We are incredibly excited to introduce the Chicago Torture Justice Center’s new organizational values to you. The development of these values involved hours and hours of meetings and input from the Center’s staff, the Board of Directors, and the Survivor and Family Advisory Council. Thank you to everyone who contributed their vision and passion!

**Holistic Support**
The impact from trauma is complex, ongoing, and varies depending on identity race, gender, sexuality, ability, age, class, language, etc.). Our services and programs for the incarcerated and non-incarcerated address various needs and urgencies. These include physical, emotional, social and economic well-being, and evolve as necessary.

**Politicized Healing**
We understand that healing encompasses the individual and the collective - within communities, throughout structures, and across generations. Central to our healing is acknowledging and working to dismantle the systems that have caused and continue to cause harm.

**Transformational Leadership**
People are the experts of their own lives, therefore everyone is a teacher and a learner. Together we innovate a model of shared and accountable leadership, which creates spaces to flourish and contribute to the work of the Center by engaging in self-discovery, creativity, and practice.

**Community Relationships**
We prioritize deep relationships and alliances with partners who recognize and share our commitments and values. The opportunity to share in lived experience and resilience are the life-saving and life-reinforcing methods of healing that enable change. The story of the Center does not sit alone – but within a context of the stories of communities of color in Chicago and throughout the United States.

**Liberatory Culture**
We intentionally and actively create internal and external spaces that advance our liberation by developing and sustaining connections through accountability, grace, joy, truth-telling, and creativity.

**Radical Justice**
Recognizing the need for structural healing, co-creation, and innovation, we hold up resistance and imagination as our guides as we fight for systems-change and liberation. It is our duty to speak truth and to challenge and dismantle systems of harm, oppression and state violence while creating new structures that allow all of our people to thrive.

Chicago Torture Justice Memorial Design Proposal Announcement!

Chicago Torture Justice Memorials (CTJM) an artist and activist-led collective, started in 2010 to fight for justice on behalf of the Burge torture survivors, is one step closer to fulfilling all planks of the unprecedented reparations legislation passed by the City of Chicago in 2015. The final component of the legislation is the creation of a public memorial to the Burge torture survivors. Chicago artists Patricia Nguyen and architectural designer John Lee have been selected by CTJM jury members based on the design they presented at "Still Here: Torture, Resiliency and the Art of Memorializing", a public exhibition hosted by Arts & Public Life. More info on the memorial can be found at: Chicagotorture.org
UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, June 3rd
Open Case Management Hours
1pm to 5pm at CTJC (open to anyone impacted by police violence)

Tuesday, June 4th
Cranio-Sacral Therapy (by appointment only)
1pm to 4pm at CTJC (email cindy@chicagotorturejustice.org or call 773-962-0395 to schedule an appointment)

Saturday, June 8th
RISE Community Meeting: Training on Bystander Intervention
10am to 12pm at CTJC (open to community members)

Saturday, June 8th
Breaking Down Walls Book Club: Invisible No More (FINAL MEETING)
12pm to 2pm at CTJC

Monday, June 10th
Open Case Management Hours
1pm to 5pm at CTJC (open to anyone impacted by police violence)

Tuesday, June 11th
Cranio-Sacral Therapy (by appointment only)
1pm to 4pm at CTJC (email cindy@chicagotorturejustice.org or call 773-962-0395 to schedule an appointment)

Saturday, June 15th
What is Justice? A Justice for Families Event
Time and Place TBD (open to all)

Monday, June 17th
Open Case Management Hours
1pm to 5pm at CTJC (open to anyone impacted by police violence)

Tuesday, June 18th
Cranio-Sacral Therapy (by appointment only)
1pm to 4pm at CTJC (email cindy@chicagotorturejustice.org or call 773-962-0395 to schedule an appointment)

Wednesday, June 19th
Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission
3pm to 4pm, location TBD

Monday, June 24th
Open Case Management Hours
1pm to 5pm at CTJC (open to anyone impacted by police violence)

May was a big month for the Center as we celebrated our two-year anniversary and the four-year anniversary of the passage of the monumental Reparations Ordinance. As of the writing of this newsletter, we have raised nearly $13,000 getting us 65% towards our goal of raising $20,000 in individual donations.

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, we had to postpone our #CelebrateCTJC Doc Love comedy show…But, we still had a chance to celebrate together with song, dance, and good food on Saturday, May 25th. Thanks to everyone who came out and who made it possible. Check out pictures from the party!