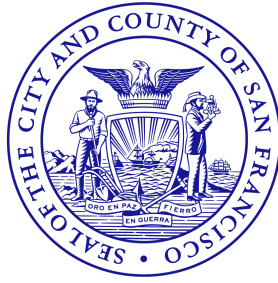


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National Fentanyl Awareness Day Presser tomorrow, Wednesday, at 11 a.m. at City Hall

Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community, Supervisor Dorsey and city leaders mark event highlighting fentanyl's deadly and disproportionate harms to the Black community

SAN FRANCISCO (May 9, 2023) — Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community founder Phelicia Jones will join San Francisco Supervisor Matt Dorsey and other community leaders for a press conference tomorrow, Wednesday, May 10, 2023, to mark National Fentanyl Awareness Day. The event will highlight the deadly and disproportionate harms the synthetic opioid is inflicting on San Francisco's Black community, which according to SFPDH faces a drug overdose death rate five times higher than the citywide average.

- WHAT** National Fentanyl Awareness Day Press Conference
- WHEN** **TOMORROW**, Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.
- WHERE** San Francisco City Hall steps, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place (Polk St. side)

For more information, visit [this link](#) at the *San Francisco Bay View* newspaper.

“For nearly a decade, Wealth and Disparities in the Black Community has been a fearless voice for racial justice, and I’m grateful for its leadership on a drug overdose crisis that’s putting Black San Franciscans at increasingly disproportionate risk for deadly overdoses,” said **Supervisor Matt Dorsey**. “When SFDPH issued its Overdose Prevention Plan last year, Black San Franciscans faced a fatal OD risk more than five times higher than the general population, and inequities since then are growing even more stark. As a person in recovery from addiction myself, I am committed to doing everything I can to enable every San Franciscan who struggles with substance- or alcohol-use disorder to have the same chance at recovery I had. I’m incredibly thankful to Phelicia Jones and everyone at the organization she founded for their leadership. I’m committed to being a full partner with Phelicia and WDBC to help reverse the fentanyl-driven crisis facing our City, to end racial disparities in public health outcomes, and to save lives.”

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