

# #FreeThemAll

Join Survived & Punished in urging Governor Jerry Brown to decriminalize survival and **COMMUTE THE SENTENCES** of all survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

We also join the California Coalition for Women Prisoners in urging Gov. Brown to end Life Without Parole sentencing. Survivors of violence are particularly vulnerable to being punished with this living death sentence.

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*Photos: Tammy Garvin, Brandy Scott, Stacey Dyer, and Christina Martinez, survivors and anti-violence leaders currently imprisoned at the Central California Women's Facility.*



# THE TIME TO DECRIMINALIZE SURVIVAL IS NOW.

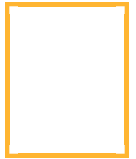
Dear Governor Brown,

I join California residents urging you to commute the sentences of all criminalized survivors, and to end Life Without Parole sentencing.

The vast majority of people in women's prisons, and many in men's prisons, are survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Survivors are criminalized while attempting to navigate dangerous conditions of abuse and coercion. California prisons and detention centers perpetuate cycles of violence through the "abuse to prison" pipeline and because they are themselves sites of systematic gendered violence. This must end.

**I call on you to boldly expand your historic increase in commutations and pardons.** As an ally to survivors of violence, I urge you to recognize prisons and detention centers as forms of gendered violence and commute all survivors.

Sincerely,



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TO:

Governor Jerry Brown  
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