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Katal Connecticut Update

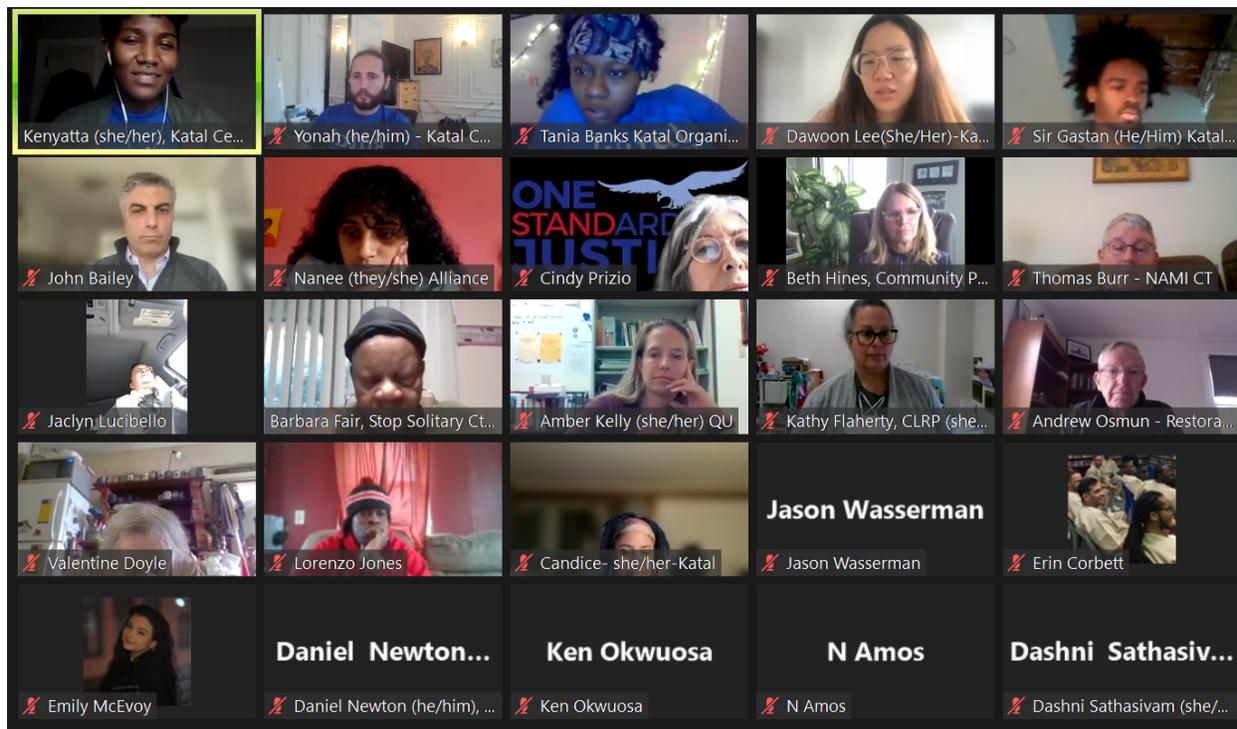
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Last CT Statewide Criminal Justice Reform Call of the Year



Today, we hosted our last [CT Statewide Criminal Justice Reform Call](#) of 2021. We had a lively discussion within the field about next steps to defend and push for more criminal justice at the state capital. Our presenters spoke about debunking myths around Fentanyl, the newly formed Racial Equity in Public Health Commission, holding cops accountable for abuse, and much more.

If you're looking to understand the fight to end mass incarceration in Connecticut, you should join us for these monthly calls.

[Register for our next CT Statewide Criminal Justice Reform Call, on Thursday, January 6, 2022 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.](#)

If you have any questions about the statewide call or would like to present on an upcoming call, please contact Kenyatta at kenyatta@katalcenter.org

Advocacy 101: Prepping for 2022 Legislative Sessions



ADVOCACY 101: PREPPING FOR 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS



DANIELLE WONG
Bloomfield, CT Mayor-Elect

Gain insight on:

- The differences between advocacy, activism, and organizing
- How to identify and activate your base
- Navigating municipal, state, and federal level politics

LORENZO JONES

Co-founder and Co-Executive Director of the
Katal Center for Health, Equity, and Justice



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zoom bit.ly/SCEA_Advocacy101

This afternoon, our Co-Founder and Co-Executive Director, Lorenzo Jones, joined the Second Chance Education Alliance for their Advocacy 101 training to prepare for the upcoming legislative sessions in Connecticut and across the country.

Lorenzo spoke about his 20+ years of community organizing and working on legislative campaigns. He discussed how community organizing as a method of social change can be used to build local power, run effective legislative campaigns, engage local policy makers, and gain collective wins. Lorenzo also touched on the differences between community organizing and other methods of social change like activism or advocacy.

At Katal we define community organizing as building the leadership and collective power (that is, the ability to decide and act) among community members working together for social and systemic change. To learn more about methods of social change

to address community, social, and political problems, [check out our Building Organizing and Leadership Capacity program.](#)

Supporting Organizing Through #Giving Tuesday



#GivingTuesday was this week and Katal participated-- and we were blown away by the support we received! Thank you to those of you who joined us for the global day of giving.

It's not too late to participate! [Click here to invest in organizing.](#)

Katal Quotes of the Week

These are some of the quotes we're thinking about this week.

"It is under the greatest adversity that there exists the greatest potential for doing good, both for oneself and others." --**the Dalai Lama**

“We must recognize and nurture the creative parts of each other without always understanding what will be created.” --**Audre Lorde**

"Love doesn't just sit there like a stone; it has to be made, like bread, remade all the time, made new." --**Ursula Le Guin**

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Interested to receive updates about our work in New York? [Click here to sign up for the Katal New York Update!](#)

Be safe as possible out there, and get vaccinated as soon as you can. If you want to get involved, learn more about our work, or just connect, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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