

Statement by Impacted Families

As families of police murder victims, we have been thrust into a fight that we never asked to be a part of. But we will not stand by and let our loved ones' cases be kept in the dark. We will not sit back and watch police terrorism continue to destroy so many lives through the murderous behavior of law enforcement with zero accountability. The complete lack of respect for human life by the hands of police impacts all races, genders, and creeds. The number of Stolen Lives continues to grow every year, and Cop City is evidence that there are worse things to come.

We unite to overcome the divisiveness that continues to plague our mission. We are a much more powerful front when *all* families unify as one entity. To that end, we align ourselves with the October 22 Coalition in hopes of uniting impacted families with concerned community members so we may be a more powerful force in the face of this national epidemic. So many victims do not get national attention, and there are thousands and thousands of cases the public has never heard of. If the people of this nation were told exactly how many are killed by law enforcement every day, it would astound them. We don't want any more names to be added. We want no more families inflicted with the trauma we suffer.

Stand with us and raise up your voices with ours to fight together for the day when police murder is a thing of the past.

To endorse this statement of principles, fill out the form at <https://forms.gle/hjZSUWW9cpaUxmeC7> (or scan QR code) or contact **impactedfamilies@gmail.com**



Signatories

Jessie Barber and Calvert Butch Stewart, parents of Gilbert A. Barber, killed by a Guilford County (NC) sheriff's deputy on May 18, 2001
Marissa Barrera, sister of Michael Barrera, killed by Woodland (CA) police February 8, 2017
Arthur Blakey II, oldest brother of Kiana Nicole Blakey, killed by a Cleveland off-duty police officer August 19, 1989
The family of of Ricky Cobb II, killed by Minnesota State Patrol July 31, 2023: sister Daniell Cobb, sister Octavia R. Ruffin, brother Rashad I. Cobb, mother Nyra Miller-Fields
Shatana Cooper, sister of Winston Smith, killed by Federal Marshals, Anoka County, Hennepin County and Ramsey County (MN) Sheriff's Deputies June 3, 2021
Valerie Dale, sister of retired army major Gulia Dale III, killed by Newton (NJ) police July 4, 2021
Amity Dimock, mother of Kobe Heisler, killed by Brooklyn Center (MN) police August 31, 2018
Toshira Garraway, fiancé of Justin Teigen, killed by St. Paul (MN) police August 19, 2009
Christine Hill, mother of Larry Ramone Hill, killed by Hennepin County (MN) sheriff's deputies November 25, 2023
Monique Johnson, mother of Howard Johnson, killed by St. Paul (MN) police December 5, 2022
Nora Massey, mother of Terrol Micquail Massey, who died from unknown injuries while incarcerated in Southport Correctional Facility in NY January 3, 2022
Andree Smith, mother of Justin Smith, killed by Tulsa (OK) sheriffs August 14, 1998
Kimberlee Vaughn, former wife of Mohammad Isaifan, killed by Akron (OH) police December 15, 2019
The family of Andrew Jerome Washington III, killed by Jersey City police August 27, 2023
Karen Wells, mother of Amir Locke, killed by Minneapolis (MN) police February 2, 2022
Tahisha Williams, mother of Courtney Williams, killed by Minneapolis (MN) police October 24, 2004
Juanita Young, mother of Malcolm Ferguson, killed by NYPD March 1, 2000