Statewide Leadership Council (SLC).

"Discover the power of resilience and determination as our speakers, all of whom have been impacted by the challenges of incarceration, share their personal journeys," the event organizers shared. "From tales of redemption to stories of triumph, this event will provide a platform for individuals to connect, learn, and find hope. Whether you have a personal connection to the topic or simply want to be inspired by incredible stories of transformation, 'From Prison to Power' is an event you won't want to miss."

WHAT: "From Prison to Power: Finding Your Voice After Incarceration." A free event featuring presentations from speakers about the impact of the criminal punishment system

WHO: The Statewide Leadership Council (SLC), a group of formerly incarcerated and system-impacted Texans who are fighting to change the state's INjustice system

WHY: To share stories from system-impacted Texans, and help both new and experienced advocates access community through the SLC

WHERE: Barbara Jordan Community Center, 2803 East Commerce Street, San Antonio, TX 78203

WHEN: Saturday, December 30, 2023 | 1:00-4:00pm CST

Registration for "From Prison to Power: Finding Your Voice After Incarceration" is free and <u>available at this link</u>. With questions, please contact Madison at <u>mkaigh@TexasCJE.org</u> or Cynthia at <u>csimons@TexasCJE.org</u>.

This event follows previous community gatherings over the past three years in Texas cities including Austin, Beaumont, Dallas, Houston, Livingston, Pharr, and Tyler.

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